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EASTERN REGION

THE REPORT ABOUT THE DISTRICT TRIP TO JINJA FROM THE 23RD – 25TH MAY 2014

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1. INTRODUCTION

This report presents the proceedings of the 1^{st} District Trip of MSAU – Eastern region an activity that was stipulated in the work plan of the regime 2014. It was conducted on the 23^{rd} – 25^{th} May 2014 in Jinja.

The trip was purposely conducted to get a situational report of the area and set clear grounds for the formation of Jinja DEC and incorporating tertiary Institutions and Universities into MSAU.

The trip was entailed with a radio presentation on 107.9 Bambu FM and a consultative Meeting with the Executive of ASAMS at Bugembe Islamic Institute.

The main outcome of the trip was the setting up of the grounds for the formation of Jinja DEC in September 2014.

The trip was fully financed by the Kampala University Administration – Jinja Branch.

2. OBJECTIVES

The main objective of the trip was to lay strategies for the formation of Jinja DEC

Specific Objectives

- 1) To conduct a sensitisation radio talk show on Bambu FM about MSAU
- 2) To create networks for the Association

3. PARTICIPANTS

The trip had only two participants that is Ramazan Yasin the Regional Chairman of MSAU – Eastern Region and Sauda Ramathan Ayanga the General Secretary of Kampala University Muslim Students Association.

4. PROCEEDINGS

At 12:00 noon the Regional Chairman set off for Jinja with Y.Y Bus and arrived Jinja – Bugembe at 2:30 pm. He was received by the General Secretary of Kampala University – Jinja Branch.

DAY ONE 23RD MAY 2014

After arrival, the Regional Chairman was taken to the place of Residence after which he met Sauda Ramathan and prepared for the Radio Talk Show.

4.1 The radio Talk show

The radio talk show took place at Bambi FM from 9:00 – 9:45 pm and the topic of presentation was About MSAU and the programmer was Mr Ntale a Lecturer in the Faculty of Education and the coordinator of the radio program.

Issues discussed were:

1) The genesis of the Association including the main aims of its formulation

2) The salient objectives of the Association

The talk show was as interesting as there were a lot of calls of concern from the listeners and the issues included:

- Θ How can one take part in the activities of the association?
- Θ How do you raise resources for effective running of the Association?
- Θ Where can we find the Association?
- Θ How to join the Association

All these concerns were provided answers for by the Regional Chairman.

After this the Regional Chairman had to go for a rest to mark the end of the day.

DAY TWO 24TH MAY 2014

This day began very well but it only contained tours around beautiful places in Jinja including Bugembe Islamic Institute and the landing site in Kilyowa.

DAY THREE 25TH MAY 2014

This was the last day of the trip and it contained:

4.2 Consultative meeting with ASAMSA Executive

The issues discussed in the meeting included:

- The change of ASAMSA leadership full of working class leaders with new leaders from the Secondary Schools,
- * Formation of DEC of Jinja under full control of the Leaders from tertiary and University institutions in and around Jinja.
- Review of the ASAMSA constitution
- Organizing the handover of ASAMSA and the annual Regional Conference
- Collaboration with MSAU Eastern region in the forming of MSAs in Schools and Universities.
- ♣ The list of main tertiary institutions and Universities was also drafted.

The meeting resolved all the above issues as it forwarded them for action as:

♣ The change of ASAMSA executive a week before the Annual ASAMSA conference on 22nd June 2014

♣ The formation of Jinja DEC in September 2014 at Kampala University Jinja – Branch which shall be fully followed up by Ramazan Yasin

After this meeting the Regional Chairman of MSAU paid a visit to the home of the Lady Vice President of Islamic University Students Union and the Chairperson Women Affairs League of IUIU – Main campus – Sis Namusobya Firdausi.

After this, the trip was summed up with a simple social dinner at the home of Namusobya Firdausi after which he boarded back home.

5. OUTCOMES

The following are the outcomes of the trip:

- ⊗ Awareness about MSAU was created among the people of Jinja through the Radio talk show
- ⊗ Clear and good strategies were set about the formation of the Jinja DEC
- \otimes The challenge of long stay in power as experienced by ASAMSA shall be history come 22^{nd} June 2014.
- ⊗ Networks were created for the future running of the Association
- ⊗ Strengthening of the good working relations between REC Eastern and ASAMSA
- ⊗ This marked the beginning of District Tours and the next DECs in pipe line are Kapchorwa and Busia DECs

6. RECOMMENDATIONS

The following issues have been raised for future action:

- Actualisation of the above decisions raised from the meeting
- ❖ More REC ER have to take part in the Tours
- ❖ The report should be disseminated to the stake holders for support and guidance.

7. APPRECIATION

Grate appreciation goes to Allah for making it a success and the following:

- 1) The Administration of Kampala University for fully financing the trip
- 2) The management of Bambu FM for the Radio Talk show
- 3) The Executive of ASAMSA for good working relations
- 4) The family Mr Ramathan for the warm hospitality provided to the Regional chairman
- 5) The regional patron for the guidance
- 6) All parties and the organisations who led to the success of the trip in one way or the other

MAY THE ALMIGHTY ALLAH REWARD YOU ALL ABUNDANTLY

