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Parliament met at 10.12 a.m. in Parliament House, Kampala.

PRAYERS

(The Deputy Speaker, Mr Thomas Tayebwa, in the Chair.)

The House was called to order.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Honourable colleagues, we are continuing with the ministerial policy statements. Where is the Chairperson of the Committee on Education and Sports because I am starting with that committee?

We have a lot of issues to do with infrastructure; so, I want the Committee on Physical Infrastructure to present next, when more Members have come in. I want us to finish by midday. That is why I want us to start with the Committee on Education and Sports.

As part of my communication, I request Hon. Christine Apolot to make an announcement on my behalf. Thank you.

10.15

MS CHRISTINE APOLOT (NRM, Woman Representative, Kumi): Thank you, Mr Speaker, for the opportunity. We thank God for this day. I am going to speak about the Uganda Parliamentary Forum on Malaria, a forum that was launched by His Excellency the President.

It has clear objectives of ensuring that at a certain time, Uganda becomes malaria free.

Our slogan as the Uganda Parliamentary Forum on Malaria is "A Malaria-Free Constituency Is My Responsibility". For today, Mr Speaker, allow me appreciate you for accepting to be the patron of this forum, and above all, being a very committed patron, especially on matters of accountability. *(Applause)*

Mr Speaker, I remember when you challenged us in Entebbe to clearly utilise whatever funds we get as a forum.

Honourable members, I want to officially let you know that the forum, together with the Ministry of Health and other partners, have organised a Malaria Walk come Sunday, 23 April 2023. We shall have our patron, the Deputy Speaker, as the chief walker of the day. *(Applause)*

The forum has gone ahead to mobilise a number of participants for the day. I request the honourable members and members of the public to support the forum and spare something small to get their kits for the day so that we are smart.

Honourable members, the World Commemoration of Malaria is going to be in Bugiri District on 25 April 2023. I now take the opportunity, on behalf of the patron of the forum and the leadership of the forum, to invite all of us to participate in the Malaria Walk on Sunday. Afterwards, we shall participate in the

World Commemoration of Malaria in Bugiri District.

We want to have a situation where we record zero cases of malaria, but that is only possible when we all get committed. Since I am making this presentation on behalf of the Deputy Speaker, I remember one day, he challenged all of us to be members of this forum. I now want to invite all of you to join the forum, as we join our efforts in the fight against malaria.

Allow me wind up by saying that besides the Malaria Walk, we also have other activities organised for the day. We shall have blood donation; we have tasked the coordinator to engage one of the specialists in blood donation and have media coverage of them giving us the advantages of blood donation. If you have never donated blood, please come and save the lives of people in this country on the 23rd. Across the country right now, we have challenges of blood shortage.

We shall also have a medical camp on that day and a number of tests will be conducted here with treatment.

In summary, those are the activities for that day of the Malaria Walk, but I am also inviting Members to participate in the commemoration of the World Malaria Day, come the 25th of April this year. I thank you.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Honourable colleagues, April is a very critical month. It is the month where we create awareness against malaria. It is especially our duty, as legislators, from the aspect of appropriation - ensuring that the right measures are taken as far as fighting malaria in the country is concerned. I do not think we have any Member of Parliament whose constituency is not affected by malaria.

Yesterday, the Shadow Minister for Health talked about the aerial spray. We might not have agreed with the aerial spray but we need to take action. Malaria is killing people; so, we should all be there.

Yesterday, we were also told that the blood bank has a shortage of blood. I will personally be donating blood on Sunday. The Government Chief Whip, the Leader of the Opposition and even Hon. Linos have committed to donate blood. We also accept blue blood, like the one of the Leader of the Opposition, who said his blood is blue.

Honourable colleagues, I did not want to open up debate on this - the time is from 7.00 a.m.

MS CHRISTINE APOLOT: Mr Speaker, the walk starts at 7.00 a.m. There is also physical fitness for the day and it begins at 6.00 a.m. A roadmap has been cleared by the DPC of Parliament and we shall be guided on how the walk will take place.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Please, share that information on our platforms and we ensure that we all come.

MS CHRISTINE APOLOT: Most obliged, Mr Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: I will also be joining the Rotary Club in Mbarara because we have a Rotary conference and our focus is fighting malaria. Let us put all our efforts, as colleagues, and contribute to this fight.

Honourable colleagues, we are also going into Eid, but I will comment on that at the end of today's session.

LAYING OF PAPERS

SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT ON INFLOWS, OUTFLOWS AND ASSETS OF THE PETROLEUM FUND FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

10.21

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FINANCE, PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (GENERAL DUTIES) (Mr Henry Musasizi): Mr Speaker, I beg to lay on the Table the Semi-Annual Report on the Inflows, Outflows and Assets of the Petroleum

Fund for the period ended 31st December 2022. I beg to lay.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. The report is referred to the Committee on Budget for consideration and report back.

**CONSIDERATION OF THE REPORT OF
THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND
SPORTS ON THE POLICY STATEMENT
AND BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE
FINANCIAL YEAR 2023/2024**

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Honourable chairperson, you have 15 minutes.

10.22

THE CHAIRPERSON, COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND SPORTS (Mr John Twesigye): Mr Speaker, I take this pleasure to present a report of the Sectoral Committee on Education and Sports on the Ministerial Policy Statement and Budget Estimates for the Education and Sports sector for the Financial Year 2023/2024.

Mr Speaker, allow me to lay on the Table this report and the minutes before I go to the main presentation. I beg to lay.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, chairperson.

MR TWESIGYE: Mr Speaker, because of the time allocated to me, allow me not to go through all the details.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: The full report will be captured on the *Hansard*.

(The report is hereby attached.)

MR TWESIGYE: Briefly, the report has the introduction, the methodology, gender and equity compliance, consistence of the sub-programme, objectives with the National Development Plan (NDP) III, and the budget performance for half-year of Financial Year 2022/2023. It includes all the votes under the sub-programme and this goes up to the human

capital development programme budget estimates for Financial Year 2023/2024, and the education sports and skills sub-programme for the Financial Year 2023/2024.

Mr Speaker, allow me to go to the observations and recommendations and I will be presenting this vote by vote.

Vote 013: Ministry of Education and Sports

a) Budget cuts

The committee observed that despite recommendations earlier made by the committee at the National Budget Framework Paper Financial Year 2023/2024 approval in regard to the Ministry of Education and Sports, 80 per cent budget cuts especially to the subventions, the Ministry of Education and Sports budget ceiling has not been adjusted to cater for those shortfalls and the following are the likely implications:

- a) The loan scheme has accumulated arrears in regard to payment of tuition fees for the continuing students under the scheme and the board will not be able to admit new beneficiaries in the coming Financial Year 2023/2024.
- b) The Ministry of Health's examinations board, that is, the Uganda Nurses and Midwives Examinations Board and the Uganda Allied Health Examinations Board, will not be in position to effectively discharge their mandate of assessment of students given the 80 per cent budget cuts.
- c) The Uganda National Commission for the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) will not be in position to pay annual subscription to UNESCO and to the Islamic World Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (ICESCO) and implement its activities.

Mr Speaker, these are among the few cuts that have been imposed on the sub-programme but

overall, the subventions under the Ministry of Education and Sports had a budget cut of Shs 170.95 billion.

The recommendation by the committee is that the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development reinstates the budget of the subvention under the Ministry of Education and Sports by Shs 170.95 billion that was cut for effective implementation and discharge of their mandates as envisaged in the Act that brought them into force and in line with NDP III.

b) Grant aiding of primary and secondary schools

Mr Speaker, allow me to go straight to the recommendations. The committee recommends the following:

- i) It reiterates its recommendation for the release of Shs 6.80 billion that was appropriated for grant-aiding of the 28 primary schools and Shs 16.88 billion for the 37 secondary schools in Financial Year 2022/2023.
- ii) That the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development avails Shs 11 billion for grant-aiding of 100 primary schools in Financial Year 2023/2024.
- iii) That the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development avails Shs 20 billion for grant-aiding of 50 secondary schools across the country in Financial Year 2022/2023.

Mr Speaker, part two and three is in addition to what had already been catered for in Financial Year 2022/2023. The reason the committee took that position is because we have realised that it may not be easy for Government at the moment, given the economic situation, to construct seed schools and construct new primary schools in every parish.

c) Rehabilitation of traditional secondary schools

The committee recommends that Shs 15 billion be allocated each financial year towards the rehabilitation of these old traditional schools where most of the infrastructure is in dilapidated state, in order to ensure delivery of quality education services countrywide.

d) Salary enhancement for Arts teachers

The committee recommends that the Ministry of Education and Sports considers enhancing salaries for all teachers in a phased manner, with special consideration for head teachers and their deputies earning less than the teaching staff under their supervision.

e) Recruitment and deployment of teachers.

Mr Speaker, on this, you will observe that around May to July, the Education Service Commission recruited about 4,000 teachers who are not yet deployed in secondary schools. The committee was further informed that the ministry requires at least 3,000 additional primary school teachers in order to improve pupil-teacher ratio in the least staffed primary schools and this is estimated at a cost of Shs 122 billion.

The committee, therefore, notes the need to address this urgently and recommends that the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development allocates an additional Shs 122 billion for deployment of the 4,000 secondary teachers already appointed, and Shs 25 billion for recruitment of additional 3,000 teachers for primary schools.

f) Full implementation of the teachers' scheme of service

This arises out of a situation whereby we have so many graduate teachers who are still enforced in service as assistant education officers.

The committee recommends that the Ministry of Education and Sports liaises with the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development to provide for the necessary wage bill amounting to Shs 6.7 billion to implement the scheme of service in the education sub-programme.

g) Inadequate staff housing across education institutions

The committee recommends that the Ministry of Education and Sports liaises with the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development and other stakeholders in order to provide staff housing for teachers and tutors in different education institutions across the country, especially those in the hard-to-reach areas.

h) John Kale Institute of Science and Technology

The committee observed that the Project 1368 John Kale Institute of Science Technology was exited from the Public Investment Plan (PIP). We recommend that the Project 1368 John Kale Institute of Science and Technology is reinstated in the PIP since it was a Presidential pledge, and will also address the needs of the people in the Kisoro sub-region.

i) Directorate of Industrial Training (DIT)

There is inadequate funding of the lower secondary curriculum. We recommended that the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development should allocate DIT with an additional Shs 11.44 billion for training of 14,016 secondary school teachers on Assessment Training Packages (ATP) and Competence-Based Education and Training (CBET) approaches to ensure the full implementation of the lower secondary curriculum.

Mr Speaker, we observed, during our oversight trips, that most of the secondary school teachers implementing the lower secondary curriculum have not got the hands-on skills that they are able to transfer to those students.

j) Higher Education Students Financing Board

As I already communicated above, the committee recommends that the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development urgently allocates the Higher Education Students' Financing Board additional Shs 20.664 billion in Financial Year 2023/2024 to enable 4,189 students already on the scheme to continue with their studies, and enable 1,500 new cohort attain higher education by accessing loans through the board.

Mr Speaker, there is a big problem here. The board has not been provided with the funds because of those cuts and the universities are threatening to dismiss the students from studies.

k) Shs 14.59 billion be allocated towards clearance of fees domestic arrears accrued with the various universities to avoid litigation due to non-payment – they made MOUs with universities and some universities, especially the private universities, are threatening to sue the board.

l) The Ministry of Education and Sports implements section 42 of the Higher Education Students' Financing Board Act, as has always been recommended by the committee, to vest all kinds of Government scholarships with the board as was envisaged in the Act. As we speak, most of these scholarships are still scattered in different places, including the central scholarship in the Ministry of Education and Sports.

m) The funds the Government allocates to the 4,000 students, on merit, be allocated towards the board funds so that we can help more needy students to access higher education through the loan scheme.

The reason the committee is recommending this is because we have realised that most of the 4,000 students who are admitted, on merit, to these universities are from the high-notch

secondary schools, which are charging a lot of money and, therefore, the students that qualify from there are children of the rich and the children of the poor remain disadvantaged.

Examination boards

Uganda Allied Health Examinations Board

We recommend that the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development reinstates its subvention budget of Shs 6.36 billion and gives them additional Shs 6.2 billion for the board to effectively carry out its mandate.

Uganda Business and Technical Examinations Board

The committee recommends that the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development allocates the board an additional Shs 3.2 billion as development budget, where Shs 2.2 billion will enhance the construction allocation to about Shs 5 billion and Shs 1 billion for retooling of the board towards the acquisition of field containers for examination storage, computers and other necessities.

Uganda Nurses and Midwives Examinations Board

Given the mandate of that board, we recommend that the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development allocates the board an additional Shs 20.3 billion to cover its budget shortfalls in regard to management and the general administration of examinations and construction of the new office block. This one is already on-going.

Vote 128: Uganda National Examinations Board

Given the current mandates under the new law, the committee recommends that the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development allocates;

- i. An additional Shs 1.2 billion to effectively support the Special Needs Education (SNE) candidates.
- ii. An additional Shs 4.6 billion to cater for the revised unit cost for hosting centres to accommodate UNEB marking, due to an increase in basic commodities.
- iii. Shs 3.9 billion as top-up for markers of candidates' scripts.
- iv. Shs 6.7 billion as enhanced field transport for the examiners.
- v. Shs 6.6 billion to carry out National Assessment of Progress in Education (NAPE).
- vi. Shs 3.5 billion for continuous assessment guidelines and data capture tools for science subjects.

Other entities

Vote 132: Education Service Commission

Mr Speaker, the committee recommends that the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development allocates the commission an additional Shs 5.1 billion to kick-start the construction of its premises and for retooling the commission.

Vote 122: Kampala City Council Authority (KCCA)

The committee recommends that:

- i. KCCA be allocated an additional Shs 1.3 billion for revised capitation grants for Universal Primary Education, Universal Secondary Education/Universal Post O'level Education and Training (UPOLET) subvention to KCCA schools.
- ii. Shs 16 billion be allocated to KCCA for covering the shortfall of science teachers in Financial Year 2023/2024.

- iii. Shs 6 billion be allocated towards the ongoing construction of the KCCA Philip Omondi Stadium.

The committee further recommends that the Ministry of Education and Sports works closely with the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development and KCCA in ensuring that more seed schools are built in the city to address the issues of the growing numbers of learners. Given the fact that it is not easy to access five acres of land in the city, as the requirements for constructing a seed school state, they can consider having storied structures in order to ensure that learners access quality education.

Vote 164: National Council for Higher Education

We recommend that:

- i. The Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development allocates the National Council for Higher Education a development budget of Shs 5 billion to enable the council procure computers and office equipment, procure vehicles for the field and embark on its infrastructure development.
- ii. The Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development allocates the council Shs 2 billion that was appropriated in 2022 but was not released, for recruitment of additional staff.

Mr Speaker, the council has a lot of challenges at the moment. They are not able to effectively carry out the monitoring in the field because of lack of the funds.

Central admission for higher institutions

Here, Mr Speaker, we have established that because of different admissions of students at different times in these high institutions, the Higher Education Students' Financing Board finds it difficult to admit students in a more streamlined manner.

So, we recommend that the Ministry of Education and Sports should liaise with the National Council for Higher Education and the Higher Education Students' Financing Board to effect the recommendations of the central admissions for higher education institutions to avoid delays in processing the list of students to be supported by the loan board.

The National Curriculum Development Centre

It experienced huge budget cuts like other agencies. So, we recommend that:

- i. The Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development allocates the National Curriculum Development Centre an additional Shs 26.941 billion to enable the centre achieve its planned but unfunded activities like such as the printing and distribution of Early Grade Learning Materials, review and rollout of A' level curriculum, domestic arrears and missing components of the printing press.
- ii. The Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development allocates Shs 15 billion to the NSCDC for the development of a modularised Technical Vocational Education and Training (TVET) curriculum.
- iii. The instructional materials unit – Mr Speaker, this unit has been under the Ministry of Education and Sports, but we observed that there is an overlap of roles with the National Council for Higher Education, the National Curriculum Development Centre and –(Member timed out.)

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: That is an indication that your time is up. Conclude.

MR JOHN TWESIGYE: Mr Speaker, it is because the sector is big. I am sorry, but let me summarise. The instructional materials unit under Vote 013 should be transferred to the National Curriculum Development Centre for the council to effectively implement its roles as per the law.

Remission of non-tax revenue

The committee recommends that the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development reviews this and allows the NCDC to retain 50 per cent of its NTR collections to support textbook evaluation and other activities that require instant payment for intellectual input.

There, we realised that a similar problem affects universities and other Vote holders that collect NTR because, sometimes, the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development cuts the money that is supposed to be going back to those institutions.

Vote 166: National Council of Sports (NCS)

Inadequate funding to NCS

We recommend that:

- i. The Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development reinstates, in Financial Year 2023/2024, the Shs 47 billion allocation.
- ii. The Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development avails the National Council of Sports a development budget of Shs 50 billion to kick-start the development of the sports complex/arena at Lugogo and Shs 202 billion for the national stadia regionally, in the medium term.

Public universities

Understaffing and high staff turnover

Mr Speaker, we recommend that the Government commits to addressing this persistent issue of understaffing and high staff turnover in public universities.

Wage bill requirement for staff harmonisation and promotions

We recommend that the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development, together

with the Ministry of Education Sports and the Ministry of Public Service, ensure that the new instruction by the Ministry of Public Service is backed up with an appropriate increase in the wage bill for universities

Therefore, Shs 62.6 billion should be allocated for staff harmonisation, and Shs 24 billion for the promotion of staff including those at Makerere University.

Inadequate funding for Government-sponsored students

The committee recommends that the Ministry of Finance, Planning, and Economic Development allocates enough funds commensurate with the number of Government-sponsored students in those universities. What was observed is that when the university admits students in the first year, the Government does not continue paying for those students in the second and subsequent years; they only keep sending money for the first-year students.

Mr Speaker, I have already talked about the harmonisation of Government scholarships in institutions of higher education, under the board.

Inadequate research funds to universities

On this, we recommend that other than Makerere University, other universities be allocated Shs 5 billion to assist them with research work. And since there are no funds for travel abroad, the recommendation is that money be provided to enable them ably continue with their external partnerships and research work.

Inadequate funding for the rehabilitation of the dilapidated structures at Makerere University

Mr Speaker, on this, we recommend that an additional Shs 10 billion be given for the renovation of the College of Health Sciences and Medicine, and the College of Veterinary Medicine for the construction of the Animal Resource And Biosecurity Centre, and the renovation of the halls of residence.

Mbarara University of Science and Technology

This university has a problem of a dilapidated medical school. The committee, therefore, recommends that Shs 50 billion be allocated for the construction of a multi-purpose block at the Faculty of Medicine to house all lecture rooms, laboratories, and offices, and another Shs 18 billion will be required in the Financial Year 2023/2024 to kick-start the process.

Mr Speaker, I have already talked about the wage bill for the recruitment of staff and promotions.

Makerere University Business School (MUBS)

Mr Speaker, Under MUBS, we recommend that an allocation of Shs 12.4 billion be allocated to enable the university clear its domestic arrears.

Kyambogo University

The committee recommends that the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development allocates Kyambogo University an additional Shs 34.2 billion in the Financial Year 2023/2024, to enable it address the process of asbestos-sheets roof removal - the university has buildings littered with asbestos sheets - and handle the dilapidated infrastructure.

We further recommend that the university considers engaging the convocation to source funds for the initial fencing of the university to stop encroachers on its land.

Busitema University

Inadequate release to the Maritime Institute at Namasagali

The committee recommends that the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development allocates Shs 8.7 billion in order for it to start the implementation of the programme. There is also funding for the technology innovation and incubation centre and we are proposing Shs 1 billion to be allocated for at least the next three financial years.

Funding toward completion and equipping the medical school

This one is at Mbale Campus. We recommend that Shs 3.7 billion be allocated to fast-track and complete the rehabilitation of the medical school.

Muni University

Inadequate funding to the university

We recommend that the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development revises the recurrent non-wage of Muni University upwards to at least Shs 7.71 billion in the next financial year, and the MTEF period, in order to avoid a supplementary request each financial year, which sometimes is not given to the university.

We further recommend for an additional Shs 8.2 billion for the completion of the construction of a multi-purpose hall to house the health science modern laboratory and administration annex building, and Shs 1.2 for Erepri Primary Teachers' College. The university also needs more Shs 4.8 billion to recruit staff.

Kabale University

The committee recommends that the Ministry of Finance, Planning, and Economic Development should maintain the budget of Shs 9 billion, in the medium term, to enable the university to complete its on-going infrastructure development, and that it avails an additional Shs 22.6 billion for the procurement of a pre-specialised equipment and machinery.

Soroti University

The committee recommends that the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development should allocate an additional Shs 17 billion to enable it complete the Anatomy Block.

Gulu University

The committee recommends that the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development

reinstates the universities development budget of Shs 11 billion to take care of inadequate funding for other key development projects, and provide Shs 13.455 billion to help the university undertake the construction of a multipurpose building at the college in Moroto and the teaching hospital.

Muni University

The committee recommends that the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development allocates the university Shs 12.6 billion to complete the main administration block and procure the necessary medical equipment for the teaching hospital.

Uganda Management Institute

On this, we recommend that the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development avails UMI an additional Shs 1.5 billion for the construction of a new classroom block at Mbale and Mbarara study centres, and Shs 10 billion to kick-start the construction of a multi-purpose building block at the Kampala Campus.

Mountains of the Moon University

This is a new university that came on board at the beginning of last financial year. The committee recommends that the Ministry of Finance –

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Chairman, please make a correction. You have been talking about the Mountains of the Moon Hotel; it is Mountain of the Moon University.

MR JOHN TWESIGYE: Thank you, Mr Speaker. As I was saying, being a new university, this university still suffers inadequate funding for infrastructure development.

The committee recommends that the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development reinstates Mountains of the Moon University development budget of Shs 5.41 billion and an additional Shs 5.4 billion be allocated as a

retooling budget, plus Shs 20 billion, which is a Presidential pledge, to enable them complete the construction of the Faculty of Science, Innovation, and Technology.

Under local governments, the committee recommends that the Government makes a deliberate effort to take stock of all government education and sports facilities across the country with an aim of improving them with special attention to districts that are usually affected by natural disasters.

We have a section on key unfunded and underfunded activities of the education sports and skills sub-programme. A list of the unfunded and underfunded, yet critical activities for the sub-programme, have been attached as an annex.

In conclusion, Mr Speaker, I beg to move that the policy statement for the Education and Sports Skills Sub-programme be approved. I beg to report.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: At this level, we adopt; we don't approve. Approval is done after the Committee on Budget have gone through the figures and returned them for approval.

Secondly, chairperson, you must take note that at this stage, we deal with figures and financial implications. So, please read the summary in the estimated supply table. You can read the totals Vote by Vote; read the summary in bold.

MR JOHN TWESIGYE: Mr Speaker, this is indicated in table 13 for Vote 13: Ministry of Education and Sports, the total recurrent - the figures are in billions of Uganda shillings -

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: So, you did not put the whole total together. It is okay. You can do that.

MR TWESIGYE: The recurrent expenditure - Shs 159,937,277,000 Development expenditure - Shs 292,915,383,000.

Vote 111: National Curriculum Development Centre

Recurrent expenditure - Shs 20,144,615,000

Development expenditure - Shs 3,074,000,000

Vote 128: Uganda National Examinations Board

Recurrent expenditure - Shs 114,658,450,000

Development expenditure - Shs 11,544,000,000

Vote 132: Education Service Commission

Recurrent expenditure - Shs 8,035,820,000

Development expenditure - Shs 2,436,410,000

Vote 164: National Council for Higher Education

Recurrent expenditure - Shs 12,102,335,000

Development expenditure – Shs 0

Vote 165: Uganda Business and Technical Examinations Board

Recurrent expenditure - Shs 24,654,802,000

Development expenditure - Shs 2,800,000,000

Vote 116: National Council of Sports

Recurrent expenditure - Shs 16,966,514,000

The development expenditure is not captured here, Mr Speaker. I think this is something that we have to provide –

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Mr Chairperson, this is what we are going to do: if you are not sure, kindly let the Clerk-at-Table help you as we begin the debate. At the end, we can read the figures, before adoption.

MR JOHN TWESIGYE: Much obliged, Mr Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Clerk, coordinate and avail the Chairperson with the table so that he can be sure of what he is reading because the totals are critical. Do not mind; they are going to help you. Hon. Ssewungu is your colleague in the committee and he is already working.

Honourable colleagues, we are going to debate and we are going to do it like we did yesterday. That is number one.

Two, the guidance is very clear; your submission on this should either state whether we provide funds for unfunded priorities, as cited in the report, or we do not. Do not bring in issues outside the report.

Three, your submission should be very clear on issues which the Budget Committee is going to consider. If you bring issues, which the Budget Committee is not going to consider - issues of a policy nature - I want you to make statements that have a financial implication. That is how we process ministerial policy statements.

With that, I open the Floor for debate. Members of the committee, please do not stand up. I will pick Hon. Josephat, Hon. Joel Leku, Hajat, Hon. Connie Galiwango and Hon. Allan Mayanja. I have already gotten five Members; so, I will pick others depending on my mood. (*Laughter*) Please take two minutes each.

10.57

MR JOSEPHAT TUMWESIGYE (NRM, Bugangaizi South County, Kakumiro): Thank you, Mr Speaker. I thank the committee for processing a good report. I am standing to raise an issue that is very important and it touches me and the rest of the Members, especially from Bunyoro.

I listened attentively to the chairperson as he read the report and he enumerated all the public universities and what they are going to get in the next financial year. Like I have said before on this Floor, Bunyoro is a very important region. (*Laughter*)

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Honourable colleague, all regions are important.

MR JOSEPHAT TUMWESIGYE: Yes, they are all important but I want to say it without fear that Bunyoro is marginalised, Mr Speaker. (*Interjection*) - Excuse me. While all the major regions of this country have got public universities - I may not mention them - but it is a known fact that all the major regions of this country have got public universities; some even have two universities. Why couldn't

the committee be so sympathetic to include Bunyoro University in their policy statement?

Last financial year, there was just a small budget provision of only Shs 2 billion and – *(Member timed out.)*

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, honourable - no, we do not work that way. It is two minutes - colleagues, you determine how to use your two minutes.

10.59

MR JOEL LEKU (NRM, Terego West County, Terego): Thank you, Mr Speaker. I would like to draw the attention of the House to the grant-aided schools. I thank the committee for putting that in the budget. The primary school that appeared on social media, where there was one teacher in a class of about 500 pupils, is in my constituency. We really need to aid these primary schools so that we get more classroom blocks for them. It is more appealing when we continue to see retooling in the budgets that have been read. If you put all these figures together into the educational sector, I think we will be able to get more school blocks for these institutions.

Secondly, there are schools on the border of Terego and Madi-Okollo; Ocea Primary School, Odobu Primary School and Ariwa Primary School. Their UPE funds go to Madi-Okollo and then the salaries come to Terego. This is the third quarter running and this has been happening for a full year. It is total confusion; we do not know where these schools belong.

Therefore, it will be wise, as the ministry is here today tabling the budget, for us to know where these schools lie; where the fund is going. Thank you, Mr Speaker.

11.01

MS MELSA AVAKO (NRM, Woman Representative, Yumbe): Thank you, Mr Speaker, for the opportunity. I thank the committee for the report. Members, as we are all aware, education is a prerequisite for improved livelihood. It is very unfortunate that

the committee has reported a severe budget cut of 80 per cent.

We are talking about education, which has to be affordable to Ugandans and for it to be affordable, we need to talk about performance. How do we improve performance when the budget is severely cut? That is my concern.

The committee talked about effective assessment of students, regular inspection of schools, teacher enhancement and so on. I am raising my voice to join the committee to support the votes recommended should stand as they are. *(Applause)* Thank you.

11.02

MS CONNIE GALIWANGO (Independent, Woman Representative, Mbale City): Thank you, Mr Speaker. I would like to thank the committee for the good work done - the observations and the recommendations.

Mr Speaker, I am disheartened from what has come out of the report. One wonders if a budget cut by 80 per cent is a budget. Education is the key to all the sectors without which, there will be no other. *(Applause)* If it is cut by 80 per cent, then there will be no effective assessment for health education. So, how will a nurse come out without being assessed? Won't they kill the people? I pray that there is money for assessment. Otherwise, if there is nothing in education, then nothing will go on.

Mr Speaker, it is said that there will be no more recruitment for the loans scheme yet the scheme is for the children of the poor and they are the majority in this nation. It is only the children of the rich who get Government sponsorship because they can afford good schools.

Mr Speaker, my heart is bleeding because of the Ugandans that are going to miss education. Should they miss, we will have thugs all over the country. Therefore, the best we can do is to allocate money to the loan scheme so these children can also become somebody – *(Member timed out.)*

11.04

MR ALLAN MAYANJA (NUP, Nakaseke Central County, Nakaseke): Thank you, Mr Speaker, for the opportunity. My concern is about the salary enhancement for the arts teachers. Honourable members, we are here because of teachers. Their salaries need to be enhanced so that they are in a favourable environment to teach our children. This should be done as soon as possible.

The Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development committed to increase the salaries for science teachers but they have failed. Teachers are suffering in Nakaseke. Even the President committed himself to increase the salaries for these science teachers. In Nakaseke District, science teachers have not been paid for two months. I raised this matter and you sent just Shs 1.6 billion but they are still suffering. Please, their salaries need to be enhanced as soon as possible.

The second concern is about grant aid in primary and secondary schools. You cannot send Shs 10,000 a year per child in Universal Primary Education schools and Shs 40,000 per child in secondary schools. Sincerely speaking, how do you cater for a child for the whole year at Shs 10,000? We need to increase this money as Parliament because it is not enough at all. Thank you.

11.06

MR STEPHEN KISA (NRM, Luuka South County, Luuka): Thank you, Mr Speaker. The quality of education and that of the people in the country are linked. It is very dismaying to see the Government of Uganda mapped over 600 schools for grant aid in this country. There are teachers in such schools who are meant to be paid by Government. There are children who are supposed to receive education in such schools but the budget is not provided for. A shortfall of Shs 19 billion is a lot of money.

Therefore, I want to appeal to Members of Parliament to provide money to ensure schools that were meant to operate under Government aid must be operationalised. (*Applause*)

Secondly, the Government of Uganda across the board is talking about skilling Ugandans. How do you fail to provide money for BTSET? Why are we wasting time on skilling? We are moving up and down in the Parish Development Model. We are not providing this money.

I want to appeal to Members of Parliament to stick to the principle that money for BTSET is provided in this next budget. Thank you.

11.08

MR OKIN P. OJARA (FDC, Chua West County, Kitgum): Thank you, Mr Speaker. My concern is about the rehabilitation of the traditional schools. I have seen Shs 15 billion earmarked for that but when you move around the countryside, which I had the opportunity to do, most of these traditional schools are in dire need of rehabilitation. To just allot Shs 15 billion is completely inadequate. The report says it is going to be done in a phased manner. We would like to understand how many phases there are.

We started discussing this issue of rehabilitation in the 10th Parliament but nothing has happened so far. I would like to inquire from the chairperson the phases we have for this rehabilitation. Also, can we add money to revamp these traditional schools?

Lastly, on the enhancement of the scientists' salaries and those of the arts, there is a very thin line between the two. To say, "This is social science, this is empirical science," and segregate teachers along that line is unfair. May we, therefore, ask that the salaries of even the arts, which is social science, be enhanced? (*Member timed out.*)

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Hon. Mpindi, Hon. Lokwang, Hon. Chemonges - Honourable colleagues, let me tell you the formula I am following and I am very cautious. If someone from your region has spoken, just sit. I am picking per subregion so as to get a picture of the whole country. I have already sorted out Bunyoro, Bugisu, West Nile, Busoga, Acholi and Buganda.

I will pick Hon. Asaba, Hon. Koyekyenga for Ankole and Hon. Kwizera for Kigezi [*Members rose*] No, I have to devise means as a strategy to have each area covered.

11.11

MR BUMALI MPINDI (Independent, PWD Representative): Thank you, Mr Speaker. I rise in regard to special needs education. In the report and in the budget, special needs education has been left out.

Mr Speaker, you wanted to know why children with hearing impairment failed the PLE exams last year. One of the reasons was about funding and it continues to be the same. We lack special needs schools. The Government committed to constructing some special needs school, but time and again, that issue has not been addressed.

I pray that the budget for special needs education be increased this financial year. Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon. Lokwang for Karamoja.

11.12

MR HILLARY LOKWANG (NRM, Ik County, Kaabong): Thank you, Mr Speaker, for the opportunity.

Article 36 of the Constitution talks about the minority groups and Article 32 talks about the marginalised communities. I am advocating for affirmative action. The communities that I represent – like the Batwa, the Benet, the Tepeth and the Ik – are not benefiting from these affirmative action programmes. I have never seen any Benet, Tepeth or Batwa getting a special scholarship.

The other issue is about the schools. In Ik, for example, I have five primary schools. Three are community schools and they stop at Primary Four. I have only two Government-aided schools. We do not even benefit from these grants. Now, where is the affirmative action? Are we implementing Article 36 and Article 32 of the Constitution?

So, we also need to be taken into consideration and one day, this House should approve some money for affirmative action for the marginalised. I am also talking about women, the disabled and other groups that are not captured.

Thank you, Mr Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon. Chemonges for Sebei.

11.14

MR WILLIAM CHEMONGES (NRM, Kween County, Kween): Thank you, Mr Speaker. First of all, I thank the committee for coming up with this report. However, the report is not comprehensive in that it has not considered the traditional schools properly because I have seen Shs 15 billion being allocated to the traditional schools. All of us, Members, have got very old schools, which have no structures but their teachers are earning. For example, I have about three town councils without schools and one has a very old school.

Another serious issue is the loan scheme. We can all agree that the loan scheme is not doing us a favour in the country. When you look at the names that come, they are actually the names of people who are able to pay their school fees in the universities.

In the last list that came out, the entire Kween – I even went ahead to look at the entire Sebei. The entire Sebei, I think, had five beneficiaries only. That was really shocking.

Finally, I managed to move around our UPE schools last week. I got shocked. Even as we plan and say that we are improving education, we are not doing it. There are no funds for exams in the UPE schools. There is even no cup of porridge for any child there. There is completely – (*Member timed out.*)

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Hon. Kwizera for Kigezi.

11.16

MR EDDIE KWIZERA (NRM, Bukimbiri County, Kisoro): Mr Speaker, thank you. I also thank the committee for the work that they have done.

Mr Speaker, I do not see why when the population of the country is growing and the number of children going to school is growing, you cut down the budget. This means there is economic and social sabotage.

The Education budget should be regarded even more than the one for defence. This is because without education, you cannot get a good army. So, we need good soldiers, who are well schooled.

Secondly, the people who manage education in public schools are undermining public education in favour of private schools because these private schools are owned by many people in the Government. So, we should look at the reasons why education cannot be well funded.

Another issue, Mr Speaker, is about the standardisation of education. We have a number of universities, but there is the issue of the employability of the graduates. We need to put more money into the standards of education and set specific standards for our graduates. In this region, you may not recruit graduates from other universities – you may find it is only Makerere, Kyambogo, Nkozi or KIU. We have no standards because of poor budgeting.

I would like to thank the President for recognising the people of Kisoro by establishing a public university or institute there because it helps to improve the human capital development. Investing in education means you are investing in human capital. There will be inflow of foreign capital from Rwanda, Burundi and other countries because of the institute called John Kale Institute. I thank you.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Hon. Koyekyenga, for Ankole.

11.18

MS OLIVER KATWESIGYE (NRM, Woman Representative, Buhweju): Thank you, Mr Speaker. I also thank the chairperson of the education committee for the report. However, I have a few things to note.

Mr Speaker, my first concern is about understaffing in seed schools and Government-aided schools. In the report, they showed us that there is a gap of 43 per cent - understaffing. Of course, this is very bad because the Government has invested money to build some of these schools, but when you go to those schools, there are no teachers and children are just loitering without studying.

When you try to inquire, the district tells you about the wage bill at the district. They cannot recruit teachers because there is no money. Mr Speaker, I think we need to add more money.

Mr Speaker, another issue is the Shs 8 billion to start the renovation of Makerere halls. This is a mockery. Shs 8 billion is too little. For those who know Makerere, when you go there and look at those halls, you feel like crying. Shs 8 billion is nothing. We need more money to renovate our halls so that our – (*Member timed out.*)

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Hon. Babungi, for Rwenzori.

11.20

MS JOSEPHINE BABUNGI (NRM, Woman Representative, Bundibugyo): Thank you, Mr Speaker, for the opportunity. I also add my voice to thank the committee for the report. My comment is about salary enhancement for all the teachers. There should be equality in salary enhancement.

Mr Speaker, we have a scenario where some of the head teachers are also teaching science subjects. At Sindila Secondary School in my district, we have a head teacher who also teaches chemistry and maths. However, he was not considered on the science teachers' pay enhancement. You find a teacher earning more than a head teacher. So, how is the school

going to be run when some of the teachers are being paid higher than the supervisors?

There is also a scenario of the rehabilitation of the old schools. This should be done in all the districts; there should be a thorough check. In this same school - there is a class whose roof was blown off. I personally wrote to the OPM asking for iron sheets. I was not given the iron sheets but we all know where the iron sheets ended up yet we have such structures in a sorry state in some of the schools. So, I support the rehabilitation of some of the old schools, which are in a sorry state. Thank you.

11.22

MR PAUL ASABA (NRM, Kyaka North County, Kyegegwa): Thank you, Mr Speaker. I also want to take this opportunity to thank the Committee on Education and Sports, for the report.

Mr Speaker, I have a very serious concern in my constituency but which I think is occurring in other areas too. There is a technical school that was pledged by the President to be constructed in my constituency. After the pledge, the army came and started the construction but after roofing, they abandoned the site. It is now almost four years. I have moved to the Ministry of Education and the last time I went there, they promised that in this budget, it would be considered but when I look through the report, I do not see River Muzizi Technical School in Kyaka North. It is not put anywhere. I am really afraid of that area.

Secondly, Mr Speaker, people are talking of secondary schools but in my constituents, I have five subcounties without secondary schools. Mr Speaker, I recall when you once visited my area and you saw one secondary school, which is Bugogo Secondary School. This school is, however, around 48 kilometres from the other nearest secondary school.

Mr Speaker, you recall, you even helped me to write the Ministry of Education and Sports. I followed up by writing, but up to now, nothing has been done. This school too is reflected here. I only request that in this budget, we cut here

and support the education sector. Otherwise, if we do not support the education sector, we shall be in danger. Thank you.

11.24

MS MAXIMUS OCHAI (NRM, Budama County North, Tororo): Thank you, Mr Speaker, for the opportunity. I want to thank the Committee on Education and Sports, for the reports presented to the House. I want to agree with the submissions so far made although I want to add one thing: that is support to the tertiary education subsector.

Mr Speaker, Tororo District is the home to a faculty of science education. The people of West Budama North Constituency, and of Tororo District at large, have actually been advocating for the upgrading of that faculty to university level.

How I wish, as we support the tertiary education sub-sector, we consider upgrading the Nagongera Campus, from being a Faculty of Science Education to a fully-fledged university. That will go down well for us. I thank you.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you.

11.25

MS SANTA ALUM (UPC, Woman Representative, Oyam): Thank you, Mr Speaker. Education is the driver of all sectors that we are talking about in this budget. So, allow me to address my concern, first of all, to the students' Loan Scheme, which is supposed to benefit the children of the poor, who are the majority.

It is very unfortunate that the Ministry of Finance, Planning, and Economic Development only releases money for first-year students. Some of these students are even doing science courses and they need money; they need to be supported because if we do not support them, it means we will be breeding university dropouts. At the moment we are grappling with school dropouts at the primary level, and so, it will really be so sad.

Secondly, allow me to say something about public universities. There is a big problem but I want to address myself to Lira University. We are doing so well, in terms of numbers because we have many students but the issue is funding.

Mr Speaker, the Medical School at Lira University needs an additional Shs 12.6 billion, and I want to support the committee on this. Similarly, there is the issue of the staffing level in this public university; it is not mentioned by the committee, but Lira University has only 27 per cent of the filled vacancies. I think it is high time we had student numbers matched with staff.

Finally, is the issue of the curriculum –(Member timed out.)

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. No. I would want an ordinary member. Honourable minister, you sit in Cabinet but since I have failed to get an ordinary member from Teso, I will pick you, Hon. Musa Ecweru –(Laughter)– because you know the regions, which have not contributed.

11.27

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR WORKS AND TRANSPORT (WORKS) (Mr Francis Musa Ecweru):

I want to thank you, Mr Speaker, for your flexibility. I first want to thank the chairperson of this committee. My request to the committee and the ministry - last financial year they allocated resources for the rehabilitation of some traditional schools but unfortunately, because of, I think procurement challenges, they did not implement that programme. And Teso College Aloet, for example, was one such schools.

I did go with Hon. Peter Ogwang, the Minister of State for Sports, to the launch but we were advised that there were still some issues to be resolved. My prayer is that that resource be ring-fenced so that we do not abandon those traditional schools, as far as rehabilitation is concerned. Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Honourable colleagues, I want to thank the

chairperson and the team, and you, for the contributions. Of course, there are issues that are very unique to the education sector, which I have seen will be gravely affected, for example, by the ban on travel abroad. If you remove travel abroad for universities, when they have external examiners, how will they work? When we don't fund research – university teams travel to meet different agencies. For example, there are universities with research budgets of up to \$100 million. That involves engaging stakeholders because the money we are giving to research is extremely small.

Honourable minister, I think you said this will be on a case-by-case basis; we hope the education sector will be given serious attention.

Then for the National Council for Higher Education - if you want degrees from universities to be recognised globally or to be considered that they are very important, we must have curricula, which are approved. We must have universities that are assessed well but we are increasing the number of universities without increasing funding to the National Council for Higher Education that is supposed to give reports - you may find they have a huge backlog, which means universities are going to be teaching courses that are not approved because the council is not well facilitated to recruit staff to go do assessments, and so, how are we going to be assessed globally? It means our universities are going to be affected, in terms of ranking, and once they are affected, we shall not attract good research funding.

Also, our people won't be competitive, in terms of international jobs and even locally, by the way.

It may also mean that research - all this will be clearly affected. I know the issues with the National Council for Higher Education; I was in the higher education sector. They need very critical affirmative action, honourable minister. They do not even have computers.

You see universities are employing very strong software but we have a regulator who is lame-dark because of the lack of financing. Even

the man we brought for this financial year - honourable minister, kindly intervene – I think they needed like Shs 1 billion for the computers to be able to assess but they are not able. So, honourable minister, please, we request you to intervene. In this era, we still have a university that has asbestos roofs, after they have been declared cancerous. We have a university that has asbestos roofs and we are sending children there to go and get cancer!

Do we want Prof. Katunguka to sell whatever he has and roof a university? In the end, we shall blame these institutions, but what do you want the administration to do if we cannot provide money for roofing?

Honourable colleagues, there is something that I want to assign the committee and the minister to look at; the issue of the Joint Admissions Board (JAB) forms. The cost is very high. I got a very painful experience in my constituency. I have discovered that many children from poor schools are unable to fill these forms because they cannot afford them. I have a very good example: some of you have come to my constituency and I have an area which neighbours a national park; it is one of the areas more or less forgotten. Hon. Musa Ecweru went there. They even call it “Congo.” In this area, some of the students that study there think that they can only qualify to go to, probably, a plumbing school or teach somewhere; that is all they know. They do not have high hopes.

In the last exams, the only school that has A' Level in the area - I think they had about seven students - we got one student who is even partially blind; he could not even afford a braille machine but he managed to squeeze through and scored aggregate 20. However, this student had not filled out the JAB form; so, he could not qualify for Government sponsorship.

Another lady, whose process of education I cannot narrate here, got 19 points but she had not filled out the JAB forms, reason being that she could not afford it. Therefore, who are we educating at university? We are educating those who can afford it. That is a very good example showing you that the poor are even

going to miss out on opportunities because even the opportunities you call “Government sponsorship or free” have money tagged to them. Those who cannot afford that money cannot get those opportunities.

Honourable colleagues, if it was in your constituency, what would you do? The burden is going to be transferred to me, as their Member of Parliament, to educate those children because I cannot leave them to suffer. I am going to ensure they become lawyers. Maybe, they can transform the community; I am going to pay.

If we do not address this issue, the burden will transfer to you. Today it is me, tomorrow it will be you. Honourable colleagues, these are issues we must tackle head-on. If we do not do so, we will pay the price, on top of our communities suffering.

11.35

MR FRANCIS MWIJUKYE (FDC, Buhweju County, Buhweju): Thank you, Mr Speaker. Before the minister comes, there is a new terminology that has been coined by all ministries, which is used in presenting reports and it is called “retooling.” Can the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development help us to define what this “retooling” is so that we do not pass reports with subversive statements and end up where our colleagues are?

Two, there are many budget cuts in the Ministry of Education and Sports. We were told of securing our future, but how is this future going to be secured? How are we going to progress steadily, when there is no money in the education sector?

The Minister of Education and Sports recently recruited 4,500 teachers and gave them appointment letters, but they have not been posted to any schools. They may end up suing Government. When they go to any secondary school, they are told there is no place and they cannot be placed, but they have appointment letters. We need money for all these teachers.

My colleagues have talked about the higher institutions loan scheme. Instead of Shs 27 billion, only Shs 5 billion has been provided. This means that those who are already in universities may be discontinued, and those who have just applied will not be taken. This is a loan - and we are told those who completed are paying back very well. Why don't we find the money for the loan scheme?

The Shs 15 billion for the rehabilitation of traditional Government schools is little money. You know the traditional schools such as Nganwa High School, Sir Samuel Baker Secondary School, Kitgum High School, Lango College where the Chief Whip went, Teso College Aloet - all these schools are in embarrassing conditions. I believe this money is not enough.

I have seen the suffocation of political space in universities. Prof. Barnabas Nawangwe is expelling students because of their ideologies. If people cannot have freedom at university, where will they find freedom? I know very many of you who were leaders in universities, including the Speaker and several ministers. Now, when we come here to Parliament, and they are being suffocated, and we keep quiet about it, and just give them money - we should be able to say, "Before we give you money, stop suffocating the political space because it is a learning ground." Even a demonstration is a learning experience. I am a product of demonstrations and I am doing very well.
(Laughter)

Mr Speaker, you know that *Mama Mabira* is a product of demonstrations. Even the name came out of demonstrations. The point I am making is; these are learning institutions and people should not be suffocated or expelled just because of their political ideologies. I thank you.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, Leader of the Opposition. I will start with the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development. Just two minutes, honourable minister.

11.39

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FINANCE, PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (GENERAL DUTIES)

(Mr Henry Musasizi): Thank you, Mr Speaker. Let me begin by taking this opportunity to appreciate honourable colleagues for the passionate debate they have made on the education sector.

Education is one of the last major interventions, which touch all of us. For some of us who started from church schools, we know what the story you are talking about means.

The budget for the Financial Year 2023/2024 has been anchored on various principles and one of them is to completely suppress travel abroad except for the entities, which we have also defined. That notwithstanding, we have said, on a case-by-case basis, if the reason for the travel is justified, we shall be able to provide for it. The case of the external examiners is clearly understandable. I want to assure you and the House that this will definitely be provided for as we finalise the budget.

On the subventions, the 80 per cent cut is the principle we adopted. However, further analysis has shown that some interventions are doing critical activities, where the 80 per cent rule may not apply, like the examinations board, the loan scheme and many others. Right now, I have instructed our technical teams to analyse and pick out those cases. These are some of the areas the corrigenda will address.

Hon. Mwijukye wanted me to define "retooling". In the budgeting sense, retooling captures the following items: building, computers and motor vehicles. Where you have seen the budget for retooling cut, we are trying to implement the principle of not buying cars in the next financial year. If you have a motor vehicle in the retooling budget, we have taken away that money. We are not allowing entities to start new buildings, except those already in progress. This is why the retooling budget is going down. Why are we doing this?

In the coming year, our discretionary budget will be reduced by Shs 2.5 trillion. Also, we still have another deficit of Shs 3 trillion to cover up yet we have to do efficiency within the available budget since we do not have an additional resource envelope.

The last point is to ask Members to understand the situation. The budget cycle is just 12 months. In this budget, we are trying as much as possible to deal with those items, which cannot wait. For those we think can wait, I appeal for your support that we defer them to the future financial years.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Honourable minister, we shall have further debate when the final report comes here because the minister's submissions are crosscutting.

Honourable minister, as per the statutory deadline, we are finalising the ministerial policy statements; so, I expect you to get all the recommendations from the ministry's policy statements for your team to study. That will guide your corrigenda, which we expect to receive very soon. I do not want us to stampede Members with a budget to say, "We only have one hour of handling it." No, I want us to finish the work within the timelines provided.

Minister of Education and Sports, I only answer issues of financial implication since that is the one we are referring to the Committee on Budget. For the rest, I will get you some space, maybe next week, to address them.

11.45

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR EDUCATION AND SPORTS (PRIMARY EDUCATION) (Dr Joyce Moriku): Mr Speaker, I would like to thank you, and the honourable members, for the overwhelming support to put education at the centre and prioritise it in terms of funding. Most of these issues, as you have said, are centred on budgeting. We just need more money.

On the implication of the budget cuts – the ministry had put in a place a task force for Bunyoro University and Busoga University

and they have started walking the journey. The implication of not providing funds to Bunyoro and Busoga universities is that the gains we have so far achieved will be retarded. The task force will be rendered jobless. So, that needs to be considered. (*Applause*)

The implication of not allocating funds for the renovation of the seed schools and managing congestion in primary schools directly affects the performance and the quality of education of our children.

A lot needs money, and as you said, Mr Speaker, when we do not provide the money, at the end of it, we will not meet the international standards in terms of education quality. We shall not even meet the standards within our East African Community.

Lastly, on the roadmap, we have the 18 zones, which must have a Government university. We also have constituencies that need to have Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) or skilling. Recall the Presidential pledges that have been raised. Once we do not fulfill those skilling programmes, the implication is that our youth are not going to be competitive on the job market.

Every subcounty is supposed to have a secondary school. That is the policy roadmap. Also, parishes are supposed to have a primary school. It is our desire and commitment to ensure that we have all of those within our administrative units so we improve the quality, accessibility and equity of our children. Thank you.

MS KAAYA: Thank you, Mr Speaker. I am standing on a procedural matter, we are -

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: State the rule.

MS KAAYA: I am deliberating on rule 149 -

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: No. Read rule 78(4).

MS KAAYA: Mr Speaker, if putting such an item -

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Honourable colleagues, if you cannot state the rule – let me read for you rule 78(4); it reads: “*Where a Member interrupts debate on a point of procedure, the Member shall state the Rule of Procedure he or she deems to have been breached by the Member holding the Floor.*”

Honourable colleagues, there is no Member holding the Floor; so, I do not know which rule is being breached. Honourable colleagues, let us move on.

Before I put the question, honourable minister, you talked about retooling. If the issue of asbestos is covered under that, kindly, let us help our people because we shall be sued in future.

This morning, I received a message from a resident in Arua who said, “Rt Hon. Speaker, I am told you are going to be debating education. Mvara Secondary School, one of the traditional schools in Arua, still has asbestos roofs.” Let us identify those schools; even Kyambogo is one of them.

Honourable chairperson, read the supply table and the figures.

MR JOHN TUMWESIGYE: Mr Speaker, I am sorry. Actually, the supply table has no issues. The figures appearing here, both for recurrent and development, are the ones in the Appropriation Bill’s draft estimates. So, the figures are correct. I had reached Vote 166: National Council of Sports – let me repeat it.

Vote 166: National Council of Sports
Total recurrent – Shs 16,966,514,000
Total development – Shs 0

Vote 301: Makerere University Kampala
Total recurrent – Shs 346,669,558,000
Total development – Shs 19,072,698,000

Vote 302: Mbarara University of Science and Technology
Total recurrent – Shs 54,295,012,000
Total development – Shs 3,764,047,000

Vote 303: Makerere University Business School
Total recurrent – Shs 103,103,575,000
Total development – Shs 2,125,530,000

Vote 304: Kyambogo University
Total recurrent – Shs 131,291,738,000
Total development – Shs 1,710,496,000

Vote 305: Busitema University
Total recurrent – Shs 52,112,893
Total development – Shs 5,892,464,000

Vote 306: Muni University
Total recurrent – Shs 24,080,694,000
Total development – Shs 4,752,000,000

Vote 307: Kabale University
Total recurrent – Shs 56,011,281,000
Total development – Shs 2,586,568,000

Vote 308: Soroti University
Total recurrent – Shs 22,879,364,000
Total development - Shs 1,257,362,000

Vote 309: Gulu University
Total recurrent – Shs 61,529,303,000
Total development – Shs 1,671,020,000

Vote 310: Lira University
Total recurrent – 29,983,277,000
Total development – Shs 5,000,000,000

Vote 312: Uganda Management Institute
Total recurrent – Shs 35,594,073,000
Total development – Shs 1,720,000,000

Vote 313: Mountains of the Moon University
Total recurrent – Shs 37,702,810,000
Total development Shs 0

Vote 612: Local Governments
Total recurrent – Shs 3,129,560,000,000
Total development – Shs 349,030,000,000

Vote 122: KCCA Education Grant
Total recurrent – Shs 46,710,000,000
Total development – Shs 2,230,000,000

I beg to report, Mr Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, committee chairperson. Hon. Christine Kaaya, you seem to have a very burning issue.

MS KAAYA: Mr Speaker, my procedural matter is on the entire business of the House – I am moving under rule 149. I could not see the title on the Order Paper. So, I am just inquiring if it is of harm to include it on the Order Paper. Wouldn't we be proceeding rightly if the names of these reports were indicated on the Order Paper?

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Hon. Kaaya, when we were starting, I informed the House that the whole budgeting process is provided for under the motion for supply. So, all these items will be under that. It has different items and we shall move for many days under this same motion. So, what is very important is for the *Hansard* to capture that under this motion, we continue with A, B, C and D. So, that is how it is captured, traditionally. Thank you.

Honourable colleagues, I now put the question that the report of the Sectoral Committees on Education and Sports on the ministerial policy statement and budget estimates for the Education and Sports Sector for Financial Year 2023/2024 be adopted.

(Question put and agreed to.)

Report adopted.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Congratulations, committee chairperson. I did not receive a minority report. The report is referred to the Committee on Budget for further consolidation and consideration.

Hon. Ssewungu?

11.59

MR JOSEPH SSEWUNGU (NUP, Kalungu West County, Kalungu): Thank you, Mr Speaker. I thank all the Members for supporting our report, which is very strong. *(Laughter)*

Mr Speaker, we have had a lot of issues in education and, indeed, this committee summoned the PS/ST to appear on Tuesday because he refused to appear. However, the issue I am raising – you heard about traditional schools. I pray that the finance ministry and the education ministry sit and seek a loan for the rehabilitation of all schools in Uganda.

The primary schools in our constituencies are in a terrible state. These Members of Parliament are the ones building toilets and repairing them – putting up doors, painting them and everything. The fact is that all our primary schools are condemned.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Honourable member, let us not reopen the debate – no, he sought guidance from me; I do not want us to go back on this thing. The only thing that Parliament can do is to recommend financing, but it is the Government, which knows the source of financing – it can be borrowed or they can do reprioritising. Really, we cannot sit here and say, "Government, go look for a loan." What if they say they have money or that this does not meet - I do not want us to report this. Next statement.

CONSIDERATION OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PHYSICAL INFRASTRUCTURE ON THE MINISTERIAL POLICY STATEMENT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2023/2024

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Mr Chairperson of the committee, you have 15 minutes like the rest have been doing. So, at 12.20 p.m. your time will be done. We have a clock in the corner, in case of any doubt.

12.20

**THE CHAIRPERSON, COMMITTEE
ON PHYSICAL INFRASTRUCTURE
(Mr David Karubanga):** Thank you, Mr Speaker, for the opportunity you have given our committee to present the ministerial policy statement and budget estimates. Before I proceed, allow me to lay a copy of the committee report and the minutes of the meetings of the committee proceedings.

Mr Speaker, I am here to present the committee report on the integrated transport, infrastructure, and services programme where the Ministry of Works and Transport is the lead agency, and the one for the sustainable urbanisation and housing programme, where the Ministry of Lands Housing and Urban Development, is the lead agency.

Mr Speaker, I would like to go through the Votes. Under the Integrated Transport, Infrastructure, and Services Programme, we have:

Vote 016: Ministry of Works and Transport;
Vote 113: Uganda National Roads Authority;
Vote 118: Uganda Road Fund; and
Vote 609: Local Governments.

Under the Sustainable Urbanisation and Housing Programme, we have the Ministry of Lands Housing and Urban Development. And under the Natural Sources Environment, Land and Climate Change Programme, we have the Uganda Land Commission.

Mr Speaker, since you have given me only 15 minutes, I would seek your indulgence to go to page 40 where I want us to look at the allocations. The budgets for the programme - the current budget and budgets. I want us to look at column 2, which is the Integrated Transport Infrastructure Services Programme, excluding KCCA.

The Ministry of Works has been allocated Shs 1,375,800,000,000 – see the summary form - and UNRA has been allocated Shs 2,547,210,000,000; the Uganda Road Fund - Shs 467,000,000; and Local Governments got an extra Shs 1 billion; so, they have Shs 204,450,000,000.

Then we have some little money, which the Ministry of Works and Transport gets, which is about Shs 2.4 billion and that is under Sustainable Urbanisation Housing. The ministry also gets some little money for regional balance development; so, the Ministry of Works and Transport gets a total of Shs

1,378,000,000,000 and the total allocation under that is Shs 4,595,410,000,000.

Mr Speaker, I want to draw the House's attention to page 48 of the report on the observations and recommendations. On the Ministry of Lands, Housing and Urban Development - of course, I hope that Members have seen the allocations under the ministry - we have an issue to do with the physical development plans. We realised that the ministry requires Shs 183.85 billion but only Shs 46.85 billion was allocated, leaving a funding gap of Shs 137 billion.

The committee recommends that Government, in the medium term, commits to funding the implementation of the physical development plans so as to reduce the mushrooming slums.

Rent and Construction requirements

The Parliamentary Commission intends to demolish Development House, which currently houses the Ministry of Lands, Housing and Urban Development and for that matter, the ministry requires Shs 24 billion to cater for rent in the Financial Year 2023/2024, and Shs 102.75 billion as money required for the construction of a permanent home.

Mr Speaker, from that observation, the committee recommends that the Shs 24 billion for rent and Shs 102.75, in the unfunded priority category, be provided to the ministry to cater for office rent and the construction of a permanent home for the ministry to relocate.

Mr Speaker, under construction of low-cost housing for Ugandans, the committee realised that in Financial Year 2021/2022, the Government remitted only Shs 30 billion, leaving a balance of Shs 88 billion. And whereas the balance budgeted for the Financial Year 2022/2023 was affected, there were budget cuts under capital development items and no allocation was given.

So, Mr Speaker, the committee recommends that the Shs 88 billion and the Shs 55 billion should be allocated to National Housing

and Construction Company Limited and the Ministry of Defence and Veteran Affairs, in this financial year, to cater for the balance on the acquisition of the National Housing and Construction Company Limited towards the clearance of the debt owed by the Ministry of Lands Housing and Urban Development. And also Shs 88 billion be given to National Housing and Construction Company Limited, as arrears.

Mr Speaker, the committee, therefore, reiterates its earlier recommendation that indeed, the Shs 88 billion should be paid to the National Housing and Construction Company Limited and then the Shs 55 billion to the Ministry of Lands, Housing and Urban Development, which will be later paid to National Housing.

Under land acquisition and compensation, the committee recommends that Government commits to funding the settlement of payment towards outstanding obligations to claimants under the various ranches since the arrears have really gone to a big figure of Shs 372.3 billion, and the narrative has been given in the report. You will see that that is an unfunded priority.

The committee recommended that the Physical Planners Registration Board, whose Act was enacted, should be operationalised but there are no funds for that.

Acquisition of land for the development of low-cost residential houses for industrial workers

The committee was informed that Shs 25.5 billion is required for land acquisition.

The committee notes and appreciates the urgent need towards solving Uganda's housing problem, especially in providing low-cost residential houses for the urban poor. Therefore, it recommends that Government should prioritise funding in order to curb the rapid growth of slums.

The maintenance of Land Information Systems

The committee recognises the importance of a well-maintained Land Information System,

especially in revenue collection. We have been told that the current one has challenges in securing land records, land tenure security, reduction of corruption, improvement in service delivery and consolidation of revenue collection.

Therefore, the committee recommended that an additional Shs 5 billion be allocated towards the maintenance of the Land Information System from the Shs 15 billion allocated to land compensation because the Land Information System is helping the ministry to generate revenue.

Ministry Zonal Offices (MZO)

The budget is only Shs 18.406 billion for the activity. Only Shs 4.105 billion has been provided. The funding gap is Shs 14.301 billion.

The committee recommends that an additional Shs 4 billion be allocated for the operationalisation of MZOs from the Shs 15 billion allocated towards land compensation.

Likewise, staffing under the MZOs has been a big problem. There have been many queues and complaints. The committee recommended that Shs 2.478 billion be allocated to cover the funding gap towards staff recruitment in MZOs so as to deal with those many queues.

Re-affirmation of the international border

The committee was informed that the ministry had budgeted for Shs 5.391 billion but only Shs 0.591 billion has been allocated, leaving a funding gap of Shs 4.8 billion.

The committee, therefore, recommends the provision of Shs 4.8 billion for the reaffirmation of the international border in this financial year. People, especially in the North, have had challenges with our neighbouring country.

Under NTR, the committee recommends that Government should endeavour to finance the priority areas that require urgent attention as

listed. The ministry told us it was supposed to be a funding priority, but the money towards enhancing its NTR is a problem.

Strengthening of the Office of the Chief Government Valuer

The committee was informed that the office has a project, which is aimed at streamlining revenue generation and only Shs 1.015 billion was allocated for that activity out of the required Shs 12.035 billion.

The committee recommends that an additional Shs 6 billion should be allocated to the Office of the Chief Government Valuer from the Shs 15 billion allocated towards land compensation because the Chief Government Valuer's Office is also helping the ministry to improve its revenue generation.

Land registration

The committee observed that there is massive systematic land adjudication and certification across the entire country. The exercise generates revenue but it is poorly funded with only Shs 151.077 million.

The committee, therefore, recommends that an additional Shs 1 billion be allocated for land registration from the Shs 15 billion allocated towards land compensation.

Uganda Land Commission

The allocation on page 56 is per that table where the total allocation for the Uganda Land Commission (ULC) is Shs 27.333 billion. The committee realised that under the Uganda Land Commission (ULC) we are supposed to operationalise the Land Fund. Therefore, as a recommendation, Government should fully operationalise the Land Fund and increase its financing to sufficient levels to support the broader function of the Uganda Land Commission.

The committee further recommends that the Land Fund be allocated Shs 73.2 billion to compensate absentee landlords.

Inadequate funding of the land inventory

The committee recommends that Government should provide funds to the Uganda Land Commission to cater for start-up activities towards land inventories such as sensitisation with MDAs and other stakeholders, boundary openings and valuations.

Court cases

The committee reiterates its earlier recommendation that Government should prioritise allocation to the Uganda Land Commission in this financial year that we are budgeting for to cater for court compensation to clients of ULC.

The Uganda Land Commission Bill

The committee realised the money required is very little, which is almost Shs 0.6 billion but only 0.1 billion has been provided. The committee recommends Government to prioritise the allocation of an extra Shs 500 million in the medium term.

Mr Speaker, the funding gaps are there summarised. There are funding gaps under land compensation for absentee landlords. You can see the figure. Under the subdivision surveys, you can see the figure. Government land inventory, you can see –(Member timed out.)

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Mr Chairperson, your time is up.

MR DAVID KARUBANGA: Mr Speaker, let me go to the Ministry of Works and Transport. We have recommendations. First, is the implementation of the Resettlement Action Plan for the new Kampala ports at Bukasa, the PAPS –

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Mr Chairperson, skip the recommendations that do not have any financial implication because in the budget, you deal with figures, not policy statements.

MR DAVID KARUBANGA: Thank you, Mr Speaker. Only Shs 2 billion has been provided and the requirement is almost Shs 30 billion. We are requesting for those PAPs to be paid.

Under the development, the ministry had requested Shs 30 billion but it has been allocated only Shs 1 billion. The committee recommends that Government finds the balance of Shs 29 billion.

Under road equipment for cities and municipalities –

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Mr Committee chairperson, I want to move with you on your report. I do not want you to bring figures here that are not from your report. On the last one where you said that around Shs 30 billion is needed, I do not see it in your recommendation. If you do not have a figure in the recommendation signed by the committee –

MR DAVID KARUBANGA: Mr Speaker, the figure is Shs 29,991,339

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: What is that for?

MR DAVID KARUBANGA: Bukasa project.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: No. I mean, is it for the implementation of the Resettlement Action Plan (RAP)?

MR DAVID KARUBANGA: Yes.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: So, where is it in the recommendation? This is what the Committee on Budget will be dealing with. If you have not captured it in the recommendation, then they will not also capture it.

At this stage, you cannot amend the report. Maybe a Member can move a motion that we amend and include that recommendation.

MR DAVID KARUBANGA: Mr Speaker, thank you. I think that was an omission. Under the development of the new Bukasa Port, the committee recommends that Shs 29 billion

be allocated towards the development and completion of the new port.

Under road equipment for cities and municipalities, the committee realised that almost \$50 million is required. The committee's recommendation is that in the medium term, the Government finds money to fund that.

Under improving road safety and regulation of the transport sector, only Shs 23.86 billion has been allocated against the requirement of Shs 62.88 billion. The committee urges the Government to prioritise funding towards activities aimed at ensuring road safety in Uganda.

Under streamlining management for motor vehicle registration, only Shs 14 billion has been allocated. It has a requirement of Shs 86.2 billion with a very big project of building a one-stop center. The committee, therefore, recommends that an additional allocation of Shs 72.26 billion be provided in this financial year to streamline motor vehicle management and registration if the ministry and Government are to meet the set targets and outputs.

Mr Speaker, there is the Kasoli Housing Project which has a SACCO. It is a low-cost housing project where the SGR is supposed to sit in Tororo. The SACCO petitioned Parliament. The fund required is Shs 3.74 billion for the Project Affected Persons (PAPs) in 92 houses, DFCU Bank Shs 3.1, PAPS in the 90 structures Shs 817 million and there is another group of 17 freehold offers from pool housing of Shs 143.5 million. The committee recommends a total of Shs 4.73 billion to be paid to SGR of which, Shs 3,186,960,558 should be paid to DFCU Bank.

Mr Speaker, you gave a directive that this issue should be rested once and for all. You gave the assignment to the Prime Minister.

Regarding critical funding under civil aviation, the committee was informed that the country continues to lose a lot of foreign exchange from the tourism sector due to the poor status of one

of our aerodromes in Kisoro. The committee was informed that resurfacing that aerodrome and other works requires Shs 6 billion. That will help us to deal with the challenges we have been having with the tourism sector in that corner.

The committee was also informed that Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) is supposed to undergo The International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) audit this September but they lack key security and safety equipment. The requirement for that is Shs 11 billion. This has a reflection on the country so the committee recommends that funds be reallocated from the three proposed items under the Ministry of Works and Transport for an additional Shs 3 billion for the aerodromes. Also, Shs 6 billion for surfacing and Shs 11 billion for security and safety equipment.

On failure to fully fund road equipment for the 16 districts, the committee observed that there has been partial funding. There are 16 districts which do not have road equipment. The Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development said we should budget for it this financial year but there are no resources for that.

Our recommendation to the Committee on Budget is to see where they can get money to ensure districts without road equipment are given the balance of Shs 27 billion.

There is a table which shows the proposal allocations under the Ministry of Works and Transport. The committee recommends that a total of Shs 46.8 billion be allocated as follows:

- a. Civil Aviation Authority, Shs 3 billion for aerodromes, Shs 6 billion for Kisoro and Shs 11 for security and safety equipment;
- b. KCCA, an additional Shs 20 billion to the Shs 10 billion they have been given for the rehabilitation of roads and maintenance in Kampala;

- c. Ministry of Works and Transport, Shs 6.2 billion for upgrading of urban roads under the local ceiling.

Mr Speaker, the committee observed that UNRA has continuously failed to make payments to contractors pending interim payment certificates. The outstanding areas as of 31st March stand at Shs 453.5 billion. UNRA has therefore continued to accrue interest to a tune of Shs 227 million per day, at a rate of 15 per cent per annum. The outstanding interest payment obligation is Shs 14.28 billion from the arrears only.

The committee was informed that in the meantime, UNRA should not enter any new contractual obligations until their outstanding debt payments are completed. The committee, therefore, recommends that the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development should avail the required funding to pay off the outstanding debt obligations by UNRA to its contractors.

Under reduction in the nonwage budget, the committee recommends that the nonwage budget components should be increased to provide for supervision costs for ongoing, planned projects and privatisation of the critical roads within the Financial Year 2023/2024.

Under the right of way, the committee recommends that the Government should ensure that substantial right of way is acquired to at least 60 per cent continuous section and the corridors demarcated prior to the signing of contracts for these projects.

Kampala Capital City Authority

Inadequate funding for road maintenance and drainage infrastructure; Mr Speaker, Kampala Capital City Authority expressed dissatisfaction over the inadequate funding for the road maintenance and drainage infrastructure. They gave us their network and how it is divided in different divisions.

The committee was informed that as of March 2023, only Shs 30.8 billion had been released against the budget allocation of Shs 103 billion for the Financial Year 2022/2023 (Shs 78.540 billion from the Integrated Transport Infrastructure and Services (ITIS) and Shs 24.9 billion from Uganda Road Fund).

KCCA says it is impossible for the authority to meet its set targets and outputs, according to the releases. The committee observed that they had been given only Shs 10 billion under this financial year – which we are processing – from the ITIS programme, which is a considerable decrease from Shs 78.54 billion in the last financial year.

Mr Speaker, the committee was informed that there are projects which are ongoing – and the kilometres are there – but KCCA said that they were in the process of launching some of these. Of course, you have been seeing what is in the media. The committee was, indeed, concerned about the slow progress of those works, given that the closure date is supposed to be December 2024.

The committee further observed that KCCA has no roads committee to oversee the maintenance and rehabilitation of roads.

The committee recommended that:

- i) KCCA should be allocated more funds under the ITIS programme.
- ii) KCCA should deliberately commit funds towards the desilting and maintenance of drainages across their road network that is to undertake a comprehensive drainage infrastructure systems design.
- iii) KCCA should expedite the launching of the loan projects – which loans matured long ago.
- iv) KCCA should be adequately funded in order to enable it to accomplish its set priorities and achieve the required outputs.

Vote 609: Local Governments

The committee noted that although the Cabinet made a decision for the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development to allocate Shs 1 billion directly to all districts and municipalities for maintenance and rehabilitation of roads in the Financial Year 2023/2024, there were no clear guidelines on the usage of the money and the role of the Uganda Road Fund as per Section 25(2) of the Uganda Road Fund Act, 2008 in the planning and monitoring.

The committee, therefore, recommends that the additional Shs 1 billion to all local governments should be disbursed through the Uganda Road Fund –*(Applause)*– to enable the Uganda Road Fund to guide the district administrators to prepare and make timely submissions of their road maintenance and rehabilitation work plans, and also monitor the implementation of these work plans.

Mr Speaker, subject to the above observations and recommendations, I beg to present the figures below for adoption and supply under the Votes under the jurisdiction of the committee. The figures of supply are;

Vote 012: Minister of Lands, Housing and Urban Development
 Recurrent – Shs 52,987,499,000
 Development – Shs 91,444,108,000
 Total – Shs 144,431,607,000

Votes 016: Ministry of Works and Transport
 Recurrent – Shs 188,102,433,000
 Development – Shs 1,167,619,015,000
 Total – Shs 1,325,721,448,000

Vote 113: UNRA
 Recurrent – Shs 111,195,024,000
 Development – Shs 2,436,014,019,000
 Total – Shs 2,547,209,043,000

Vote 118: Uganda Road Fund
 Recurrent – Shs 644,752,413,000
 Development – they do not have development budget

Total – Shs 644,752,413,000

Vote 156: Uganda Land Commission
 Recurrent – Shs 8,521,261,000
 Development – Shs 18,811,960,000
 Total – Shs 27,333,221,000

Mr Speaker, I beg to move and request the House to adopt the report. Thank you. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Just a very quick one – before I open the debate. There is one statement which I want to hear. Can you confirm that you have traced and found the Shs 1 billion for each district? Is it in - I do not mind where it is; but is it provided for in the budget?

MR DAVID KARUBANGA: Yes, Mr Speaker, it is under the local government, giving a total of Shs 204 billion.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Very good! Now, I direct the Committee on Budget to look for that money, wherever it is and bring it under the Road Fund because we cannot start doing things that way. (*Applause*) Pick it from the local government and put it under the Road Fund; that is how it has been managed properly. (*Applause*) If people are talking about rationalisation, we do not know about that. Parliament does not work in anticipation and Rule 80 is very clear on that.

Therefore, Committee on Budget, go scan - you already have leads to where it is hidden - pick it and bring it to the right home. That is sorted.

Two, chairperson, I want to ask - and you can guide, honourable colleagues. I have seen you referred to KCCA. So, will its budget for this road be found under the Presidential? I am asking this because you have recommended that they give KCCA money, but when it comes to the table of supply, I do not see KCCA there.

So, when it reaches here, will you tell the Committee on Budget to go and pick a recommendation, under infrastructure and

ensure that, under the supply for the Vote –Ministry for KCCA is covered? Hon. Byanyima, do you want to help?

MR BYANYIMA: Mr Speaker, in the usual Uganda Road Fund money for road maintenance, it is UNRA, which gets the biggest share, and the second is KCCA. So, the portion for road maintenance is there except it is not enough.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: It is under the Road Fund? Okay, let us ensure that when we get that money, it is also put under the Road Fund. Very good! I just wanted to coordinate the debate when I am enlightened on those issues.

Honourable colleagues, I am going to start with Hon. Atima. I am going to pick you, honourable colleagues, because I am giving you some time. Let us do this quickly; I will pick many of you.

12.42

MR JACKSON ATIMA (NRM, Arua Central Division, Arua City): Thank you very much, Mr Speaker. I thank the committee for the elaborate report presented. However, on the allocation to the transport sector, I saw some money proposed to go towards the rehabilitation of Entebbe Airport, phases I and II put at 80 per cent. Then there is the development of Kasese Airport at 88 per cent.

However, Mr Speaker, Arua Airfield, which was supposed to be upgraded to an international airport, has not been mentioned in this budget.

That airfield, which is supposed to be upgraded to an airport, will enhance trade in this region. It will create employment opportunities for the youth and the traders in this region, and it will enhance the foreign income for this country.

I implore the committee and the Ministry of Works and Transport, to have that considered because works, which had started have stalled. We are wondering what is happening to the upgrading of that airfield to an airport.

Two, Mr Speaker, the chairperson of the committee talked about equipment for the newly created cities. I did not see the figures for the cities that have been created like Arua are – (*Member timed out.*)

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Hon. Kayagi

12.44

MS SARAH KAYAGI (NRM, Woman Representative, Namisindwa): Thank you very much, Mr Speaker. I want to thank and applaud the committee for identifying Shs 1 billion to be allocated to the Road Fund.

Mr Speaker, some of us who come from rural districts and mountainous areas, have got very few kilometres that are under the Central Government or UNRA. That means that most of our roads benefit from this budget of the Road Fund. So, if this money is identified and allocated, it will reduce the pressures that we have.

Secondly, Mr Speaker, I want Government to consider the low-cost ceiling. For most of the roads in the mountainous areas, they are washed off once it rains; the gravel that the engineers put is removed. So, when we have the low-cost ceiling of tarmacating these roads, and given little traffic in the mountainous areas, and in those flood-prone districts, it will save us the cost of buying gravel every now and then, and the noise that our people make when the roads are damaged. I want to thank you.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Let us hear from Hon. Kazini.

12.46

MR FRANCIS KAZINI (NRM, Buhaguzi County, Kikuube): Thank you, Mr Speaker, and thank you chairperson of the committee.

The chairperson of the committee talked about the rehabilitation of KCCA roads. However, I want to bring to his attention that recently, we lost our beloved District Chairperson for Hoima in an accident due to potholes on

Hoima-Busunju Road. I, therefore, beg that before we lose other important people – Mr Chairperson, you also use the same road -

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: No, before we lose Ugandans; even the less important are not supposed to die.

MR TWINOMUJUNI: Thank you, for the correction, Mr Speaker. Before we lose more Ugandans, including you, Mr Chairperson, because you use the same road, I beg that you also consider Hoima-Busunju Road for rehabilitation.

Secondly, you talked about the critical roads - you know we have a very important road that connects from Kabwooya to the oil fields of Buhuka - you all know that oil is now the backbone of this country. I beg that you also allocate it a budget such that we move at par because we need that oil. I thank you, Mr Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon. Kazini, I only come to that side when visiting you. So, if you are threatening me that I might die on the road? (*Laughter*)

MR TWINOMUJUNI: Mr Speaker, let us work on it so that you can come comfortably.

12.47

MS JENIFER AYOO (NRM, Woman Representative, Kalaki): Thank you, Mr Speaker. First, I want to thank the committee for the work well done. I also thank the Government for the Shs 1 billion that they are allocating to the rehabilitation of the roads.

Mr Speaker, I have seen the issue of the road equipment here and the committee has highlighted that they need \$50 million to procure the equipment for the cities and the municipalities and they are recommending that at least this money be provided.

On the issue concerning the 16 new districts, the money is said not to be there. Mr Speaker, with the Shs 1 billion that has been added to

these districts to work on the roads, which we appreciate, without the road equipment for these districts, these monies, I promise you, will come back to the Consolidated Fund. It will not be of any help to these districts without equipment.

Therefore, I want to emphasise to the committee and Government to please, look for funds and have all the districts get the equipment. I thank you.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Yes, Hon. Feta.

12.49

MR GEOFREY FETA (NRM, Ayivu Division East, Arua City): Thank you very much, Mr Speaker. I want to thank the committee for doing a good job. I want to agree with the committee on UNRA because surely, the potholes we have been talking about - others being dry and some being wet - and the minister joked that he is going to start with those ones that have a lot of water –

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: There are some which are “bummy; they have bums.”
(Laughter)

MR FETA: He was alleging that the dry ones are from West Nile; we do not agree. Money should be given to Uganda National Roads Authority (UNRA) to do a good job.

In 2018, Government compensated landowners around Arua Airfield and about six people remained to be compensated. However, up to today, nobody is talking about the balance to be paid to the people so that they vacate the place. Arua Airfield is the second biggest after Entebbe and people are dilly-dallying. I do not know why people do not want to speak facts. It has the highest traffic in this country after Entebbe; so, consider upgrading Arua Airfield.

The Shs 1 billion given to the districts is going to solve a lot of problems. It is good that the committee has seen sense in putting that money under the Uganda Road Fund because we have a legal framework under which this money can

be properly managed. A district can decide to buy equipment; Shs 1 billion can buy a grader and you begin from there. In the next financial year, you can decide to do another thing. This quarrel of not having equipment should be addressed using the Shs 1 billion through the Uganda Road Fund.

In the mean –*(Member timed out.)*

12.51

MR BASIL BATARINGAYA (NRM, Kashari North County, Mbarara): Thank you, Mr Speaker. I appreciate you and the entire Speaker’s office because you have fought hard to have this Shs 1 billion -

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Honourable colleagues, we promised ourselves that in this budget we must get at least Shs 1 billion so it is a good that it has been achieved.

MR BATARINGAYA: Thank you. I think this will push us.

The second issue is we appropriate money for road maintenance in the recurrent expenditure. When we travel internationally, we find the roads marked but here, the road was marked when it was constructed. Now the night traffic has increased and many accidents are caused by lack of road marks. I beg that this is taken into consideration. Thank you.

12.53

MR LAWRENCE SONGA (NRM, Ora County, Zombo): Thank you, Mr Speaker. I would like to thank the chairperson and members of the committee for the report. Many of my colleagues have already mentioned key and priority areas. I want to emphasise the issue of the international border or the customs border points.

It is very important for us in Uganda to link our customs border points so that we can generate more revenue for the country, other than borrowing high interest loans. If I had the power, I would put money where we can generate more revenue for our people. These are areas with high returns on investments.

My prayer is that the customs border points, especially in West Nile, which has about five points - and if you compare the revenues generated from the customs border points of West Nile, from Goli, Paidha, Awasi, Vurra, Lia, Odramacaku up to Salia Musala, the amount of money there can double the one we are getting from Malaba. I pray that these customs border points are linked so that we can generate more revenue.

On top of that, these areas have security roads which can help us create peace here and also open up the DR Congo market. The distance from Koboko - Kuluba to Central Africa Republic is only 775 kilometres. That can open up market for people. The DR Congo market is about US \$3 billion. Why do we go to China to borrow from -? (*Member timed out.*)

12.55

MS PAULINE KEMIREMBE (NRM, Woman Representative, Lyantonde): Thank you, Mr Speaker. I thank the ministry for the releases to our districts under the Uganda Road Fund -

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Not releases; they are proposed allocations.

MS KEMIREMBE: Thank you. It has been good though in the last four quarters, there was a sharp decrease in the releases.

We have a challenge; the Ministry of Works and Transport has been identifying some roads in our districts and working on them but this is done at a very high cost, compared to what Uganda Road Fund gives us. By introducing this Shs 1 billion to our districts, it will remove that double expenditure. If this money was not in our budgets, I was going to say that maybe this money - like in the case of Lyantonde, they would allocate us Shs 200 million to work on a 15-kilometre road, and yet they would allocate maybe Shs 300 million to work on the road coverage of 100 or 53 kilometres.

Therefore, you see that there is a big gap compared to one kilometre being worked on.

For example, when it comes to the district roads, you find that you are given about Shs 5 to 6 million and then the ministry roads are allocated above Shs 15 million.

If this is done, then that double expenditure - even not having better roads - will be removed. This will enable us supervise our districts.

However, there is that challenge in the ministry, where you allocate us a lot of funds and you do not let it - (*Member timed out.*)

12.57

MR ANDREW OJOK (NRM, Omoro County, Omoro): Thank you, Mr Speaker -

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Colleagues, you know that I have very good eyesight. For those of you who just came today, when we have been processing ministerial policy statements - and I know you - I am not picking any. We have been here since the other day. Yesterday, we left at 9:00 p.m. and some of you just came in today; I am not picking any of you. You can go for the caucus before the buses leave you. (*Laughter*)

MR OJOK: Thank you, Mr Speaker. Allow me to thank the chairperson of the committee for the report. On 6 April 2023, the Prime Minister made the following statement; "The Gulu–Opit–Rackoko–Patongo–Abim–Moroto Road is a national road under the responsibility of UNRA and it is currently under maintenance."

Although the road was not listed under NDP III, it is a priority road, as stated by H.E. the President, in his pledges. As such, the road has been identified for development. Design for upgrading of this road is scheduled to commence in the next financial year.

This Moroto Road has been talked about for so long and it connects over 60 per cent of Northern Uganda. Allow me to request that this is considered, as mentioned by the Prime Minister because it was not mentioned in the committee's report. Thank you.

12.58

MR JOSEPH SSEWUNGU (NUP, Kalungu

West County, Kalungu): Thank you, Mr Speaker. I would like to thank the chairperson and the committee for the good report. I am interested in knowing how much fuel is allocated to the tractors in the districts. How much is set aside for their maintenance? You can buy road units, but you do not provide the fuel to run these machines.

Secondly, Kalungu, where I come from, is among the newly created districts. However, we have only one small tarmac road of one kilometre that goes to a certain Catholic Church built by an individual. I want to know whether you have put money aside for every new district that has no single tarmac. When shall we ever have tarmac in new districts? What is the interest of creating districts and we just have those roads with no single tarmac?

Lastly, on the issue of Kampala, I do not know whether they have looked at Salaama Road. There are matters of litigation in KCCA where the IGG stopped contracts from proceeding. Have you looked at that? What is taking place? We need these roads maintained.

On the Kampala-Entebbe Expressway, the contract was supposed to have lighting but there is none and as a result, a number of accidents occur along that road. Can we know whether something has been done regarding the challenges on that road? We need to have lights because people are getting killed all the time.

On the issue of the new districts, we would like to get an update when we shall get at least one main tarmac road for a district. Buhweju is here –(Member timed out.)

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: We shall have the Member for Kiboga, Hon. Mayanja, Member for Soroti and Hon. Komakech. Colleagues who have not been here, why are you standing up? I will not pick you.

1.00

MS CHRISTINE KAAYA (NUP, Woman

Representative, Kiboga): Thank you. Mr Speaker, I am the chairperson of the Uganda Parliamentarians Land Management Forum (UPLMF). My comments go to the Ministry of Lands, Housing and Urban Development.

They have presented the environment sector well having reported that they have cancelled over 12 land titles in protected areas. However, we need more money to help them cancel more of these land titles in the protected areas.

Mr Speaker, we see a lot of money requested for, for the land information centre but we are not provided this information regularly and openly. As much as we would like the land information centre to have money, we would like the information to be shared publicly.

On the issue of compensation rates, there are five districts whose compensation rates have been approved. We request that this ministry is provided with more money to help the districts undergoing compensation in the oil region that have been affected by the pipelines approve their compensation rates so they are able to help our people.

I do not know what is happening because when it comes to the compensation of individuals, we tend to propose a reduction in the budget yet for institutions, we try to prioritise it.

Mr Speaker, we request more money in the land –(Member timed out.)

1.02

MR ALLAN MAYANJA (NUP, Nakaseke

Central County, Nakaseke): Thank you, Mr Speaker. My concern is about the Shs 1 billion which has been allocated to each district. I propose that it is increased to Shs 2 billion because it will go to our constituencies, districts and municipalities.

Secondly, Hon. Ssewungu talked about districts without a single tarmac road. I request that they are considered, like Nakaseke District, where

President Museveni fought from. We have no tarmac road. Sincerely, it is shaming the NRM. These districts should be considered.

The last concern is about KCCA. When you move around the city, most of the traffic lights do not work. The traffic lights on Kampala-Entebbe Expressway and Kampala Northern Bypass are not operational. Mr Speaker, the authority should be funded fully. Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Honourable minister, as if in the 10th Parliament, we passed a loan for Nakaseke roads under ADB; what happened with that loan?

1.04

MR JONATHAN EBWALU (Independent, Soroti West Division, Soroti): Thank you, Mr Speaker, for the directive that this projected Shs 1 billion should come under the Uganda Road Fund.

Secondly -

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: It came out from the recommendation of the committee. I just emphasised it.

MR EBWALU: Secondly, we have cities but it is embarrassing for the cities to keep borrowing graders from the neighbouring districts.

Soroti City last year almost returned money because we had to wait for Soroti District to first grade its roads before we were given the equipment. Mr Speaker, I would like to urge this Parliament to support the Ministry of Works and Transport; we need graders, wheel loaders, rollers and dump trucks in the cities.

Also, these cities need to be treated as special districts. Why am I saying this? Cities are still receiving the budget of the municipalities. For instance, Soroti Municipality had only 12 wards but when the city was created, they brought in additional 13 parishes yet the budget is for the municipality. I request Parliament to provide additional funding to the cities so that we have good roads. Thank you very much.

1.06

MR CHRISTOPHER KOMAKECH (Independent, Aruu County, Pader): Thank you, Mr Speaker. Basic science tells us that for any object to live, it should have the ability to move around. How that object moves around is upon us. We are human beings and we move around. It is, therefore, upon the Ministry of Works and Transport to ensure Ugandans who toil day and night move in a comfortable way.

Speaking of the comfortable way of living, I come from Aruu County, Pader District but we have never seen an inch of a tarmac road. The President has always come there and pledged to us the Acholibur-Purang Road. This time round, when they were rehabilitating Corner Kamdini Road, they did all the works but stopped at Lira instead of proceeding to Acholibur-Purang. Can the minister tell us clearly when they are going to work on the road?

Mr Speaker, Aruu has never had a Member of Parliament supporting the Government, I am the first and this should be on record. (Laughter) Mr Speaker, protect me.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: He is an Independent Member –

MR CHRISTOPHER KOMAKECH: Thank you very much. During the campaigns, I stated it categorically clear that we vote for the President so we can harvest something.

Mr Speaker, Uganda Road Fund released a document on the 17th of April. That document indicates road maintenance indicative planning figures for 2023/2024 and new administrative lower units but we are not included. I have Lunyiri Subcounty, Pukor Subcounty and Atanga Subcounty but all of them are not included. So, where are these human beings going to locomote from?

1.08

MS HANIFA NABUKEERA (NUP, Woman Representative, Mukono): Thank you, Mr Speaker. I would like to appreciate the committee for the wonderful report. I would like

to emphasise the issue of land compensation in the Bukasa project. If we do not compensate these people, our project for the new port is going to stall.

Secondly, I would like to talk about the court cases. Under the Uganda Land Commission, they were awarded Shs 500 million. Mr Speaker, there are many cases. Actually, over Shs 1 billion court awards. So, Shs 500 million is too little to be given to the Uganda Land Commission for compensation. I pray that the committee elevates that so that these people are awarded more costs. Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Honourable colleagues, stop lobbying me. I know who has not been here.

Last night, we left here past 9.00 p.m. So, there is no excuse one can give for not coming here – whether you are busy or not. The other day, we also left at the same time. So, I want to reward those who are hardworking.

Hon. Eric Musana – Hon. Martin, please, take your seat. I did not call you.

1.09

MR ERIC MUSANA (Independent, Buyaga East County, Kagadi): Thank you, Mr Speaker. I commend the chairperson and the committee -

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon. Wakayima was here on Monday - that is what he is telling me. (*Laughter*) So, you even come to lie. (*Laughter*) Hon. Wakayima, unfortunately, I was not here on Monday; so, colleagues and I did not see you. (*Laughter*)

MR MUSANA: Mr Speaker, I have a serious concern to do with the Uganda Land Commission. We have a very big challenge, especially when it comes to the absentee landlords. Uganda Land Commission was largely put in place to make sure that the absentee landlords in Bunyoro Subregion, specifically, are paid off and the people can have the land. The biggest challenge now is

that the commission is working at a very slow pace.

I would like to request the minister that a substantial amount of money be given to Uganda Land Commission to pay off these absentee landlords so that the people can get their land, especially in Bunyoro.

The second issue is about systematic land demarcation, where a lot of land titles were purchased by Uganda Land Commission, but the titles are lying idle in Uganda Land Commission. Can we provide enough funds for Uganda Land Commission so that people can have their own titles? (*Interruption*)

MS STELLA APOLOT: Thank you, Mr Speaker. Is the Member proceeding well when we are discussing issues of roads –

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Under what rule?

MS STELLA APOLOT: We are on roads, but the Member is discussing land.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Please, honourable member for Ngora, I have forgiven you. This is a statement that has land and roads; so, it means you are not concentrating. So, kindly concentrate. Honourable member, conclude.

MR MUSANA: Mr Speaker, I am concluding on the issue of systematic land demarcation. Honourable minister, I request that you provide enough funds for the many land titles that are lying idle in Uganda Land Commission. These titles are in Bunyoro. If we can have our own titles, that would be the best.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Let us have Hon. Amero and then Hon. Ayoo.

1.12

MS SUSAN AMERO (Independent, Woman Representative, Amuria): Thank you, Mr Speaker. I would like to thank the committee for the report. However, I am a little bit perturbed. This House appropriates money year in, year

out to purchase land for the construction of the low-cost houses, yet we see nothing being done. We are even selling some of the land meant for the low-cost houses.

Regarding the land in Nakawa, we have not yet known how much money we got from it, but today we are asking for Shs 25 billion to buy land for the low-cost houses.

I, therefore, propose that the Shs 25 billion that the committee is asking for be put in the Ministry of Works and Transport to work on the tourist roads so that we can be able to have good roads to take our tourists to our tourist destinations. I beg to submit, Mr Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. I would be a beneficiary. I do not have any Central Government road in my constituency. Hon. Ecweru confirmed it when he came – I am not talking about tarmac; I mean a Central Government road. I only survive -(Laughter)

Let us have Hon. Ayoo, Hon. Kitanywa and, then Hon. Edakasi.

1.14

MR TONNY AYOO (NRM, Kwania County, Kwania): Thank you, Mr Speaker. I start by thanking the committee for the good work. The chairperson of the committee talked of the requirement of Shs 30 billion for right of way for Bukasa Port. Unfortunately, I have checked in the report and found no figure provided. Therefore, I urge the chairman that when he comes back here, he moves a motion so that the figure is captured in the report for the Government to process it. Without that, we cannot handle it.

Secondly, Mr Speaker, you have shown concern over the bad roads in Kampala Capital City Authority – with deep, dry or wet potholes. However, one big problem with Kampala Capital City Authority is that up to now, they do not have the roads committee, yet the law provides that it is the roads committee to receive complaints, prioritise and ensure that the roads are worked on.

Therefore, I urge that, next time, if Kampala Capital City Authority does not put in place or constitute a roads committee, their funds should, first, be held. This is a question of order, organisation and proper management of resources to ensure that the roads are okay.

Mr Speaker, we lose a number of people in road carnage. However, in this budget, only Shs 600 million has been provided for road safety. The committee is proposing an additional Shs 500 million, yet from the National Road Safety Policy, every year, they require about Shs 5 billion to ensure that they save lives.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Hon. Kitanywa – oh, sorry!

MR AYOO: I am just concluding. We need to provide additional funds for road safety – maybe to a tune of Shs 2 billion. This is because while we talk about other things, we are losing people every day and that should be a bigger concern to this Parliament.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Hon. Sowedi – this is one of the MPs who have been here from 10.00 a.m. every day and I had not given him a chance to speak.

1.16

MR SOWEDI KITANYWA (NRM, Busongora County North, Kasese): Thank you, Mr Speaker, for this opportunity. My first concern is about the delayed payment of contractors. In the past, if anyone had a contract with the Government, they would walk to a financial institution and be sure that they would get a loan. Today, if contractors who have contracts with the Government walk into a financial institution, looking for a loan, they are chased away.

In the report, it has been indicated that the contractors have not been paid. Indeed, many contractors have even abandoned their contracts. Some of them have had their property taken by the banks because they had borrowed loans. I urge that for the contractors who have not been paid, money should be availed so that they are paid. Most of them are

local contractors. So, if we are building the capacity of our local contractors, yet we are not paying them, then, we are failing our own at the expense of the external contractors.

My second concern is about the zonal offices for the Ministry of Lands, Housing and Urban Development. I thank the ministry for the innovation of coming up with the zonal offices. These zonal offices have been helpful. Unfortunately, looking at the report, the funding for these zonal offices is still very little. I suggest –(Member timed out.)

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Let us have Hon. Muzaale and Hon. Okwir – Procedure?

MR ACON: Thank you, Mr Speaker. Unfortunately, I cannot remember the rule –

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: No, honourable member. Take your seat if you cannot remember. Please.

MR ACON: Let me proceed, Mr Speaker –

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon. Acon, if I can remind you quickly – just take your seat as I remind you. Rule 78(4) says that the moment you stand up on a point of procedure, before anything, you must state the rule.

The moment you forget it, then, there is no way I can proceed. The *Hansard* will look dirty in future. When you remember the rule, let me know. (Laughter)

Hon. Muzaale?

1.19

MR MARTIN MUZAALE (NRM, Buzaaya County, Kamuli): Thank you, Mr Speaker. I want to emphasise the issue of arrears in UNRA. Many contractors have been affected and their businesses collapsed because of failure by the Government to pay them across board - not only in UNRA. It is a challenge that instead of the Government developing its own people, it is failing them.

On the issue of national housing, when you are flying above Kampala, you will see slums everywhere. I do not know what is happening with our housing sector. Otherwise, every year, you see no change. Kampala is almost remaining the same with slums increasing.

The Minister of Lands is proposing that the ministry should be given Shs 26 billion for rent. This is too much because this can enable the ministry to buy property that it can, at the end of the day, give to a small entity within the sector.

Mr Speaker, I thank you. When you spoke about the potholes - the fatty ones, the wet ones –

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: I know where you are going –(Laughter)– conclude, Hon. Muzaale.

MR MUZAALE: Mr Speaker, I am happy that KCCA has at least started on patching up the potholes. I just want to encourage the minister –(Interjection)– of course, by last night, I could see some people trying to do some work.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: On Tuesday, we shall have a comprehensive statement.

MR MUZAALE: Mr Speaker, I want to bring to you information from the public that people are very happy with what you talked about and what is being done right now. Thank you.

1.21

MR SAMUEL OKWIR (NRM, Moroto County, Alebtong): Thank you, Mr Speaker, for this opportunity. I join my colleagues in thanking the committee for this report. I have two issues: The first one is on the issue of the Shs 1 billion allocated to the districts for the road works.

We should be very careful with the terminologies. If we say it is going for rehabilitation, then it will not go to the Uganda Road Fund. If we say it is going for road maintenance, then it will fit in the Uganda Road Fund Act. So, I appeal that

we look at the terminologies we are using as we work on this documentation.

Secondly, the Equal Opportunities Commission put at one per cent of the tarmac road, just like you said it is being done in your area. However, we had a meeting with the President together with the religious and political leaders from Lango and Acholi and he actually promised that at least he will build two roads in Lango; the one from Lira-Aloi-Otuke to Abim and the road from Namasale-Dokolo-Aloi-Ogul.

I want to understand from the chairperson - and the minister is here - UNRA is saying they are not going to build any other new roads but the President made this pledge in front of the religious and political leaders and all the stakeholders in Lango. So, we have the provision because he said that before the end of this *kisanja* that at least these two roads would have been worked on. Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. However, honourable colleagues, if you say that the Shs 1 billion we have goes into rehabilitation, it cannot even do - our biggest problem is the maintenance of our small roads; that is all we have.

When we are appropriating - at that stage where we have full power - we shall determine whether to send it under Uganda Road Fund for maintenance. Like in my area, tell me, what will you rehabilitate? Then, it will mean you have not given me anything in Mitooma because I do not have anything to rehabilitate. I need you to maintain our small poor roads. The moment you do that, you lift the burden off the shoulders of these MPs.

So, I really thank you, honourable minister and the President, for committing and ensuring that you delivered on this. Our role is to do a follow-up.

Honourable colleagues, what this means is that you must ensure you attend your road committee meetings in the districts because you are part of the road committee. If it is not

there, ensure that there is a road committee. Otherwise, that money will also be misused; it will be diverted to allowances - you know how they do reallocation among priorities of the districts - and it will be lost.

1.25

MR ALFRED EDAKASI (NRM, Kaberamaido County, Kaberamaido): Thank you, Mr Speaker. Let me also thank you, on behalf of the people of Kaberamaido, for they will always remember this Parliament for that Shs 1 billion. We have been receiving less than Shs 160 million a year yet we have over 360 kilometres - now you do the math. Therefore, I thank you and this House very much for that.

Secondly, I would like to ask the minister - I have been worried by the statistics I have seen that we daily accumulate Shs 227 million on contractors - the money we are not paying. Ever since we started sitting here, we have probably accumulated, per hour, Shs 9.4 million. I want to know; what is happening? Why is Government not able to find money to pay these contractors? Even tomorrow, it will be more.

Related to that, honourable minister, Kaberamaido has waited for the construction of Katine-Ochero Road. This House passed a loan through the Islamic Bank. The financial year is coming to an end - and I am worried that out of these same debts, maybe we will not have that road constructed. Please, help me clarify.

Finally, on the issue of the Land Information Systems, out of 10 people who are in jail in Kaberamaido, nearly five of them are there due to land disputes. My appeal is: Let us find money for this commission to improve the information for the land system.

UNRA and the Uganda Land Commission will agree with me that there are thousands of people whose land titles have been lying up to now. They do not know the status of their land titles yet - *(Member timed out.)*

1.27

**MS JOVANICE TWINOBUSINGYE
(NRM, Woman Representative, Kiruhura):**

Thank you, Mr Speaker. I join my colleagues to thank the chairperson and the committee, for the good report.

I want to comment on the Shs 1 billion: I want to appreciate you and all Members of this august House for granting the Shs 1 billion that is directly going to our districts. This is mainly meant for our district roads - not the central ones - and that will help us very much. It will not solve everything but we are going to be relieved, as community leaders or as Members of Parliament.

Secondly, the committee recommended that Shs 27 billion be availed for the acquisition of road equipment. I commend them for that because maybe when we procure the equipment, it will help solve the problem of UNRA roads in our districts.

Mr Speaker, allow me to mention three central government roads in my area that are in bad shape: There is Rushere-Kinoni Road, Nyakasharara-Kyikasi Road and Kashwa-Kashongi-Ruhumba Road; they are all in bad shape.

Also, allow me to interest the minister in, particularly, the Kashwa-Kashongi-Ruhumba Road that has been pending tarmac. That road has been left there for the last three years without being maintained at all. I request that the minister takes interest in it. Thank you.

1.29

**MR JAMES KUBEKETERYA (NRM,
Bunya County East, Mayuge):** Thank you Mr Speaker. I just have two issues: The first one was on the land compensation. I think the report talked about Shs 73 billion to be given for land compensation. My question is: Does the ministry have a comprehensive plan of which places must be compensated nationally? This is because we have had this for the last 20 years. We started with the Compensation Fund of about Shs 3 billion. Is this Shs 73 billion only supposed to be in one region? Or are we

going to comprehensively look at the whole country, where we need to compensate the absentee landlords?

The Kampala roads are bad, but the issue of quality control is very serious, as long as KCCA makes the roads. Concerning the quality of roads; after two or three weeks, you find the whole thing giving way. Why don't we have people in charge of quality control to ensure that before a road is commissioned, something must be done? That is the reason why we are spending much but the quality and materials used are the ones letting us down. I thank you.

1.30

**MR PATRICK BINGI (NRM, Butemba
County, Kyankwanzi):** Thank you, Mr Speaker. I add my voice to thank the committee and the members for the report. I want to interest myself in the recommendation of strengthening the Office of the Chief Government Valuer. Since we are talking about money, it is important that we look at revenue and preventing all leakages.

Looking at the report, the committee observed that only Shs 1 billion has been allocated out of what was requested for - Shs 12 billion. In my view, it is very possible that we avail the Shs 6 billion as per the committee recommendation because what we are bound to lose if we get wrong valuations is much more than the Shs 6 billion. I implore the ministry to accept and avail the Shs 6 billion.

Lastly, I also want to talk about delayed payments to contractors. There are arrears of Shs 453 billion to UNRA - In my constituency of Butemba in Kyankwanzi, we only have a few kilometres of UNRA roads, but unfortunately, these roads are very bad; the road from Bukwiri to Byerima, Kyenda to Byerima and even the famous Bukwiri-NALI Road. These roads are impassable. In my view, if UNRA is funded - (Member timed out.)

1.32

**MS MOURINE OSORU (NRM, Woman
Representative, Arua City):** Thank you Mr Speaker., By principle, we all agree that our

roads are doing badly and the road sector needs serious funding. However, I have concerns and I need the committee to capture them.

There are those roads in West Nile that have been earmarked by donors. For instance, we have Koboko–Yumbe–Moyo Road of about 105 kilometers. The World Bank is willing and has been waiting for the Government to clear the compensation process but the procurement has taken forever.

There is also the Manibe–Terego–Yumbe Road; the feasibility study and the design has taken more than 10 years. You wonder what is happening and yet we have donors who are willing to come in to tarmac our roads; I just need clarity on this. Thank you.

1.33

MR JULIUS ACON (NRM, Otuoke East County, Otuoke): Thank you, Mr Speaker. I have a few burning issues.

Honourable colleagues, you know that in our country when they realise that development is coming up, those near the roads begin constructing or planting trees. I would like UNRA to ensure that we put a road reserve. This is one of the key things that this country has forgotten.

For example, a couple of months back in Lango or Otuoke, the Chinese went to survey roads in order to construct the proposed road from Lira; Alebtong-Otuoke-Kotido. The community members started planting trees close to the road so that they could be compensated. In this country, we are losing a lot of money in compensating people during road construction. This is one of the key things I really wanted to raise.

1.34

MR FRANCIS MWIJUKYE (FDC, Buhweju County, Buhweju): Thank you, Mr Speaker. Sometime back, Hon. Sarah Opindi brought a motion here and we asked our Committee on Physical Infrastructure to investigate the Streamlining Management of Motor Vehicle Registration Project. I think this

was around the 30th of November. Since then, the report has not come to the House. Now, they are recommending that Shs 72.6 billion be given in respect to that project, and yet we do not know its status.

I pray that this House stands over this committee recommendation of an additional Shs 72.6 billion, until that report is brought to this House. We have been told that that company actually does not exist.

Secondly, hearing that UNRA is not entering into any new contractual obligations without payment of the contractors is worrying. We have heard the Prime Minister here before assuring some districts that their roads are a priority. What are priorities without funds? Why don't you be clear and tell us that you have no funds, instead of exciting people? *(Member timed out.)*

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: I will just allow two more minutes for the acting Leader of the Opposition.

MR MWIJUKYE: Thank you. Why do you excite communities?

Mr Speaker, remember you were in Buhweju and the issue of the Buhweju roads was brought to your attention. You made some commitments and did your work.

There was also a Cabinet meeting where the President said that the Buhweju and the Ngora roads are priorities, but the money is not there. I do not know how you define the word "priorities".

Sometime back, we censured a minister, but she is still in office. I do not recognise that minister, since I voted for her censure. How do I pass money to the ministry to a person I do not recognise? We have not even had any communication from the Executive. I am at loss, Mr Speaker. I need guidance on passing money to the Ministry of Lands, Housing and Urban Development, when there is somebody there that was censured.

I have just been looking at the committee report which is signed by only seven members. Yesterday, we said if a report is signed by seven members, including those in the minority report, it is okay. However, these are just seven members and there is no minority report. all the NRM Members of Parliament refused to sign it –(Interjection)– yes, I have it. You can check your copies.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: What about the chairperson and the vice chairperson?

MR MWIJUKYE: Apart from the chairperson and vice chairperson, all the other members - I talked about the members of the committee – (Interjection) – I will call you to give information but - (Interruption)

MS CECILIA OGWAL: Leader of the Opposition, I would like to give you information that the majority of NRM, except the chairperson and the vice-chairperson who signed; the rest did not sign. More important, FDC, UPC, NUP and the Independents signed. There is a problem somewhere. Can we be told why?

Secondly, on the tarmac roads in Uganda, can we, as a matter of fairness know how many are tarmacked in the north, east, central and west? We need to know because this is about sharing the national cake.

Mr Speaker, you come from the west, and I know you are crying because your constituency does not have a tarmac road. Can we know how many kilometers of tarmac roads are in the west, central, east, and north?

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Instead of giving information, our senior has asked more questions. Please, conclude.

MR MWIJUKYE: It is very difficult to deny her information given her age and experience.

My question to the minister and the chairperson is: Why should we give money when the report is not yet out? On that, I request Parliament to

stamp its foot down and not provide money for a company whose existence we do not know. Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. I remember when I was the Government Chief Whip; I appointed most of the members on this committee and this is one of the most sought-after committee people fought for.

My advice to the Government Chief Whip is that Members who did not sign the report without an explanation and have not brought a minority report should be dropped. (*Applause*)

Yesterday, I talked to the Government Chief Whip and we discussed something. Also, as a leadership, we are going to take this up. If a Member of Parliament cannot sign a report, it means the Member does not attend committee meetings. The chairpersons are struggling yet you want to come and disturb them from here. We are going to start telling your constituents.

I think we should begin to release information; buy space in the media and show Members' attendance - say like, out of 100 meetings, a Member only attended two meetings. We might be forced to reach that level. Why aren't you attending committee meetings? Yet, you are accusing ministers of not attending. It is a really big shame.

I had not looked at this but I am going to discuss it with the Government Chief Whip. We discussed it yesterday evening and I have another meeting with him.

Rt Hon. Prime Minister, Members who refuse to sign committee reports without producing alternative reports, means they do not attend House business. I am going to analyse all of this. Honourable colleagues - I do not have much time, please.

On the issue of not giving money to the Minister of Lands, Housing and Urban Development, honourable colleagues, we will give them money; it must be appropriated.

Honourable colleagues, sometimes people take advantage of a gap in the law. Article 118(2) of the Constitution says, “*Upon a vote of censure being passed against a Minister, the President shall, unless the Minister resigns his or her office, take appropriate action in the matter.*” It does not give a timeline and define the action. The best I can do is to cross-check with the Executive whether they took any action on the matter. Otherwise, we wrote and submitted the resolution of this House. The gap is in the law.

Honourable colleagues, I request that we appropriate money since we have other ministers. We shall appropriate for the one called the “good one”. Hon. Nabakooba, you are considered the good one. (*Laughter*)

Honourable chairperson, you will conclude. Do not mind; I am going to give you space.

MS NALUYIMA: Thank you very much, Mr Speaker. Isn’t it procedurally right for the minister or the chairperson to come back to respond and give us the way forward on the Kampala-Entebbe Expressway lighting and security features since its money is entirely outlined? And, the contract shows they should take care of the lighting on that road. Today, Wakiso people are experiencing insecurity due to that development.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: I can see how you have passed from the kitchen to the main room. He has taken note and he will answer. Honourable minister, answer that quickly. Let us use two minutes each.

1.45

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR WORKS AND TRANSPORT (WORKS) (Mr Musa Ecweru): Mr Speaker, the budget we are

discussing is going to put a lot of emphasis on maintenance. It is not entirely true, like UNRA says, that there will not be completely 100 per cent new projects coming on board. That is the business of the Executive. The Executive will work with Parliament to identify some very exceptional cases and bring them on board. The emphasis on the resources we are giving is for maintenance.

Let me just cite one case: There has a concern by my colleague on the road from Luwero-Kiwoko-Butalangu-Nakaseke. I am happy to report to this House that a contract has already been signed. What is waiting as the final stage is for the Solicitor-General to append his signature. Very soon, my senior or myself, or even a person more senior than all of us will be coming to do the groundbreaking.

Mr Speaker, at one point here, my senior colleague presented a general overview of the road situation that was asked by *Imat*, Hon. Cecilia Atim Ogwale. If this House does not mind, we will again come back here and indicate the number of kilometres, the breakdown per region and what needs to be done. We will be very happy to do that.

As far as equipment for the new districts is concerned, you gave some resources here but those resources were not adequate. This is why we are asking for Shs 27 billion. With the calculation that has been done by the technical people, if we received Shs 27 billion, that would enable us to tackle the 16 new districts.

Mr Speaker, as you correctly said, the mind of this Parliament met very well with that of His Excellency the President, particularly on the Shs 1 billion per district. I am not the spokesperson of the Cabinet but since it is public information - His Excellency the President directed the Cabinet and said, “You are discussing this, but before you proceed, make sure there will be Shs 1 billion per district in this coming budget.” (*Applause*)

When His Excellency made that directive, the rest of us had to just salute and say permission to carry on has been granted and that is what we precisely did.

Mr Speaker, we would like to thank you and Members for the meeting of minds on this very critical subject. On what needs to be done, we have not looked at the nitty-gritty on how to channel the money to the districts. But this House seems to guide and suggest that it should go through the Uganda Road Fund so that there

is a structure and that is a matter that we do not –(Interjection) - I have only one minute –

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: You do not have the luxury of time, honourable minister. Conclude.

MR ECWERU: Mr Speaker, first of all, the road sector is very critical. I get embarrassed when I pass through the city and see these potholes with the water and some dry. We are going to work on the potholes.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, honourable minister. That is enough.

MR ECWERU: Thank you.

4.49

THE MINISTER OF LANDS, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (Ms Judith Nabakooba): Thank you, Mr Speaker. I thank the committee for the report. Our issues have been ably captured by the committee.

Mr Speaker, I have two things to emphasise: As a ministry, we need money to do our work. We are underfunded – that is what I can say. We cannot do compensation. Litigation is a problem. Even the functioning of our offices is a problem. So, we need money.

Evictions? Once compensation money is provided, we shall be in position to handle the evictions and also pay off the landlords.

Mr Speaker, as we speak now, we have landlords who decided to give us their land in 2014, but up to now, we have not concluded the payment for those pieces of land. Even subdivisions are very difficult because of lack of finances. If the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development could give us money, we would be good to go and energised to do the work and serve you.

One issue that was not talked about is the Uganda Support to Municipal Infrastructure Development (USMID). It is winding up in December this year. We had Shs 80 billion which was supposed to be given under this

project. However, as we speak now, in the budget, there is only Shs 30 billion.

So, we are asking that, if it is possible, let the Shs 50 billion be allocated to USMID so that they can conclude the project by December 2023 because we are told that there will be no extension of this project. Remember, this is a project that is helping our cities and municipalities as far as developing the infrastructure is concerned.

Thank you, Mr Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, honourable minister. For KCCA, we are together on Tuesday, but you can have a minute if you want to say something.

1.51

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR KAMPALA CAPITAL CITY AND METROPOLITAN AFFAIRS (Mr Kyofatogabye Kabuye): Mr Speaker, thank you very much. The only information I can provide is that Salaama Road is not under any investigation; it has been cleared. As I speak, the contractor is in what we call “the mobilisation period and utility relocations”.

On the roads committee, I wrote to Members of Parliament from Kampala, KCCA and the district at large. We are meeting on the 27th.

My request, through you, is for the Members to come and we sit because every time I have issues on the road, only three Members turn up; Members for Kampala Central, Rubaga South and Nakawa East; the rest feel like they do not want to talk to some of us.

I always select a neutral place. Even this time, I have decided not to be in our offices, but in a hotel. So, I request that you use your voice to direct those Members to come and we sort out the issue of the roads committee. I beg to submit.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Honourable minister, you should not have roads committee meetings in a hotel. Go to KCCA; there are

rooms there. Next time you call a meeting, give me – whether it is a blind copy; we shall work with LOP and he will ensure that his Members attend. We, sometimes, work that way when we have challenges. Thank you.

MR KYOFATOGABYE: I welcome the idea.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Honourable chairperson, do you have anything to add?

MR DAVID KARUBANGA: Thank you, Mr Speaker. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for allowing us to present this report. I also thank the Members who have given different views and requests; we have noted them.

However, Mr Speaker, we would like the minister to bring the status report for all projects being undertaken – the status, the funding gaps and other challenges.

I would like to respond to the LOP on the issue of the Shs 72 billion. The function of motor vehicle registration is under the Ministry of Works and Transport, although Uganda Revenue Authority (URA) has been undertaking that role. Now, the function has been withdrawn from URA. They are building a one-stop centre and the project is about Shs 55 billion – that is the construction cost alone.

This streamlining of motor vehicle registration figure is not for the intelligent management system; it is for Ministry of Works and Transport to undertake the vehicle registration. Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Honourable colleagues, I need the Committee on Physical Infrastructure, on Monday – I think you can do it in two groups because we expect a statement from the Minister for KCCA on the potholes.

I need you to do a spot check of the affected areas so that you bring information and I compare with what the minister tells the House. We are now on programme-based budgeting; so, this budget is processed by this committee.

Honourable minister, give cooperation to the honourable colleagues.

Hon. Karubanga and your team, I will need that report on Tuesday – the facts you will have found on ground, as our own committee. Do that on Monday and, then, on Tuesday, we shall have the reports. I want us to debate this issue and see where the problem is. I want us, as Parliament, to play our role of ensuring that money is provided.

Then, if you have issues of accountability, they, again, will end up here. It is a big shame; we do not want excuses of saying we do not have money. Even if you are to blame management, if management has no money, what will you do?

We want to give you capacity and after, we shall see a way of engaging the Committee on Budget and the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development to ensure that KCCA is very well-facilitated on the matter.

Honourable colleagues, I put the question that the report of the Committee on Physical Infrastructure on the budget estimates and the ministerial policy statements for the Ministry of Works and Transport and Ministry of Lands, Housing and Urban Development for Financial Year 2023/2024 be adopted.

(Question put and agreed to.)

Report adopted.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: The report is referred to the Committee on Budget for harmonisation, consolidation and they will report back here.

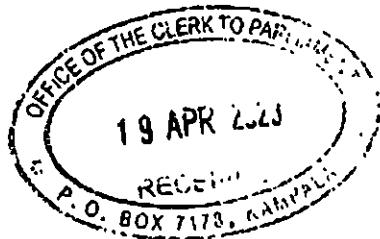
Honourable colleagues, our Muslim brothers and sisters have gone through a very important month; they are coming towards the last days. You know they say the most important days are the last 19 days – and in Ramadan, this is one of the five pillars of Islam and a very critical pillar in Islam, where they care about their neighbours; they are very compassionate. So, this is the time – if you have a problem – to

befriend a Muslim brother or sister. They will help you. (*Laughter*)

Some of us have tried to read a bit about it and how one can benefit from it. It cuts across religions and we get very valuable lessons from our Muslim brothers and sisters, especially during this month. So, we wish you a very happy Ramadan and Eid, honourable colleagues.

House adjourned to Tuesday, at 2.00 p.m.

(The House rose at 1.59 p.m. and adjourned until Tuesday, 25 April 2023, at 2.00 p.m.)



**REPORT OF THE SECTORAL COMMITTEE ON
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FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2023/24

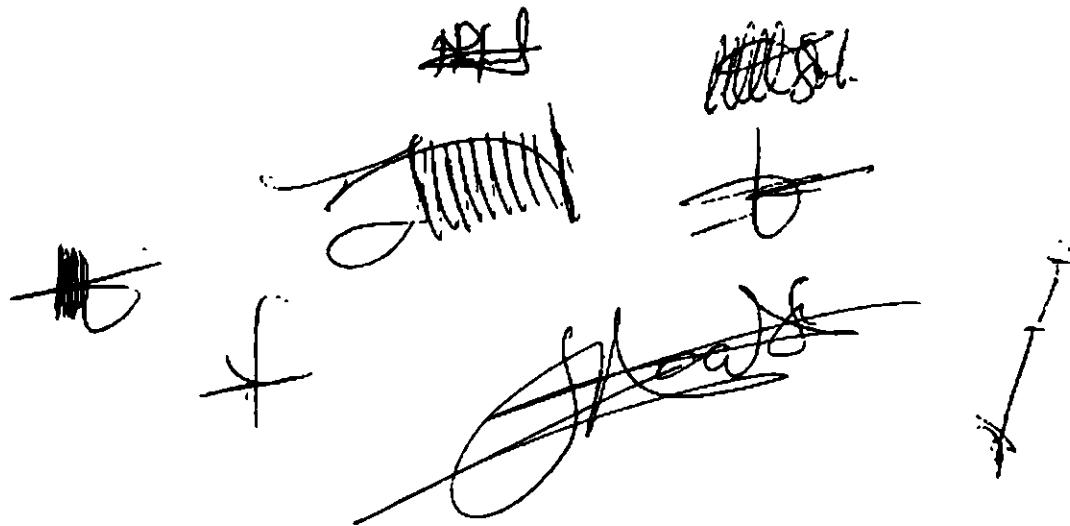
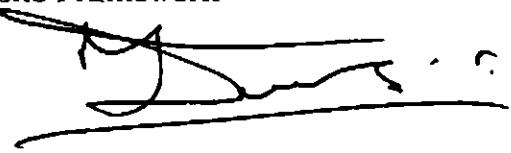
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LIST OF ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

ADB	African Development Bank
AIA	Appropriation in Aid
AY	Academic Year
BTVET	Business, Technical, and Vocational Education and Training
DIT	Directorate of Industrial Training
EMIS	Education Management Information System
ESC	Education Service Commission
FY	Financial Year
GoU	Government of Uganda
HESFB	Higher Education Students' Financing Board
HEST	Higher Education Science and Technology
ICT	Information Communication Technology
LSC	Lower Secondary Curriculum
KCCA	Kampala Capital City Authority
MAK	Makere University
MDAs	Ministries Departments and Agencies
MOES	Ministry of Education and Sports
MoFPED	Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development
MUBS	Makere University Business School
NAPE	National Assessment of Progress in Education
NBFP	National Budget Framework Paper
NCDC	National Curriculum Development Center
NCHE	National Council for Higher Education
NDP	National Development Plan
NGO	Non-Governmental Organization
NTR	Non-Tax Revenue
PIP	Public Investment Plan
SNE	Special Needs Education

UMI	Uganda Management Institute
UNATU	Uganda National Association of Teachers' Unions
UNEB	Uganda National Examinations Board
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
UPE	Universal Primary Education
UPPET	Universal Post Primary Education and Training
UPOLET	Universal Post O-Level Education and Training
USE	Universal Secondary Education
UVQF	Uganda Vocational Qualifications Framework
WB	World Bank



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1.0 INTRODUCTION

In consonance with Articles 90 and 155(4) of the Constitution of the Republic of Uganda 1995 (as amended), Section 12(1), 13(13,14,15) of the Public Finance Management Act, 2015 and Rules 146, 147, 148 and 149 of the Rules of Procedure of Parliament, the Sub-Programme on Education, Sports and Skills is mandated among others;

- i. Examine and comment on policy matters affecting Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs) under its purview; and
- ii. Examine critically Government recurrent and capital budget estimates and make recommendations on them.

The Committee, in fulfillment of its mandate hereby presents this report for your consideration and adoption in respect to the policy statements and budgetary estimates for the Financial Year 2023/24 for the following (20) Votes.

VOTE: 013 Ministry of Education and Sports

VOTE: 111 National Curriculum Development Center

VOTE: 128 Uganda National Examinations Board

VOTE: 132 Education Service Commission

VOTE: 164 National Council for Higher Education

VOTE: 165 Uganda Business and Technical Examinations Board

VOTE: 166 National Council of Sports

VOTE: 301 Makerere University

VOTE: 302 Mbarara University of Science and Technology

VOTE: 303 Makerere University Business School

VOTE: 304 Kyambogo University

VOTE: 305 Busitema University

VOTE: 306 Muni University

VOTE: 307 Kabale University

VOTE: 308 Soroti University

VOTE: 309 Gulu University

VOTE: 310 Lira University

VOTE: 312 Uganda Management Institute

VOTE: 313 Mountains of the Moon

VOTE: 612 Local Governments and Vote 122 KCCA

2.0 METHODOLOGY

In compiling this report, the Committee reviewed and analyzed the following documents:

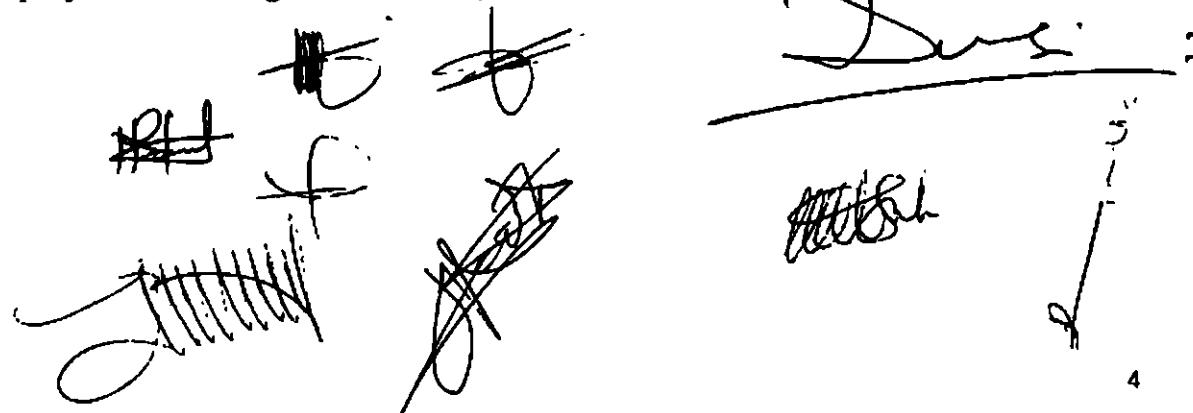
- a) The Ministerial Policy Statement of the Ministry of Education and Sports and the Votes under its purview for the FY 2023/24
- b) The National Budget Framework Paper (NBFP) 2023/24 – 2027/28;
- c) Report of the Auditor General ending June 2022.
- d) Annual Budget Performance Report for FY2021/22.
- e) Semi-Annual Budget Performance Report FY2022/23.
- f) The Supplementary Requests (Schedule I) FY 2022/23
- g) Alternative Ministerial Policy Statement from the Opposition on Education, Sports and Skills Sub-Programme.
- h) The National Development Plan (NDP) III.
- i) Uganda Vision 2040.

This report presents the Committee's assessment of the Sub-Programme Half Year Performance for FY2022/23, Draft Estimates for FY2023/24 and Policy priorities and recommendations for the Education, Sports and Skills Sub-Programme as noted from the Ministerial Policy Statement tabled for FY2023/24.

3.0 GENDER AND EQUITY COMPLIANCE

The overall gender and equity certification issued by the Equal Opportunities for the FY 2023/24 annual budget was rated at 67% which is an improvement from 65.2% in FY2022/23.

The MoES improved from 73.1% to 84%, however, there is a sharp decline noted in the performance of the Universities in regards to mainstreaming Gender and Equity in their budget for FY2023/24



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Table 1: EOC assessment of Votes under the Education, Skills and Sports Sub Programme for Gender and Equity Responsiveness FY 2023/24.

Vote Name	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Vote 013- MOES	78%	87%	73%	80 10%	81%	73 10%	84%
Vote 310- Lira University	70%	40%	64%	77.10%	78%	76 35%	52%
Vote 302- Mbarara University	33%	64%	75%	75.40%	76%	76.35%	52%
Vote 312- Uganda Management Institute	53%	54%	39%	59.40%	72%	61.64%	55%
Vote 306- Muni University	50%	58%	67%	69 40%	70%	67.70%	66%
Vote 128- Uganda National Examinations Board	57%	61%	71%	61.40%	70%	63.70%	60%
Vote 111- National Curriculum Development Center	52%	64%	55%	60.40%	70%	63.20%	61%
Vote 305- Busitema University	56%	67%	72%	75 70%	70%	59%	61%
Vote 304- Kyambogo University	55%	58%	79%	82.40%	70%	79 62%	80%
Vote 309- Gulu university	68%	54%	70%	67.70%	69%	59 82%	55%
Vote 303- Makerere University Business School	50%	50%	54%	62.40%	69%	63.70%	52%
Vote 307- Kabale University	30%	62%	76%	78.80%	68%	68 95%	68%
Vote 301- Makerere University	12%	51%	70%	65 40%	67%	64 20%	50%
Vote 132- Education Service Commission	63%	62%	64%	53,4%	67%	62.20%	55%
Vote 308- Soroti University	59%	69%	42%	60.00%	61%	68.45%	77%
Vote 165- Uganda Business and Technical Examination Board	0%	0%	0%	0 00%	0%	62%	60%
Vote 164- National Council for Higher Education	0%	0%	0%	0 00%	58%	62%	62%
Vote 166- National Council of Sports	0%	0%	0%	0 00%	57%	58%	55%
Average	44%	50%	54%	57.39%	65%	66.1%	67%

Source: EOC assessment for FY2023/24

4.0 CONSISTENCE OF SUB-PROGRAMME OBJECTIVES WITH NDP III

The NDP III which is in the fourth year of implementation has an overall goal of increasing household incomes and improving the quality of life of Ugandans". Hence the theme "*Sustainable industrialization for inclusive growth, employment and wealth creation.*"

As a result of the programmatic approach to budgeting, the NDP III as a planning tool for the country for the next five years is anchored on 20 programmes. The Education and Sports sub programme is under the Human Capital Development Programme as programme head together with Health, Gender and Water sectors and under the Digital Transformation Programme majorly in regards to developing and training the right human resources objective 4 under the programme which focuses on enhancing productivity and social wellbeing of the population. HCDP also contributes to NDP III objectives 1 enhancement of value addition for growth and 2 which is strengthening private sector capacity to drive growth and create jobs.

4.1 Mandate of the Education, Sports and Skills Sub-Programme

The Education, Sports and Skills Sub-Programme is mandated to;

- a) Improve equitable access to relevant and quality Education and Training;
- b) Ensure delivery of relevant and quality Education and Training;
- c) Enhance efficiency and effectiveness of Education and Sports service delivery at all levels.

4.2 The Objectives of the HCDP Programme are to:

- a) To improve the foundations for human capital development;
- b) To produce appropriate knowledgeable, skilled, and ethical labour force (with strong emphasis on science and technology, TVET and Sports);
- c) To streamline STEI/STEM in the education system;
- d) To improve population health, safety and management;
- e) To reduce vulnerability and gender inequality along the lifecycle; and
- f) To promote sports, recreation, and physical education.

4.3 To achieve these, the Ministry has set the following key objectives;

- (a) Ensuring universal and equitable access to quality basic education for all the children in Uganda;
- (b) Improving the quality of education at all levels in the country;
- (c) Ensuring equal access by gender, district and special needs at all levels of education; and

- (d) Building capacity of districts by helping education managers acquire and improve on their knowledge, skills and attitudes to be able to plan, monitor, account and perform managerial functions.

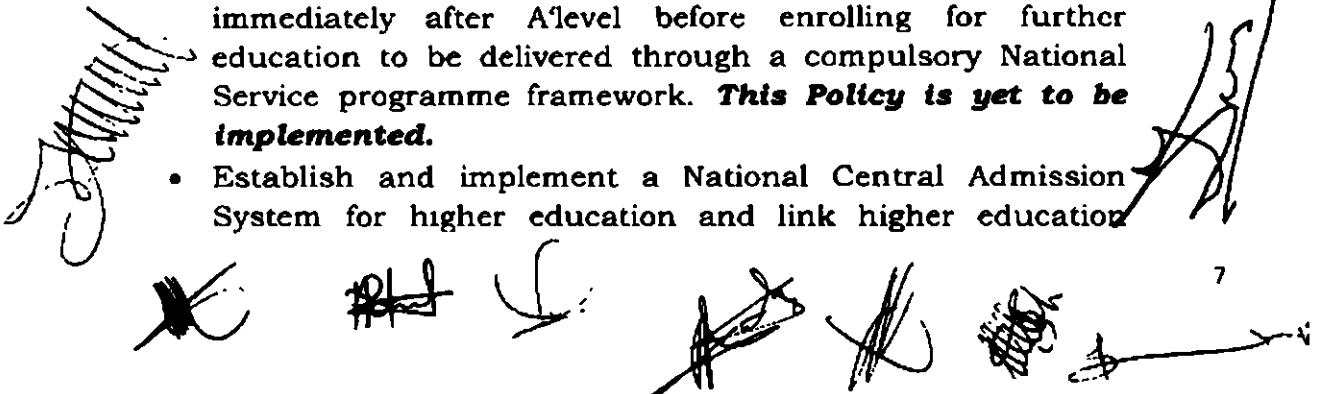
Table 2: The key results under the Education, Sports and Skills Development Sub-Programme to be achieved over the next five years are:

Table 1: Key Result Areas	Baseline FY/17/18	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
Increase quality adjusted years of schooling	4.5	4.6	5	5.3	6	7
Increase average years of schooling	6.1	6.8	7.3	8	9.5	11
Increased proportion of labour force transitioning into decent employment, percent (%)	34.5	35	35.5	36	40	19
Increase percentage of employers satisfied with training provided by TVET institutions (%)	40	44	48.4	52.6	58	65
Increase ratio of STEI/STEM graduates to Humanities	2.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5
Improve Uganda's ranking in Niche sports (Football, Athletics, Netball, Boxing, Rugby etc.)						
Football	77	76	74	72	70	
Netball	6	6	5	4	4	1
Athletics	9	9	7	6	6	4
Rugby	18	18	17	16	15	4

Source: NDP III 2020/21-2024/25

4.3 The key implementation reforms required to fully implement this programme and realize expected goals in the next five years:

- Fast-track the legal and policy reforms required for curriculum synchronization and implementation as well as assessment/examination across the entire education system. **This is on-going and the sub-programme is making progress.**
- Introduce a minimum of one year of compulsory TVET training immediately after A'level before enrolling for further education to be delivered through a compulsory National Service programme framework. **This Policy is yet to be implemented.**
- Establish and implement a National Central Admission System for higher education and link higher education



admissions and financing to the critical skill needs identified in the Plan. **This Policy is yet to be implemented.**

- Link allocation of scholarships and loan financing to critical skill needs identified in the plan. **This Policy is partly being implemented.**
- Put in place a mechanism that provides opportunities for short working visits to the country's highly specialized professionals abroad to address the acute staffing needs. **This Policy is yet to be implemented.**
- Establish regional sports-focused schools/sports academies to support early talent identification and development, and the training of requisite human resources for the sports sub-sector. **This Policy has not yet been implemented due to funding challenges.**

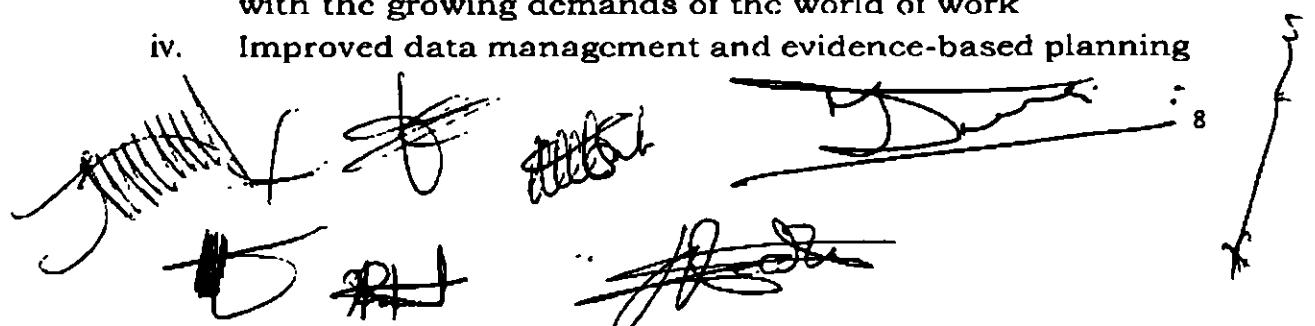
Most of the Policy interventions are critical to the Education and, Sports and Skills sub-programme however, they have not been adequately funded.

4.4 Budget Strategy for FY2023/24/Key Strategic Sector Interventions Under Education and Sports.

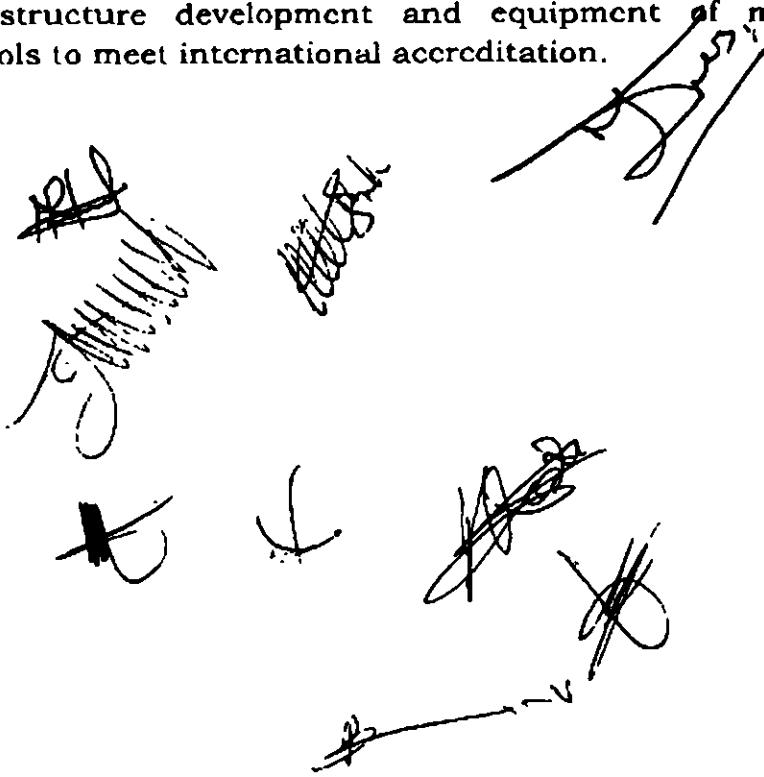
The Budget Strategy for the Economy in FY2023/24 is the same as that of the previous year; "**Full Monetization of the Ugandan Economy through involvement of Rural Households into commercial Agriculture, Industrialization and Market access.**" And this is to be achieved through the 20 programmes as highlighted in the NDP III.

The Education Sub-Programme will focus on the following areas which are guiding the planning and budgeting process for FY 2023/2024:

- i. Development of a complete National Vocational Qualifications Framework
- ii. Promotion of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM/STEI) in Education, Research, and incubation to transform it into goods and services for national growth and societal well-being.
- iii. Enhancing the capacity of the Skilling institutions to cope with the growing demands of the world of work
- iv. Improved data management and evidence-based planning



- an upgrade of EMIS to include tracking enrolment, drop-out, and retention, and uniquely identifying learners, teachers, and institutions
- v. Increased uptake of the digitalization strategy in the programme through roll-out and maintenance of systems such as Teacher Effectiveness and Learners' Achievements system (TELA), E- inspection, Teacher Management Information System (TMIS), and E-learning
 - vi. Improving the overall staffing level in the Education sub-programme
 - vii. Infrastructure development and equipment of medical schools to meet international accreditation.



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5.0 BUDGET PERFORMANCE FOR HALF YEAR FY 2022/23.

5.1 THE HUMAN CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME HALF YEAR BUDGET PERFORMANCE FOR THE FY 2022/23.

Table 3: The Human Capital Development Programme Half Year Budget Performance Inclusive of Arrears for FY2022/23 in (UShs Bn)

Budget Category	Approved Budget FY2022/23	Released By End Dec	Spent By End Dec	% Budget Released	% Budget Spent	% Release Spent
Wage	3,385.87	1,758.01	1,705.99	51.92	50.39	97.04
Non-Wage	2,354.08	1,073.85	959.89	45.62	40.78	89.39
Total Recurrent	5,739.94	2,831.86	2,665.87	49.34	46.44	94.14
GoU Dev't	1,127.10	229.78	167.36	20.39	14.85	72.83
Ext Fin Dev't	2,222.49	1,297.36	582.40	58.37	26.20	44.89
Total Dev.	3,349.60	1,527.14	749.75	45.59	22.38	49.10
Total Rec+Dev't	9,089.54	4,384.64	3,415.62	47.96	37.58	78.36
Arrears	25.70	25.64	21.85	99.78	85.03	85.21
Total Budget	9,115.24	4,384.64	3,437.47	48.10	37.71	78.40
Grand Total	9,115.24	4,384.64	3,437.47	48.10	37.71	78.40
AIA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Vote Budget Excluding Arrears	9,089.54	4,384.64	3,415.62	47.96	37.58	78.4

Source: Semi Annual Budget Performance Report FY 2022/23.

As shown in the Table 3 above, the overall approved budget for the **FY 2022/23** under the Human Capital Development Programme amounted to **UShs 9,115.24 Bn** (Inclusive of Arrears) out of which **UShs 4,384.64Bn(48.19%)** was released and **UShs 3,437.47Bn (78.40%)** expended by 30th December, 2022.

The breakdown of the release of **UShs. 4,384.64Bn** under the Human Capital Development Programme is as follows; **UShs 1,758.01Bn (51.92%)** catered for Wage, **UShs. 1,073.85Bn (45.62%)** for Non-Wage, **UShs.229.78Bn (20.39%)** for GoU Development and **UShs 1,297.36Bn (58.37%)** was for external financing respectively. The absorption rates for the recurrent and development components were at 94.14% and 49.10% respectively. This was on account of the 97.04% and 72.83% release performance on Wage and GoU components.

Funds for Arrears was released at 99.78 percent (**USh25.64Bn**) out of an approved budget of **Ush25.70bn**, however, only (**USh 21.85Bn**) was spent, hence representing an (85.21%) absorption rate.

**Table 4: Sub-Programme - Financial Performance as Per Votes for
FY2022/23 at Half Year. UShs Bn.**

Votes	Approved Budget FY 2022/23	Released by End Dec	Spent By End Dec	% Budget Released	% Budget Spent	% Releases Spent
013-MOES	661.29	235.36	135.18	35.59	20.44	57.44
111-NCDC	22.125	9.58	9.175	43.30	41.47	95.77
122-KCCA	72.67	47.92	40.94	65.94	56.34	85.43
128-UNEB	126.73	88.55	84.25	69.87	66.48	95.14
132-ESC	14.46	5.42	4.47	37.48	30.91	82.47
164-NCHE	19.805	6.387	5.859	32.25	29.58	91.73
165-UBTEB	33.733	15.113	15.051	44.80	44.62	99.59
166-NCS	47.812	18.408	18.408	38.50	38.50	100.00
301-MUK	369.35	185.22	165.18	50.15	44.72	89.18
302-MUST	57.798	28.447	26.148	49.22	45.24	91.92
303-MUBS	107.31	49.061	49.061	45.72	45.72	100.00
304-Kyambogo University	138.666	80.552	68.06	58.09	49.08	84.49
305-Busitema University	60.06	25.88	22.75	43.09	37.88	87.91
306-Muni University	25.12	11.958	9.91	47.60	39.45	82.87
307-Kabale University	63.204	26.495	20.763	41.92	32.85	78.37
308-Soroti University	24.758	11.539	7.556	46.61	30.52	65.48
309-Gulu University	78.051	34.531	32.494	44.24	41.63	94.10
310-Lira University	27.021	16.548	11.578	61.24	42.84	69.95
312-UMI	35.632	18.82	12.37	52.82	34.72	65.73
313-MoM	40	20.183	10.18	50.46	25.40	50.34
LGs-501-850	3,139.19	1,435.90	1,435.90	45.74	45.74	100.00

Grand Total	5,164.78	2,371.87	2,185.26	45.5	41.8	92.13
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Source: Semi Annual Budget Performance FY 2022/23.

The Table 4 above, shows the budget performance for the Votes under the Education, Sports and Skills Sub programme for the FY 2022/23 as at December, 2022.

Out of the approved budget of **Ush 5,164.78Bn**, only **Ushs 2,371.87Bn (45.5%)** had been released and UShs 2,185.26bn was spent thus representing a 92.13 percent release performance.

Most of the votes had a release performance of over 90%, Minimal performance was noted under Mts of the Moon University at 50.34% largely due to the fact the University was new and had not yet formed the contracts Committees to effect procurements and 57.44% under the MoES which was due to the UShs 90bn allocation under the Ministry for Science teachers that was meant for Local Governments and delayed procurements.

Table 5: Half Year performance of the Ministry of Education and Sports for the FY 2022/23. UShs bn.

Budget Category	Approved Budget FY 2022/23	Revised Budget FY 2022/23	Release by end Dec, 2022	Spent by end Dec, 2022	% Budget Released	% Budget Spent	% Releases Spent
Wage	124.60	131.84	31.15	15.70	25.00	12.60	12.60
Non-Wage	245.10	261.64	92.57	78.61	37.77	32.07	32.07
Total Recurrent	369.69	393.48	123.72	94.30	33.47	25.51	25.51
GoU Dev't	101.70	105.26	38.62	14.81	37.97	14.56	14.56
Ext Fin Dev't	189.92	189.92	73.03	25.80	38.45	13.59	13.59
Total Dev	291.63	295.18	111.65	40.61	38.28	13.93	13.93
Total REC+DEV	661.32	688.66	235.37	134.92	35.59	20.40	20.40
Arrears	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Total Budget	672.32	699.66	246.37	145.92	36.64	21.70	21.70
Grand Total	672.32	699.66	246.37	145.92	36.64	21.70	21.70
AIA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Vote Budget	661.32	688.66	235.37	134.92	35.59	20.40	20.4

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Source: Semi Annual Budget Performance Report FY 2022/23.

In the Table 5 above, the approved budget for Vote 013 for FY 2022/23 was UGX 661.29 bn although this has been revised upwards to UGX 688.64bn through a supplementary budget of UGX 27.35 bn for instructional materials (UGX 10 bn), Education Policy Review Commission (UGX 3 bn), enhancement of wage for scientists (UGX 7.24 bn), Ndejje University for university games (UGX 3.8 bn) and Education Management Information System (UGX 3.3 bn).

By half year, UGX 235.36 bn (35%) out of the approved budget had been released and of this 57% (UGX 135.18 bn) was absorbed.

The Committee notes the under absorption by the MoES as highlighted in the table above, where out of UShs 235.36bn that was released by end of half year only UShs 135.18bn was spent and the under absorption was largely under the wage component where UShs 90bn meant for enhancement of Science teachers under the Local Governments was allocated under the wage component of the MoES, though the MoES relates the under absorption to procurement related payments which were not completed as suppliers had not yet submitted their completion certificates.

Table 6: Sub sub-Programme financial performance under the Ministry of Education and Sports for FY2021/22 (UShs bn)

Sub-Sub Programmes	Approved Budget (FY 22/23)	Revised Budget(FY 22/23)	Released by End Dec, 2022	Budget spent by end Dec 2022	% Budget released	% Budget spent	% Released spent
Career Guidance, and Counseling and Placement	0.872	0.872	0.626	0.142	71.78	16.3	22.68
<u>Higher Education</u>	84 692	84 933	20 006	17 219	23.62	20.3	86.07
Sports & Physical Education	15.118	15.118	4 556	4 332	30.13	28.7	95.08
Policy, Planning and Support Services	208 613	218 472	74 284	45 579	35.60	21.8	61.36
Basic and Secondary Education	113 664	123 664	46 363	19.28	40.79	17.0	41.58
Quality and Standards	4 387	4 387	1.668	1.517	38.02	34.6	90.95
Technical Vocation Education and Training						23.9	58.89

Sub-Sub Programmes	Approved Budget (FY 22/23)	Revised Budget(FY 22/23)	Released by End Dec, 2022	Budget spent by end Dec 2022	% Budget released	% Budget spent	% Released spent
	241.097	248 343	97.812	57 604	40.57		
Special Needs Education	3.874	3 874	1.052	0 244	27.15	6.3	23.19

Source: Semi Annual Budget Performance Report FY 2022/23.

As shown in the Table 6 above, Physical Education and Sports, Quality Standards and Higher Education Sub sub-programmes performed exceptionally well at 95.08%, 90.95% and 86.07% respectively. Technical Vocation Education and Training performed averagely at 58.89% due to late release of funds for the second quarter and thus planned activities could not be implemented. Basic and Secondary Education, Special Needs Education and Career Guidance, Counselling and placement Sub sub-programmes performed below average at 41.58%, 23.19% and 22.68% respectively.

Table 7: Supplementary Schedule No.1 for the Education Sports and Skills Sub Programme FY 2022/23. UShs bn.

Supplementary Schedule No.1 for the Education Sports and Skills Sub Programme FY 2022/23. UShs bn.					
013:MoES					
Recurrent	393.48	27 34	152.34	27 34	21.9
Development	245	0	245	0	0
111:NCDC					
Recurrent	18.23	6	24.225	5 995	32.9
Development	12	0	12	0	0.00
132:ESC					
Recurrent	9.39	0 007	9 397	0 007	0.07
Development	7	0	7	0	0.00
301:MUK					
Recurrent	353.28	8	361.28	8	2.3
Development	144	0	144	0	0.00
301:MUST					
Recurrent	55.05	1.660	56.71	1 660	3.02
Development	15	0	15	0	0.00

SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULE NO.1 AND ADDENDA 1 & 2 FY2022/23						
307:Kabale UNIV						
Recurrent	53.43	3.21	56.64	3.21	6.01	
Development	15	0	15	0	0.00	
313:MoMU						
Recurrent	32.24	0	22	0	0.00	
Development	5.41	5.9	11.31	5.9	109	

Source: Supplementary schedule No.1 and addenda 1 & 2 FY2022/23

The Table 7 above highlights the supplementary funding for the ESSSP for FY2022/23 under Supplementary Schedule No.1 and addenda 1 & 2.

VOTE-013 MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SPORTS

- **UShs 3.8bn** as a GoU contribution for the upgrade and reconstruction of Ndejje University Sports Facilities in preparation for the Eastern Africa University Games 2022. Ndejje University won the bid on behalf of Uganda to host the 12th edition of the Federation of Eastern Africa University (FEAUS) games that took place in December 2022. The University was required to upgrade its sports facilities to a standard befitting of the host nation.
- **UShs 3.000bn** was required for critical activities under the Education Policy Review Commission. The Commission was constituted by the Minister under Legal Notice No. 5 of 2021 and had not been allocated a budget since inception and was relying on facilitation from Statehouse.
- **UShs 3.300bn** was required for the rollout of the Education Management Information System (EMIS).
- **Ushs 10.00bn** was required to clear outstanding commitments for the supply of instructional materials for primary and secondary schools.

VOTE 111- NATIONAL CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT CENTER (NCDC)

- The Center was allocated an additional **UShs 6bn** for the preparatory activities of the review and rollout of the A'Level curriculum. Parliament approved a competence-based curriculum for the entire secondary education, implementation for O'Level started in 2020 and the first cohort will sit their exams in November 2024 and transit to A'level therefore there

is a need to ensure that the A level curriculum is reviewed and ready by December 2024.

Vote 301- MAKERERE UNIVERSITY (MUK)

- UShs 8bn was allocated for kick starting the renovation of the halls of residence starting with Lumumba and Mary Stuart be approved.

VOTE 132 EDUCATION SERVICE COMMISSION

- Received UShs 7,200,000 to cater for wage shortfalls of scientists in Education Service Commission.

Vote 302: MBARARA UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (MUST)

- Received **UShs 1.660bn** as NTR for payment of living out allowances for non-resident government sponsored students, management of 3rd-semester examinations that resulted from the COVID-19 pandemic and purchase to replace the aging bus to facilitate the students' outreach activities.

VOTE 307: KABALE UNIVERSITY

- The University secured a supplementary of **UShs 3.21bn** as NTR for repairs and renovations of old buildings, the printing of examinations, facilitation of part-time lecturers, purchase of laboratory equipment, purchase of a generator to light up the University, installation of security lights, installation of three-phase power at innovation and incubation centers and facilitating staff recruitment processes and other Council operations.

VOTE 313: MOUNTAINS OF THE MOON UNIVERSITY

- The University secured a supplementary of **UShs 5.90bn** as NTR, being a new University, the University has got infrastructural challenges hence the **UShs 5.9bn** supplementary in addition to **UShs 5.41bn** development budget allocated in FY2022/23. Out of **UShs 5.9bn** supplementary UShs 1.650bn is non-wage recurrent for allowances of part-time lecturers and arrears hence a total development budget of **UShs 9.6bn**.



KEY PHYSICAL OUTPUTS AT HALF YEAR FY 2022/23

013-Ministry of Education and Sports

- Trained sixty (60) Head teachers on general Early Grade Reading (EGR) methodology and pedagogical leadership in Kalaki district.
- Procured 6,052,100 copies of textbooks for Senior Three and Senior Four for the Lower Secondary Curriculum for both Private and Government Secondary Schools and 53,000 Practical Science Students Manuals books and 4,000 Teacher Practical Manual Guides.
- Established virtual laboratories in 25 secondary schools
- Disbursed funds to facilitate the operations of Bunyoro University and Busoga University Taskforces. In addition, subvention was also provided to cater for operations of Uganda Petroleum Institute Kigumba (UPIK). Assessed, marked and graded 53,397 (31,445 Male and 21,952 Female) candidates under the modular and full UVQF 1-3 levels in 61 occupations
- Conducted decentralized admissions across six (06) regional centers for Diploma awarding Institutions. Six (06) institutions signed Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) with industries to promote Work-Based Learning.
- Rolled out the Teacher Effectiveness and Learners' Achievement (TELA) system to the Eastern part of the country covering all Government Primary, Secondary and Certificate Awarding Institutions.
- Rolled out the e-inspection system to all One Hundred Seventy-Seven (177) Local Governments. Commenced the national rollout of the Education Management Information System (EMIS) in November, 2022.

111-National Curriculum Development Center

- Draft A'level Curriculum Framework developed.
- 2,546 teachers and Master Trainers from Wakiso and Kampala Districts oriented on the S.4 content and assessment modalities.
- 590 Center Co-ordinating Tutors (CCTs) in charge of Kiswahili and Deputy Principals oriented on the revised Kiswahili curriculum.
- The outstanding debt on the Printery cleared.

122-Kampala Capital City Authority

- A total of 134 cases were registered, of which 7 were new cases reported against KCCA, 6 Cases were concluded against KCCA, 6 cases were in favor of the Authority, 2 cases were settled by consent, zero appeal cases filed, 2 cases were withdrawn and 1 case was dismissed.

- A total of 12 statutory notices were issued to various entities /individuals for reminding them of their obligations with KCCA Legal Advisory and Contract Preparation.
- A total of 18 legal opinions were prepared for the Authority
- A total of 80 Contracts, Agreements and memorandums of understanding were signed Law enforcement KCCA Enforcement Team.
- Carried out 160 Operations in the City whereby 236 Premises were sealed off, 233 culprits were arrested, and 29,292 impounds were made.
- A total of 686 cases were reported and registered in the period under review and of which 35 were dismissed, 346 were convictions, 2 cases were withdrawn and 275 were still ongoing cases.
- A total of UGX 18,440,000 was generated as fines from the offenders while there was no acquittal cases reported.
- All political leaders in the City participated in the planning and budgeting consultative meetings for FY 2023/24 both at the Authority and Division level.
- A total of 17 authority-level Engagements were held of which; 2 were Ordinary Authority Council, 4 were Special authority council meetings, 9 standing committees, 1 was a Business committee meeting, and 1 joint committee meeting.
- Conducted monitoring visits in 10 selected Gov't Aided schools to assess issues faced.
- Held a total of 34 Division Urban Council Engagements of which 5 were Ordinary Division Council Meetings, 6 Special Division Council Meetings, 10 Standing Committee meetings, 9 Business committees and other 4 committee meetings.

128-Uganda National Examinations Board

- 811,810 candidates sat for PLE.
- 1609 PLE differently abled candidates supported with specialized assistance including amanuensis and large print examination papers.
- 3,330,960 PLE Examinations question papers printed.
- 3,330,960 PLE Examinations script papers marked.
- 64,120 contracted professionals hired for the conduct of PLE.
- 6,113 examiners hired and trained in scoring PLE.
- 51,120 Contracted professionals hired for secondary field conduct of examinations.
- 13,132 examiners recruited to mark UCE & UACE.
- 9,425,460 UCE & UACE examination question papers Printed.
- 8,054,184 candidates' UCE scripts marked.

- 268 staff members' salaries Paid on time.
- 01 research report produced.

132-Education Service Commission

- Appointed 182 personnel, 108 males and 74 females.
- Confirmed 1,281 personnel 896 males and 385 females.
- Regularized appointment of 13 personnel, 8 males and 5 females.
- Granted study leave, 13 personnel, 5 males and 8 females.
- Redesignated 19 personnel, 11 males and 8 females.
- Disciplined 4 personnel, 4 males.
- Handled cases of abandonment of duty of 5 personnel, 5 males
- Dismissed from Public Service, 1 personnel, 1 male.
- Reinstated into service 1 personnel, 1 male.

164-National Council for Higher Education

- Monitoring of institutions.
- 285 programmes were accredited.
- Reviewed and approved the NCHE Human Resource Policies and Procedure Manual.
- The Council and Committees met and considered Council business for Quarter one and Quarter two. This included the budget performance for the second quarter.
- NCHE reviewed and approved the new Performance Appraisal Tool for staff.
- An M&E Officer was recruited to strengthen the M&E function at NCHE.
- NCHE issued a request for expression of interest for consultancy service for design and construction supervision of its proposed H/Q Building Accordingly, a consultant was appointed to kick start the project and we are waiting for release of funds.
- 233 Assessors trained.
- Institutional facilities accredited.
- The Annual Higher Education Conference was held at Hotel Africana, Kampala. 11. The Annual Higher Education Exhibition was conducted at UMA Show ground, Kampala.
- Data collection on the State of Higher Education in Uganda for 2020/21 academic year was concluded.
- 24 Minimum Standards for programmes were developed.
- 16 Minimum standards for programmes were reviewed.

- 60 Local qualifications were equated.
- 223 foreign qualifications were equated.

165-Uganda Business Technical Examinations Board

- Held validation workshop with 115 principals and industry representatives for 16 diploma and 15 National certificates of Business Humanities programmes.
- 23 business education programmes modularized for assessment Certificates.
- During the quarter, UBTEB registered candidates 86974 Male are 57758 and Female are 29216. 14 Industry verifiers deployed to monitor technical certificate practical assessments. e. 30 institutions were monitored and 1651 technical vocational diploma candidates were assessed by 46 assessors from training institutions.
- Deployed 162 area coordinators, 771 reconnoiters, 516 security officers, 463 center supervisors.
- Conducted assessment of real-life projects for 3794 candidates from 24 institutions by 45 assessors.
- 25 industry representatives undertook the inspection of real-life projects for 2103 technical vocational diploma candidates in 32 institutions.
- Inspected 1478 real-life projects of training with production for 15854 technical certificate students from 538 institutions.
- Printed 928 Transcripts, and issued 9149 Certificates for candidates that acquired full competences.
- 97 Staff ISO training awareness done,
- ISO implementation committee appointed, m. ISO internal auditors trained and ISO Internal Audit conducted,
- Quality Management System (QMS) manual developed.
- Pretesting of data collection tool is planned for January 2023.
- Procured 200 pieces of examinations packing bags.
- Environment issues, the Board held; consultative meeting EARNED project on the implementation of ICT Blended learning and assessment in Agricultural modules.
- Gender issues, the Board conducted; -215 SNE candidates registered for assessment. -SNE ISO standards developed -10 institutions with special needs students inspected. -Examinations conduct of SNE student monitored. -Website information designed in accessible formats. Carried out sensitisation of candidates at Naalya S.S.S.

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166-National Council of Sports

- 59 staff were paid salaries at NCS.
- 59 staff were paid NSSF at NCS.
- 36 staff received gratuity at NCS.
- 3 NCS council and committee meetings held at NCS.
- 3 MOTOR VEHICLES, 1 MOTORCYCLE and 1 generator maintained at NCS.
- 3 monthly bills of water and electricity paid at NCS.
- 1 BFP conference held at NCS.
- Associated NCS property managed.
- 3350 footballs, 400 Netballs, 400 volleyballs, 250 Basketballs, 76 Football uniform, 20 Netball uniform, 10 Basketball uniforms, 50 trophies, 40 boxing gloves, 30 boxing punching pads, 50 football nets, 50 stockings and 50 branded netball bibs procured and distributed in districts of Uganda.
- 2 national sports associations/ federations subscribed to international sports bodies. 46 national sports federations/ associations supported to implement sports activities

301-Makerere University Kampala

- With continued Government support, the university managed to go through the half FY during which it ensured timely payment of staff salaries;
- Held 6 regular meetings of University Council and 44 meetings of the sub-committees at which it approved 7 policies and one affiliation.
- In order to ensure better connectivity services, subscribed to NREN for the provision of Internet bandwidth currently at 2Gbps.
- Facilitated the maintenance and reorganization of Makerere University e-Learning Environment (MUELE). Settled the university Utility bills and property management expenses
- Recruited 183 staff, renewed contracts for 30 staff and Awarded Post retirement employment Contracts to 2 Professors, 13 Associate Professors and 1 Chief Technician while 90 staff were confirmed.
- Promoted 101 members of staff and dismissed 10 staff.
- Admitted 9,350 (35%F, 65%M) students of which 5,607 are undergraduates (2007 govt & 3,600 private) and 3,743 are graduate students.

- Facilitated 46 staff involved in PUJAB activities & 96 staff involved in Bachelor of Laws pre-entry exams for 2022/23.
- Held 15 Senate and its sub-committee meetings and recommended 9 new and 6 revised policies, re-instatement of 3 academic programmes, revised 8 academic programmes and approved 8 new academic programmes, award of 2 professor emeritus and 1 honorary Doctor of science.
- Held an Academic Public Fair at which 4,649 academic transcripts & certificates were issued & 1,990 certified.
- Under MakRIF, 865 Projects have been supported, 457 have closed out of which 40 projects, and 137 projects had products, 292 policy briefs. 408 projects are ongoing.
- The university continued with the construction of school of law building; the main campus perimeter wall; finalized renovations at Physics Department building and Toilets at Livingstone Hall. Renovated two blocks in Mitchell Hall (at 98% complete). Continued with the re-construction of the main administration building up tentatively on the second floor.

302-Mbarara University of Science and Technology

- 14 wks of lectures and 2 of exams for 5,581(35.7%F) students and 1 study Trip for BME, PEEM, EEE, BPSM, BAF & BBA conducted.
- 1 QA training for FAST Staff & 2 QA meetings for FCI & FOS held.
- FA for 538 (31%F) BSc.Ed & FOM GoU students & 12 External Examiners for postgrads' paid. 3 Seed Innov. Grants; 4 Faculty Res. studies & 1 micro junior research grant awarded.
- 1 wk scientific writing wksp for 24 innovation teams & 2 Res. wkshops held
- 15 research projects teams facilitated & 1 innovation week for FAST & FCI conducted. 1 pilot survey of e-Farm innovation done. Community twinning for 65 students; 8 wks of Industrial Training for 1,099 (24%F) students, Field practicals & farm placements for 21 BSAL students; domiciliary for 44 Nursing and 9 MLS students placement at Nakasero blood bank done.
- 2 Internal audit reports done. 1 proc. plan prepared & implemented.
- Financial statements, Q4 & annual reports for FY 2021/22; 1 BFP& Q1 FY 2022/23 Budget performance reports prepared & submitted.
- 50,000 exam answer booklets & 360 dailies for library procured.
- 3 Staff trained 400 staff appraised.
- Salaries for 573 (35.7%F), 24 short term contract staff & service provider of AIMS paid.
- Gratuity for AR, UB, DHR & DVC (F&A) paid.

- 2 QA Com. Meetings held.
- 149,431 6 units of electricity & 32,218.6 CC of water paid for, 8 vehicles & 2 Lifts in FAST maintained.
- Subscription to IUCEA, ACU & CUUL for e-information resources done. 1,387 software Licenses procured & installed.
- 12 hectares of compounds & 14,300sqm of buildings maintained & cleaned. 2 Council, 15 Council Com. & 2 senate meetings held & 2 Policies approved. LOA for 620 (27.5F) GoU students paid.
- Conducted HIVAIDs, Gender & Special Needs activities (Blended commem. of International AIDS day & for persons with disability).
- Counseling for 221 (37.9% F) Students, Staff, Parents done. Participated in EA Games at Ndejje University. 32 Students Leaders trained.

303-MUBS

- A total of 12780 students were registered for semester one 2022/23 as at end of December 2022. This was affected to having no first year students from high school as there were no exams done in 2021.
- The school supervised 3630 number of internship with different entities which were both public and private.
- Offered MUBS Scholarships to by tuition waiver to 10 first class students and 2 disabled persons.
- Paid living out allowances to 73 year one 2022/23 Government sponsored students.
- Facilitated 83 members on School staff development programmes (60 Academic & 23 Admin. staff). Reviewed the MUBS Human Resource Manual for better service delivery.
- Conducted 6 Council/Board meetings including sub-committees. Had a Retreat for Appointments Committee to finalize the manual review exercise. Recruited 155 staff in school service.
- Paid condolences to 16 who lost their dear ones and extended medical refund to 21 staff.
- Paid emoluments to 1390 members of staff. These include 20 members with disabilities. The School Health Center conducted 9 tests for COVID-19
- Collected 152 Units of blood during blood donation exercise.
- Held 3 zoom lectures on mental health and carried out HIV/AIDS tests and medical examination to 809 first year students.

- Supplied drugs to all Campuses equivalent to Shs 14m. Procured an Autoclave machine for the Health Centre. Procurement of 165 chairs is on-going.

304-Kyambogo University

- 642 clients offered counselling services;
- Twenty one (21) Peer Counsellors supervised;
- two open Anti-Suicide Campaign drives were organized;
- One Mental Health campaign drive organized;
- 45% of first year students oriented,
- 25 members of staff and 107 student mentors allocated mentees;
- 2,675 first year students mentored;
- 658 female and 670 male students accommodated of whom 38 are students with disabilities;
- Meetings with private hostel owners conducted;
- Maintenance repairs and fumigation completed in Shalls of residence;
- 85% of students on campus feed from University cafeterias;
- Quality affordable catering services available for students;
- Meal and Living out allowances for 2,356 continuing students and 576 fresher's paid;
- CIPS annual subscription for six PDU staff paid;
- Audit reports on prcparation of Annual Financial Statements for FY 2022-23, procurement of Goods and services, Students Guild Activities at execution level.

305-Busitema University

- The overall number admitted in 2022/2023 academic year is 2,341 (723 Females and 1618 Males);
- 4653 were enrolled of which 1330 were female;
- The senate Considered draft policies and short courses from the library;
- Approved proposal for establishment of two departments and Bachelor of Pharmacy program at the faculty of health sciences, Approved proposed 5 reviewed programs from the faculty of engineering,
- Considered Proposed Bachelor of Engineering in Mechanical Engineering, Approved Academic 3 programs and short courses from maritime institute, Approved proposal on the regulation of university graduation gown, Approved Proposed Busitema University compassion Scholarship Scheme, Approved the proposed semester dates for the FY 2022/2023;

- 10 programs were accredited;
- 58 publications were made in recognized reviewed journals;
- 10 MOUs were signed between Busitema University and the Confucius Institute of Makerere University then Wagagai mining company LTD, International University of East Africa, Fundi Bois, Partners Collaborative Agreement between Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology and Kenyatta University in Nairobi, Cyber School Technology Solutions, Cannabis Health Equity Movement CHEM Global Solutions, USA, European Union Erasmus+, African Technology Policy Studies Network, Makerere University College of Health Sciences;
- Gender, HIV clubs were supported during quarter FY 2022-23. 8. 216 government students were accommodated and 64 of which were female and 1618 Males);
- 150 Journal Databases subscribed to; 30 million e-book titles procured and subscribed to;
- Subscription to MyLOFT done;
- Ask the Librarian/ Chat Reference operationalized;
- Library Website updated and expanded;
- 856 research reports digitized and uploaded in the institutional repository;
- Quarterly progress Budget Performance reports produced and One Asset register updated;
- Payments were made towards Mbale Lecture Complex and other expenses.

306-Muni University

- 833 students taught in all programs in the quarter (246 Female and 587 Male);
- 11 weeks of lectures and assessment conducted 1 semester examinations conducted (Semester II) 12 peer-reviewed publications produced (Faculty of Agriculture-2, Faculty of Health Science -3. Faculty of Management Science - 1. Faculty of Science and Faculty of Techno Science - 1);
- A two-day stakeholder workshop on Regenerative and Inclusive food systems was conducted (8th – 9th, November 2022) at the University Campus;
- 9 Academic Programs accredited (Master of Public Health, Master of Science in Bio-diversity conservation, Master of Science in Chemistry, Master of Science in Computer Science, Post Graduate diploma in Human Resource Management, Master of Science in Artificial Intelligence, Master of Tourism & Hospitality, Master of Business Administration and Bachelor of Education-Secondary);

- One week Orientation organized for first year students;
- Living out Allowance paid to all 94 registered first year students for FY2022-2023 Trained 63 (46 Male and 17 Female) first year students on the available functions, facilities, services and resources in the library
- 776 patients managed (312 female and 464 male) in the University Clinic;
- 1 University Council meeting;
- Held 3 University Council committee meetings;
- Held 1 University Senate meeting;
- Held 2 University Senate committee meetings;
- Held 4 Top Management Meetings;
- Construction of Administration Block Annex - on going at 21% Completion of Health Science Laboratory Building- on going at 41%.

307-Kabale University

- A total of 4744 students (2979 Male, 1765 Female) enrolled, taught and examined for the academic year 2022/2023;
- A total 611 Articles/ Dissertations, Books/Journals uploaded onto Kabale University Digital Repository (KABDR) and 26,215 users accessed Kabale University Digital Repository (KABDR) from 185 countries;
- A total of 235 (150 males & 85 females) academic staff completed 6 days capacity building training in: Research output management, Turnitin Training, Use of Library and e-learning resources, Effective and efficient use of the AIMS system; and Marketing and digital communication, skills and strategies;
- A total of 38 PhD students (22 Male and 16 Female) supervised on proposal completion and still ongoing;
- A total of 10 articles published in peer-reviewed journals reported to the Directorate of Research and Publications;
- Blended NCHE exhibition participated in with the theme enhancement of teaching, learning and Assessment with ODEL in Higher Education held in Lugogo showground, Kampala- 22nd- 24th September 2022;
- A total of 30 farmers (10 males and 20 females) from Kabale and Rubanda districts completed a training on sustainable soil and water conservation using farmer field school approach;
- Practical teaching in agriculture and environment sciences for 243 students (145 male and 98 female) at demonstration gardens and in communities conducted;

- A total of 127 (Female=59 and 68 =Male) students carried out internship for Department of Information Technology and Computer Science and Library Information Science;
- A total of 103 (48 male & 55 female) Business Administration students conducted a community outreach on entrepreneurship, innovation and styling in Kabale Municipality;
- The university started e-Learning outreach at Kigezi High School;
- Mathematics outreach conducted at Kabale Brainstorm High School and three (3) secondary schools participated.

308-Soroti University

- 387 students of both SHS and SET taught and examined;
- 9 Research papers published 19 funding proposals developed and awarded under SUN research grant fund 19 SET Staff trained in Pedagogy skills (2 F and 17 M) 1 programme submitted to NCHE for accreditation (Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy) 44 students on clinical placement for both MBChB and BNS, (11 F and 33M) in Soroti Regional Referral Hospital 58 book Titles compiled under procurement Quarter One;
- Internal Audit Report produced and submitted to Office of Internal Auditor General (OIAG) Prepared and submitted adjusted Financial Statements for FY 2021/2022;
- Staff Paid salary and NSSF for 3 months 46 new staff recruited;
- Prepared Q1 Progress Report for FY 2022/2023 and submitted to MoFPED and other line Ministries 1 Budget conference held attended by 50 staff (13 F, 37 M);
- 3 monthly procurement reports prepared and submitted to PPDA 102 hard copy documents delivered;
- 1 Council meetings held, attended by 24 members (6F, 18M) and 8 council committee meetings held 3 policies approved by council (Proposed Intellectual Property Policy, Fees Policy and Identification Policy);
- 1 Curriculum approved by Council (Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy) 240 students sat for Examinations (69F, 171M);
- One curriculum development workshop held (HEC);
- Paid Living out allowance to 175 (128 M, 47F) students of year I and II
- 4 Buildings, 11 Vehicles and Machinery maintained 499 (260 F, 239M) Students and staff treated and diagnosed;

- 250 staff and students vaccinated against Hepatitis B (second dose) Initiated and awarded the procurement for supply and installation of Anti-virus software;
- Initiated supply and installation of network in the new offices and supply of television for the students Initiated and awarded the procurement for supply of the CBC machine for the Medical Centre Procurement for ICT Laboratory equipment initiated under SET.

309-Gulu University

- 1 full council meeting and 7 Council Committee meetings held;
- National budget conference for FY 2023/24 attended;
- Provided monthly internet bandwidth of 133Mbps;
- Procured 63 volumes of text books;
- Annual performance Report for FY 2021/22 prepared;
- Uganda Vice Chancellor Forum, AICAD and Inter-University Council for East Africa subscribed to;
- Acquired additional 187 890 acres after compensating 120 Project Affected Persons (PAPs) bringing the total number of acres acquired to 462.88 acres out of the 786.41 acres earmarked;
- Recommendation for award of contract for design and construction supervision of a Multi-purpose building approved;
- Teaching Hospital and Senate building Preliminary design report completed; and;
- Bus body rebuilding of motor vehicle UAK 482G commenced.

310 - Lira University

- 0.8 Km of new road opened, 11.3Kms of mechanized roads maintained, 17.2Kms of roads on routine maintenance. All these are to provide access to all users;
- 10 (ten) Committee meetings of the council held, 10 (ten) management meetings held, 10 (ten) top management meetings held. Managed Payroll and Data capture of 266 (105 female) staff, recruited three staff two (2) male and one, (1) female on replacement basis Coordinated preparation of Recruitment plan 2023/2024 for submission to Ministry 102 Male and 65 female appraised;
- Prepared and submitted Financial Statements for FY 2021/2022, Audits done on above Accounts by OAG; Warrants for Q1 and Q2 for FY 2022/23 prepared;

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- 8 Contracts Committee meetings conducted, 22 Bid Documents Evaluated for 6 different sets of Procurement processes; Annual Procurement Plan for FY 2022/23 consolidated & submitted to stakeholders; Assorted Contracts Awarded, Supervised, Monitored and site meetings held; 7 Monthly Procurement reports prepared and submitted;
- Fourth quarter Budget Performance Reports for previous year and Q1 budget performance report for the current year prepared, submitted and approved, Project proposals developed & submitted in IBP and is approved to prefeasibility stage, Higher Education Sector Budget Working Group meetings participated in, Development Committee Meeting attended, Multi Year Commitments meeting for FY 2023/2024 attended;
- Quarterly Audit reports prepared and submitted to AG/OAG; 1 Annual Work plan submitted to IAG and Verification of all deliverics for Q1 and Q2 done;
- Construction of administration block is at 50% physical progress, interns doctors' residence at 81% and diet kitchen work started at 15% by NEC constructors;
- Procurement of furniture completed and delivered, medical equipment is at 70% and the vehicle of the office of the DVC at solicitors general.

312 Uganda Management Institute

- Received 8,314 applications, admitted 5,830, registered 4,080 participants (52 Female) all branches - Gulu, Mbale & Mbarara, Held 01 (one) graduation ceremony;
- Procured 100% stationery for examinations;
- Coordinated 7 senate meetings, carried out orientation of new participants for the 2022/2023 academic year at all branches;
- Processed error free examinations for postgraduate Diplomas for first semester (evening and weekend programmes) for 2022/2023 academic year and second semester examinations for Postgraduate Diploma in Journalism (2021/2022);
- Updated the quarterly payroll register and processed salaries, gratuity, NSSF for 198 staff. Implemented 100% the insurance scheme activities.
- Coordinated 100% of the compensation to Staff who got injuries in the period;
- Paid wages to over 200 temporary and part-time staff, coordinated 100% capacity building initiatives in the period, Renewed contracts for 12 members of staff (74% male) for all UMI branches - Kampala, Mbale, Gulu and Mbarara;

- Held 01 (one) International conference; The 3rd Blended International Conference on Governance and Service Delivery in Developing Economies.
- Published (three) Publications in various journals.
- Generated 01 (One) Policy Brief;
- Coordinated 30 proposal defences for Master's Students;
- Prepared and submitted 03 monthly reports to the PPDA & 01 quarterly performance report to the management;
- Coordinated 18 evaluation of bids and 09 contracts committee meetings.
- Procured 100% all works, services and supplies in the period

313 Mountains of the Moon University

- Payment of salaries and NSSF 183 staff;
- Printing of 749 transcripts & Certificates, 749 students graduated;
- There was also an upgrade of RENU Band width from 75 MBPS to 130 MBPS and also two meetings held of the Committee of graduate studies and research;
- Teaching, learning and assessment of 2152 (Male 1186, female 966) students was done;
- Council and Council Committee formed and oriented;
- 2 Council 2 Appointments Board 1 Audit 2 Finance, Planning and Investment 1 Student Affairs 1 ICT, gender committee meetings held, 2 policies & guidelines disseminated to university staff & other stakeholders.
- Administrative departments efficiently and effectively coordinated, Accounting Officer was facilitated to attend meetings with MDAs.
- University Budget framework paper 2023-24 was prepared and submitted then 1 budget conference workshop to present Budget guidelines and documents for 2023-24 held for 36 participants

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6.0 HUMAN CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR FY2023/24

Table 8: Proposed Budget Estimates for the HCDP for the FY 2023/24. UShs bn.

Category	Approved Budget 2022/23 (1)	Proposed at BFP FY2023/24 (2)	Annual Budget Estimates Budget FY 2023/24 (3)	(3-1)	Variations on BFP and Annual Budget Estimates (3-2)	% Relative Change
Wage	3,385.87	3,966.19	3,687.84	301.97	-278.35	-7.0
Non-Wage	2,354	1,970	2,308	-46	338	17
Total Rec	5,739.94	5,935.77	5,996.01	256.07	60.24	1.
GoU	1,127.10	1,005.56	834.77	-292.33	-170.79	-17.0
Ext	2,222.49	2,064.27	1,952.46	-270.03	-111.81	-5.4
Total Dev't	3,349.60	3,069.84	2,787.23	-562.37	-282.61	-9.2
GRAND TOTAL	9,090	9,005.60	8,783.24	-306.76	-222.36	-2.5
Memo Items						
NDP Costing	10,167	11,145	11,145	978		
Budget Vs BFP Variations	1,077	-2,139.40	-2,362			
% Change	-10.6	-19.2	-26.9			

Source: NDP-3, Approved Budget Estimates FY 2022/23, Annual Budget Estimates FY2023/24.

As indicated in the Table 8 above, In the FY 2022/23, the HCDP had an approved budget of UGX 9,090.0bn out of which UGX 5,739.94bn was recurrent and UGX 3,349.60bn was for development. In the FY 2023/24, the proposed budget is UGX 8,783.24bn thus representing a decline UGX 306.76bn, this is on account of a decline in non-wage recurrent, GoU, and external financing by UGX 49bn, UGX 292.33bn and UGX 270.03bn respectively

The Recurrent Budget is projected to increase by UGX 256.07bn from UGX 5,739.94bn approved in FY 2022/23 to UGX 5,996.01bn in the FY 2023/24. This increment is on account of an increased wage bill of UGX 301.97bn.

On the other hand, the Development budget is projected to reduce by UGX 562.37bn from UGX 3,349.60bn in the FY 2022/23 to UGX 2,787.23bn in the FY 2023/24. This is largely due to projects that have been exited from the PIP and under funding to some already on-going infrastructural developments at the entities and Universities and this will delay completion of works and hence delivery realization of quality service delivery.

Budgetary allocations to the programme fall short of the NDP III allocations by UGX 2,362bn hence a 26.9 percent shortfall against targets for FY 2023/24.

6.1 BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE EDUCATION SPORTS AND SKILLS SUB-PROGRAMME FOR THE FY 2023/24.

Table 9: The proposed Budget Estimates for the ESSP for the FY 2023/24 and MTEF period. US\$ bn.

Category	Approved Budget 2022/23 (A)	Draft Estimates for FY2023/24 (B)	Absolute change (B-A)	Relative Change (B-A)/A*100	Proposed estimates for FY2024/25	Proposed estimates for FY2025/26	Proposed estimates for FY2026/27	Proposed estimates for FY2027/28
Wage	3,095.39	3,315.60	220.22	7.1	3,426.73	3,799.64	3,981.59	4,250.51
Non-Wage	1,281	1,225	-33.17	-2.6	1,401.25	1,695.23	1,990.29	2,494.00
Total Rec	4,353.24	4,540.28	187.05	4.3	4,827.99	5,194.87	5,971.88	6,744.51
GoU	612.069	462.743	-149.33	-24.4	541.12	599.09	691.18	936.36
Exl	189.92	250.367	60.45	31.8	302.09	98.27		
Total Dev't	801.989	713.11	-88.88	-11.1	843.21	697.36	691.18	936.36
Arrears	0	0	0.00	0.0				
Grand Total	5,178	5,253.39	98.17	1.9	5,671.20	6,192.23	6,663.06	7,680.87

Source: Approved Budget Estimates FY 2022/23, Draft Annual Budget Estimates FY2023/24. MFPED.

Table 9 above highlights the proposed draft estimates for the Education, Sports and Skills Sub-Programme for FY2023/24 and the Medium Term Expenditure Period (MTEF).

An increase was noted under wage component and external financing and reduction in funding noted under non-wage and GoU development, this will impact negatively on the operations of the sub-programme and completion of development projects. However, increased funding is noted in the MTEF period

It's also noted that in the medium Term in the last two years of FY2026/27 and FY2027/28 there will not be any external financing for the sub-programme.

6.2 Budget Estimates for the Votes in the Education Sports and Skills Sub Programme for the FY 2023/24

Table 10: Draft Budget Estimates for the Votes in the ESSP for the FY 2023/24.
UShs bn.

VOTES	NBFP Draft estimates FY 2023/24(1)	2ND Budget Call Circular FY 2023/24(2)	MPS Estimates FY 2023/24(3)	Draft Annual Budget estimates FY 2023/24(4)	Draft Annual estimates Vs NBFP (4-1)	% Change (4-2)/2*100	Draft Annual Estimate Vs MPS (4-3)	% Change (4-3/3*100)
013-MOES	669.41	620.5	584.10	482.53	-186.88	-28	-101.57	-17.4
111-NCDC	23.59	23.3	23.30	23.3	-0.29	-1.2	0	
122-KCCA	49.07	62.86	62.86	48.93	-0.14	-0.29	-13.93	-22.2
128-UNEB	144.82	128.253	128.553	128.39	-16.43	-11.3	-0.16	-0.13
132-ESC	11.83	11.83	11.83	11.95	0.12	1.01	0.12	1.01
164-NCHE	14.81	14.76	14.76	14.74	-0.07	-0.5	-0.02	-0.12
165-UBTEB	30.79	30.287	30.29	30.57	-0.22	-0.7	0.28	0.9
166-NCS	17.39	17.39	17.4	17.4	0.01	0.1	0	0
301-MUK	358.48	356.32	356.32	367.89	9.41	2.6	11.57	3.2
302-MUST	58.51	58.513	58.51	58.72	0.21	0.4	0.21	0.4
303-MUBBS	105.81	105.81	105.81	105.81	0	0	0	0
304-KYAM UNIV	136.91	136.91	136.91	133.49	-3.42	-2.5	-3.42	-2.5
305-BUSIT	54.47	53.97	53.98	58.27	3.8	7.0	4.29	7.9
306-MUNI UNIV	25.92	25.93	25.93	29.13	3.21	12.4	3.2	12
307-KABALE	55.95	58.06	58.08	60.28	4.33	7.7	2.2	3.8
308-SOROTI UNIV	23.98	23.99	23.99	24.47	0.49	2.04	0.48	2
309-QULU UNIV	63.6	63.16	63.16	63.55	-0.05	-0.08	0.39	0.6
310-LIRA UNIV	27.3	29.8	29.80	35.28	7.98	29.2	5.48	18.4
312-UMI	36.35	36.35	36.35	42.02	5.67	15.6	5.67	15.6
313-MOMU	32.24	38.14	38.14	38.07	5.83	18.1	-0.07	-0.18
LGS(501-850)	3,807.70	3,607.09	3,179.93	3,478.60	-329.1	-8.6	298.67	9.4
GRAND TOTAL	5,748.93	5,503.22	5,039.97	5,253.39	-495.54	-8.62	213.42	4.2

Source: Approved Budget FY 2022/23, NBFP, 2023/24, MPS 2023/24 and Annual Budget Estimates, FY 2023/24.

The Table 10 above show the draft estimates for votes under the ESSSP for FY2023/24. There is a notable reduction in estimates in the draft estimates compared to the ceiling at NBFP from UGX 5,748.93bn to UGX 5,253.39bn hence a reduction of UGX 495.54bn and this was noted mainly in the votes of MoES, NCDC, UNEB, NCHE, UBTEB, Kyambogo & Gulu Universities and Local Governments.

Some Universities like Makerere, Lira, Mountains of the Moon, UMI and Kabale received some increments in the budgetary estimates compared to NBFP considerations.

In the 2nd BCC, it was clearly communicated to the Accounting Officers that in the FY 2023/24, there are no provisions for new recruitments across government, and therefore no VOTE will be authorized to recruit new staff except on a replacement basis with evidence that positions to be filled have provision in the budget for FY 2023/24.

Table 11: Trend Allocation to the Education and Sports Sub Programme for the past three years. (FY2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23) UShs bn.

VOTES	FY 2020/21(a)	FY 2021/22(b)	FY 2022/23(c)	FY 2023/24(d)	Absolute change (d-c)	Relative Change (d-c)/c*100-- %
013-MOES	601 364	536 905	672 32	482 53	-189 79	-28.2
111-NCDC	40 208	42 162	22 12	23.3	1.18	5.3
122-KCCA	47.449	48 889	72 67	48 93	-23 74	-32.7
128-UNEB	140 145	146 445	126 73	128 39	1.66	1.3
132-ESC	9 378	12 918	14 45	11 95	-2.5	-17.3
164-NCHE	0	10 18	19 81	14 74	-5 07	-25.6
165-UBTEB	0	31 951	33 73	30 57	-3 16	-9.4
166-NCS	0	18 369	47 81	17.4	-30.4	-64
301-MUK	363 736	365 068	369 35	367 89	-1 46	-0.4
302-MUST	57 497	57 485	57 78	58 72	0.94	1.63
303-MUSS	97 685	100 689	107 32	105 81	-1.51	-1.41
304-KYAM UNIV	140.609	137.38	138.01	133.49	-4.52	-3.3
305-BUSIT UNIV	51 545	53 546	61 55	58 27	-3.28	-5.33

VOTES	FY 2020/21(a)	FY 2021/22(b)	FY 2022/23(c)	FY 2023/24(d)	Absolute change (d-c)	Relative Change (d-c)/c*100--% (d-c)/c*100--%
306-MUNI UNIV	23 78	26 706	25.20	29.13	3.93	15.6
307-KABALE UNIV	40 018	41.248	63.20	60.28	-2.92	-4.6
308-SOROTI UNIV	20.207	18 338	24 76	24.47	-0.29	-1.2
309-GULU UNIV	58 8	57 767	78.05	63.55	-14.5	-18.6
310- LIRA UNIV	27 812	28.559	27.02	35.28	8.26	30.6
312- UMI	36 334	35.143	35 63	42 02	6.39	18
313-MOMU	0	38 135	40.00	38 07	1 93	-4.8
LGS(501-850)	1,943.52	2,048.74	3,139.20	3,478.60	339.4	10.8
GRAND TOTAL	3,700.091	3,856.62	5,176.71	5,253.39	76.68	1.5

Source: Approved Budget Estimates FY 2020/21, 2021/22, FY 2022/23 and Draft Budget Estimates FY 2023/24.

In the Table 11 above, there has been a noticeable fluctuation in the relative change of budgetary allocation to the Education Sub Programme for the past three financial years that is to say from the FY 2021/2022, FY 2022/23 and the FY 2023/24 respectively. Considering the Grand total, over the years, the budget allocation to Education, Sports and Skills Sub-programme has been increasing with a notable increase under the Local governments, however some critical votes under the sub-programme have been experiencing huge budget cuts, therefore there is a need by MoES as supervising entity to ensure rationalization of funds allocated to the sub-programme.

Detailed allocations to the ESSSP attached as annex 2.

6.3 Draft Budget Estimates for MoES Sub Sub-Programmes Departments for FY2023/24

Table 12: Sub Sub-Programme under MoES indicating allocations for FY2022/23 Vs FY2023/24. UShs Bn.

Category	Approved FY2021/22	Approved FY 2022/23			Draft Estimates FY2023/24			Variance between FY2022/23 and FY2023/24
		GoU	Ext Funds	Total	GoU	Ext Funds	Total	
Career, Guidance, Counselling & Placement	1 228	0 872	0	0 872	0.863	0	0 863	-0 009
Higher Education	61.6	75.03	9 661	84 69	40 95	75.38	116 33	31 64
Sports and Physical Education	4.883	15.12	0	15.12	3.86	0	3.86	-11.26
Policy, Planning & Support Services	115.96	208.61	0	208.61	69.63	0	69.63	-138.98
Basic and Secondary Education.	127 734	80 48	33 19	113 66	42 74	120.44	163.18	49.52
Quality & Standards	30.39	4.39	0	4.39	4.08	0	4.08	-0.31
Technical Vocational Education and Training	190.43	94.02	147.07	241.10	67.88	54.55	122.43	-118.67
Special Needs Education	4 677	3.87	0	3.87	1.16	0	1.16	-2.71
	536.902	482.39	189.92	672.31	231.163	250.37	481.533	-190.78

Source: Draft Estimates and PBO calculations.

Table 12 above highlights funding for FY2022/23 against FY 2023/24 for the MoES sub sub-programmes and highlights the budget cuts noted in the Policy, Planning and Support Services and Technical Vocational Education and Training by UShs 138.98bn and UShs 118.67bn respectively.

Basic and Secondary Education and Higher Education have an increased budget of UShs 49.52bn and UShs 31.64bn respectively mainly due to development projects

7.0 OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Vote 013-Ministry of Education and Sports

a) Budget Cuts

The Committee observes that despite recommendations earlier made by the Committee at NBFP FY2023/24 approval in regards to the Ministry of Education and Sports 80% budget cuts especially to the subventions, the MoES budgetary ceiling has not been adjusted to cater for these budget shortfalls and the following are likely implications. The Loan Scheme has accumulated arrears in regards to payment of tuition fees for continuing students under the scheme and the Board will not be able to admit new beneficiaries in the coming financial year of 2023/24. The Health examinations Boards of UNMEB and UAHEB will not be in position to effectively discharge their mandate of assessment of students given the 80% budget cuts. The Uganda National Commission for UNESCO (UNATCOM) will not be in position to pay Annual Subscription to UNESCO AND ICESCO and implement its activities. Overall the subventions under the Ministry had a budget cut of **UShs 170.95bn.**

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that MFPED reinstates the budgets of the subventions under the MoES by the UShs 170.95bn that was cut for effective implementation and discharge of their mandates as envisaged in the acts that brought them into force and the NDP III.

b) Grant Aiding Primary and Secondary Schools

The Committee notes that the Ministry continues to receive numerous requests for grant aiding of both primary and secondary schools in parishes and sub-counties without primary and secondary schools respectively. However due to no budgetary allocation towards grant aiding of schools, no new schools will be grant aided in FY2023/24. During NBFP, the Committee was informed that the Ministry received 620 requests across the country for takeover by Government,

of community and NGO schools as government grant aided primary schools. The additional estimated cost of the takeover would be **Ushs.110m** per primary school and **UShs 400m** for takeover of a secondary school. Therefore for grant aiding 100 Primary Schools, the Ministry needs **UShs 11bn** and for 100 secondary schools the Ministry needs **UShs 20bn** for grant aiding 50 secondary schools.

The Committee further observes that **Ushs 6.80bn** that was appropriated for grant aiding/coding of 28 primary schools and 37 secondary schools at **Ushs 16.88bn** in the FY 2022/23. However, these funds were not released.

Recommendations

The Committee recommends the following:

- i. **recommends its recommendation for the release of Ushs 6.80bn that was appropriated for grant aiding of the 28 primary schools and Ushs 16.88bn for the 37 secondary schools in FY 2022/2023.**
- ii. **that MFPED avails Ushs.11bn for grant-aiding of 100 primary schools in FY 2023/2024**
- iii. **that MFPED avails UShs 20bn for grant aiding 50 secondary schools across the country in FY 2023/2024.**

c) Rehabilitation of Traditional Secondary Schools

The Committee observes that there are a number of traditional schools in different parts of the Country that are grappling with both dilapidated and inadequate infrastructure due to increased number of students and urgently need government support in order to meet the basic minimum standards of quality education, most of these schools are religious founded schools.

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that UShs 15bn be allocated each financial year towards the rehabilitation of these old traditional schools in order to ensure delivery of quality education services country wide.

d) Salary enhancement for Arts Teachers

The Committee observes that the presidential directive of enhancement of salaries for science teachers has greatly demotivated their Arts counter-parts and this directive has also brought about supervisory challenges within schools especially in instances where by the head teacher is Arts based, this means that the science teacher earns more than the head teacher. The Arts teachers had been promised a salary increment in the subsequent years however, this has not been provided for in the budget estimates for FY2023/2024.

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that MoES considers enhancing salaries for all teachers in a phased manner with special consideration for head-teachers and their deputies earning less than the teaching staff under their supervision.

e) Recruitment and deployment of teachers

The Committee notes with concern the existence of a staffing gap of 43% according to research done by ESC which has impacted on the quality of Education. The Committee further observes that about 4,000 teachers were appointed by the Education Service Commission on recommendation by the Ministry, however despite the shortfall of teachers in secondary schools, these teachers have not yet been deployed due to lack of a commensurate wage bill at the districts. The Committee was further informed by the Ministry that at least 3,000 additional primary teachers are needed in order to improve the Pupil teacher ratio in the least staffed primary schools and this is estimated to cost UShs 122bn.

Recommendation

The Committee notes the need to address this urgently and recommends that MFPED allocates an additional UShs 122bn for deployment of the 4,000 secondary teachers already appointed and UShs 25bn for recruitment of an additional 3,000 teachers for primary schools.

f) Full Implementation of the Teacher's Scheme of Service

The Committee was informed that the Scheme of Service is not fully implemented and this has affected the motivation and retention of teachers. Teachers who have upgraded have not been promoted, have stagnated at Assistant Education Officer level for too long and even the ones who have been promoted to Senior Education officer have not been deployed. There is need to increase the wage bill of the sub-programme in order to promote these teachers to improve their motivation and retention in the sector.

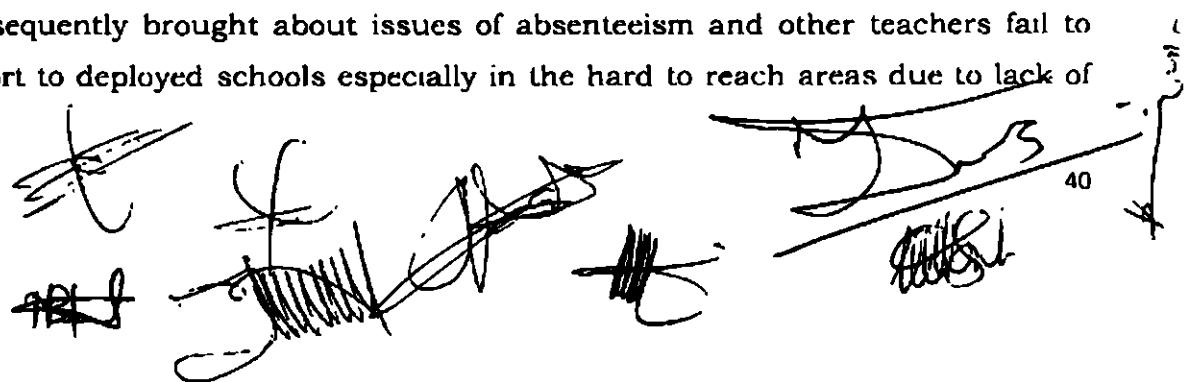
The Committee further observes that there is need to promote teachers secondary school that have upgraded to degree and masters level but have not be promoted to Assistant education officers and education officers totaling to 1,446 and would require Ushs 3.55bn

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that MoES liaises with MFPED to provide for the necessary wage bill amounting to Ushs 6.708bn to implement the Scheme of Service in the Education Sub sub programme.

g) Inadequate Staff Housing across Educational Institutions

The Committee observes that there exists inadequate staff housing for teachers and tutors across various Educational Institutions in the Country. This has consequently brought about issues of absenteeism and other teachers fail to report to deployed schools especially in the hard to reach areas due to lack of



staff housing. Provision of Staff housing at schools and Institutes greatly enhances teacher retention especially in the hard to reach areas.

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that MoES liaises with MFPED and other stakeholders in order to provide staff housing for teachers and tutors in different Education Institutions across the country especially those in the hard to reach areas.

h) John Kale Institute of Science and Technology

The Committee observed that the project 1368 John Kale Institute of Science and Technology was exited from the PIP.

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that the project 1368 John Kale Institute of Science and Technology is reinstated in the PIP since it was a presidential pledge.

i) Directorate of Industrial Training-DIT

Inadequate funding of the lower secondary curriculum delivery

The Committee observes that DIT has got critical unfunded areas most especially activities in relation to the Lower Secondary Curriculum and these include;

14,016 Secondary School Teachers to be trained on Assessment Training Packages (ATPs) use and Competence Based Education and Training (CBET) approaches for each of the 78 occupations of ATPs from 5,502 schools to be trained under the Lower secondary Curriculum. UShs 11,444,160,000 is needed both for training and transport refund.

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that MFPED should allocate DIT with an additional UShs. 11.44bn for the training of 14,016 secondary school

teachers on ATP and CBET approaches to ensure the full implementation of the Lower Secondary Curriculum.

j) Higher Education Students Financing Board-HESFB

Inadequate funding

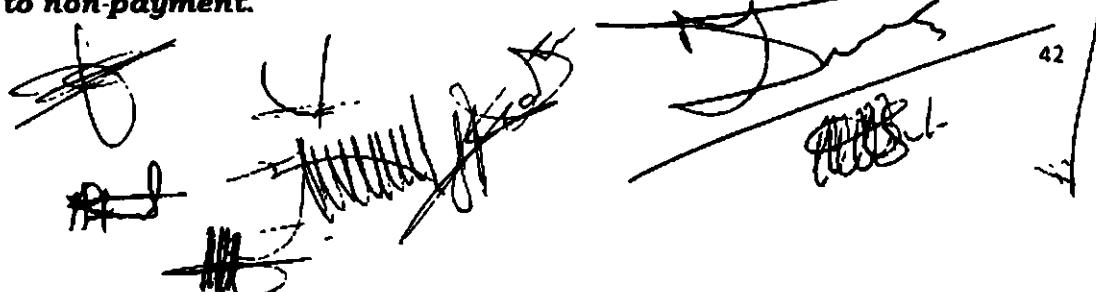
The Committee observes with concern that HESFB lacks enough funds to offer loans to majority of the needy students that apply to the Board for Higher Education funding. In FY2021/22 the Board's approved budget was UShs 41.190bn with UShs 32.303bn from the consolidated fund and UShs 8.887bn from NTR, however, out of UShs 32.303bn expected from MFPED only UShs 16.927bn was released leaving the Board with a shortfall of USh 15.376bn which resulted into arrears for the entire second semester fees for almost all institutions. In FY2022/23, the Board's budget was UShs 33.238bn out of which UShs 29.52bn was from the consolidate fund and UShs 3.718bn NTR. However, by end of half year the Board had only received UShs 7.08bn which is only 24% of the year's release. This non-release of funds has led to the accumulation of fees arrears by the Board to the tune of UShs 14.59bn.

In FY2023/24 the Board has been allocated a paltry UShs 10bn which leaves it with an unfunded gap of UShs 20.664bn in order to cover the 4,189 continuing students on the scheme and admit a new cohort of 1,500 students

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that:

- i. **MFPED urgently allocates HESFB an additional UShs 20.664bn in PY2023/24 to enable 4,189 students already on the scheme continue with their studies and to enable 1,500 new cohort attain higher education by accessing loans through the Board.**
- ii. **UShs 14.59bn be allocated towards clearance of fees domestic arrears accrued with the various Universities to avoid litigation due to non-payment.**



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- iii. *The MoES implements section 42 of the HESFB Act as has always been recommended by the Committee to vest all kinds of government scholarships with the Board as was envisaged in the act.*
- iv. *The Funds government allocates to the 4000 students on merit be allocated towards the Board funds so we can have more needy students access higher education through the Loan Scheme.*

EXAMINATION BOARDS

a) Uganda Allied Health Examinations Board-UAHEB

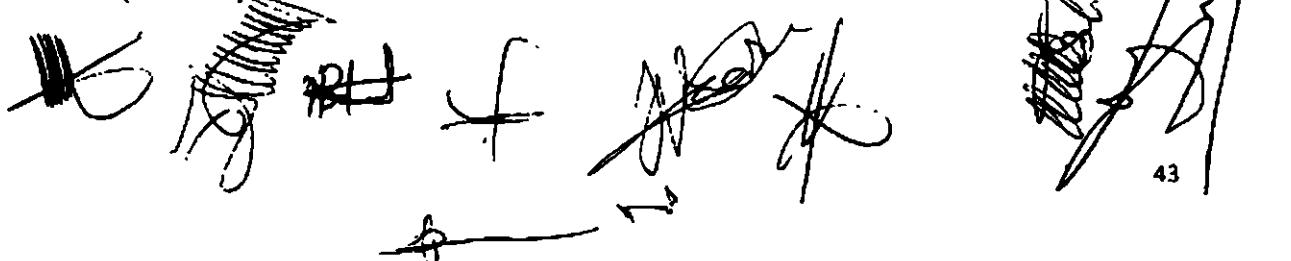
The Committee observed that the budget for subventions under the MoES was cut by 80% barely leaving these examination Boards under the Ministry with any funds for administration of examinations in FY2023/24. From UShs 6,360,001,024 allocated as subventions in FY2022/23, only UShs 1,051,353,000 was allocated as subventions for FY2023/24 which can barely support the Board through the year

The Board requests that at least **UShs 12.6bn** be allocated to it as subventions in FY2023/24 for it to effectively manage examinations in the Allied Health professions for 22,000 candidates both Certificate and Diploma. This will also enable the Board recruit more staff and train examiners

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that MFPED re-instates its subvention budget of UShs 6,360,001,024 and an additional UShs 6,239,998,976 be allocated to UAHEB for the Board to effectively carry out its mandate.

b) Vote 165 Uganda Business and Technical Examinations Board (UBTEB)



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The Committee observes that UBTEB requires adequate financing in order to achieve competence based assessment, examinations and awards for skilled and productive workforce. The Board currently hires its office space.

Land was availed for construction of an assessment center however, the funding towards the construction is very meagre, out of **UShs 6.246bn** allocated as development budget in FY2022/23 only **UShs 1.882bn** had been released by half hence a 12% construction completion so far. The development budget has been further cut to **UShs 2.8bn** in FY2023/24. The Infrastructure development project was approved by the DC-MFPED and coded in the PIP as 1792 indicating a requirement of UShs 16.375bn.

The Board requires an additional funding of **UShs 1bn** for retooling the Board with containers for examination storage, furniture and fittings, computers and office equipment for staff.

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that MFPED allocates UBTEB an additional UShs 3.2bn as development, where UShs 2.2bn will enhance the construction allocation to UShs 5bn and UShs 1bn for retooling of the Board towards the acquisition of field containers for examinations storage, computers, office equipment and furniture and fittings to enable full uptake of TVET by citizens throughout the country.

c) Uganda Nurses and Midwives Examinations Board-UNMEB

The Committee observes inadequate budgetary releases to the Board in FY2022/23. Out of a planned subvention budget of **UShs 18.89bn**, only **UShs 9.975bn** had been released by end of quarter three making it difficult for the Board to effectively execute its mandate of assessing students through conducting examinations and overall general administration due to shortfall in

funding. The less than 20% release of the development budget has also affected the progress of the planned construction of office space.

In FY2023/24, UNMEB is among the Institutions that are affected by budget cut of 80%. The Board's desired expenditure is UShs 40.772bn, however as a result of budget cuts, the Board has been availed a budget ceiling of UShs 20,474,931,000 with a minimal government subvention of only UShs 2,474,931,000 leaving it with a shortfall of UShs 20,297,782,772 which will greatly affect construction of the new office block and administration of examinations by the Board.

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that MFPED allocates the Board an additional UShs 20,297,782,772 to cover its budget shortfalls in regards to management and general administration of Exams, and construction of the new office block.

d) Vote 128 Uganda National Examinations Board-UNEB

The Committee observes that the Board continues to register increasing number of SNE candidates that require special funding given their needs are unique. These candidates require support in form of braille equipment, support personnel transcribers and language interpreters the Board requires an additional UShs 1.2bn to effectively support the SNE candidates.

The Board has a few areas that are not well funded like accommodation for hosting markers, the Board would like to increase the unit cost from UShs 22,000 to UShs 40,000 due to increased power, water and sanitation costs and therefore requires an additional UShs 4.6bn, top up of funds for the markers of candidate scripts by 25% an additional UShs 3.9bn is needed and field transport of examiners from 25,000shs to 50,000shs an additional UShs 6.66bn is needed.

National Assessment of progress in Education (NAPE) continues appear unfunded for the sixth year the Board has not been able to carry out NAPE for both Primary and Secondary and this requires UShs 6.6bn. Development of Continuous Assessment guidelines continues to be unfunded at UShs 3.5bn.

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that MFPED allocates:

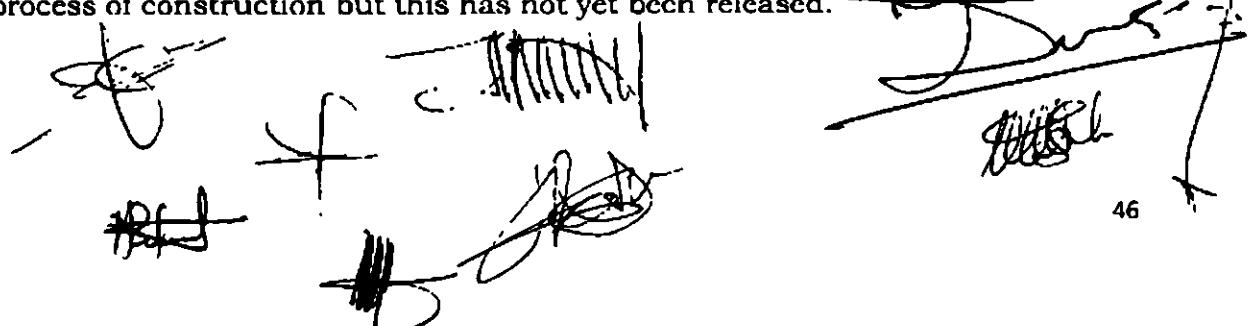
- i. **an additional UShs 1.2bn to effectively support the SNE candidates.**
- ii. **an additional UShs 4.6bn to cater for the revised unit cost for hosting centers to accommodate UNEB marking due to an increase in basic commodities.**
- iii. **UShs 3.9bn as top up for markers of candidate transcripts.**
- iv. **UShs 6.7bn as enhanced field transport for the examiners.**
- v. **UShs 6.6bn to carry out NAPE and UShs 3.5bn for Continuous assessment guidelines and data capture tools for science subjects.**

OTHER ENTITIES

Vote 132 Education Service Commission-ESC

The Committee observes that the Commission continues to grapple with issues of adequate office space. The Committee was further informed that the Commission was allocated land in Kyambogo by the Ministry of Education and Sports however, it lacks funds to start construction and has started grappling with issues of squatters due to non-utilization of the land.

Out of a development budget of **UShs 3.692bn** allocated in FY2021/22 only **USha 0.500bn** was released to the Commission, in FY2022/23 out of an allocation of **UShs 5.053bn** for development only **UShs 0.99bn** was released as of half year. The Commission was appropriated **UShs 3bn** to kick start the process of construction but this has not yet been released.



These under releases under the development component have greatly affected plans by the commission to procure computers, furniture, vehicles, CT equipment and Kick start construction of their premises.

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that MFPED allocates the Commission an additional UShs 5.1bn to kick start construction of its premises and for retooling the Commission.

Vote 122 Kampala City Council Authority-KCCA

a) Inadequate funding to Education and Sports department

The Committee observes that whereas the adjustment of the unit cost for the UPE and USE/UPOLET capitation grants was effected for all local Governments in FY2019/20 **UShs 1.3bn** for KCCA was never been effected even after a confirmation by PS/ST MFPED that the adjustment in allocation would be effected in FY2020/21. This Committee was informed that this shortfall by MFPED has never been allocated.

The Committee further observes that in FY2022/23, KCCA received a wage bill supplementary of **UShs 16bn** to cater for salaries of science teachers, however this has not been incorporated in the budget for FY2023/24 thus creating a shortfall in the wage bill.

The Authority requires additional seed schools in the city given the increasing number of learners hence exerting pressure on the few existing one. The Authority seeks construction of a seed secondary school in Lubaga, Nakawa and Kawempe Divisions to handle the increasing number of students and ease on the number of students per class.

Construction of the Phillip Omondi Stadium has a shortfall of **UShs 6bn** and yet this is a multi-year project.

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that:

- i. **KCCA be allocated an additional UShs 1.3bn for revised capitation grants for UPE, USE/UPOLET and SNE subvention to KCCA schools.**
- ii. **UShs 16bn for covering the shortfall of science teachers for FY2023/24.**
- iii. **UShs 6bn be allocated towards the ongoing construction of KCCA Phillip Omondi Stadium.**

The Committee further recommends that MoES works closely with MFPED and KCCA in ensuring that more seed schools are built in the city to address the issue of the growing number of learners and given the fact that it's not easy to access 5 acres of land in the city as the requirement for constructing a seed school require, They can consider constructing going upwards in order to ensure that learners access quality education.

Vote 164 National Council for Higher Education-NCHE

a) Inadequate funding for the Council to execute its mandate

The Committee observes that the Council has not been adequately funded for it to effectively discharge its duties as the regulator for higher education.

The Council budget has been reduced by **UShs 5.069bn** and continues to grapple with a shortfall of **UShs 2bn** for it to recruit additional 16 staff for it to get to at least 70 staff out of an approved establishment of 125 staff this is critical for it to ably monitor institutions.

The Council has been negatively affected by the non-release of its retooling and capital development budget. Parliament appropriated **UShs 1bn** for retooling and **UShs 4bn** for Capital development in FY2022/23 and NCHE went ahead to procure a consultant unfortunately these funds have not been released and the Council has not been allocated any development budget in FY2023/24 NCHE has got only five vehicles for field work to oversee 252 institutions of Higher

Education, Three of which are beyond five years and are due for disposal this leaves the Council with two vehicles for field activities.

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that:

- i. **MFPED allocates NCHE a development budget of UShs 5bn to enable the Council procure computers and office equipment, procure vehicles for the field and embark on its infrastructural development.**
- ii. **MFPED allocates the Council UShs 2bn appropriated in FY2022/23 for recruitment of additional staff but not released.**

b) Central Admissions for Higher Institutions

The Committee was informed that there is need to centralize admissions for Higher Education institutions in order to ensure that only students who meet the minimum admission requirements are admitted and the number matches the available facilities and resources of an institution and this will also make the work of the HESFB in regards to student applications for Higher Education loans easier.

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that MoES liaises with NCHE and HESFB to effect the recommendation of Central admissions for Higher Education Institutions to avoid delays in processing the list of students to be supported by HESFB for the loan offer.

Vote 111 National Curriculum Development Centre-NCDC

a) Budget Cuts effected on critical budget lines

The Committee observes that the Center experienced budget cuts in its budget for FY2022/23 from **UShs 42.163bn** in FY 2021/22 to **UShs 22.125bn** in FY2022/23 this affected the progress of a number of activities such as

implementation of the lower secondary curriculum especially the training of secondary school teachers on O'level content and assessment which requires **UShs 7.23bn**, review and roll-out of the A'level curricula needs an additional **UShs 6bn**, translation, printing and distribution of Early Grade Reading Materials requires **UShs 10.8bn**, **Ushs 1.261bn** for clearance of domestic arrears and the missing 3 components of the printing press costed at **UShs 1.65bn**.

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that;

- i. **MFPED allocates NCDC an additional UShs 26.941bn to enable the Center achieve its planned but rather unfunded activities like the printing and distribution of Early Grade Reading Materials, review and roll out of A 'level curriculum, domestic arrears and missing components of the printing press.**
- ii. **MFPED allocates NCDC Ushs 15bn for the development of the modularized TVET curricula.**
- iii. **The Instruction Materials Unit under vote 013 should be transferred to the NCDC as the NCDC Act, 2021 as amended.**

b) Remission of Non-Tax revenue

The Committee was informed by NCDC that the directive from MFPED to remit all non-tax revenues to the consolidated fund has stifled textbook evaluations as well as other activities that require instant payment for intellectual input

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that MFPED reviews this and allows NCDC to retain 50 percent of its NTR collections to support textbook evaluations and other activities that require instant payment for intellectual input.

Vote 166 National Council of Sports-NCS

Inadequate funding to NCS

The Committee observes that the Council experience huge budget cuts with their budget for FY2023/24 reducing by 64% compared to FY2022/23 from UShs **47.8bn** to an allocation of **17.387bn** in FY2023/24, this budget cut is likely to affect a number of planned activities under the Council such as preparation, qualifications and participation of Team Uganda in the 2023 All Africa Games in Accra Ghana and the 2024 Paris, France Olympic and Paralympic games among others. The Council seeks an additional **UShs 30.42bn** in order to support 51 registered National Federations and other activities.

The Council requires a development budget of **UShs 84.05bn** for the refurbishment and renovation of Sports facilities at Lugogo Sports Complex and **UShs 202bn** needed to facilitate the refurbishment of various National Stadia regionally; Akibua Olympic Stadium (Lira), Buhinga (Fort Portal city), Kakycka (Mbarara), Barifa (Arua), Pece (Gulu), Bugembe /Kakindu(Jinja), Mbale Municipal Stadium (Mbale), Masaka Recreational Grounds (Masaka)\, Kabale Stadium (Kabale), Soroti Stadium (Soroti), King George Stadium(Tororo), Hoima (Boma Ground) and Masindi Stadium.

Recommendations

The Committee recommends that:

- i. **MFPED reinstates that budget of NCS for FY2023/24 to UShs47.8bn.**
- ii. **MFPED avails NCS a development budget of UShs 50bn to kick start the development of the sports complex/arena at Lugogo and UShs 202bn for the National stadia regionally in the medium term.**

PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES

General Observations and recommendations

a) Understaffing and high staff turnover:

The Committee observes that most Public Universities are grossly understaffed, with staffing levels as low as 30% in some Universities/Colleges especially the

new ones. And some Universities have only one Professor and rely on part time lecturers largely.

For instance Muni University requires an additional UShs 4.8bn to recruit staff to meet the 9 new academic programmes that NCHE approved and students moving to 3rd and 4th Year Kyambogo requires **Ushs 3bn** to recruit critical staff in the areas of Science, Engineering and Architecture. Lira University has a staffing level of 27% with only one professor and 4 Associate Professors to mention but a few.

Recommendations

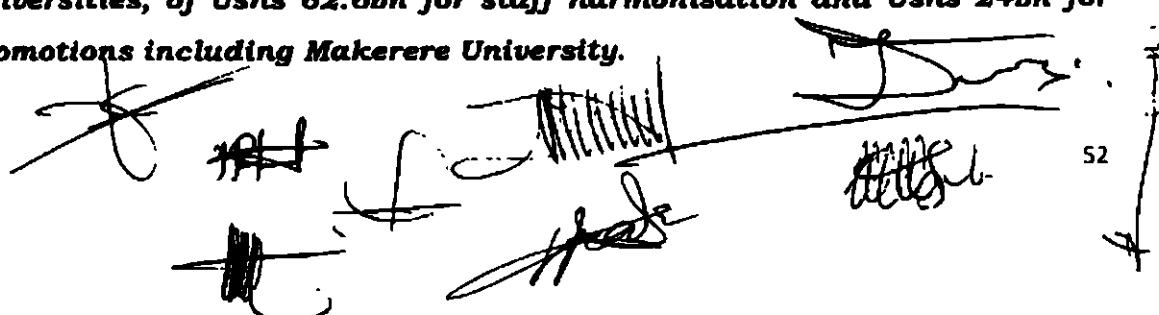
The Committee recommends that government commits to addressing the persistent issue of understaffing and high staff turnover in public universities.

b) Wage requirement for Staff Harmonisation and Promotions

The Committee was informed that following an instruction from Ministry of Public Service, all Public Universities are supposed to harmonise their staff structures and ensure that similar salary scales are maintained across all Public Universities, however, in the course of staff harmonisation this has led to an increment in the wage bill of the Universities. Additionally, all staff in public Universities have stagnated in the same positions due to lack of wage provisions. For example Makerere University requires additional **UShs 12.6bn** for this staff harmonisation and Ushs 4.3bn for promotions.

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that MFPED liaises with MoES and Ministry of Public Service to ensure that the new instruction by Ministry of Public Service is backed up with the appropriate increase in wage bill for the Universities, of Ushs 62.6bn for staff harmonisation and Ushs 24bn for promotions including Makerere University.



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c) Inadequate Funding for Government sponsored University students.

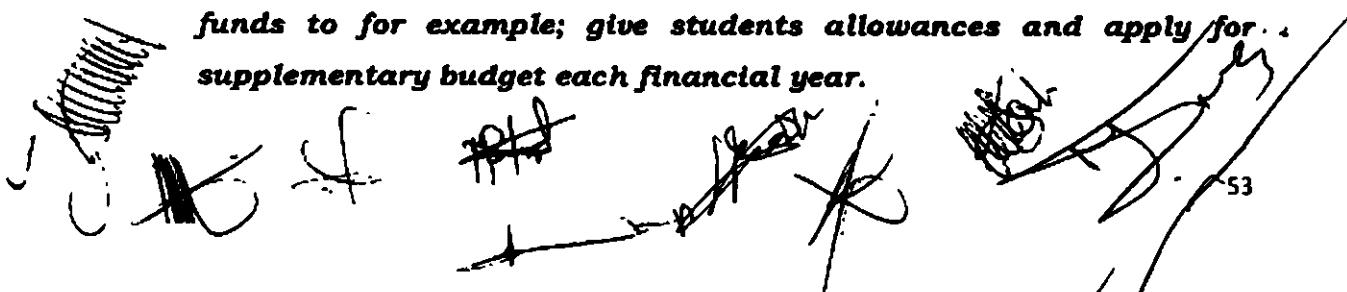
The Committee observes that the funds sent to the public Universities for the government sponsored students are inadequate since funds are always sent for first year students in total disregard of the continuing government students leaving the University to source for funds from other budget items to pay them and avert any possible strikes. Case in point is Kabale University where government sponsored students have increased from 100 to 406 hence a shortfall of **UShs 6.65bn**, however this applies to all the other Public Universities.

The Committee has over the years noted with concern that public universities receive inadequate funds to facilitate government sponsored students. For instance, students receive a meagre allocation of (UShs 4,500 per student) to cater for (Breakfast, lunch and supper) per day. This amount is too low to match the current high cost of living, besides, there is no evidence in the Ministerial Policy Statement that the allocation has been revised in the FY 2023/24 or even in the medium term. That notwithstanding, public universities are proposing at least UShs 10,000 on food per student.

The Committee further observes that the living out allowance is allocated under the category of recurrent non-wage together with NSSF for University staff and this forms almost 80% of the University recurrent non-wage thereby leaving the University with only 20% non-wage funds for operations which is inadequate.

Recommendations

- i. *The Committee recommends that MFPED allocates enough funds commensurate with the number of government sponsored students to avoid incidences where the University has to use its operational funds to for example; give students allowances and apply for a supplementary budget each financial year.*



- ii. **The Committee recommends that MFPED re-categories the items, living out allowances and NSSF payment as statutory payments perhaps under wage component and further allocates funds to the public Universities to clear the arrears got as a result of non-paid NSSF funds and Living out allowances as at FY2021/22, FY2022/23 to avoid accrual of further arrears in FY2023/24.**
- iii. **The Committee recommends that MFPED considers revising the living out allowance of government sponsored students from UShs 4,500 to UShs 10,000 per day.**

d) Harmonization of government scholarships for Higher Education under the HESFB.

The Committee observes that the Ministry continues to ignore the Committee's proposal to operationalize section 42 of the HESFB Act which provides that:

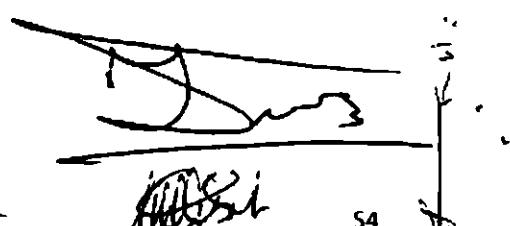
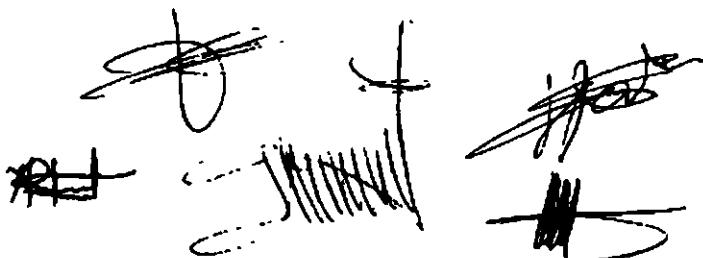
"All scholarships currently offered by the Government of Uganda including bilateral scholarships, existing immediately before the commencement of this Act shall vest in the board."

Having all funds meant for higher education in a single basket at the Higher Education Student's Financing Board would enable a number of students' access higher education especially the needy ones who ideally would not afford and this would in turn reduce the high dropout rates at the Universities due to lack of funds during the course of the programme

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that funds allocated to government students as scholarships and grants be pooled together under the HESFB as envisaged under section 42 in order to avail adequate funds for a number of students to access higher education.

e) Inadequate Research Funds to Universities



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The Committee observes that Public Universities have not been ably funded to carry out research apart from Makerere University that received a research Grant of UShs 30bn from Government and (*this has slightly been increased by UShs 4bn in FY2023/24*) that all the other public Universities have to write proposals for approval by Makerere University if they are to access these funds.

Last financial year 2022/23 the Committee allocated UShs 1bn to each of the public Universities for research which was well utilized however more funding is needed in FY2023/24 and medium term.

Recommendation

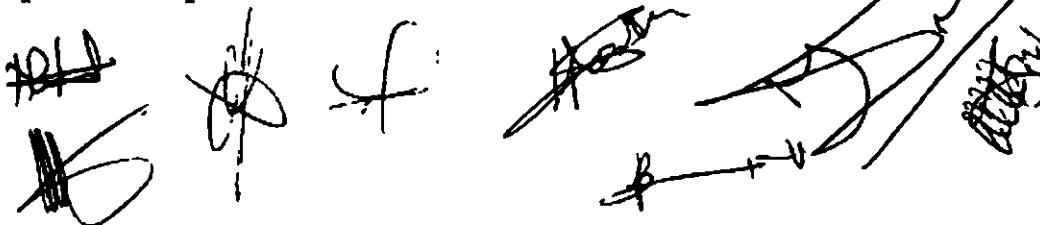
Other than Makerere University, the Committee recommends that MFPED avails a Grant of at least UShs 5bn to each of the public University to support their research and innovation function given that research is a priority in this budget.

f) No funds for Travel Abroad

The Committee observes that as per the MFPED instructions the Universities like other government agencies have zero allocations towards the travel abroad item, however this is affecting the operations of Universities since by nature of their work they engage with other external partner Universities and bodies and as such in order to facilitate their research work they need to travel abroad. For example MUST closely works/partners with Cuban doctors however due to zero releases under travel abroad the University cannot continue this partnership with the Cuban doctors.

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that MFPED re-instates the travel abroad item under the Public Universities to enable them ably continue their external partnerships and research work.

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Vote 301 Makerere University

Inadequate funding for rehabilitation of dilapidated infrastructure in Makerere University

The Committee notes that some Public Universities are still grappling with the issue of dilapidated infrastructure especially the old ones like Makerere University which endangers the lives of students. In 2019, the Uganda Veterinary Council warned that they would no longer register graduates of Veterinary medicine due to inadequate facilities for training.

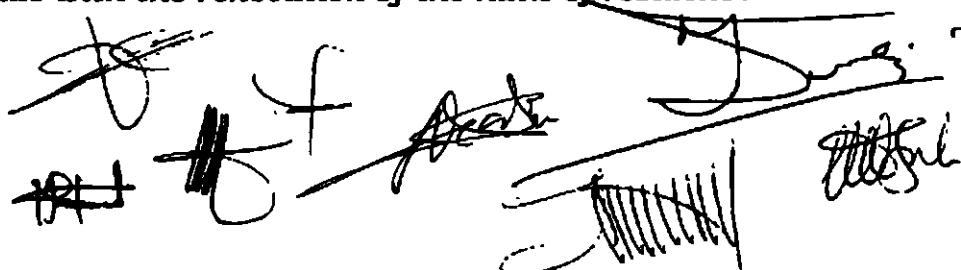
Further, KCCA also threatened to close all halls of residence due to their dilapidated state, UShs 8bn has so far been allocated by MFPED in FY2022/23 and the University has embarked on works on Lumumba and Mary Stuart Halls and an additional UShs 8bn has been allocated in FY2023/24, therefore with a phased allocation of UShs 8bn each financial year all the halls of residence will be renovated within eight financial years.

However, **UShs 52.94bn** is needed for the renovation of the College of Health Medicine and College of Veterinary Medicine, Animal resources and Bio Security and an allocation of **UShs 10bn** each financial year is needed for the next five years.

As a result of these developments, the President directed that MFPED avails funds to public universities for renovation of halls of residence and schools of medicine.

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that MFPED allocates an additional UShs 10bn to kick start the renovation of the College of Health Medicine and College of Veterinary Medicine, Animal resources and Bio Security and continue with the renovation of the halls of residence.



Vote 302 Mbarara University of Science and Technology-MUST

a) Construction of the Faculty of Medicine at Mbarara University

The Committee in one of its oversight visits to Mbarara University of Science and Technology found out that the University was struggling with very old and dilapidated infrastructure of the Faculty of Medicine. The structures in use are mainly those inherited from the former school of Midwifery built in the 1950s, a number of which are condemned as they are beyond repair with clogged sewerage system that gets blocked every now and then therefore, renovations may not be tenable. In addition, MUST did not receive seed funding for infrastructure development at inception to date.

The Committee was informed that the assessment carried out by the Medical and Dental Practitioners Council threatened to close the Faculty of Medicine if no improvement is made, as a result of inadequate capital development funding from MoFPED.

The Committee therefore recommends that:

- i. **MFPED avails funds for construction of the 14,742m² multi-purpose Faculty of Medicine block to house all Lecture rooms, Laboratories and Offices. The estimated cost is UGX. 50.079bn and this would be constructed in a 3 phased manner. A total of UGX. 18.0 bn is required in FY 2023/24.**
- ii. **In the meantime, government should release UGX. 0.332m in the budget for FY 2023/2024 to enable renovation of the Pathology block where the faculty is currently operating from.**

b) Inadequate Wage Bill for staff Recruitment and Promotion

The Committee observed that the University staffing of 573 staff accounts for only 22% of the approved staff establishment whereas the Academic staffing is at 30.5%. The most critically understaffed are Departments of Biochemistry,

Physiotherapy, Nursing, Pathology, Radiology, ENT, Chemistry in the FoM and Biomedical, Electronics and Petroleum Engineering in the new Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology, University Library and the Directorate of Research and Graduate Training.

Due to inadequate wage bill, the University is not able to promote its staff and this has resulted into high staff turnover to the newly established universities for higher positions.

The Committee recommends that MFPED allocates;

- i. **Mbarara University of Science and Technology an additional wage of UShs 7.2bn to partly increase the staffing levels of the academic staff.**
- ii. **An additional wage bill UShs 2.12bn to promote 63 staff that are due for promotion in order to improve staff retention.**

Vote 303 Makerere University Business School-MUBS

Inadequate funding for MUBS

The Committee notes that MUBS has budget execution challenges due to inadequate funding like shortfall in the wage bill for existing staff, out of a wage bill of **UShs 68.9bn** for existing staff, only **UShs 62bn** was allocated in FY 2022/23 leaving a shortfall of **UShs 6.9bn** and this shortfall has been carried on to FY2023/24.

The Business School is grappling with issues incurred debts for suppliers to the tune of **UShs 12.4bn**. MUBS has been getting less than 50% of its budgeted capital development funds in FY2022/23, **UShs 3.2bn** was allocated however only **UShs 0.192bn** has so far been released. The School still lacks teaching space and Office space for its staff.

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that:

- i. **MFPED allocates UShs 12.4bn to clear its domestic arrears.**

- ii. **Wage shortfall of UShs 6.9bn be allocated for FY2022/23 and FY2023/24.**
- iii. **UShs 5bn be allocated to start phase I of the construction of the Central teaching facility.**

Vote 304 Kyambogo University

Dilapidated Infrastructure

The Committee observes that the University continues to grapple with issues of dilapidated infrastructure; the University still has asbestos sheets on some of its old buildings and this continues to be a health hazard to the University community. **UShs 2bn** is needed to start the process of removal of the asbestos sheets, **UShs 9bn** is needed for renovation of the halls of residence that are dilapidated and are not suitable for accommodation, **UShs 4bn** is needed to construct a wall fence around the University to protect the University land, **UShs 1.2bn** is needed for refurbishment of east End and West End Main Halls to complement office and teaching space and **UShs 18bn** to upgrade the University roads to Bitumen standards.

Recommendation

- i. **The Committee recommends that MFPED allocates Kyambogo University an additional UShs 34.2bn in FY2023/24 to address the issues of asbestos sheets removal, dilapidated infrastructure and additional office space for lecturers as highlighted above.**
- ii. **The Committee further recommends that the University considers engaging the Convocation to source for funds for the initial fencing of the University in order to secure the University land.**

Vote 305 Busitema University

- a) **Inadequate releases to the Maritime Institute in Namasagali-Busitema University**

In FY2020/21, the Budget Committee made an additional allocation of **UShs 7bn** for revamping and equipping the Maritime Institute in Namasagali, however out of that only **UShs 3bn** was allocated to the Institute and a paltry **UShs 1.2bn** has been released to the Institute thereby making it difficult for the University to revamp the institute as envisaged. To date the Committee was informed that a budget of **UShs 1.8bn** has so far been spent and additional **UShs 8.7bn** is needed to put the required Maritime infrastructure to allow the start of program.

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that MFPED avails Busitema University additional UShs 8.7bn in order to start implementation of the program.

b) Funding for the Technology Business Innovation and Incubation Center (TBIIC) in Busitema University

The Committee noted that the Technology Business Innovation and Incubation Center (TBIIC) at Busitema University developed a number of prototypes most of which are designed and geared towards supporting farmers to add value to their farm products. It was further observed that the prototypes have been designed to address the problems of farmers purchasing expensive machines from foreign countries and create employment to local innovators in line with BUBU policy. In August 2018, MFPED committed to financing the TBIIC for increase innovations, however no funding has been availed to date.

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that MFPED allocates UGX 1Bn each financial year for the next 3 financial years as it had earlier committed towards the operationalization of the TBIIC.

c) Inadequate funding towards the completion and equipping of Medical School

The Committee notes that out of the required **UShs 12.1bn** that was needed to revamp the medical school block, only **UShs 2.8bn** has been availed leaving a short fall of **UShs 7.3bn**.

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that MFPED allocates the University and additional UShs 7.3bn to fast track and complete the rehabilitation of the Medical School and equip it as is required by the NCHE standards.

Vote 306 Muni University

a) Inadequate funding to Muni University

The Committee observes that Muni University continues to suffer issues of underfunding and always seeks supplementary budgets due to the limited non-wage budget it's allocated. The Committee notes that the University gets supplementary funding of **UShs 2.8bn** each financial year due to shortfalls in its non-wage recurrent and it would be prudent for MFPED to add this to their budgetary allocations to avoid supplementary funding.

The University also urgently needs **UShs 4.8bn** to cater for critical staffing gaps to cater for new programs and students moving to 3rd and 4th for Bachelor of Science in Agriculture and Business admin and staff for Erepri.

The University also needs **UShs 1.2bn** for operationalization of Erepri PTC in Moyo. The University requires **UShs 8.2bn** annually to cater for infrastructural needs of the University.

Recommendations

The Committee recommends that MFPED;

a) Revises the recurrent non-wage budget of Muni University upwards to at least UShs 7.71bn in FY2023/24 and the MTEF period in order to avoid the supplementary requests each financial year.

- b) Allocates an additional UShs 8.2bn for completion of the Multi-purpose Health science Modern Laboratory and admin annex building and UShs 1.2bn for operationalization of Erepri PTC.**
- c) Allocates the University UShs 4.8bn needed to recruit staff needed to lecture the 3rd and 4th year students of Agriculture and Management Sciences.**

Vote 307 Kabale University

a) Inadequate teach facilities and laboratories at Kabale University

The Committee observes that Kabale is a new Public University and still has several challenges in regards to teaching facilities however, their development budget for FY2023/24 was reduced from **UShs 9.631bn** in FY2022/23 to **UShs 2.587bn** in FY2023/24. There is need by government to continue supporting the University to improve its infrastructure.

The University also requires additional **UShs 22.6bn** for specialized machinery and equipment to support innovation and technology transfer.

Recommendation

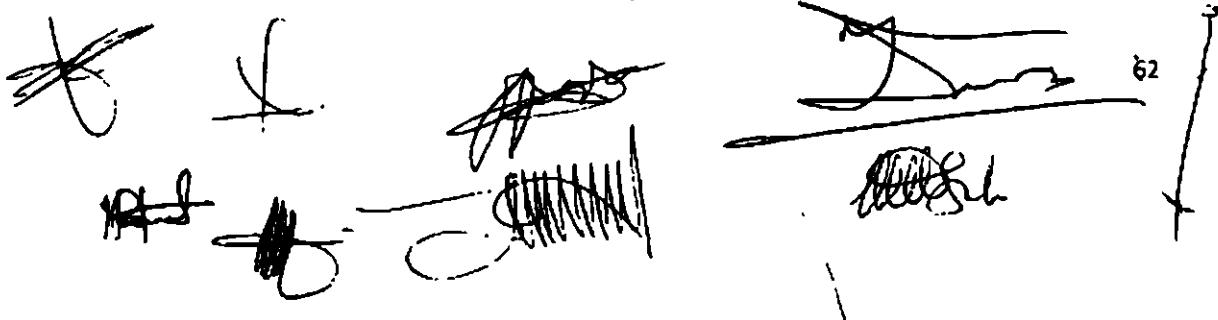
The Committee recommends that MFPED;

- i. Maintains the development budget of UShs 9bn in the medium term to enable the University build its infrastructure.**
- ii. Avails an additional UShs 22.6bn for procurement of specialized equipment and machinery.**

Vote 308 Soroti University

a) Completion of Anatomy Block

The Committee observes that due to development budget cuts each financial year, the University has not yet been able to complete construction of the Anatomy block. So far **UShs 3.649bn** has been spent, this is a multi-year project however no funds were allocated in FY2022/23 and FY2023/24 thus stalling the



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project. The University requires UShs 17bn to complete construction of the Anatomy block.

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that MFPED allocates the University an additional UShs 17bn for completion of the Anatomy Block.

Vote 309 Gulu University

a) Inadequate funding for Central Teaching Facility

The Committee observes that Gulu University had a reduction in its development budget of FY2021/22 by **UShs 6.07bn** after a supplementary budget that was approved by MFPED was indicated as an already approved budget by Budget Committee of Parliament and thereby not approving their supplementary which was not the case. This has caused challenges in regards to the continuation of the construction of the Central Teaching Facility to enable the University meet the Basic Requirements and Minimum Standards.

In FY2022/23, out of a development budget of **UShs 11.16bn** only **UShs 1.22bn** had been released by half year further stalling the progress of the central teaching facility project and this has led to demobilization from site by the contractor.

In FY2023/24, only **UShs 2.12bn** has been allocated as development budget for the University regardless of all the unpaid certificates as a result of works on the central teaching facility.

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that MFPED reinstates the University's development budget of UShs 11bn and timely releases be made to enable the University meet its contractual obligations in regards to the Central teaching facility.

b) Inadequate funding for other key development projects

The Committee was informed by the University that, **UShs 6.455bn** is needed for the multipurpose building construction at Gulu University Constituent College, Moroto and **UShs 7bn** for Construction of the teaching hospital.

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that MFPED allocates Gulu University an additional UShs 13.455bn in order to undertake the construction of multi-purpose building at the Constituent College in Moroto and teaching Hospital.

Vote 310 Lira University

Inadequate development fund for Lira University

The Committee observes that the University has a number of ongoing capital developments and requires an additional **UShs 9bn** for completion of the Main Administration block for all-inclusive office space, central lecture & conference facilities and **Ushs 3.6bn** for equipping the teaching hospital and faculties of Education and Medicine with essential equipment & supplies for effective training and efficient functioning.

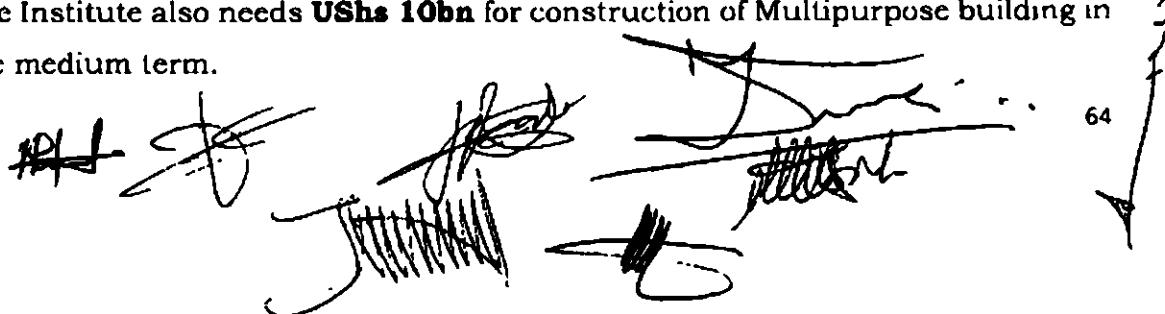
Recommendation

The Committee recommends that MFPED allocates the University an extra UShs 12.6bn for the completion of the main administration block and procurement of the necessary medical equipment for the teaching hospital and faculties.

Vote 312 Uganda Management Institute-UMI

Inadequate Capital Development funds for UMI

The Committee observes that UMI requires an additional **UShs 1.5bn** for construction of a new classroom block at its campuses of Mbale and Mbarara. The Institute also needs **UShs 10bn** for construction of Multipurpose building in the medium term.



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Recommendation

The Committee recommends that MFPED avails UMI additional UShs 1.5bn for construction of new classroom blocks at Mbale and Mbarara and UShs 10bn to kick start the construction of multi-purpose building at the Kampala Branch.

Vote 313 Mts of the Moon University

Inadequate development budget

The Committee observes that in FY2022/23 as the University was established it had a development budget of **UShs 5.41bn** however by half year only **UShs 1.80bn** had been released, however, there is no allocation for development in FY2023/24. This being a new University, there is need to re-instate the development budget to address issues of rehabilitation of buildings taken over and equipping departments.

The University also seeks **UShs 5.4bn** as retooling budget usually allocated to new votes to procure icy equipment, furniture and transport equipment in order to support teaching, research and administrative functions.

The President pledged 20bn to Mountains of the Moon University for the construction of the faculty of science, innovation and technology in 2020.

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that MFPED re-instates Mts of the Moon University development budget of UShs 5.41bn, additional UShs 5.4bn as retooling budget and the UShs 20bn Presidential pledge for the construction of the faculty of science, innovation and technology.

VOTE 612: LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

Dilapidated infrastructure in Education and Sports Institutions

The Committee observes that there are a number of dilapidated infrastructure in both education and sports institutions and this was exacerbated by the COVID 19 pandemic and the natural disasters that frequently occur

Recommendation

The Committee recommends that governments makes deliberate effort to take stock of all government education and sports facilities across the country with an aim of improving them with special attention to districts that are usually affected by natural disasters.

8.0 KEY UNFUNDDED AND UNDERFUNDDED ACTIVITIES OF THE EDUCATION, SPORTS AND SKILLS SUB-PROGRAMME

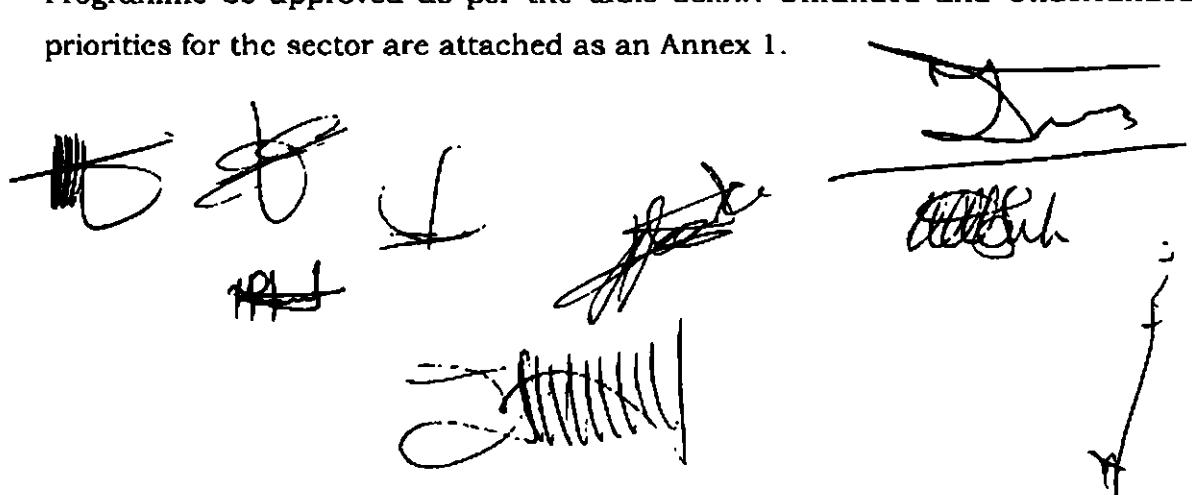
The unfunded and undersunded and yet critical activities of the sub programme have been attached as an Annex.

Please refer to Annex 1.

9.0 CONCLUSION

Rt. Hon. Speaker and Hon. Members,

I beg to move that the budget for the Education, Sports and Skills Sub-Programme be approved as per the table below. Unfunded and Underfunded priorities for the sector are attached as an Annex 1.



**Table 13: BUDGETARY ESTIMATES FOR SUB-PROGRAMME FOR
FY2023/24**

VOTE/INSTITUTION	App Bill Draft Estimates AMOUNT (000) USHS BN
VOTE 013: MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SPORTS (MOES)	
Recurrent Component	
<i>o/w Wage</i>	48,226,349
<i>o/w Non-wage</i>	139,746,647
<i>o/w Pension & Gratuity</i>	29,609,726
<i>o/w arrears</i>	1,574,008
Total Recurrent	159,937,277
Development Component	
<i>o/w GoU (Inclusive of Taxes)</i>	42,506,130
<i>o/w External Financing</i>	250,366,544
<i>o/w arrears</i>	42,709
Total Development	292,915,383
VOTE 111: NATIONAL CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT CENTER	
Recurrent Component	
<i>o/w Wage</i>	8,554,164
<i>o/w Non-Wage</i>	11,670,531
<i>o/w Pension and Gratuity</i>	80,080
<i>o/w arrears</i>	-
Total Recurrent	20,144,615
Development Component	
<i>o/w GoU</i>	3,074,000
<i>o/w External Financing</i>	
<i>o/w arrears</i>	
Total Development	3,074,000
VOTE 128: UGANDA NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS BOARD	
Recurrent Component	
<i>o/w Wage</i>	12,360,000
<i>o/w Non-wage</i>	104,489,687
<i>o/w Pension and Gratuity</i>	2,191,238
<i>O/w Arrears</i>	-

Total Recurrent	114,658,450
Development Component	
o/w GoU	11,544,000
o/w External Financing	
o/w arrears	
Total Development	11,544,000
VOTE 132: EDUCATION SERVICE COMMISSION (ESC)	
Recurrent Component	
o/w Wage	2,891,538
o/w Non-wage	6,584,791
o/w Pension and Gratuity	1,479,265
o/w arrears	38,756
Total Recurrent	8,035,820
Development	
o/w GoU	2,436,410
o/w External Financing	
o/w arrears	
Total Development	2,436,410
VOTE 164 : NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR HIGHER EDUCATION	
Recurrent Component	
o/w Wage	5,239,536
o/w Non-wage	9,496,257
o/w Pension and Gratuity	1,335,936
o/w Arrears	-
Total Recurrent	12,102,335
Development	
o/w GoU	-
o/w External Financing	-
o/w Arrears	-
Total Development	-
VOTE 165: UGANDA BUSINESS AND TECHNICAL EXAMINATIONS BOARD	
Recurrent Component	
o/w Wage	4,895,000
o/w Non-wage	22,879,802
o/w Pension and Gratuity	1,560,000
o/w arrears	-
Total Recurrent	24,654,802

Development	
o/w GoU	2,800,000
o/w External Financing	
o/w Arrears	
TOTAL DEVELOPMENT	2,800,000
VOTE 166 : NATIONAL COUNCIL OF SPORTS	
Recurrent Component	
o/w Wage	1,608,542
o/w Non-wage	15,793,644
o/w Pension and Gratuity	435,672
o/w Arrears	
Total Recurrent	16,966,514
Development	
o/w GoU	
o/w External Financing	
o/w Arrears	
Total Development	
VOTE 301 : MAKERERE UNIVERSITY KAMPALA	
Recurrent Component	
o/w Wage	208,970,381
o/w Non-wage	139,842,977
o/w Pension and Gratuity	2,143,800
Arrears	
Total Recurrent	346,669,558
Development Component	
o/w GoU	19,072,698
o/w External Financing	
o/w Arrears	
Total Development	19,072,698
VOTE 302 : MBARARA UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY	
Recurrent Component	
o/w Wage	40,006,320
o/w Non-Wage	14,954,398
o/w Pension and Gratuity	673,150
o/w arrears	7,444
Total Recurrent	54,295,012
Development Component	
o/w GoU	3,764,047

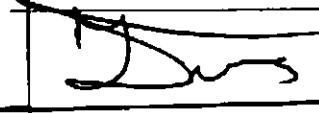
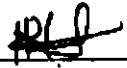
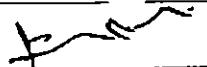
<i>o/w External Financing</i>	
<i>o/w Arrears</i>	
Total Development	3,764,047
VOTE 303: MAKERERE UNIVERSITY BUSINESS SCHOOL	
Recurrent Component	
<i>o/w Wage</i>	62,644,742
<i>o/w Non-wage</i>	41,038,253
<i>o/w Pension and Gratuity</i>	579,420
<i>o/w Arrears</i>	
Total Recurrent	103,103,575
Development	
<i>o/w GoU</i>	2,125,530
<i>o/w External Financing</i>	
<i>o/w Arrears</i>	
Total Development	2,125,530
VOTE 304: KYAMBOGO UNIVERSITY	
Recurrent Component	
<i>o/w Wage</i>	61,171,533
<i>o/w Non-wage</i>	70,530,159
<i>o/w Pension and Gratuity</i>	482,323
<i>o/w Arrears</i>	72,368
Total Recurrent	131,291,738
Development Component	
<i>o/w GoU</i>	1,689,992
<i>o/w External Financing</i>	
<i>o/w Arrears</i>	20,504
Total Development	1,710,496
VOTE 305: BUSITEMA UNIVERSITY	
Recurrent Component	
<i>o/w Wage</i>	37,556,407
<i>o/w Non-wage</i>	14,823,443
<i>o/w Pension and Gratuity</i>	266,957
<i>o/w arrears</i>	
Total Recurrent	52,112,893
Development	
<i>o/w GoU</i>	5,883,896
<i>o/w External Financing</i>	
<i>o/w arrears</i>	8,568

Total Development	5,892,464
VOTE 306: MUNI UNIVERSITY	
Recurrent Component	
o/w Wage	18,291,043
o/w Non-wage	6,091,500
o/w Pension and Gratuity	301,849
o/w arrears	-
Total Recurrent	24,080,694
Development	
o/w GoU	4,752,000
o/w External Financing	-
o/w arrears	-
Total Development	4,752,000
VOTE 307: KABALE UNIVERSITY	
Recurrent Component	
o/w Wage	39,486,193
o/w Non-wage	18,211,469
o/w Pension and Gratuity	1,686,381
o/w Arrears	-
Total Recurrent	56,011,281
Development Component	
o/w GoU	2,586,568
o/w External Financing	-
o/w arrears	-
Total Development	2,586,568
VOTE 308: SOROTI UNIVERSITY	
Recurrent Component	
o/w Wage	15,650,607
o/w Non-wage	7,560,343
o/w Pension and Gratuity	336,849
o/w Arrears	5,263
Total Recurrent	22,879,364
Development Component	
o/w GoU	1,254,000
o/w External Financing	-
o/w Arrears	3,362
Total Development	1,257,362
VOTE 309: GULU UNIVERSITY	
Recurrent Component	

o/w Wage	38,013,788
o/w Non-wage	23,748,068
o/w Pension and Gratuity	349,736
o/w Arrears	117,182
Total Recurrent	61,529,303
Development	
o/w GoU	1,671,020
o/w External Financing	-
o/w Arrears	-
Total Development	1,671,020
VOTE 310: LIRA UNIVERSITY	
Recurrent	
o/w Wage	20,546,119
o/w Non-wage	9,737,566
o/w Pension and Gratuity	308,000
o/w Arrears	-
Total Recurrent	29,983,277
Development	
o/w GoU	5,000,000
o/w External Financing	-
o/w Arrears	-
Total Development	5,000,000
VOTE 312: UGANDA MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE	
Recurrent	
o/w Wage	20,084,767
o/w Non-wage	20,616,691
o/w Pension and Gratuity	5,107,384
o/w arrears	-
Total Recurrent	35,594,073
Development	
o/w GoU	1,320,000
o/w External Financing	-
o/w Arrears	-
Total Development	1,320,000
VOTE 313: MTS OF THE MOON UNIVERSITY	
Recurrent	
o/w Wage	21,989,674
o/w Non-wage	16,082,094
o/w Pension and Gratuity	368,958

o/w arrears	
Total Recurrent	37,702,810
Development	
o/w GoU	
o/w External Financing	
o/w Arrears	
Total Development	
 VOTE 612 LOCAL GOVERNMENTS:	
Recurrent	
o/w Wage	2,610,480,000
o/w Non-wage	519,080,000
o/w Pension and Gratuity	
o/w arrears	
Total Recurrent	3,129,560,000
Development	
o/w GoU	349,030,000
o/w External Financing	
o/w Arrears	
Total Development	349,030,000
 VOTE 122: KCCA EDUCATION GRANT	
Recurrent	
o/w Wage	36,930,000
o/w Non-wage	9,780,000
o/w Pension and Gratuity	
o/w Arrears	
Total Recurrent	46,710,000
Development	
o/w GoU	2,230,000
o/w External Financing	
Total Development	2,230,000

**REPORT ON THE MINISTERIAL POLICY STATEMENT AND BUDGET
ESTIMATES FOR THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, SPORTS AND
SKILLS DEVELOPMENT SUB-PROGRAMME FOR FY 2023/24.**

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Annex 1: LIST OF UNFUNDED PRIORITIES FOR THE EDUCATION SPORTS AND SKILLS SUB PROGRAMME FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2023/24

013-MOES			
	Grant aiding primary schools	17.80	Grant aiding 128 primary schools
	Grant aiding secondary schools	36.88	Grant aiding 87 secondary schools
	Rehabilitation of traditional schools	15	Rehabilitation of traditional schools
	Salary enhancement of Arts Teachers	90	Funds be allocated towards salary enhancement of the Arts teachers to ensure quality education
	Wage bill for 4,809 teachers recruited and not deployed	122	For the wage bill of 4,809 teachers, recruited and not deployed due to lack of wage bill.
	Recruitment of 3,000 primary teachers	25	Recruitment of additional teachers for primary school to close the gap
	Teachers Scheme of Service	6.708	Implement the Scheme of Service to motivate teachers especially those that have served for long at the same level
	Recruitment of at least 3,000 additional primary teachers	25	To improve on the pupil teacher ratio in the least-staffed primary schools
	Directorate Industrial Training	11.44	Inadequate funding of the lower secondary curriculum delivery 14,016 Secondary School Teachers to be trained on Assessment Training Packages (ATPs) use and Competence Based Education and Training (CBET) approaches for each of the 78 occupations of ATPs from 5,502 schools to be trained under the Lower secondary Curriculum.
	Higher Education Students' Financing Board. (HESFB)	35.25	i. MPPED urgently allocates HESFB an additional UShs 20,664bn in FY2023/24 to enable 4,189 students already on the scheme continue with their studies and to enable 1,500 new cohort attain higher education by accessing loans through the Board. ii. UShs 14.59bn be allocated towards clearance of fees domestic arrears accrued with the various Universities to avoid litigation due to non-payment
	Uganda Allied Health Examinations Board (UAHEB)	12.6	Re-instate its subvention budget of UShs 6,360,001,024 and an additional UShs 6,239,998,976 be allocated to UAHEB for the Board to effectively carry out its mandate.

	Uganda Nurses and Midwives Examinations Board (UNMEB)	20.3	Allocates the Board an additional UShs 20,297,782,772 to cover its budget shortfalls in regards to management and general administration of Exams, and construction of the new office block
	Uganda Business and Technical Examinations Board (UBTEB)	11.4	Allocates UBTEB an additional UShs 3.2bn as development, where UShs 2.2bn will enhance the construction allocation to UShs 5bn and UShs 1bn for retooling of the Board towards the acquisition of field containers for examinations storage, computers, office equipment and furniture and fittings to enable full uptake of TVET by citizens throughout the country.
	Uganda National Examinations Board (UNEb)	26.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. an additional UShs 1.2bn to effectively support the SNE candidates ii. an additional UShs 4.6bn to cater for the revised unit cost for hosting centers to accommodate UNEB marking due to an increase in basic commodities. iii. UShs 3.9bn as top up for markers of candidate transcripts iv. USha 6.7bn as enhanced field transport for the examiners. v. USha 6.6bn to carry out NAPE and UShs 3 5bn for Continuous assessment guidelines and data capture tools for science subjects
	Total	485.87	
	Support the O LEVEL Curriculum implementation	7.217	To offer continuous support on the training pedagogies and assessment modalities of the revised Lower Secondary Curriculum
	A-level Curriculum Review	6.00	Additional UShs 6bn to review and roll out the A-Level curricula.
	Arrears	0.48	To pay gratuity arrears
	Arrears	0.781	To settle all domestic arrears to suppliers

	Total	14.447	
	Shortfall on payment of science teachers' salaries	16 011	Shortfall was allocated as supplementary in FY2022/23 and this has not been incorporated in budget for FY2023/24.
	Provision of revised unit of capitation grants to UPE, USE/UPOLET and SNE subvention grants to KCCA schools	1.3	Capitation Grants to schools in KCCA were not revised like other LGs
	Construction of a Seed Secondary School in Nakawa division	3	Improve on the classroom pupil ratios to offer quality education.
	Removal of asbestos and refurbishment of 10 schools	2.5	To ensure safety of learners
	Construction of classrooms at Ntinda Primary School	0.5	Improve on the classroom pupil ratios to offer quality education
	Renovation of classrooms at Kitante Primary school	0.6	Improve on the classroom pupil ratios to offer quality education
	Renovation of classrooms at Kibuye Primary School	0.2	Improve on the classroom pupil ratios to offer quality education
	Renovation of classrooms at KCCA Busega Community Primary School	0.3	Improve on the classroom pupil ratios to offer quality education
	Renovation of classrooms at ST Ponsiano Kyamula P/S Primary school	0.4	Improve on the classroom pupil ratios to offer quality education.
	Construct of KCCA Philip Omondi Stadium	6	To improve on Sports facilities within the City.
	Total	30.811	
	Construction of Office Block	5.1	The Commission has been given 3bn this FY 2022/23 to kick start the process of construction of the office block however, this fund has been cut in the FY 2023/24 Funds allocated for construction and retooling.
	Total	5.1	
	Retooling to enable procurement of computers and office furniture and infrastructure development.	5	Allocates NCIE a development budget of UShs 5bn to enable the Council procure computers and office equipment, procure vehicles for the field and embark on its infrastructural development
	Recruitment of Additional Staff	1.26	MFED allocates the Council UShs 2bn appropriated in FY2022/23 for recruitment of additional staff but not released
	Total	6.26	

	Shortfalls in Budget non-wage	30.42	MFPED re-instates that budget of NCS for FY2023/24 to UShs47.8bn
	Development of regional stadia	50.0	MFPED avails NCS a development budget of UShs 50bn to kick start the development of the sports complex/arena at Lugogo and UShs 202bn for the National stadia regionally in the medium term
	Total	80.42	
	Domestic Arrears	4.81	Outstanding Arrears with no allocation in the FY 2023/24
	Underfunding for food and living out allowances for government sponsored students	2.166	The University requires a UGX 9 155bn for food and living out allowances at the current rates allocation of UGX 7.039bn
	The wage requirement for staff harmonisation	12.63	For staff harmonisation following the public service instruction
	Wage requirement for the promotion of Academic Staff	4.41	For promotion of qualified staff
	Renovation of the colleges of medicine (CHS and CoVAB)	10.0	The Committee recommends that MFPED allocates an additional UShs 10bn to kick start the renovation of the College of Health Medicine and College of Veterinary Medicine, Animal resources and Bio Security and continue with the renovation of the halls of residence
	Renovation of non-academic buildings including re-roofing of houses and replacement of asbestos roofs	1.4	Some university buildings still possess asbestos roofs. Therefore there is an urgent need to re-roof the buildings
	Total	35.416	
	Construction of the Faculty of Medicine	18.0	Facilitate the Science Based University in alignment with NDP III Structures at the Faculty of Medicine are dilapidated and condemned for use
	Renovation of the pathology block where the Faculty of Medicine is located	0.332	Facilitate the Science Based University in alignment with NDP III Structures at the Faculty of Medicine are dilapidated and condemned for use.
	Provision of Living Out allowances to Government Sponsored Students	0.158	Inadequate provision for government sponsored students.
	Increase Wage bill to cater for recruitment and promotions	9.32	Mbarara University of Science and Technology an additional wage of UShs 7.2bn to partly increase the staffing levels of the academic staff. An additional wage bill UShs 2 12bn to promote 63 staff that are due for

			promotion in order to improve staff retention.
Total	27.81		
Shortfalls in Wage Bill	6.9		Wage shortfall of UShs 6.9bn be allocated for FY2023/24.
Construction of a 5264sqm Central Teaching Facility	5.0		UShs 5bn be allocated to start phase I of the construction of the Central teaching facility.
Clear Domestic arrears	12.4		MFPED allocates UShs 12.4bn to clear its domestic arrears
Total	24.3		
Wage and staff recruitment especially senior academic staff and technicians	6 395		Wage enhancement and additional recruitment to enable teaching and learning
Removal of asbestos sheets from buildings at Kyambogo University	34.2		Allocates Kyambogo University an additional UShs 34.2bn in FY2023/24 to address the issues of asbestos sheets removal, dilapidated infrastructure and additional office space for lecturers as highlighted above.
Domestic Arrears	9		These are audited domestic arrears as audited by the Auditor General and funds have not been allocated to settle them
Total	49.6		
Recruitment of senior STEM/STEI teaching staff to reach at least 50% from 10 % staffing level	6.7		The staffing level of 10 % is far below the required minimum of 50% as per NDPII
Completion of Medical and equipping Laboratory Block for Medical School	7.3		Need to put the required laboratories as required by NCHE
Completion and equipping Maritime Lecture and Laboratory	8.7		Need to put the required Maritime infrastructure to allow the start of the program
Upgrading and installation of National Back Bone Infrastructure at Pallisa, Nagongera, and Namasagali campuses	0.7		
Operationalization of University Technology, Business and Innovations Incubation Centre (TBIIC) and commercializing of prototypes.	1.0		Commercialization of proto types
Total	24.4		

	<u>Non-Wage recurrent shortfalls</u>	2.8	To avoid supplementary requests each financial year.
	<u>Recruitment of critical staff</u>	4.8	To support newly accredited programs and programmes whose students are moving to 3rd and 4th bachelor of science for agriculture& bachelor of abbs
	<u>Development Budget</u>	8.2	Allocates an additional UShs 8.2bn for completion of the Multi-purpose Health science Modern Laboratory and admin annex building and UShs 1.2bn for operationalization of Erepi PTC
	<u>Operationalization of EREPI PTC Moyo</u>	1.2	To cater for repair and upgrade be granted 557m repair& upgrade 623m for running costs
	Total	17.0	
	<u>Domestic arrears</u>	2.2	Non-remittance of fees for students benefitting from HESFB
	<u>Domestic Arrears</u>	2	To clear debts the university inherited from previous dispensation
	<u>Development budget</u>	31.6	i. Maintains the development budget of UShs 9bn in the medium term to enable the University build its infrastructure. ii. Avails an additional UShs 22.6bn for procurement of specialized equipment and machinery.
	Total	35.8	
	<u>Development Budget</u>	17.0	Completion of Phase II of the Anatomy Block which has taken long due to inadequate funding.
	<u>University Bus to transport Students for clinical studies and Outreach</u>	0.65	To transport students
	Total	17.65	
	<u>Development Budget</u>	11.0	Re-instate its development budget to pay the pending certificates and continue with the construction of the Business and Development Center/Central Teaching Facility
	<u>Shortfalls in Wage bill</u>	7,259	Salary Harmonization and recruitment of additional staff

	Multipurpose building construction at Gulu University Constituent College and Teaching Hospital	13.455	The Committee recommends that MFPED allocates Gulu University an additional UShs 13.455bn in order to undertake the construction of multipurpose building at the Constituent College in Moroto and teaching Hospital
	Total	31.71	
	Wage Bill	6.008	Low staffing level of 27%
	Inadequate infrastructure facilities	12.6	The Committee recommends that MFPED allocates the University an extra UShs 12.6bn for the completion of the main administration block and procurement of the necessary medical equipment for the teaching hospital and faculues.
	Shortfalls in allowances	0.576	Living Out Allowances for Government Students
	Total	19.18	
	Development budget	1.3	Construction of a new classroom/office block at Mbale Branch
	Development budget	1.2	Construction of a new classroom/office block at Mbarara Branch
	Development budget	10	Construction of the new multipurpose building at Kampala Branch
	Total	12.5	
	Re-in state development budget	5.4	The Committee recommends that MFPED re-instates Mts of the Moon University development budget of UShs 5.41bn, additional UShs 5.4bn as retooling budget and the
	Presidential pledge	20	Presidential pledge for the construction of the faculty of health sciences, innovation and technology.
	Total	25.4	
	Grand Total	913.7	

**MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND
SPORTS HELD ON TUESDAY 19TH APRIL 2023 AT 2:00PM IN CONFERENCE
HALL A, SOUTH WING, PARLIAMENTARY BUILDING, KAMPALA**

Members Present

(1) Hon. Twesigye John Ntamuhiira	-	Chairperson
(2) Hon Abigaba Cuthbert Mirembe	-	Deputy Chairperson
(3) Hon. Lokwang Philliphs Illukol	-	Member
(4) Hon. Kakembo Michael	-	Member
(5) Hon. Acon Julius Bua	-	Member
(6) Hon. Kubeketerya James	-	Member
(7) Hon Lt.Col.Dr.Alanyo Jennifer	-	Member
(8) Hon. Nyakato Dorothy	-	Member
(9) Hon. Itungo Nathan	-	Member
(10) Hon Katenya Isaac	-	Member
(11) Hon. Katusiime Annet Mugisha	-	Member
(12) Hon. Ssewungu Joseph	-	Member
(13) Hon. Macho Geoffrey	-	Member
(14) Hon. Bingi Patrick Nyanzi	-	Member
(15) Hon. Akugizibwe Aled Ronald	-	Member
(16) Hon.Nyamutoro Phionah	-	Member
(17) Hon Acibu Agnes	-	Member
(18) Hon Akumu Catherine	-	Member
(19) Hon. Asiimwe Molly Musiime	-	Member
(20) Hon. Ssubi Kyinyamatama Juliet	-	Member
(21) Hon Bagire Henry Aggrey	-	Member
(22) Hon. Tibasiimwa Joram	-	Member
(23) Hon Paparu Lilian Obilac	-	Member

Members absent with Apology

1) Hon Nabukenya Brenda	-	Member
2) Hon Nsamba Patrick Oshabe	-	Member
3) Hon Awich Jane	-	Member
4) Hon Oguze Lee Denis	-	Member
5) Hon Aate Taban Sharifah	-	Member
6) Hon.Kamateneti Josyline	-	Member
7) Hon. Etuka Isaac Joakino	-	Member
8) Hon. Wamala Nambozo	-	Member
9) Hon.Rev. Fr. Onen Charles	-	Member
10)Hon. Ongiertho Emmanuel	-	Member
11)Hon. Ebwalu Jonathan	-	Member
12)Hon. Mutumba Abdul	-	Member
13)Hon Aogon Silas	-	Member

In attendance:

Ministry Of Education and Sports

- 1) Hon Muyingo J
- 2) Hon.Dr.Joyce Morika K
- 3) Hon. Ogwang Peter
- 4) Mr.Ketty Lamaro
- 5) Mr.Robert Bellarmine Okundi
- 6) Dr.Safinah Musere
- 7) Dr.Patrriick Byahetah
- 8) Ms.Jane Egau Okou
- 9) Mr.Muhammed Kabaale
- 10) Mr. Timothy Nambogo
- 11) Ms.Lilian Nabiryo
- 12) Mr.Richard Minze
- 13) Mr.Jre Erem

In attendance (The Committee Secretariat)

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| 6) Ms. Nanono Veronica | - | Researcher |
| 7) Ms. Bugembe Sylvia | - | Reseacher |
| 8) Ms. Ninsiima Diana | - | Principal Clerk Assistant/Minute Secretary |

AGENDA

1. Recitation of the Parliamentary Prayer
2. Communication from the Chairperson
3. Consideration of Policy statements and Budget Estimates FY 2023/2024 by the Ministry of Education
4. Adjournment

The meeting was called to order at 2:50pm

Min.1- Recitation of the Parliamentary Prayer

The Parliamentary Prayer was recited by the Clerk to the Committee.

Min.2- Communication from the Chairperson

- a) The Chairperson informed Members that the meeting was convened to Consider Policy Statements and Budget Estimates from Agencies and Departments for the Financial Year 2023/24
- b) He invited the Minister of Education and Sports to represent the Policy Statement and the respective budgetary proposals to the Committee.

Min.3- Consideration of Policy Statements and Budget Estimates FY 2023/2024 by Universities

The Permanent Secretary presented the respective Policy Statements and budget Estimates for the Ministry of Education and Sports for the Financial Year 2023/2024. [See attachments for details]

Observations/ Issues raised

The Committee sought to establish

- a) The budget estimates by the Ministry of Education and Sports are considered in all.
- b) The reason as to why senior three students have not gotten instruction materials to date.
- c) Whether New vision is publishing the right content of the new materials.
- d) Whether National Curriculum Development Centre has a general mandate to avail instructional materials.
- e) An account as to why seed schools are majorly given to Ministers.
- f) An account as to why there is delay in coding of some schools.
- g) Whether there is equal distribution of seed schools in all constituencies in the Country.
- h) An account as to why money for seed schools is not allocated in regard to some sub counties for example in Omoro Constituency where one of the seed schools uses polythene bags to cover the windows of the building where the equipment is kept.
- i) An account as to why there is delay in the construction of Bunyoro University.
- j) Whether there is any solution in regard to the refugees in Kibaale as they have caused influx in schools.
- k) An account as to when the program by World Bank to build schools in Kibaale will begin.

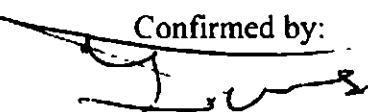
Min.4- Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 17:00pm to 25th April 2023 at 10:00am

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Ninsiima Diana Oleny
COMMITTEE CLERK

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Twesigye John Ntamuhira, MP
CHAIRPERSON

**MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND
SPORTS HELD ON FRIDAY 17TH APRIL 2023 AT 9:00AM IN CONFERENCE HALL
A, SOUTH WING, PARLIAMENTARY BUILDING, KAMPALA**

Members Present

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16) Hon. Ssubi Kyinyamatama Juliet	-	Member
17) Hon. Tibasiimwa Joram	-	Member

In Attendance: The Public Universities

Makerere University

- 1) Prof. Barnabas Nawangwe
- 2) Prof Henry N
- 3) Mr. Yuruf Kiranda
- 4) Mr. Evarist Baainomugisha

- 5) Mr. Kizito Simon
- 6) Dr. Zahara Nampewo
- 7) Mr. Ssanyu Lawrence
- 8) Mr. Musoke Hudsson
- 9) Mr. Mugagga M. Anthony
- 10) Mr. Kitamirike Emmanuel
- 11) Mr. Muwanguzi Darius
- 12) Mr Agaba Paul
- 13) Mr. Bbale Edward
- 14) Mr. Eria Hisal
- 15) Mr. Omara Cyrus
- 16) Ms. Kabumbuli Winifred
- 17) Mr. Misinde Cyprian
- 18) Mr. Kambugu Andrew
- 19) Mr. Lubowa Ssebina C
- 20) Ms. Nalumaga Ruth
- 21) Prof. Buyinza Mukalabi
- 22) Prof Eric Awich
- 23) Mr. Ireeta Tumps Winston

Makerere University Business School

- 1) Prof. muhwezi moses
- 2) Mr. yosa francis
- 3) Ms. namaganda Jacqueline
- 4) Mr. Duhipira m
- 5) Prof. Waswa Balunywa

Ministry Of Education and Sports

- 1) Mr. Abagu Jane Florence

In attendance (The Committee Secretariat)

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AGENDA

1. Recitation of the Parliamentary Prayer
2. Communication from the Chairperson
3. Consideration of Policy statements and Budget Estimates FY 2023/2024 by Agencies and Departments
4. Adjournment

The meeting was called to order at 9:43am

Min.1- Recitation of the Parliamentary Prayer

The Parliamentary Prayer was recited by the Clerk to the Committee.

Min.2- Communication from the Chairperson

- a) The Chairperson informed Members that the meeting was convened to Consider Policy Statements and Budget Estimates from Agencies and Departments for the Financial Year 2023/24
- b) He invited the Accounting officers of the Universities in attendance, to represent their respective budgetary proposals to the Committee

Min.3- Consideration of Policy Statements and Budget Estimates FY 2023/2024 by Universities

The Universities presented their respective Policy Statements and budget Estimates for the Financial Year 2023/2024. [See attachments for details]

Observations/ Issues raised

The Committee sought to establish.

- a) Justification from Makerere University for the decrease in enrolment of undergraduate students and the increase in post graduate students.
- b) Justification for the Suspension of the tribunal at Makerere University.
- c) Whether the amendment of the Makerere Guild Statute was a proper administrative decision by Makerere University.
- d) An account for the money that was allocated for the restoration of the Ivory Tower.
- e) Whether there are any funds allocated for rehabilitation of the dental school and veterinary school that have dilapidated structures.
- f) Whether there are any unfunded priorities that are key among those presented by Makerere University.
- g) Whether there is any solution to the issue of the threat of not registering medical students due to the issue of poor infrastructure and staff.
- h) Whether the University has any plan on how it is going to renovates the Students' places of residence.
- i) Accountability for the money that was allocated to the rehabilitation of the dental school in Makerere University.
- j) Whether there are any discussions that Universities make on the Vice Chancellor's forum.
- k) Whether Makerere University is taking advantage of the facilities around it to support students.
- l) Makerere University should include the Budget for hosting the East African University games.
- m) Clarification on the issue of promotion of academic staff.
- n) The reason for Makerere University losing its academic position at the international level

- o) Justification for the issue of the staff of Makerere University being employed outside Makerere University.
- p) What the recovery rate is for the NTR
- q) Whether the reduction in the funding of NDA by the Government has affected the program.
- r) Whether the universities support the issue pf Uganda Revenue Authority collecting money on behalf of the Universities.
- s) Give a reason as to why Government Universities are not interested in sports.
- t) Whether Makerere University Business Schools has allocated money in their Budget for the construction of the hotel.
- u) What is the reason behind delayed release of transcripts for the Degree holders in Makerere University Business School?
- v) Whether there is any solution for Government students who do not receive any funding for their internship.
- w) Justification for the funds that were received by Makerere University for producing the Covid vaccine.
- x) An account for the numerous research projects that Makerere University involved in.

Responses to the issues/ observations;

Makerere University Business School informed the Committee,

- a) the former Minister of trade Professor Ephraim Kamuntu had promised to allocate a particular hotel for the University but then it was not allocated as promised.
- b) the money that is gotten from private students is what is used to supervise the Government students as well during internship.
- c) the dropout rate has increased to 15 percent due to issues of tuition.
- d) the University has a Budget for sports and hence it is interested as well.

Makerere University informed the Committee that;

- a) the university released a circular to put an end to the issue of the staff of the university being employed somewhere else.
- b) the University has put forth measures to curb the issue of sex for marks.
- c) Makerere University Business School is still affiliated to Makerere University by law.
- d) the University gets the NTR it collects except in instances where there are Budget cuts in the Ministries and the Universities are affected as well.
- e) the University hospital is very small for it to accommodate all the students pursuing the Bachelor's Degree in Medicine.
- f) the University does not have much say in regard to the administration of KCCA schools around the University.
- g) the Tribunal was not suspended however the activities were halted as per the guidance of the Attorney General who advised the University the Tribunal is not properly constituted.
- h) the amendment of the Guild Statute was made by the Student's Constitutional Review Committee.
- i) the reason for the amendment of the Guild Statute was as a result of the violence that students use during the election campaigns.
- j) the issue of a tracer is at its beginning stage and the University has begun with those who were under the Master Card Foundation.

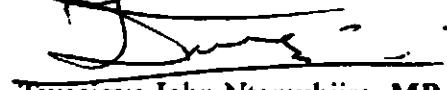
Min.4- Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 13:06p.m to 2:00p.m on the same day.

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Twesigye John Ntamuhiiira, MP
CHAIRPERSON

**MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND
SPORTS HELD ON FRIDAY 17TH APRIL 2023 AT 2:00PM IN CONFERENCE HALL
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Members Present

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15)Hon. Aogon Silas	-	Member
16)Hon. Tibasiimwa Joram	-	Member

In Attendance: Public Institutions

Kyambogo University

1. Prof.Kahingwe R
2. Prof Maria Musoke
3. Mr. Katongole A

4. Mr Kasirye Bukulu Stevens
5. Mr Manano Richard
6. Mr. Tumwebonire A
7. Dr.Nassali State Eliz
8. Dr.Annie Begumisa
9. Ms.Ninsiima Clare
10. Ms.Nakimuli Agnes Mugalu
11. Mr.Wamono Ivan
12. Mr. Okuonzi John

Uganda Management Institute

In attendance (The Committee Secretariat)

1) Ms. Mirembe Barbara	-	Principal Economist
2) Ms. Akullo Caroline	-	Economist
3) Ms. Asiumwe Flavia	-	Legal Officer
4) Ms. Keijagye Brenda	-	Policy Analyst – Leader of Opposition
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8) Ms. Ninsiima Diana	-	Principal Clerk Assistant/Minute Secretary

AGENDA

1. Recitation of the Parliamentary Prayer
2. Communication from the Chairperson
3. Consideration of Policy statements and Budget Estimates FY 2023/2024 by Agencies and Departments
4. Adjournment

The meeting was called to order at 14:21pm

Min.1- Recitation of the Parliamentary Prayer

The Parliamentary Prayer was recited by the Clerk to the Committee.

Min.2- Communication from the Chairperson

The Chairperson informed Members that the meeting was convened to Consider Policy Statements and Budget Estimates from Institutions for the Financial Year 2023/24

He invited the Accounting officers of the Universities in attendance, to represent their respective budgetary proposals to the Committee.

Min.3- Consideration of Policy Statements and Budget Estimates FY 2023/2024 by Universities

The institutions presented their respective Policy Statements and Budget Estimates for the Financial Year 2023/2024. [See attachments for details]

Observations/ Issues raised

The Committee sought to establish.

- a) Whether the issues that cut across all Universities are discussed on the Vice Chancellors forum.
- b) Whether sports are a write up in both UMI and Kyambogo University.
- c) Clarity from Kyambogo University as to Asbestos causing health hazards.
- d) Whether Kyambogo has any writing as to the Directive that was given by the President.
- e) How is Uganda Management Institute involved with the Parish Development Model.
- f) Whether Uganda Management Institute has the 23 Directives that were given by the President.
- g) Whether Kyambogo University has an expansion plan in regard to the renovation of the Students Halls of residence.
- h) Whether there are any issues of school drop outs in Kyambogo University.

Responses to the issues/ observations;

Kyambogo University informed the Committee that;

- a) the crosscutting issues are discussed with the Chancellors of the various Universities and a meeting was held with the Ministry of Education and Sports and Ministry of Finance.
- b) there issue of school dropouts is existent in the University due to lack of tuition by some students.
- c) the University prioritises sports as there is a sports policy where the University participates in various sports activities on both National and international levels.
- d) the University does not have sufficient sports facilities due to the issue of funding.
- e) students cannot pay for the halls of residence due to the condition they are in.
- f) the renovation of students' residences is going to be specifically in relation to repairing them and not expanding them.
- g) the University is making more research on how it can engage in Public Private Partnerships to build students halls of residence.

Uganda Management Institute informed the Committee that;

- a) the completion rate in the Institute is at 74 percent.
- b) It is the mandate of UMI to ensure fulfilment of the Human Capital Development Program under the National Development Plan (NDP) III hence its support towards Government realising the Government Strategy for Parish Development model.

Min.4- Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 15:59p.m to 18th April 2023 at 10:00am

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Ninsiima Diana Oleny
COMMITTEE CLERK

Confirmed by:


Twesigye John Ntamuhiira, MP
CHAIRPERSON

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND
SPORTS HELD ON FRIDAY 14TH APRIL 2023 AT 9:00AM IN CONFERENCE
HALL A, SOUTH WING, PARLIAMENTARY BUILDINGS, KAMPALA.**

Members Present

(1) Hon. Twesigye John Ntamuhiiira	-	Chairperson
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(4) Hon. Kakembo Michael	-	Member
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(14) Hon. Akugizibwe Aled Ronald	-	Member

Members absent with Apology

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21) Hon. Mutumba Abdul	-	Member
22) Hon. Tibasiimwa Joram	-	Member

In Attendance: The Public Universities

Busitema University

- 1) Prof. Parl W
- 2) Dr.Saphina Biira
- 3) Mr.Matsiko Mutungwire
- 4) Mr.Ojiambo Wilberforce
- 5) Dr.Lugga Fredrick
- 6) Ms.Akello Lyidah

Soroti University

- 1) Prof. J. R. Nwja Odongo
- 2) Mr.Magnesa Ruber
- 3) Mr. Okot Zaithum
- 4) Mr.Okello James
- 5) Mr.Okumu A.M

Mbarara University of Science and Technology

- 1) Mr.Byaruhanga Melchoir
- 2) Mr.Musano Dominique
- 3) Ms.Nakakeeto Robinah
- 4) Prof.C.Tushabomwe

Muni University

- 1) Prof.Fr.Odubuker Picho E
- 2) Mr.Wahid Abdul
- 3) Mr. Marachiho Moris
- 4) Mr.Adriapi Francis
- 5) Ms. Achan Nancy
- 6) Mr. Bakai Robert

In attendance (The Committee Secretariat)

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AGENDA

- (1) Recitation of the Parliamentary Prayer.
- (2) Communication from the Chair
- (3) Consideration of the Policy Statements and Budget Estimates for Public Universities for the FY 2023/2024.
- (4) Adjournment

The meeting was called to order 9:55 a.m.

Min.1 – Recitation of the Parliamentary Prayer.

The Parliamentary Prayer was recited by the Committee Clerk.

Min. 3; Communication from the Chairperson

In his communication, the Chairperson;

- (a) informed Members that the meeting was convened to consider Budget Estimates for FY 2023/24 for public Universities; noting most public universities encountered operational challenges that primarily included inadequate budget allocations;
- (b) thanked Government for the initiative of ensuring that there was fairness in the allocation of government grants to public universities across the country.

Observations/issues raised

The Committee noted the following:

- (a) that the information so submitted by the University administrations of Soroti and Busitema as availed to the Committee was authentic;
- (b) that all public universities presented unfunded priorities that needed the attention of Government;
- (c) that by Government needed to revise its plans of opening up new public universities on account of limited resource envelope;
- (d) that despite inadequate resource allocations, some public universities like Mbarara University of Science and Technology (MUST) and Muni University embarked on viable projects and research and development;

The Committee sought to establish the following:

- (a) whether universities' management had forums where key cross-cutting issues affecting of Universities were considered;
- (b) the cost of bats that Muni University sought to procure to facilitate research studies;
- (c) justification that Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development had to ignore supplementary expenditures it allocated to Public Universities;
- (d) reasons/causes for low student enrolment in some Public Universities;
- (e) the reasons for non-inclusion of civil works in the development budget component to refurbish dilapidated infrastructure at Busitema University;
- (f) details about specimens for research that Muni University was to undertake;

(g) reasons for refusal of the Mbarara University of Science and Technology Vice Chancellor to honor invitations to attend meetings of the Committee on Education and Sports;

Responses to issues raised:

The meeting was informed:

- (a) Busitema University's top unfunded priorities included staffing and refurbishment of the the University Complex.
- (b) Soroti University's unfunded priorities were listed in the written memoranda that was presented to the Committee;
- (c) Mbarara University of Science and Technology's Vice Chancellor's absence at meetings of the Committee of which he was invited was not deliberate but rather hinged on other engagements relating to funding of public universities that he had to attend to;
- (d) Non-promotion of university staff to higher positions in the staff structure was occasioned by inadequate wage bill allocation;
- (e) Muni University low student enrolment was occasioned by regulations set by National Council of Higher Education (NCHE) to enrol particular student numbers for science degree courses as compared to those to offer arts courses. That the University was looking at enrolling students to undertake/pursue new programs in order to increase on the students population.

A representative from Ministry of Education and Sports informed the Committee that under the UNESCO principles, States ought to allocate at least 1 percent of the country's Gross Domestic Product (GDP towards Education. However, in Uganda, only 0.3 percent was allocated to education.

- a. Suggested that URA should be barred from collecting money from Universities to solve the issue of NTR not being allocated them as they have collected it.
- b. Requested the Universities to avail evidence of whatever they are alluding to in their presentation. (the University availed a letter before the Committee informing them of the Communication the PSST made to the accounting officers of all Universities informing them that "owing to cashflow constraints, the limits do not consider the additional adjustments to several votes as made by Parliament at the Budget approval)
- c. Suggested that all University representatives should be available when the Committee is meeting the Ministry of Finance.

- d. The issue of Muni University having a low number of students is as a result of its geographical location.

Hon. Twesigye John Ntamuhiira

- a. Informed the Universities that the Committee can only be of help to them only if they present their issues and be open about them.
- b. Informed the Committee about the issue of monitoring of the quality of books by NCDC.
- c. Further requested the Committee to inquire into the Budget at the Ministry headquarters.
- d. Requested the Universities to avail evidence of research that they have made.
- e. Requested the Universities to avail their plan on how they plan to equip the staff that they already have.

Hon. Bingi Patrick

- f. Stated that he is appalled by the staffing levels of Mbarara University regardless of its status as one of the best Universities in Uganda.

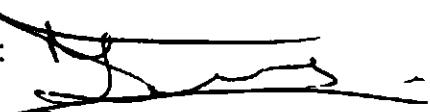
Min.4 – Adjournment

The meeting adjourned to 2:30 p.m.

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17) Hon. Tibasiimwa Joram	-	Member
18) Hon. Ongiertho Emmanuel	-	Member

In attendance:

National Council of Sports

- 1) Mr.Tashobye Ambrose
- 2) Ms.Anyacait Cecelia
- 3) Dr.Ogwel B.P
- 4) Rev.Can.Duncaus Mugumya
- 5) Mr.Katende David

- 6) Mr.Muguwa Ivan
- 7) Mr.Ssali Mark
- 8) Mr. Ogutu Geoffrey Osede
- 9) Ms.Nakamanya Shadiah
- 10) Mr.Tucungwirwe Raymond
- 11) Mr.Bbale Muhamadi
- 12) Mr.Oluga Joseph
- 13) Mr Musimami Paul
- 14) Ms Nanyonjo Shadiah

In attendance (The Committee Secretariat)

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AGENDA

1. Recitation of the Parliamentary Prayer
2. Communication from the Chairperson
3. Consideration of Policy statements and Budget Estimates FY 2023/2024 by Agencies and Departments
4. Adjournment

The meeting was called to order at 14:40pm.

Min.1- Recitation of the Parliamentary Prayer

The Parliamentary Prayer was recited by the Clerk to the Committee.

Min.2- Communication from the Chairperson

- a) The Chairperson informed Members that the meeting was convened to consider Policy statements and Budget Estimates FY 2023/2024
- b) He invited the accounting officers of the Agencies and Departments in attendance, to present their respective budgetary proposals to the Committee.

Min. 3- Consideration of Policy statements and Budget Estimates FY 2023/2024 by Agencies and Departments

The Agencies and Departments presented their respective Policy Statements and Budget Estimates for Financial Year 2023/2024 [See attachments for details]

Observations/ issues raised

The Committee sought to establish

- a) Whether the National Council for Sports has any plan for the construction of the regional stadia.
- b) Whether the 51 federations submit their Budgets to National Council of Sports.
- c) The reason as to why the Ministry does not seek a loan to cater for the issue of infrastructure.
- d) Whether National Council of Sports has visited Namboole Stadium to find out what is happening there.
- e) Accountability for the 80 Billion Shillings which was allocated to the Ministry of Sports to rehabilitate Namboole Stadium.
- f) Whether it is possible to avail sports materials to the Sub county Councils and be available for all schools who would wish to borrow and use them in their schools.
- g) An account as to why the money that was allocated to National Council of Sports (vote 166) to allocate to federations was instead allocated by FUFA which has no mandate to allocate the above money.
- h) Whether National Council of Sports has any plan concerning E-sports in the country.
- i) The plan the National Council of Sports has for the construction of the Anti-Doping facility.
- j) An account for the 50 Billion for Sports Facilities that National Council of Sports intends to build.
- k) The plan National Council of Sports has for the rehabilitation of dilapidated sports structures.

Responses to the issues/ observations;

National Council of Sports [NCS]

In their response, National Council of Sports,

- a. Stated that they are in support of the regional stadia and visited areas like Gulu, Lira, Soroti, Mbale wherein they confirmed that all these areas had land. They further requested that the above land is clearly allocated for purposes of sports so that it is not used for other purposes.
- b. Informed the Committee that they want to come up with a general policy on sports in the Ministry of Education and Sports.
- c. Informed the Committee that efforts are being made in line with rehabilitation of Namboole.
- d. Requested the Committee to strengthen National Council of Sports.
- e. Promised to take into consideration the issue of getting a loan so as to support the development of sports in the country
- f. Brought it to the Notice of the Committee that they entered into a memorandum of understanding with Uganda Investment Authority in relation to the Lugogo Project.
- g. Pledged to submit a report on how much land is available in regions for the regional stadia and the proposed plan of the stadia.

Representative from the Ministry of Sports.

- a. Ministry of Sports put in place a project management team and project implementation unit to supervise the activities taking place in Namboole Stadium.

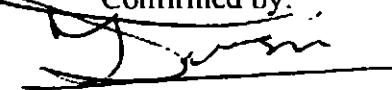
Min 4-Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 16:35PM to Monday 17th April, 2023 at 9:00am.

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Ninsiima Diana Oleny
COMMITTEE CLERK

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Twesigye John Ntamuhiira, MP
CHAIRPERSON

**MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND
SPORTS HELD ON THURSDAY 13 APRIL, 2023 AT 9:00AM IN CONFERENCE
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15) Hon. Asiumwe Molly Musiime	-	Member

In Attendance: The Public Universities

Kabale University

- 1) Prof. Joy C.Kwesiga
- 2) Mr. Twesigye Gad
- 3) Mr.Baryantuma J.M
- 4) Mr. Twebaze Alex

Mountains of the Moon

- 1) Ms.Nakajubi Jane
- 2) Mr.Mutogo Ronald
- 3) Mr.Kagambe Edmond
- 4) Prof. Achanga Coxwell
- 5) Mr. Ndoleriire William

Gulu University

- 1) Prof. David Okello Owiny
- 2) Mr.Dibebe Jacqueline
- 3) Mr. Wesonga Emmanuel
- 4) Mr.Oballim Christopher
- 5) Mr.asaf Adebua

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Agenda

- (1) Recitation of the Parliamentary Prayer
- (2) Communication from the Chair
- (3) Consideration of the Ministerial Policy Statements and Budget Estimates for FY 2023/2024.
- (4) Adjournment

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m.

Min.2 - Communication from the Chair.

In his communication, the Chairperson guided that the meeting was convened to consider Policy Statements and Budget Estimates for Public Universities for the Financial Year 2023/24.

Min. 3 – Consideration of the Policy Statements and Budget Estimates for FY 2023/2024.

3.1 Kabale University.

The Accounting Officer for Kabale University presented the University's Policy Statement and Budget Estimates for FY 2023/2024 (*see written memoranda for details*)

3.2 Mountains of the Moon University.

The Accounting Officer for Mountains of the Moon University presented the University's Policy Statement and Budget Estimates for FY 2023/2024 (*see written memoranda for details*)

3.3 Gulu University.

The Accounting Officer for Gulu University presented the University's Policy Statement and Budget Estimates for FY 2023/2024 (*see written memoranda for details*)

Observations/issues raised

The Committee sough to establish:

- (a) whether Mountains of the Moon University enrolled students who were direct beneficiaries of the students loan scheme; and whether such students received funding from the University;
- (b) the kind of support services and facilities that Mountains of the Moon University required in order to deliver on its mandate;
- (c) causal factors for recurring increment on non-wage budget component for Mountains of the Moon University;
- (d) the status of construction of the Students' Hostel at Gulu University that was being undertaken over by a private individual;
- (e) whether Gulu University communicated to Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development on non-release of funds appropriated to the University;
- (f) on the status and fate of Kotido Primary Teachers' College (PTC) given reports that Gulu University was scheduled take it over;

Responses to issues raised

The Committee was informed that.

- (a) for Kabale University, Government released Shs.2.9 billion in consideration of 100 Government sponsored students; and that the funding for the current 400 student population had remained the same giving rise to a funding gap of Shs.8.6 billion.
- (b) some students at the Mountains of the Moon University were direct beneficiaries of the students loan scheme that they received from the Higher Education Students Financing Board (HESFB);
- (c) Gulu University land reverted back in the names of Gulu University Council and that Council worked on processes of Hostel ownership revert back to the University;
- (d) Kotido PTC was not considered a core PTC and hence could not be phased out and owned by Government;
- (e) Gulu University Council expected receipt of funds Public Service Commission regarding issues of harmonisation;
- (f) Gulu University made efforts to liaise with Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development to ensure funds appropriated by Parliament were released.
- (g) School dropout rates were informed by statistical data compiled from the time of student enrolment/admission to higher institutions of learning.

The Committee was informed that:

- a. Stated that it is as though the Ministry seeks to collect money from Universities that it is not willing to give them back.
- b. Informed the Committee that there is money that is approved in the supplementary Budget and the money is not allocated to the consequent Universities.
- c. Brought it to the notice of the Committee that the Ministry of Education and Sports is not supporting Universities,
- d. Complained as to how the Ministry responds to the issues of the Universities.
- e. Finance has taken on the roll of the Parliament of Uganda
- f. Complained on the continuous behaviour of the Ministry of Finance cutting budgets for Government entities and violating the mandate of Parliament by appropriating money as it wishes.
- g. Appreciated the Kabale University for attracting professors in their University as part of their staff.
- h. Commented on the understaffing in Universities and suggested that something is done about it.
- i. Further informed the Committee that a lecturer in Gulu University is paid lesser than other lecturers in other Public Universities.

- j. Stated that, the Committee should invite the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development and his team to appear before Committee.
- k. Requested them to give accountability for the 7.2 Billion for Salary Harmonisation
- l. suggested that Gulu University is well funded so as to support other constituent colleges.
- m. Supported the idea of Gulu University taking over Kotido PTC.
- n. Suggested that the issue of construction of a teaching hospital should also be taken into Consideration since Gulu University has a very phenomenal record when it comes to teaching medicine.
- o. the status and fate of over 2,000 school dropouts in Gulu University.
- p. Requested that the Minister of Finance is communicated to come with the formula to cut the budget of the different entities.

Min.4 – Adjournment

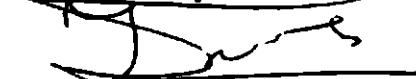
The meeting was adjourned at 1:33 p.m.

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(22) Hon. Asiimwe Molly Musiime	-	Member

Members absent with Apology

1) Hon Bagire Henry Aggrey	-	Member
2) Hon Nabukenya Brenda	-	Member
3) Hon Nsamba Patrick Oshabe	-	Member
4) Hon Paparu Lilian Obilac	-	Member
5) Hon Awich Jane	-	Member
6) Hon Acibu Agnes	-	Member
7) Hon Oguze Lee Denis	-	Member
8) Hon Aate Taban Sharifah	-	Member
9) Hon.Nyamutoro Phionah	-	Member
10)Hon.Kamateneti Josylinc	-	Member
11)Hon. Etuka Isaac Joakin	-	Member
12)Hon. Wamala Nambozo	-	Member
13)Hon.Rev. Fr. Onen Charles	-	Member
14)Hon Akumu Catherine	-	Member

**In Attendance: The Different Agencies
Uganda National Examination Board**

- 1) Mr.Dan Odongi
- 2) Mr.Okello Moses
- 3) Ms Nangoya Mike

- 4) Mr. Bataringanya Geoffrey
- 5) Mr Wakabi Peter
- 6) Mr.Murana Justin
- 7) Ms Kalule Jenifer M
- 8) Ms Nekesa Sylvia
- 9) Ms Kuzera Juliet
- 10) Ms. Naigaga Laetitia

In attendance (The Committee Secretariat)

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| 1) Ms. Mirembe Barbara | - | Principal Economist |
| 2) Ms. Akullo Caroline | - | Economist |
| 3) Ms. Asiimwe Flavia | - | Legal Officer |
| 4) Ms. Keijagye Brenda | - | Policy Analyst – Leader of Opposition |
| 5) Ms. Namata Sylvia | - | Policy Analyst [LGB] |
| 6) Ms. Nanono Veronica | - | Researcher |
| 7) Ms. Bugembe Sylvia | - | Researcher |
| 8) Ms. Ninsiima Diana | - | Principal Clerk Assistant/Minute Secretary |

AGENDA

1. Recitation of the Parliamentary Prayer
2. Communication from the Chairperson
3. Consideration of Policy statements and Budget Estimates FY 2023/2024 by Boards
4. Adjournment

The meeting was called to order at 9:43am

Min.1- Recitation of the Parliamentary Prayer

The Parliamentary Prayer was recited by the Clerk to the Committee.

Min.2- Communication from the Chairperson

The Chairperson informed Members that the meeting was convened to Consider Policy Statements and Budget Estimates from Agencies and Departments for the Financial Year 2023/24

He invited the Accounting officers of the Universities in attendance, to represent their respective budgetary proposals to the Committee.

Min.3- Consideration of Policy Statements and Budget Estimates FY 2023/2024 by Universities

The Accounting officers of Boards presented their respective Policy Statements and budget Estimates for the Financial Year 2023/2024. [See attachments for details]

Uganda National Examinations Board

Observations/ Issues raised

The Committee sought to establish:

- a) Whether Uganda National Examination Board has any approach in regard to catering for children with special needs during exams.
- b) Whether the Board has aligned their unfunded priorities in order.
- c) Whether there are any pending mergers within the Ministry of Education and Sports.
- d) An account on how the Board monitors the funds that schools charge per student for registration.
- e) An account on how the board adheres to the Government principle of buy Uganda, sell Uganda.
- f) Give information of how much funds the Board Charges for registration.
- g) Whether the Board publicises the fees it charges for registration.
- h) An account as to why the Personnel involved in marking of exams are underpaid.
- i) Explain as to why regardless of the increase in the number of both UPE and USE students, the resource envelope allocated to the Board has not increased.

Responses to the issues/ observations;

Uganda National Examinations Board

- a) The Board faces a dilemma that most of its activities are intertwined.
- b) The Chairperson prayed that the amount of money allocated by the Government matches with the number of UPE and USE students.
- c) Informed the Committee that the Fees charged by UNEB are published and circulated in the media and that any person who charges over and above the fees charged commits an offense.
- d) Further informed the Committee that the rest of the responses shall be submitted in writing.

Representative from the Ministry of Education and Sports

- a) Capital grants and subventions were cut by 80 percent by the Ministry of Education and Sports.

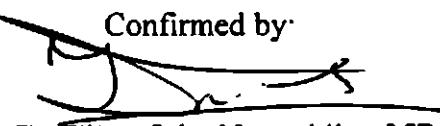
Min.4- Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00pm to 14th April, 2023 at 9:00pm.

Recorded by:


Ninsiima Diana Oleny
COMMITTEE CLERK

Confirmed by:


Twesigye John Ntamuhiiira, MP
CHAIRPERSON

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND
SPORTS HELD ON WENESDAY 12TH APRIL 2023 AT 9:00AM IN CONFERENCE
HALL A, SOUTH WING, PARLIAMENTARY BUILDINGS, KAMPALA.**

Members present

(1) Hon. Twesigye John Ntamuhiira	-	Chairperson
(2) Hon Abigaba Cuthbert Mirembe	-	Deputy Chairperson
(3) Hon. Lokwang Philliphs Illukol	-	Member
(4) Hon. Kakembo Michael	-	Member
(5) Hon. Acon Julius Bua	-	Member
(6) Hon. Ongiertho Emmanuel	-	Member
(7) Hon. Kubeketerya James	-	Member
(8) Hon. Ebwalu Jonathan	-	Member
(9) Hon. Lt.Col Dr.Alanyo Jennifer	-	Member
(10) Hon. Nyakato Dorothy	-	Member
(11) Hon. Itungo Nathan	-	Member
(12) Hon. Katenya Isaac	-	Member
(13) Hon. Aogon Silas	-	Member
(14) Hon. Katusiime Annet Mugisha	-	Member
(15) Hon Ssewungu Joseph	-	Member
(16) Hon. Macho Geoffrey	-	Member
(17) Hon. Ssubi Kyinyamatama Juliet	-	Member
(18) Hon. Bingi Patrick Nyanzi	-	Member
(19) Hon. Mutumba Abdul	-	Member
(20) Hon. Akugizibwe Aled Ronald	-	Member

Members Absent

1) Hon Asiimwe Musiime Molly	-	Member
2) Hon. Nyamutoro Phionah	-	Member
3) Hon. Acibu Agnes	-	Member
4) Hon. Kamateneti Josyline	-	Member
5) Hon. Dr. Taban Sharifah Aate	-	Member
6) Hon Paparu Lilian	-	Member
7) Hon. Tibasiimwa Joram	-	Member
8) Hon. Bagiire Aggrey Henry	-	Member
9) Hon. Akumu Catherine Mavenjina	-	Member
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13) Hon. Nsamba Patrick Oshabe	-	Member
14) Hon. Rev. Fr.Onen Charles	-	Member
15) Hon Kakembo Michael	-	Member
16) Hon. Awich Jane	-	Member

Agencies and Departments in Attendance:

National Curriculum Development Centre

1. Dr.Baguma Grace
2. Dr. Richard Iumba
3. Mr.Sansa Ambrose
4. Ms.Namitala K.Dori
5. Mr. Cpa Kwiri Stephen

Higher Education Students Financing Board

1. Mr. Birungi Christopher
2. Mr. Bbosa Kizito
3. Ms.Bategere Peace

Education Service Commission

1. Hon. Malinga Johnson
2. Ms.Izizinga Rose
3. Dr.Byakutaga Beatrice
4. Mr. Opolot Jacob
5. Mr. Kaaya Mohammed
6. Mr. Oyirwoth K
7. Mr. Munyambabari Adrian
8. Ms. Nandudu Norah

In Attendance: The Committee Secretariat

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| 8) Ms. Ninsiima Diana | - | Principal Clerk Assistant/Minute Secretary |

Agenda

- (1) Recitation of the Parliamentary Prayer
- (2) Communication from the Chair
- (3) Consideration of the Policy Statements and Budget Estimates for FY 2023/24.
- (4) Adjournment

The meeting was called to order at 9:38 a.m.

Min.1 - Recitation of the Parliamentary Prayer

The Prayer was recited by the Committee Clerk.

Min.2 - Communication from the Chair.

In his Communication, the Chairperson;

- (a) informed Members that the meeting was convened to receive and consider Annual Budget Estimates for National Curriculum Development Centre (NCDC) and Higher Education Students Financing Board (HESFB) for the FY 2023/24; and
- (b) invited the Accounting Officers for NCDC and HESFB to present their budget proposals.

Min.3 – Consideration of Policy Statements and Budget Estimates for FY 2023/2024

3.1 National Curriculum Development Centre (NCDC)

The NCDC presented its Policy Statement and Budget Estimates for FY 2023/2024 (*see written submission for details*)

Observations/Issues raised.

The Committee sought to establish:

- (a) an account from NCDC on variations in the listed unfunded priorities in the Supplementary Schedules that were tabled before the House; and those featuring in the Centre's Policy Statement and Budget Estimates for FY 2023/24.
- (b) the detailed breakdown of funds allocated unfunded priorities;
- (c) an account for overlapping issues in relation to NCDC's mandate and the Ministry of Education and Sports.
- (d) a justification for Wakiso District as the only sample space by the Centre for training teachers yet it owed responsibility to the entire country;
- (e) an account that the Directorate had a policy on replacement of computer gadgets and the time frame for replacement.
- (a) an account on expenditures less than the actual allocations and releases, regardless of budget cuts.
- (b) a justification for poor budget performance as compared to previous years;

- (c) whether the Budget Estimates supported part of the Directorates' projections for the FY 2023/2024; and an account on absence of materials available in relation to Ordinary Level Curriculum.
- (d) an account that Ministry of Education and Sports did not brief the Committee on programs under implementation;
- (e) an account by the Directorate not briefing the Committee on the new Advanced Level Curriculum;
- (f) whether NCDC was privy to the fact that some publishing companies like Vision Group published and printed text books and study materials relating to curriculum; and that this had implications on the mandate of NCDC.

The Committee instructed the Clerk to organise for a meeting where the Committee will meet with NCDC and the Ministry of Education to harmonise issues of over lapping mandates.

The Committee instructed NCDC to give a breakdown of Shs.6 billion to avoid cases of perceived duplication of duties and responsibilities between the Centre and the Ministry of Education and Sports.

The Committee noted that finalisation of Early Childhood Development Curriculum was key in the performance of the education sector.

The Committee requested NCDC to avail it with the Report on the Performance of Lower Secondary Curriculum before proceeding with the A 'level Curriculum among which include training of teachers. The Committee noted that there was need for Government to ensure adequate financing of Curriculum Development since it was NCDC's core mandate

The Committee implored NCDC to monitor companies and persons that published and print books and study materials to ensure that publications were in line with the approved school curriculum.

Responses to issues raised:

The Committee was informed that:

- (a) financial constraints occasioned limited coverage of teacher training in the new Ordinary Level Curriculum in Wakiso District alone as would be desired for national coverage;

- (b) NCDC made appeals to Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development regarding budgetary cuts/revisions indicating this would negatively impact its operations;
- (c) New IT equipment including laptops were procured for newly recruited Directorate staff. The Directorate runs an ICT Policy guiding IT applications to facilitate its operations.
- (d) The Centre has in place a report on the New Curriculum for Ordinary Level, which can be accessed upon request. However there was still need to provide more funding to ensure effectiveness of training of teachers in the country.
- (e) The financial allocations featuring in the Policy Statements were funds expended by the Directorate during the first half (July – December) of the Financial Year.
- (f) In collaboration with Vision Group, NCDC authorised for publication and printing of study materials and books that have been widely circulated to the country.

3.2 Higher Education Students Financing Board (HESFB)

The HESFB presented its Policy Statement and Budget Estimates for FY 2023/2024 (*see written submission for details*)

Observations/Issues raised:

The Committee sought to establish:

- (a) Items in HESFB that were affected by budget cuts;
- (b) Inquired as to why there is regional imbalance in awarding loans.
- (c) whether students that dropped out of school formed part of beneficiaries of the Scheme;
- (d) an account that the Scheme was not very inclusive to accommodate students offering Arts courses;
- (e) an account that the Board did not award and consider continuing students anymore; and the criteria followed in listing students as beneficiaries of the loan scheme.
- (f) the Board's percentage expenditure as against budgetary releases from Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development.
- (g) The Board's strategic directions;
- (h) the disaggregated list of students that benefited from the Scheme per district;
- (i) the Board's Strategy of recovering funds loaned to students upon completion of their courses of study;

The Committee made the following observations:

- (a) That whereas the Scheme targeted economically disadvantaged students, the Board's applicable criteria left out such students.
- (b) That the Board had witnessed inadequate budgetary allocations and as such most key items were underfunded leading to funding students in the next financial year in suspense.
- (c) That on account of presidential announcements, the Board was compelled to consider applications for students with science background in favour of those applying to undertake Arts course. The Committee implored the Board to consider applications from Arts students from rural areas in the award of scholarships given that such rural areas had inadequate facilities for teaching both science and arts courses.

The Committee instructed the Board to submit to the Committee Clerk, all documents relevant documents to the budget consideration process

Responses to issues raised

The HESFB informed the Committee.

- (a) of its undertaking to avail information on budget items that were affected by budget cut instituted by Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development during budget execution process;
- (b) that some funds featuring in the Policy Statements included recoveries;
- (c) that the Board prepared detailed reports on different activities carried out; and undertook to submit the same to the Committee together with the Report of the Auditor General on HESFB for the Financial Year ended 30th June, 2022;
- (d) that it had a Resource Mobilisation Strategy with intentions to support solicitation of funds for its routine operations.
- (e) that support for science students was premised on presidential directives on promotion of science in education institutions. However, there was gradual inclusion of humanities as a priority areas of study;
- (f) that issues of gender and economic balance were key considerations by the Board in processing students' loans applications; and that the list of students who benefited from the loan scheme would be availed to the Committee.

3.3 Education Service Commission (ESC)

The Education Service Commission presented its Policy Statement and Budget Estimates for FY 2023/24 (*see written memoranda for details*)

Observations/issues raised:

The Committee sought to establish:

- (a) plans by the Education Service Commission to safeguard its land from encroachers;
- (b) whether the ESC ever held meetings with Ministry of Education and Sports to consider issues raised in the Policy Statement and Budget Estimates for FY 2023/24.
- (c) Plans by ESC to address issues of concern in the teachers' scheme of service with particular emphasis on upgrading and promoting of teachers;
- (d) the notion of 'school basic recruitment' and what it entailed;
- (e) details of the teacher validation exercise that was conducted by the Commission.
- (f) the scope and coverage of disciplinary cases that the ESC could handle;
- (g) a detailed account (*with evidence*) on the ESC's budget performance during the Financial Year 2021/22, with particular emphasis on funds that were not released;
- (h) whether there was any evidence on steps taken by ESC n has taken to deal with the issue of trespassers on the land that is owned by the Commission.
- (i) Requested the Commission to promote teachers who up graded.

Responses to issues raised:

The ESC informed the Committee:

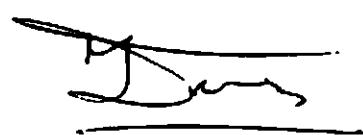
- (a) that whenever approached, the ESC responded to issues relating to teachers' scheme of service in upgrading and promotion of Education Officers;
- (b) that the ESC's targets were sometimes affected by the programs of the Ministry of Education and Sports;
- (c) the ESC reached out to all schools to facilitate teacher validation exercise;
- (d) requested that the Committee helps out on the issue of recruitments and staffing gap;
- (e) that the law mandated the Commission to exercise disciplinary control over its staff whenever such cases were brought before it;

Min.4 – Suspension/Adjournment

The meeting was suspended at 2.07 p.m. to 3:00PM



Ninsiima Diana Oleny
COMMITTEE CLERK



Twesigye John Ntamuhiira
CHAIRPERSON

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND SPORTS
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 12TH APRIL 2023 AT 2:00PM IN CONFERENCE HALL A,
SOUTH WING, PARLIAMENTARY BUILDINGS, KAMPALA.**

Members Present

(1) Hon. Twesigye John Ntamuhira	-	Chairperson
(2) Hon Abigaba Cuthbert Mirembe	-	Deputy Chairperson
(3) Hon. Lokwang Phillips Illukol	-	Member
(4) Hon. Kakembo Michael	-	Member
(5) Hon. Acon Julius Bua	-	Member
(6) Hon. Ongiertho Emmanuel	-	Member
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(8) Hon. Ebwali Jonathan	-	Member
(9) Hon. Lt.Col.Dr.Alanyo Jennifer	-	Member
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(19) Hon. Mutumba Abdul	-	Member
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Members Absent with Apology

1) Hon. Asimwe Musiime Molly	-	Member
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14) Hon. Rev. Fr.Onen Charles	-	Member
15) Hon. Kakembo Michael	-	Member
16) Hon. Awich Jane	-	Member

Agencies and Departments in Attendance:**Directorate Industrial Training**

- 1) Ms.Prima Kige
- 2) Ms.Komugisha Neoline
- 3) Mr. Byakatonda Patrick
- 4) Ms. Nakyobe Safinah
- 5) Ms. Kuteesa Priscilla Nassolo

National Council for Higher Education

- 1) Prof.Mary J.N. Okwakol
- 2) Mr Arthur Babu M
- 3) Ms. Nora Thulira
- 4) Ms Maria Nakachwa Ssemakula

In attendance (The Committee Secretariat)

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| 7) Ms. Bugembe Sylvia | - | Researcher |
| 8) Ms. Ninsiima Diana | - | Principal Clerk Assistant/Minute Secretary |

Agenda

- (1) Recitation of the Parliamentary Prayer.
- (2) Communication from the Chair
- (3) Consideration of Policy Statements and Budget Estimates FY 2023/2024 by Agencies and Departments.
- (4) Adjournment

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m.

Min.1 – Recitation of the Parliamentary Prayer.

The Parliamentary Prayer was recited by Committee Clerk.

Min.2 – Communication from the Chair.

The Chairperson informed Members that the meeting was convened to consider Policy Statements and Budget Estimates from Agencies and Departments for the Financial Year 2023/24.

He invited the Accounting Officers of the Agencies and Departments in attendance, to present their respective budgetary proposals to the Committee.

Min.3 - Consideration of Policy Statements and Budget Estimates FY 2023/2024 by Agencies and Departments.

The Agencies and Departments presented their respective Policy Statement and Budget Estimates for the Financial Year 2023/24 (*see attachments for details*)

Directorate of Industrial Training (DIT)

Observations/Issues raised

The Committee sought to establish:

- (a) Justifications for DIT's curriculum being limited to students in lower secondary level alone;
- (b) whether certificates awarded by the DIT guaranteed students' marketability and employability in the world of work;
- (c) Government's plans to publicise and sensitise the general public on the mandate, objectives and activities of DIT;
- (d) An account by Government not listing Shimoni University dedicated to training future educationists/career educationists;
- (e) An account by National Council for Higher Education (NCHE) not providing for budget lines for transition of National Teachers Colleges (NTCs) to National Institute of Teacher Education (NITE);
- (f) The number of court cases NCHE has been involved in;
- (g) The fate other public and private universities offering degree courses in Education, given Government's Policy which will mandate UNITE to offer degree courses in education;
- (h) NCHE's plans to increase the ratio of technical and diploma graduates to bachelors' degree holders;
- (i) NCHE's plans to resolve issues of Public Universities having multiple branches in different regions of the country.
- (j) Whether it was NCHE's responsibility to determine the unit cost for every University;
- (k) Whether NCHE had plans by NCHE to ensure that all students join University at the same time

Responses to Issues/observations raised;

The Management of Directorate of Industrial Training informed the Committee:

- (a) that the purpose of limiting DIT's curriculum to lower secondary was to address implications of school drop outs; and to create opportunities and instil hope among the affected students; and

(b) that there was need to publicize DIT to afford students who were unable to complete Ordinary Level, opportunities to continue with school through DIT programs.

Responses to issues/observations raised:

The NCHE informed the Committee that.

- (a) any university or institution that was not provided for in the list availed to the Committee operated illegally;
- (b) the matter of Shimoni University was still under review by Government.
- (c) UNITE was to come up with minimum standards for teaching the Bachelor's Degree in Education and the same standards shall be applicable by other universities that intend to offer teach Education.
- (d) NCHE did not budget for any single institution hence could budget for UNITE (Uganda National Institute for Teacher Education);
- (e) NCHE only equated one's academic credentials that were below Ordinary and Advanced Level
- (f) it was Government's role to determine the unit cost per university;
- (g) NCHE did not have authority to revoke accreditation of any university; but that it would in liaison with National Planning Authority (NPA) come up with a solution.
- (h) NCHE worked with NPA to come up with joint admissions for all universities in the country.

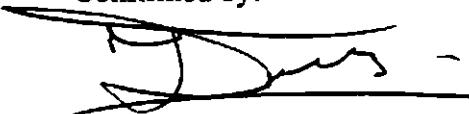
Min.4 – Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m. to Thursday 13 April, 2023 at 10.00 a.m.

Recorded by:


Nihsiuma Diana
COMMITTEE CLERK

Confirmed by:


Twesigye John Ntamuhiira
CHAIRPERSON

**MINUTES OF THE IN-HOUSE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF EDUCATION
AND SPORTS HELD ON TUESDAY 11TH APRIL 2023 AT 9:00AM IN CONFERENCE
HALL A, SOUTH WING, PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS, KAMPALA.**

Members Present

1) Hon. Twesigye John Ntamuhira	-	Chairperson
2) Hon. Abigaba Cuthbert Mirember	-	Deputy Chairperson
3) Hon. Itungo Nathan	-	Member
4) Hon. Kakembo Micheal	-	Member
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Members Absent With Apology

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(6) Hon. Kamateneti Joslyne	-	Member
(7) Hon. Etuka Isaac Joakino	-	Member
(8) Hon. Asiiimwe Molly	-	Member
(9) Hon. Oguzu Lee Denis	-	Member

In Attendance: The Committee Secretariat.

1) Ms. Mirembe Barbara	-	Principal Economist
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7) Ms. Bugembe Sylvia	-	Researcher
8) Ms. Ninsiima Diana	-	Principal Clerk Assistant/Minute

Agenda

1. Recitation of the Parliamentary Prayer.
2. Communication from the Chair

3. Consideration of the Ministerial Policy Statements and Budget Estimates for FY 2023/34: Submission of Alternative Policy Statement from the Shadow Cabinet.
4. Adjournment

Min.1 – Recitation of the Parliamentary Prayer.

The Parliamentary Prayer was recited by the Committee Clerk.

Min.2 – Communication from the Chair.

In his communication, the Chairperson informed members that the purpose of the meeting was to receive and consider the Alternative Policy Statement from the Shadow Minister of Education for the FY 2023/24; and that from the Shadow Minister of Sports.

Min.3 - Consideration of the Ministerial Policy Statements and Budget Estimates for FY 2023/34: Submission of Alternative Policy Statement from the Shadow Cabinet.

The Shadow Minister for Sports, Hon. Kayemba Geoffrey Solo presented to the Committee, the Alternative Policy Statement for the Education and Sports Sector for FY 2023/2024 (*see written memoranda for details*)

Observations/issues raised.

The Committee:

- (a) noted that Government needed to come up with a Policy on how to support sports contingents who emerge victorious with medals at national, regional and international sports and games.
- (b) further noted capitation grants were inadequate and were occasioned released late in the quarters;
- (c) advised the Shadow Minister that salary enhancement for teachers of Arts Subjects did not feature in the Alternative Policy Statements.
- (d) guided that the Shadow Minister needed to present alternative positions on the financial resources required to execute planned activities during the financial year;
- (e) disagreed with the idea that children needed to pack food yet they trekked long distances to schools; and proposed that instead parents mobilise finances to facilitate schools to prepare meals for their children;
- (f) requested the Shadow Minister to make amendments to the Alternative Statement.
- (g) noted capitation grants needed to be streamlined with the Ministry's Policy of providing free basic education to children in Uganda;
- (h) further noted that Early Childhood Development was clearly elucidated in the Shadow Cabinet's Alternative Policy Statement;
- (i) noted that Government to work with international organisations to ensure that Early Childhood Development Program extended to children in rural areas;

- (j) guided that Government needed to provide accommodation facilities in seed schools should also be included in the Alternative Policy statement;
- (k) noted the need for Government to establish vocational institutions in all constituencies in the country to promote vocational skills education and training;
- (l) further noted that tax exemptions should be reduced to enhance increased revenue collections by Government;
- (m) stated that the challenges within the Education sub program among which included the 4,000 teachers who have since not been placed/deployed on account of inadequate Wage Bill;

The Committee made the following suggestions to the Shadow Cabinet for consideration:

- (a) that the Shadow Minister specifically states the objectives of the Sector and the budget proposals to that effect;
- (b) that revenue collections highlighted in the Alternative Policy Statement needed to be safeguarded to address cases of corruption that may arise;

The Committee sought to establish reasons as to why the Alternative Policy Statement was submitted beyond the timeline prescribed under Rule 147 of the Rules of Procedure

Responses to issues raised

The Committee was informed by the Shadow Minister for Sports that,

- (a) alternative sources of funding for the Education and Sports Sector would be availed by the Shadow Minister for Finance, Planning and Economic Development.
- (b) the contract to build Sports Stadia was awarded to persons that did not have the capacity and expertise to construct such facilities;
- (c) the Committee ought to demand for accountability for funds expended for the refurbishment of Mandela National Sports Stadium, Namboole;
- (d) the challenges highlighted in the Alternative Policy Statement were intended to provoke Government to generate solutions to address such challenges;
- (e) funding of the Sports Sector in South Africa was done by the private sector; the most notable being SASICO.

Presentation of an Analytical Brief on the Ministerial Policy Statement and Budget Estimates for the Financial Year 2023/24.

The Committee received and considered an Analytical Brief from the Parliamentary Budget Office on the Ministerial Policy Statement and Budget Estimates for the Votes under the Education, Sports and Skills Sub-Programme for the Financial Year 2023/24 (*see copy of the Analytical Brief*)

Min.4 – Adjournment

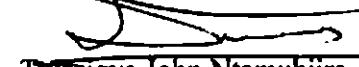
The meeting was adjourned at 2:07 p.m.

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Twesigye John Ntamuhiira, MP
CHAIRPERSON

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF EDUCATION AND SPORTS
HELD ON TUESDAY 11 APRIL 2023 AT 2:00PM IN CONFERENCE HALL A, SOUTH
WING, PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS, KAMPALA.**

Members Present

1. Hon. Twesigye John Ntamuhiira	-	Chairperson
2. Hon. Abigaba Cuthbert Mirembe	-	Deputy Chairperson
3. Hon. Itungo Nathan	-	Member
4. Hon. Kakembo Micheal	-	Member
5. Hon. Mutumba Abdul	-	Member
6. Hon. Katenya Isaac	-	Member
7. Hon. Bagiire Aggrey Henry	-	Member
8. Hon. Ongiertho Emmanuel	-	Member
9. Hon. Bingi Patrick Nyanzi	-	Member
10. Hon. Kayembe Solo Geofrey	-	Member
11. Hon. Ebwalu Jonathan	-	Member
12. Hon. Akugizibwe Aled Ronald	-	Member
13. Hon. Lokwang Philips	-	Member
14. Hon. Abigaba Cuthbert Mirembe	-	Member
15. Hon. Suubi Kinyamatama Juliet	-	Member
16. Hon. Kubeketerya James	-	Member

Members Absent With Apology

1. Hon. Alanyo Jenniffer	-	Member
2. Hon. Acibu Agnes	-	Member
3. Hon. Awich Jane	-	Member
4. Hon. Nabukenya Brenda	-	Member
5. Hon. Paparu Lillian	-	Member
6. Hon. Kamateneti Joslyne	-	Member
7. Hon. Etuka Isaac Joakino	-	Member
8. Hon. Asiimwe Molly	-	Member
9. Hon. Oguzu Lee Denis	-	Member

In Attendance (Civil Society Budget Advocacy Group)

- 1) Mr. Jeff G. Wachilo
- 2) Dr. Obed Kambasu
- 3) Mr. Ongom W
- 4) Mr. Ainebyona Mitchell
- 5) Mr. Ochen Ronald
- 6) Ms. Nasuunah. S.Katty
- 7) Ms. Akello Juliet
- 8) Ms. Ainembabazi Shallon
- 9) Ms. Namubiru Christina
- 10) Mr. Muhangi Pascal

In attendance (The Committee Secretariat)

1) Ms. Mirembe Barbara	-	Principal Economist
2) Ms. Akullo Caroline	-	Economist
3) Ms. Asiimwe Flavia	-	Legal Officer
4) Ms. Keijagye Brenda	-	Policy Analyst – Leader of Opposition
5) Ms. Namata Sylvia	-	Policy Analyst [LGB]
6) Ms. Nanono Veronica	-	Researcher
7) Ms. Bugembe Sylvia	-	Researcher
8) Ms. Ninsiima Diana	-	Principal Clerk Assistant/Minute Secretary

Agenda

- (1) Recitation of the Parliamentary Prayer.
- (2) Communication from the Chair
- (3) Consideration of the Policy Statements and Budget Estimates for Public Universities for the FY 2023/2024.
- (4) Adjournment

The meeting was called to order at 3.10 p.m.

Min.1 – Recitation of the Parliamentary Prayer.

The Parliamentary Prayer was recited by the Committee Clerk.

Min.2 – Communication from the Chair.

In his communication, the Chairperson:

- (a) welcomed persons present for the meeting; and specially welcomed the Civil Society Budget Advocacy Group, whom he indicated were in attendance to submit memoranda on the Financial Year 2023/24 Ministerial Policy Statement and Budget Estimates;
- (b) informed Members that the Shadow Cabinet had tabled before the House, Alternative Policy Statements and that the technical team had been tasked to scrutinise the same for presentation of brief on the budget consideration process; and
- (c) commended the Civil Society Advocacy Group on the Budget for endeavouring to present memorandum on Ministerial Policy Statements and Budget Estimates on annual basis.

Min.3 – Consideration of the Policy Statements and Budget Estimates for Public Universities for the FY 2023/2024: Submission by Civil Society Budget Advocacy Group.

The Civil Society Budget Advocacy Group presented the Civil Society Position Paper on the Education and Sports Sub Program in response to the Ministerial Policy Statement 2023/2024. (*see written memorandum attached*)

In addition to the presentation, Dr Obed;

- (a) informed the Committee of the Advocacy Group's visit to Karamoja where it established that children outside school going age found themselves going to school premises in quest for food that was made available by the World Food Programme for children attending schools.
- (b) suggested to the Committee that e-inspections needed to be done in addition to physical inspection.

Observations/issues raised;

The Committee

- (a) noted that the Advocacy Group needed to have made proposals in line with mobilisation of funds since most suggestions centred around allocation of funds;
- (b) guided that Civil Society Organisations needed to work to assist Government regarding outsourcing for funds from external sources.
- (c) brought to the notice of the Advocacy Group that their recommendations were key and viable but that the issue still remained inadequate allocation of funds to facilitate implementation of Government planned activities;
- (d) challenged Civil Society Organisations to collaborate and engage local governments in matters to do with education in communities where they have resident operations;
- (e) advised Civil Society Organisations to educate and sensitise local governments on best practices in executing their mandates on provision of education services;
- (f) noted that some issues raised in memoranda submitted by Civil Society Organisations on any matter before Parliament were wakeup calls to Government that the issues so raised were in existent and affected community welfare;

The Committee inquired whether during scrutiny of the Ministerial Policy Statement and Budget Estimates for FY 2023/24, the Advocacy Group came across funds that were allocated to some sub sub program that were considered redundant.

Responses to issues raised:

The Civil Society Budget Advocacy Group informed the Committee.

- (a) that whereas issues of resource allocation within government existed, corruption and abuse of office were key determinants of poor governance and that the Office of the Inspectorate

of Government had reported the country losing approximately Shs.10 trillion as a result of corruption;

- (b) that Government needed to take deliberate steps to save the available financial resources and ensure that their allocation to key priority sectors;
- (c) it reviewed Uganda Tax Policies for the FY 2023/24 and lobbied for Government to consider their implementation in order to generate more tax revenues;
- (d) of an Association dubbed the '*Monitory Service Committee*' created to monitor service delivery within the different Government Sectors;
- (e) it undertook to promote enhanced accountability for the different activities undertaken;
- (f) it undertook to take lead in the Civil Society Coalition on the Education Sector generate proposals that would be presented at an appropriate time during review of the Education Sector
- (g) of advisories made that Government needed to first consider implementation of existing policies before new ones were formulated;
- (h) of intentions by the Civil Society Advocacy Groups on the Budget to share key documents for accountability before the NGO Bureau.
- (i) that the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development had launched the Public Investment Finance Strategy wherein the Ministry had a strategy of sourcing for funds and advised the Committee to take keen interest in the same.

The Committee guided the Society to put their responses in writing

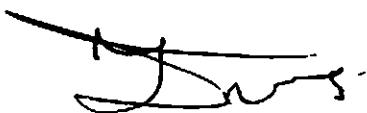
Min.4 – Adjournment

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Annex 1: LIST OF UNFUNDED PRIORITIES FOR THE EDUCATION SPORTS AND SKILLS SUB PROGRAMME FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2023/24

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	Grant aiding primary schools	17.80	Grant aiding 128 primary schools
	Grant aiding secondary schools	36.88	Grant aiding 87 secondary schools
	Rehabilitation of traditional schools	15	Rehabilitation of traditional schools
	Salary enhancement of Arts Teachers	90	Funds be allocated towards salary enhancement of the Arts teachers to ensure quality education.
	Wage bill for 4,809 teachers recruited and not deployed	122	For the wage bill of 4,809 teachers, recruited and not deployed due to lack of wage bill.
	Recruitment of 3,000 primary teachers	25	Recruitment of additional teachers for primary school to close the gap.
	Teachers Scheme of Service	6.708	Implement the Scheme of Service to motivate teachers especially those that have served for long at the same level
	Recruitment of at least 3,000 additional primary teachers	25	To improve on the pupil teacher ratio in the least-staffed primary schools
	Directorate Industrial Training	11.44	Inadequate funding of the lower secondary curriculum delivery. 14,016 Secondary School Teachers to be trained on Assessment Training Packages (ATPs) use and Competence Based Education and Training (CBET) approaches for each of the 78 occupations of ATPs from 5,502 schools to be trained under the Lower secondary Curriculum.
	Higher Education Students' Financing Board. (HESFB)	35.25	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. MFPED urgently allocates HESFB an additional UShs 20.664bn in FY2023/24 to enable 4,189 students already on the scheme continue with their studies and to enable 1,500 new cohort attain higher education by accessing loans through the Board ii. UShs 14.59bn be allocated towards clearance of fees domestic arrears accrued with the various Universities to avoid litigation due to non-payment.
	Uganda Allied Health Examinations Board (UAHEB)	12.6	Re-instate its subvention budget of UShs 6,360,001,024 and an additional UShs 6,239,998,976 be allocated to UAHEB for the Board to effectively carry out its mandate.

	Uganda Nurses and Midwives Examinations Board (UNMEB)	20.3	Allocates the Board an additional UShs 20,297,782,772 to cover its budget shortfalls in regards to management and general administration of Exams, and construction of the new office block
	Uganda Business and Technical Examinations Board (UBTEB)	11.4	Allocates UBTEB an additional UShs 3.2bn as development, where UShs 2.2bn will enhance the construction allocation to UShs 5bn and UShs 1bn for retooling of the Board towards the acquisition of field containers for examinations storage, computers, office equipment and furniture and fittings to enable full uptake of TVET by citizens throughout the country
	Uganda National Examinations Board (UNE)B	26.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. an additional UShs 1.2bn to effectively support the SNE candidates. ii. an additional UShs 4.6bn to cater for the revised unit cost for hosting centers to accommodate UNEB marking due to an increase in basic commodities iii. UShs 3.9bn as top up for markers of candidate transcripts. iv. UShs 6.7bn as enhanced field transport for the examiners. v. UShs 6.6bn to carry out NAPE and UShs 3.5bn for Continuous assessment guidelines and data capture tools for science subjects.
	Total	455.87	
	Support the O LEVEL Curriculum implementation	7 217	To offer continuous support on the training pedagogies and assessment modalities of the revised Lower Secondary Curriculum
	A-level Curriculum Review	6.00	Additional UShs 6bn to review and roll out the A-Level curricula
	Arrears	0.48	To pay gratuity arrears
	Arrears	0.781	To settle all domestic arrears to suppliers

	Total	14.447	
	Shortfall on payment of science teachers' salaries	16.011	Shortfall was allocated as supplementary in FY2022/23 and this has not been incorporated in budget for FY2023/24.
	Provision of revised unit of capitation grants to UPE, USE/UPOLET and SNE subvention grants to KCCA schools	1.3	Capitation Grants to schools in KCCA were not revised like other LGs
	Construction of a Seed Secondary School in Nakawa division	3	Improve on the classroom pupil ratios to offer quality education.
	Removal of asbestos and refurbishment of 10 schools	2.5	To ensure safety of learners
	Construction of classrooms at Ntinda Primary School	0.5	Improve on the classroom pupil ratios to offer quality education.
	Renovation of classrooms at Kitante Primary school	0.6	Improve on the classroom pupil ratios to offer quality education.
	Renovation of classrooms at Kibuye Primary School	0.2	Improve on the classroom pupil ratios to offer quality education
	Renovation of classrooms at KCCA Busega Community Primary School	0.3	Improve on the classroom pupil ratios to offer quality education.
	Renovation of classrooms at ST.Ponsiano Kyamula P/S Primary school	0.4	Improve on the classroom pupil ratios to offer quality education
	Construct of KCCA Philip Omondi Stadium	6	To improve on Sports facilities within the City.
	Total	30.811	
	Construction of Office Block	5.1	The Commission has been given 3bn this FY 2022/23 to kick start the process of construction of the office block however, this fund has been cut in the FY 2023/24. Funds allocated for construction and retooling.
	Total	5.1	
	Retooling to enable procurement of computers and office furniture and infrastructure development.	5	Allocates NCHE a development budget of UShs 5bn to enable the Council procure computers and office equipment, procure vehicles for the field and embark on its infrastructural development.
	Recruitment of Additional Staff	1.26	MFPED allocates the Council UShs 2bn appropriated in FY2022/23 for recruitment of additional staff but not released
	Total	6.26	

	Shortfalls in Budget non-wage	30.42	MFPED reinstates that budget of NCS for FY2023/24 to UShs47.8bn.
	Development of regional stadia	50.0	MFPED avails NCS a development budget of UShs 50bn to kick start the development of the sports complex/arena at Lugogo and UShs 202bn for the National stadia regionally in the medium term
	Total	80.42	

	Domestic Arrears	4.81	Outstanding Arrears with no allocation in the FY 2023/24
	Underfunding for food and living-out allowances for government sponsored students	2.166	The University requires a UGX 9.155bn for food and living out allowances at the current rates allocation of UGX 7 039bn
	The wage requirement for staff harmonisation	12.63	For staff harmonisation following the public service instruction
	Wage requirement for the promotion of Academic Staff	4.41	For promotion of qualified staff
	Renovation of the colleges of medicine (CHS and CoVAB)	10.0	The Committee recommends that MFPED allocates an additional UShs 10bn to kick start the renovation of the College of Health Medicine and College of Veterinary Medicine, Animal resources and Bio Security and continue with the renovation of the halls of residence
	Renovation of non-academic buildings including re-roofing of houses and replacement of asbestos roofs	1.4	Some university buildings still possess asbestos roofs. Therefore there is an urgent need to re-roof the buildings
	Total	35.416	

	Construction of the Faculty of Medicine	18.0	Facilitate the Science Based University in alignment with NDP III. Structures at the Faculty of Medicine are dilapidated and condemned for use.
	Renovation of the pathology block where the Faculty of Medicine is located	0.332	Facilitate the Science Based University in alignment with NDP III. Structures at the Faculty of Medicine are dilapidated and condemned for use.
	Provision of Living Out allowances to Government Sponsored Students	0.158	Inadequate provision for government sponsored students.
	Increase Wage bill to cater for recruitment and promotions	9.32	Mbarara University of Science and Technology an additional wage of UShs 7 2bn to partly increase the staffing levels of the academic staff An additional wage bill UShs 2.12bn to promote 63 staff that are due for

			promotion in order to improve staff retention.
	Total	27.81	
	Shortfalls in Wage Bill	6.9	Wage shortfall of UShs 6.9bn be allocated for FY2023/24.
	Construction of a 5264sqm Central Teaching Facility	5.0	UShs 5bn be allocated to start phase I of the construction of the Central teaching facility
	Clear Domestic arrears	12.4	MFPED allocates UShs 12.4bn to clear its domestic arrears.
	Total	24.3	
	Wage and staff recruitment especially senior academic staff and technicians	6.395	Wage enhancement and additional recruitment to enable teaching and learning
	Removal of asbestos sheets from buildings at Kyambogo University	34.2	Allocates Kyambogo University an additional UShs 34.2bn in FY2023/24 to address the issues of asbestos sheets removal, dilapidated infrastructure and additional office space for lecturers as highlighted above.
	Domestic Arrears	9	These are audited domestic arrears as audited by the Auditor General and funds have not been allocated to settle them
	Total	49.6	
	Recruitment of senior STEM/STEI teaching staff to reach at least 50% from 10 % staffing level	6.7	The staffing level of 10 % is far below the required minimum of 50% as per NDPIII
	Completion of Medical and equipping Laboratory Block for Medical School	7.3	Need to put the required laboratories as required by NCHE.
	Completion and equipping Maritime Lecture and Laboratory	8.7	Need to put the required Maritime infrastructure to allow the start of the program
	Upgrading and installation of National Back Bone Infrastructure at Pallisa, Nagongera, and Namasagali campuses	0.7	
	Operationalization of University Technology, Business and Innovations Incubation Centre (TBIIC) and commercializing of prototypes.	1.0	Commercialization of proto types
	Total	24.4	

	Non-Wage recurrent shortfalls	2.8	To avoid supplementary requests each financial year.
	Recruitment of critical staff	4.8	To support newly accredited programs and programmes whose students are moving to 3rd and 4th bachelor of science for agriculture& bachelor of abbs
	Development Budget	8.2	Allocates an additional UShs 8.2bn for completion of the Multi-purpose Health science Modern Laboratory and admin annex building and UShs 1.2bn for operationalization of Erepri PTC
	Operationalization of EREPI PTC Moyo	1.2	To cater for repair and upgrade be granted 557m repair& upgrade 623m for running costs
	Total	17.0	

	Domestic arrears	2.2	Non-remittance of fees for students benefitting from HESFB.
	Domestic Arrears	2	To clear debts the university inherited from previous dispensation
	Development budget	31.6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Maintains the development budget of UShs 9bn in the medium term to enable the University build its infrastructure. ii. Avails an additional UShs 22.6bn for procurement of specialized equipment and machinery.
	Total	35.8	

	Development Budget	17.0	Completion of Phase II of the Anatomy Block which has taken long due to inadequate funding.
	University Bus to transport Students for clinical studies and Outreach	0.65	To transport students
	Total	17.65	

	Development Budget	11.0	Re-instate its development budget to pay the pending certificates and continue with the construction of the Business and Development Center/Central Teaching Facility
	Shortfalls in Wage bill	7 259	Salary Harmonization and recruitment of additional staff

	Multipurpose building construction at Gulu University Constituent College and Teaching Hospital	13.455	The Committee recommends that MFPED allocates Gulu University an additional UShs 13.455bn in order to undertake the construction of multi-purpose building at the Constituent College in Moroto and teaching Hospital
	Total	31.71	
	Wage Bill	6.008	Low staffing level of 27%
	Inadequate infrastructure facilities	12.6	The Committee recommends that MFPED allocates the University an extra UShs 12.6bn for the completion of the main administration block and procurement of the necessary medical equipment for the teaching hospital and faculties.
	Shortfalls in allowances	0.576	Living Out Allowances for Government Students
	Total	19.18	
	Development budget	1.3	Construction of a new classroom/office block at Mbale Branch
	Development budget	1.2	Construction of a new classroom/office block at Mbarara Branch
	Development budget	10	Construction of the new multipurpose building at Kampala Branch
	Total	12.5	
	Re-in state development budget	5.4	The Committee recommends that MFPED re-instates Mts of the Moon University development budget of UShs 5.41bn, additional UShs 5.4bn as retooling budget and the
	Presidential pledge	20	Presidential pledge for the construction of the faculty of health sciences, innovation and technology.
	Total	25.4	