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USA Supports Humanitarian Assistance for Refugees

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On 12 October, World Food Programme (WFP) hosted a signing ceremony between the Chargé d’Affaires of the U.S. Embassy in Dar es Salaam, Dr. Inmi Patterson (left), and WFP Tanzania’s Country Representative, Michael Dunford(right). **Photo | WFP Tanzania**

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In mid-October, the USA contributed USD 21.3 million to the World Food Programme for humanitarian support to refugees residing in Tanzania. The contribution was announced at a signing ceremony between the Chargé d’Affaires of the U.S. Embassy in Dar es Salaam,

Dr. Inmi Patterson, and WFP Tanzania’s Country Representative, Mr. Michael Dunford. “We thank USAID for their generosity in supporting WFP food assistance for refugees, not only this year, but for the last 10 years as WFP’s largest donor,” said Michael

Dunford during the ceremony. This contribution, along with support from other donors, enables WFP to return refugee food rations to 100% based on minimum daily kilocalorie requirements. This is the first-time refugees will receive full rations since they were reduced in February 2017. WFP continues to raise funds so that food rations do not need to be reduced in coming months.

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A word from Government:

“The United Nations and the government will continue to work together on development issues and delivering services to the people of Tanzania such as education, water sanitation and hygiene (WASH), among other areas. On behalf of the government and the people of Tanzania, I extend a vote of thanks to the leadership of the United Nations for their efforts in supporting the government to deliver services to the people.”



The Prime Minister of the United Republic of Tanzania, Hon. Kassim Majaliwa Majaliwa, speaking at the commemoration of the 73rd Anniversary of the United Nations on October 24, 2018.

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USAID's contributions to WFP Tanzania come in the form of cash and in-kind food commodities. Cash contributions enable WFP to procure some food locally, which helps boost agriculture in the country.

"Refugees are dependent on the communities in which they live, and efforts to support refugees demand a focus on local communities as well," said Dr. Inmi Patterson. "That is why this funding will be used to purchase locally grown maize and beans, driving both humanitarian support in Tanzania as well as

local agriculture and economic development."

WFP contributes to the Tanzanian economy by using local companies for the handling, storage and transportation of food for refugees. Since 2010, WFP has injected USD 278 million into the Tanzanian economy through supply chain services.

Tanzania currently hosts primarily Congolese and Burundian refugees at Nyarugusu, Nduta and Mtendeli Refugee Camps in Kigoma region. WFP provides a food basket of cereals, SuperCereal (fortified blended food), pulses, vegetable

oil and salt to each refugee.

WFP assistance is the main source of food for refugees. WFP also runs a Supplementary Feeding Programme in all three camps to provide additional nutrition support to pregnant and lactating women, children under five years, people with HIV/AIDS and hospital in-patients. In addition, hot meals are served to newly arriving refugees at transit and reception centres and high energy biscuits provided to those in transit.



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KJP Monitoring Mission



Councillor for Political Affairs, Royal Norwegian Embassy, Mr. Hans Corneliusen (second from left), asks when the market is expected to begin its operations and how it will impact the community.
Photo | Msafiri Manongi/ RCO

In early October, the United Nations carried out a monitoring mission of the Kigoma Joint Programme (KJP) in collaboration with the Royal Norwegian Embassy and Embassy of Sweden in Tanzania. The monitoring mission consisted of field visits to KJP projects in three Kigoma districts (Kakonko, Kibondo and Kasulu) to assess key results being achieved by the UN and other partners in the region.

In each district, the delegation began by paying a courtesy call to the Acting District Executive Directors (DEDs) in which they discussed the progress and implementation status of KJP. The mission started in Kakonko where the delegation met with the District Protection Committee to understand how the child protection system works in Kakonko district. They then visited the ongoing construction site of the Kakonko Police Gender and Children's Desk and thereafter made a brief stop at Itumbuko Primary School and met with a student club to hear how they have been empowered

to identify and report on VAC –. While in Kakonko, the mission also met local residents who have been trained by FAO and WFP on good agricultural practices and post-harvest loss management. 5,000 farmers have benefitted from these interventions.

On the second day, the mission paid a courtesy call to the acting District Executive Director of Kibondo, Dr. Gabriel Chitupila before visiting the ongoing construction site of Mukarazi Border market. The market is being constructed at the border of Tanzania and Burundi and will benefit communities in both countries while also enhancing co-existence. The delegation then visited BRIMA Factory - BRIMA is a green field project and is enhancing cassava and maize value chains and has been supported by UNCDF. All of the factory's inputs come from farmers from the surrounding local communities.

The visit to BRIMA was followed by a visit to a Multipurpose Community Centre (MCC) and Vocational

Training Centre (VTC) at Maloregwa where the delegation got to see local residents participating in a variety of different classes such as carpentry, financial inclusion and sowing. The MCC and VTC were funded by Norway.

In Kasulu, the delegation visited the IOM Shelter which hosts women and children who are victims of violence. To mark the end of the visit, the delegation paid a courtesy call to the acting Regional Administrative Secretary (RAS) followed by a visit to Petro and Sons factory in Kigoma town. Petro and Sons Industries is a small private company which deals with processing, packaging and marketing of fish and sardines from Lake Tanganyika. The company has been supported by UNCDF. It contributes to the empowerment of women and youth and provides a stable market for women traders and creates business opportunities and jobs for people in Kigoma.

UN Promotes Safe Spaces to Nurture Young Champions for Development and the Global Goals at National Youth Week



The Minister of State in the Prime Minister's office Hon. Jenista Mhagama handing over the trophy to the winner among the three teams that participated in the football game at the youth bonanza at Popatral grounds in Tanga Region. Photo | Grace Mongi/RCO

In partnership with the government of the United Republic of Tanzania, the United Nations supported and participated in national activities in Tanga region including a youth symposium, exhibition and sports bonanza during this year's National Youth Week commemorations. Under the national theme of Safe Spaces for Youth, the aim of the UN's support was to ensure that the voices of young men and women are better represented in national dialogue for peace building in Tanzania. Additionally, the activities aimed to raise awareness among youth on their potential to contribute to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and national development priorities.

National Youth Week activities

included a youth symposium that was supported by the International Labour Organization (ILO). The symposium highlighted important issues regarding the strengthening of safe spaces for youth in Tanzania such as government's efforts to provide a safe environment for youth; the importance of life-skills training to enable youth to overcome life challenges; the importance of ICT for youth economic development; and the fight against corruption and drug abuse.

The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), UN Women and the UN Resident Coordinator's Office supported a Sports Bonanza. The aim was to promote the role of sports in peace-building efforts and

bring together youth and veterans to bridge intergenerational differences and create an environment of unity and respect for all. The guest of honour at the event was the Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office, Hon. Jenista Mhagama. Sports was promoted as a recreational space where a healthy lifestyle can be nurtured, where youth can meet to improve their social skills, strengthen cultural values and adapt to rules. 200 youth participated in the bonanza.

The climax of National Youth Week took place on Mwalimu Nyerere Day and was graced by the President of Zanzibar and the Chairman of the Revolutionary Council, H.E. Dr. Ali Mohamed Shein.



Team captain and youth that participated several games at the Youth Bonanza cheer up with their trophies after emerging winners. **Photo | Grace Mongi/RCO**



Good Nutrition for Stronger Economy: Government of Tanzania Reaffirms its Commitment to Improve Nutrition during the Joint Multisectoral Nutrition Review 2018



Prime Minister of Tanzania, Honorable Kassim Majaliwa with other Ministers from nutrition-relevant sectors and Representatives from UN Agencies and other Development Partners during the opening ceremony of the JMNR 2018. Photo | Qijia Xiao / UNICEF Tanzania

Convened by the Prime Minister's Office (PMO) through the High Level Steering Committee on Nutrition (HLSCN), the fifth Joint Multisectoral Nutrition Review (JMNR) was held in Dodoma in mid-September. It was organized by the Ministry of Health, Community Development, Gender, Elderly and Children (MoHCDGEC) through the Tanzania Food and Nutrition Center (TFNC), and supported by UNICEF and other partners. Since 2014, the JMNR has been an inclusive and multisectoral platform to jointly review and analyze the progress of nutrition in Tanzania every year. Under the theme Towards Industrialized Economy: Good Nutrition is Fundamental in Sustaining Effective Human Capital Development, the fifth JMNR was an opportunity to review progress and challenges on the implementation of the second year of the National Multisectoral Nutrition Action Plan (NMNAP) of 2016-2021, and its Common Results,

Resources and Accountability Framework (CRRAF) in 2017/18. The Prime Minister, Honorable Kassim Majaliwa participated as the Guest of Honor. In his opening speech, he reaffirmed that improving nutrition is a priority for the Government of Tanzania: "We have clearly realized that addressing malnutrition needs a multisectoral response. There is no sector that can end malnutrition by itself. Considering this, the Prime Minister's Office will continue to coordinate nutrition activities at the national level, and starting from next year will assume full leadership in the coordination of the JMNR." On behalf of UN Agencies, the UNICEF Deputy Country Representative in Tanzania, Mr. Rene Van Dongen, reaffirmed the United Nations' support to the successful implementation of the National Multisectoral Nutrition Action Plan to improve nutrition and contribute to a prosperous industrialized Tanzania. Mr.

Van Dongen congratulated the Government of Tanzania for the significant results achieved in terms of reducing stunting among children under five years and improving multisectoral nutrition governance and accountability, and stressed the need for further increasing domestic investment in nutrition, both in terms of finance and human resources. In total, over 300 stakeholders from different sectors participated in the JMNR, representing the Government at the national, regional and district level, the community (especially the adolescents community), as well as Donors, UN Agencies, Civil Society, Business and Academia. Participants presented and discussed about innovations in nutrition, research findings, success stories and challenges experienced from the implementation of the National Multisectoral Nutrition Action Plan in the year 2017/18.

Protecting forests and natural resources in Tanzania

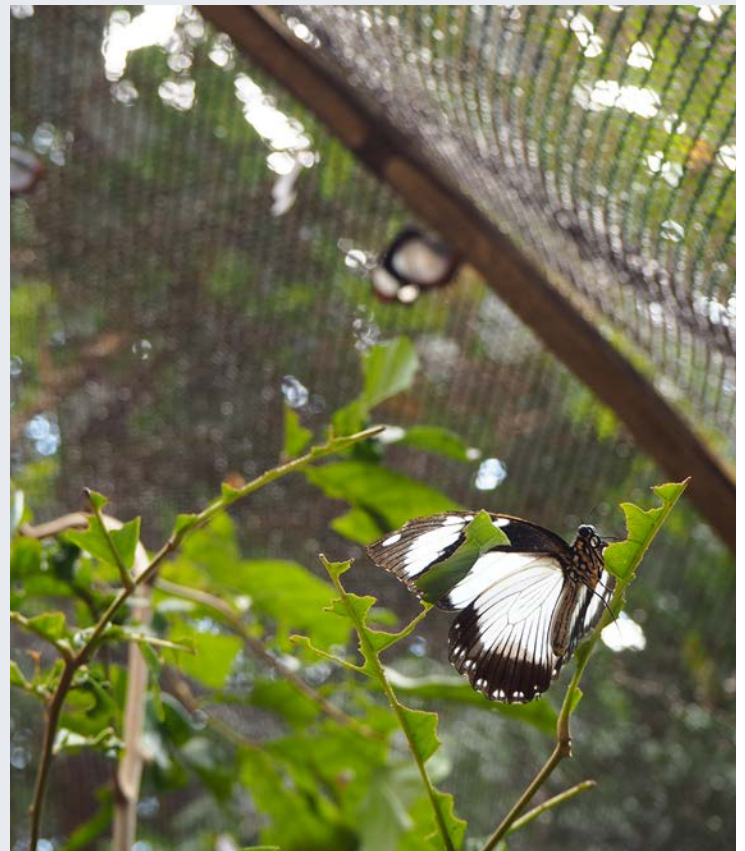
In efforts to protect natural forests in Tanzania, the Ministry of Natural Resources and Tourism through Tanzania Forest Services Agency (TFS) is working in Nature Forest Reserves across the country, offering the highest level of protection under the National Forest Act. Twelve Nature Forest Reserves (NFRs) have benefited through a project supported by the Global Environment Fund (GEF) and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), committed to the safeguarding of Tanzania's forests and the ecosystem services they provide, while also promoting development for the communities living in and around the forests. In addition to the gazettement of the NFRs, an important contribution of the project is the construction of well-equipped offices and ranger posts on the borders of the forests. This has greatly improved the

rangers' access to the forests to prevent illegal logging and mining as well as the spread of wildfires. The communities living in and around the Nature Forest Reserves traditionally depend on the forest for various goods, including timber, fodder, medicinal plants and fuelwood. The forests also play an important role as water catchment for multiple use by local communities. To ensure sustainable utilisation of these resources, UNDP promotes development opportunities for the communities, whilst reducing the pressures on the forest. Local artisans have been trained in building more fuel-efficient stoves for the household level. Additionally, micro biogas plants have been constructed and have the capacity to produce enough gas for cooking and lighting. Through the UNDP/GEF Small Grants Programme (SGP), alternative

sustainable income generating activities for communities such as butterfly farming in and around the Amani Forest Reserve in Tanga have been established. Together with the Ministry of Water and Irrigation, and the Tanga Urban Water Supply and Sanitation Authority (Tanga- UWASA), UNDP have supported the construction of a permanent domestic water supply to Mashewa village in Muheza District near the Amani Nature Forest Reserve, decreasing time spent by women and girls on water collection and protecting the river from degradation and pollution. UNDP is committed to continue these efforts, protecting vital natural resources in Tanzania through partnership with the Government of Tanzania and the international donor community.



In Shebomeza village, Stella Paulo demonstrates how the household biogas plant transforms manure to gas for cooking and lighting.
Photo | UNDP



Butterfly farming provides an alternative source of income in Fanusi Village, Muheza District.
Photo | UNDP

Tanzania, UN join hands to celebrate World Food Day



(from left to right) FAO Representative, Mr. Fred Kafeero; WFP Representative, Mr. Michael Dunford; and IFAD's Senior Programme Officer for East and Southern Africa Division, Ms. Mwatima Juma with Capital TV's Monday Agenda Programme host Mr. Austin Makani soon after being interviewed for World Food Day.

PHOTO | Alice Maro WFP

The Ministry of Agriculture, in collaboration with the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), and World Food Programme (WFP), commemorated World Food Day with a series of activities both on the Mainland and in Zanzibar under the theme of Our Actions are Our future: A Zero Hunger World by 2030. World Food Day is celebrated each year on 16 October to promote worldwide awareness and action for those who suffer from hunger and for the need to ensure food security and nutritious diets for all. This year's activities comprised of a TV interview on Capital Television's Monday Agenda Programme, a panel discussion jointly organized with the Sokoine University of Agriculture (SUA) in Morogoro, field visits to project activities in

Iringa and Zanzibar, a joint UN booth at the World Food Day exhibition ground in Songwe region and a poster drawing competition targeting 11 – 18-year-olds in schools around Songwe region. The main objective was to call for action to get back on track towards achieving Zero Hunger by 2030 and show that despite the rising hunger figures, it is still possible to reach this global goal if we join forces across sectors, professions, nations and continents. "Adopting a Zero Hunger lifestyle means making choices and taking actions daily to build a better world together," said FAO Representative, Mr. Fred Kafeero. WFP Representative, Mr. Dunford added that zero hunger is not just about food availability. "It looks at the extent to which malnutrition is adequately addressed. It also looks at the extent to which the

small-scale farmers increase and meet their basic needs," he said.

"When you realize there is malnutrition at a place where food is in abundance you have to ask yourself some questions. We need to include all the key sectors like education, health and others in forging out a solution," said IFAD's Senior Programme Officer for East and Southern Africa Division, Ms. Mwatima Juma. The panel discussion held at SUA brought together 300 people, including university dons, students, researchers, private sector representatives, farmers, the general public and the media to address collective mechanisms in achieving food and nutrition security in the country. Speaking at the panel, Hon. Dr. Tizeba raised concerns that despite Tanzania having food surplus by over three

million tonnes, cases of malnutrition and stunting are still persistent due to wrong dietary customs. “Despite being among only five countries with food surplus, Tanzania ranks number 16 in Africa. We need to educate the people about the need to eat balanced diets to get rid of the silent hunger,” he said. The culmination of the World Food Day celebrations was graced by Hon. Dr. Tizeba in Songwe region, while in Zanzibar, the official opening was officiated by the President of Zanzibar and Chairman of the Revolutionary Council, H.E. Dr. Ali Mohamed Shein.



Minister of Agriculture, Hon. Eng. Dr. Charles Tizeba speaking during a panel discussion held at Sokoine University of Agriculture (SUA) in Morogoro as part of the World Food Day celebrations. Others in the picture are (from left) Renowned Nutritionist, Prof. Joyce Kinabo; Executive Director of Farmers' Group Network (Mviwata), Mr. Stephen Ruvuga; SUA Vice Chancellor, Prof. Raphael Chibinda; FAO Representative, Mr. Fred Kafeero; WFP Head of Programme; Ms. Tiziana Zoccheddu, and Morogoro Assistant Regional Administrative Secretary; Mr. Ernest Mkongo. **PHOTO | Emmanuel Kihale**

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Special Report I

UN - DAY Commemorations 2018



In his address, the Prime Minister reaffirmed the government's commitment to continue working with the United Nations in Tanzania, especially on empowering young people to play an active role in implementing the SDGs. He also revealed that in 2019, Tanzania will take part in a Voluntary National Review on SDGs implementation at next year's High Level Political Forum at the United Nations Headquarters in New York. **Photo | Aidan Riwa/ RCO**

On October 24th the United Nations and the government of the United Republic of Tanzania commemorated the 73rd anniversary of the UN and reaffirmed their commitment to continue equipping Tanzanian youth with the skills, knowledge and confidence they need to play an active role in finding sustainable and innovative solutions to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The Prime Minister of the United Republic of Tanzania, Hon. Kassim Majaliwa graced a flag raising ceremony held at Karimjee grounds under the theme; Youth Empowerment and Innovation for Achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals. The ceremony was attended by government officials, members of the diplomatic corps, UN staff and over 300 youth. In their statements both the UN

and the government insisted that since youth make up over 60 per cent of the population in Tanzania, it is important that they are provided with an enabling environment to participate in development and be players in implementation of the SDGs and the Second National Five-Year Development Plan (FYDP II). The Prime Minister commended the United Nations for their sustained partnership with the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania and stressed the need to continue working together to empower Tanzanian youth. "The United Nations and the government will continue to work together on development issues and delivering services to the people of Tanzania such as education, water sanitation and hygiene (WASH), among other areas. On behalf of the govern-

ment and the people of Tanzania, I extend a vote of thanks to the leadership of the United Nations for their efforts in supporting the government to deliver services to the people.," he said. The UN Resident Coordinator, Mr. Alvaro Rodriguez thanked the government for continuing to work closely with UN agencies in Tanzania to implement the SDGs. "As Tanzania approaches middle-income status through implementation of the Second National Five-Year Development Plan (FYDP II) and the SDGs, it's important that we all work together to create an environment where youth have opportunities to contribute to sustainable development," He said adding, "We need to continue investing in young people – their actions will determine whether or not we achieve the SDGs."

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UN Day was also commemorated in Zanzibar on October 26-27. In Zanzibar, the UN hosted a reception where the guest of honor was the Second Vice President of Zanzibar, Ambassador Seif Ally. Youth had a strong presence at the reception and displayed an exhibition which showcased various development initiatives

that they have been conducting. "Zanzibar remains unwaveringly committed to the 2030 development agenda recognizing that it is what it takes to end poverty, eliminate inequalities and improve quality of life and the well-being for all," said Ambassador Ally. The reception was followed by an outreach activity at Sebleni - a residence for elderly persons.

UN Staff and youth came together to provide the elders living at the residence with basic health services, in addition to cleaning their surroundings, and providing them with meal. The outreach put the spot light on the elderly as a critical group most likely to be left behind unless deliberate efforts are made to improve the quality of their lives.



Guest of honor, Prime Minister Kassim Majaliwa Majaliwa (seated centre) with Heads and Representatives of UN Agencies in Tanzania. Photo | Aidan Riwa / RCO



UN Resident Coordinator and UN Zanzibar Sub-office staff celebrate the official signing of the programme document for the Zanzibar Joint Program. Photo | Edgar Kiliba/RCO



The theme for this year's UN Day Commemorations was 'Youth Empowerment and Innovation for Achievement of the SDGs'. In addition to UN Staff, the Flag-Raising Ceremony at Karimjee was attended by government officials, over 300 youth, development partners, civil society, the media and other stakeholders. **Photo | Aidan Riwa/RCO**



Heads and Representatives of UN Agencies in Tanzania await the arrival of the guest of honor. **Photo | Aidan Riwa/RCO**



Government and UN Officials, the elderly and youth shared a meal at the end of the outreach which was part of UN Day celebrations in Zanzibar. **Photo | Edgar Kiliba/RCO**



Zanzibar Youth participating in outreach Sebleni which is the compound where the community of elderly persons reside. There are currently 31 residents on the compound. **Photo | Edgar Kiliba/RCO**

Special Report II

UN/TEF Northern zone media training and field visits



ILO Communication Officer, Mr. Magnus Minja, explains how the apprenticeship programme has managed to develop partnerships with hotels and provide apprentices from the National Tourism College in Arusha with practical training. Mr. Minja was speaking at Arusha hotel which is among the hotels participating in the programme.

All Photos | Aidan Riwa /RCO

In September, the United Nations and the Tanzania Editors Forum (TEF) conducted field visits, to projects being implemented in Arusha and Kilimanjaro by the International Labour Organization (ILO), the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), the United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF), the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). The field visits were part of Zonal Media Training for journalists that has been conducted by the UN and TEF over the last several months. In Arusha, the delegation visited an ILO Apprenticeship project that has been supported by the government of Norway. The project is being implemented both in the mainland and Zanzibar is aimed at promoting access to quality training and employability for young women and men. To date, more than 200 youth have benefitted from the programme. The ILO is working with VETA and other training partners to develop and implement apprenticeship programmes in other sectors including tour guide, carpentry and joinery, plumbing and pipe

fitting and masonry among others. The delegation also visited the Arusha branch of the Tanzania Engineering and Manufacturing Design Organization (TEMDO) which is an applied engineering institution which develops and promotes process design, products and commercialization of technologies to suit local manufacturing conditions. TEMDO is an agency of the Ministry of Industry, Trade and Development and UNIDO's support has allowed their engineers to have greater flexibility, speed and accuracy when designing products for clients. UNIDO has also contributed equipment that is used to create industrial machines for local manufacturers. In Kilimanjaro, the delegation visited a UNCDF-supported project in Same district which is being implemented by Beth Equal Solution Company Limited (BECL) in collaboration with Same District Council. Through the collaboration, the partners implement contract farming with about 200 farmers (70% being women) whereby BECL provides capacity-building on Good Agricultural Practices to government extension officers, who in turn train the farmers. The

team visited some of the farmers at Ruvu Kajiungeni village who requested for more technical support and value addition in horticulture produce for them to meet the desired market standards. In Moshi town, the delegation visited a project that is supported by UNCTAD as well as other partners. UNCTAD has supported the project with a total of \$6,000. The project increases scope, scale and sustainability of women-owned businesses in tourism supply chains in Tanzania especially in the poorer and more remote areas of the country. So far, a total of 60 women farmers have received entrepreneurship training and 58 farmers received training on 'Farming as a Business'. The trainings assist them in making decisions on what to grow based on costs, sales, pricing, productivity and profitability. The women farmers sell products such as banana, eggs, milk, maize and various vegetables. The delegation also visited a UNDP/Global Environmental Facility (GEF) supported project in Same district, Chome Nature Forest Reserve (CNFR). The reserve has a total area of 14,283 hectares and is surrounded by 27

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villages. The project, which started in 2014, is targeted at expanding and strengthening the management of the Tanzania Forest Reserve Network in response to threats to biodiversity. Among the project impacts include the construction of ranger posts and head offices

at six targeted Nature Reserves, the promotion of cultural and eco-tourism in the respective Nature Reserves as well as it has gazetted 8 Nature Reserves and the reduction of poverty for the surrounding communities through involving them in income generating activities.

The field visits were followed by a workshop in Moshi where more than 36 journalists from Arusha, Manyara, Kilimanjaro and Tanga regions were briefed on UN activities in their respective regions and on Development Journalism in the context of the SDGs.



The head of the consultancy at Tanzania Engineering and Manufacturing Design Organisation, (TEMDO) Arusha, Mr. Alexander A. Komba elaborates to Editors and Journalist on how working with UNIDO has been beneficial to them. The UNIDO project on supporting industrialization and entrepreneurship has managed to support TEMDO with Machinery which has helped to boost quality product manufacturing and promote Entrepreneurship



Head of Consultancy at Tanzania Engineering and Manufacturing Design Organisation (TEMDO) Arusha, Mr. Alexander A. Komba showing some of the products that can now be produced by the entrepreneurs due to the support From UNIDO.



UNCDF Programme Assistant, Ms. Andulile Mwambulambo, explains to journalist how UNCDF's project supports farmers to improved their productivity and educates them on marketing. The programme organizes the women into savings and loans groups and provides them with financial literacy training. This improves their businesses by enhancing their understanding of and ability to access finances for their agricultural activities.



Mr. Sostenes Rwamugirwa, a conservationist at Chome Nature Forest Reserve, explains how the UNDP project for Nature Forest Reserve Conservation has managed to improve tourism by providing communities with knowledge and education on the importance of conserving natural forests.

Special Report III

UN, Government ensures access to quality health services and community participation



(From left to right) The United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) Communication Analyst Mr. Bright Warren paid a courtesy call to Simiyu Regional Commissioner, Mr. Anthony Mtaka alongside Dr. Amir Batenga the UNFPA Project Coordinator. **All Photos | Lissa Brown/ RCO**

The final leg of Zonal Media Training was conducted in Simiyu and Mwanza regions in mid-October. The delegation first visited the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) office in Bariadi District, Simiyu region, they got briefed on UNFPA projects in the region including the “Nilinde Nikulinde” project that currently beings implemented in Simiyu. UNFPA through the Korean International Cooperation Agency (KOICA) have worked with the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania to implement the project with the aim of strengthening the health systems in Simiyu. The overall objective of Nilinde Nikulinde is to contribute to the reduction of the maternal mortality rate in Simiyu. The delegation visited several of 38 health centres that have been renovated or constructed from scratch by UNFPA through the project. This included

a visit to Byuna hospital where they saw one of the new maternal buildings. UNFPA’s support includes construction and renovation of operation theatres, maternity (labour & delivery) wards, deep water wells (bore holes & pump houses) and staff quarters. UNFPA have also donated six supervision cars to 6 different hospitals. They also visited the Youth Friendly Services (YFS) that are responsible for providing family planning and reproductive health services and information to youth. They have trained 70 people who will be responsible for providing education and training to the youth across the region. UNFPA has also constructed the first blood bank at Simiyu Regional Hospital. After visiting the various projects, the delegation visited the Simiyu Regional Commissioner, Mr. Anthony Mtaka and they discussed UNFPA’s support

and various issues in the region. The delegation lastly visited a \$40,000 United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) funded project in Magu district, Mwanza region which promotes environmental conservation of Lake Victoria through support for fish farming. The primary objective of the “Tupendane project” is to contribute to the conservation of Lake Victoria and its Basin through involvement and participation of the local communities. Some achievements of the project include consolidated fish ponds through installing solar powered electrical pumps, procurement of fish feed processing machines, construction of an electric water system that draws water from the lake to the ponds and gardens and construction of borehole. The final workshop of the Zonal Media Training took place in Mwanza

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One among labour beds donated by United Nation Population Fund (UNFPA) as part of the support to maternal and new born health.



The United Nation Population Fund (UNFPA) Communication Analyst, Mr. Bright Warren explains to the villagers on United Nations Development Programme supported projects in Magu district, Mwanza Region.

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and involved journalists from Mwanza, Mara, Shinyanga and the host region. The Zonal Media Training will be followed up by a meeting between Heads of UN Agencies and TEF to discuss the Editor's experience of UN projects as well as Journalism Awards for the journalists that have been trained.

Teachers and students awarded for excellence in Mbeya, Songwe and Njombe regions. To commemorate World Teacher's Day, UNICEF Tanzania supported Mbeya, Songwe and Njombe regions to organize teacher's recognition award for Reading, Writing and Arithmetic (3Rs) and reading competitions for STD I and II pupils. The event was held in mid-October in Rungwe district and was officiated by Rungwe District Commissioner Hon. Julius Chalia on behalf of the Mbeya Regional Commissioner. 15 teachers from the three regions competed for the award and

Teacher Sigrid Charles Kadete from Mwembetogwa B primary school, in Makambako, Njombe region emerged the overall winner for her innovations in transforming classrooms and application of different instructional 3Rs strategies. Before the award a thorough assessment of 3Rs teachers in those regions was conducted and teachers were assessed on how they have transformed their classrooms into stimulating learning environment and how they use teaching and learning materials in teaching 3Rs to improve learning outcome. The assessment was conducted at the school and ward levels and winners competed at district level, regional level and finally at the zonal level. All winners from ward, district and regional levels were recognized and awarded at the climax event. 'These competitions are very important because they motivate teachers to be creative in developing and using teaching and learning materials which results

in better learning outcomes for pupils. I would like to ask our Local Government to continue organizing these competitions every year,' said Teacher Sigrid. In addition, teachers were given space to demonstrate how effective they are in facilitating teaching through innovative ways and application of different instructional strategies including production and use of local teaching and learning materials. At the same event 36 pupils from the regions participated in the annual reading competition that started last year with the aim of helping children master their skills in reading, writing and arithmetic studies. Five students were awarded for their skills in the categories of reading, writing, drawing and arithmetic. The initiative has played a key role in motivating children's learning and provides opportunity for them to demonstrate their creativity and innovations around 3Rs component.



The Delegation visited one of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) supported fish projects' in Magu district Mwanza Region.

Kigoma Youth encouraged to engage in SDGs implementation



Students from Mugunzu Secondary School take a group photo after the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) awareness raising in Kakonko DC. Photo | Msafiri Manongi/RCO

The Kigoma Joint Programme (KJP) is an area-based UN joint programme that cuts across multiple sectors to improve development and human security in Kigoma. The programme involves 16 different The 16 participating UN agencies working together across 6 themes which are sustainable energy and environment; youth and women's economic empowerment; violence against women and children; education with a focus on girls and adolescent girls; WASH (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene) and agriculture with a focus on developing local markets. While the major focus on the programme is on these six themes,

efforts are also being made on outreach that seeks to help communities, especially youth and students, to become familiar with the SDGs and how they can contribute to their implementation. The UN has been conducting SDGs outreach in select secondary schools in the districts of Kakonko, Kibondo, and Kasulu where the KJP is being implemented. After the launch of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in 2015 there was a need for increased awareness and knowledge sharing among all the stakeholders at different levels including local communities. Most of the schools visited are

faced with several challenges which include a shortage in the supply of clean water, limited facilities for the disabled, limited access to clean and safe toilets and access to electricity. As most of the schools currently have limited extra-curricular activities, the UN is working with District Education Officers in the three districts to explore the possibilities of establishing the UN Clubs at the schools in 2019. In the UN Clubs, working with the school teachers responsible for extra curricula activities, will assist them with starting or improving the clubs in schools to ensure that the activities are linked.

ILO Employment Intensive Investment Programme (EIIP) beneficiaries urge LGAs to promote Labour Based Technology (LBT)



Participants at the SIYB/LBT, ToT workshop in Dodoma during practical training on road construction using Labour Based Technology (LBT).

The International Labour Organization (ILO) in collaboration with the Prime Minister's Office – Labour, Youth Employment and people with Disability, Tanzania, organized a training of trainers (ToT) workshop for about 40 project partners from in Dodoma in early September. Participants were drawn from the five districts in Dodoma region, relevant Ministries, partner organizations and Technical and Vocational Education Training (TVET) institutions. Among the areas covered during the training included – introduction to 'Start and Improve your Business' packages and enterprises development, introduction to Labour Based Technology, registration of contracting firms, road condition survey for effective planning, road rehabilitation and design standards.

“ Tanzania has made many strides in the LBT through support from the ILO and other stakeholders...we call upon the LGAs at regional and districts level to continue promoting the technolo-

gy as it's one way to create decent employment for vulnerable groups especially youth, women and people with disability...” he said Eng. Richard Kansimba from ATTI-Mbeya, one of the lead instructors at the training. According to Mr. Dampu Ndenzako, ILO National Programme Coordinator (Social Protection and Employment Intensive Investment Programme -EIIP), as a follow up to the above training, community groups will be formed and registered at district level and with the Contractors Registration Board (CRB) to participate in roads maintenance and rehabilitation. “...it is the trainers' task now to train and support the special community groups to participate in road rehabilitation and maintenance for income generation...This will contribute to improved livelihoods, hence contribute to poverty reduction within their respective districts...” Dampu added. Tanzania is implementing the EIIP component of the IrishAid/ILO programme Inclusive Growth, Social

Protection and Jobs Programme 2017/21 (IGSPJ targeted at ensuring that inclusive and transparent pro-employment investment strategies are mainstreamed in national employment policies and procurement systems, at national and local levels, are reformed and adopted to increase the participation of small scale enterprises and local communities.

Social protection is one among three key components under the Inclusive Growth thematic area of the UNDAPII with the targeted outcome: Increased coverage of comprehensive and integrated social protection for all, especially the poor and vulnerable. UNDAPII supports the GoT to invest in social protection, at the policy, procedural and programmatic level in accordance with the NSPF so as to ensure that 50% of total households living below the basic needs poverty line benefit from social assistance.

South-South Cooperation on accessing to Medicines and strengthening local production towards ending AIDS by 2030



Hon Umyy Ally Walimu (MP), Min of Health, Community Development, Gender, Elderly and Children, of the United Republic of Tanzania on the occasion of the high level conference on Health. The conference was held in Beijing on 15 August 2018

In early September, the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania participated in the 2018 Forum on China-Africa Cooperation Summit in Beijing, China. One of the key themes that the Forum dealt included Health and the Tanzania Delegation for the high-level Health Forum was headed by the Minister of Health, Community Development, Gender, Elderly and Children, Hon. Umyy Mwalimu. In her remarks, Ms. Mwalimu focused on, among other things, strengthening collaboration between Tanzania and China on sustainability in health, including the local production of medicines in Africa, strengthening health systems and developing public health worker capacity as es-

sential to achieving universal health care. The forum serves a platform to promote access to local production of medicine as well access to healthcare services. This will go towards attaining the vision of universal healthcare and ending AIDS as a public health threat by 2030. The Forum also promotes existing South-South Cooperation, as an entry point to helping developing countries sharing experiences in various sectors and to attain the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, including Goals 3: Good Health and Well-being. One of the key outcomes of the Health Care Forum was that the participants signed a six-point document, The China-Africa Health

Cooperation 2018 Beijing initiative, which focuses on building a strong public health surveillance and response system in Africa and supporting the response to public health emergencies. The plan also includes a special focus on strengthening cooperation on HIV prevention – particularly among young people. As a follow up to the forum, UNAIDS, and in collaboration with other stakeholders, will ensure that the national AIDS response is sustainable at all levels with particular focus on the forum declaration and achieving the goals of the Ministry of Health and Goal 3 toward ending AIDS and in connection with Universal Healthcare.

PA Session on Diplomacy, Protocol and Etiquette



The UN Resident Coordinator Mr. Alvaro Rodriguez, giving his remarks at a group of UN Senior Personal Assistants and Development Partners at the PA Session on Diplomacy, Protocol and Etiquette held at Serena Hotel. *All Photo | Aidan Riwa/ RCO



Amb. Charles Sanga, Facilitating the PA session on Diplomacy, Protocol and Etiquette



Some of the UN Executive Associates, and Personal Assistants during the session



Ambassador Sanga with some of the PAs



“The United Nations and the government will continue to work together on development issues and delivering services to the people of Tanzania such as education, water sanitation and hygiene (WASH), among other areas. On behalf of the government and the people of Tanzania, I extend a vote of thanks to the leadership of the United Nations for their efforts in supporting the government to deliver services to the people.”

H.E. Kassim Majaliwa Majaliwa
The Prime Minister of The United Republic of
Tanzania

Upcoming Days:

- November 25 – International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women
- November 29 – International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People
- December 1- World AIDS Day
- December 3 – International Day of Persons with Disabilities
- December 4 – International Volunteer Day
- December 10 – Human Rights Day
- December 18 – International Migrants Day

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