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Welcome to the April edition of the Uganda Prisons Service Monthly News Letter.

This month's edition highlights UNODC donation to UPS, 29th Prisons Council Meeting, Development of correctional Policy, an insight into Kitalya Mini Max Prison, Sports and Memory Lane among others.

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WISDOM CORNER

“The best way to appreciate your job is to imagine yourself without one” **Oscar Wilde**

“Great works are performed not by strength but by perseverance”
Samuel Johnson

“Success is steady progress towards one’s personal goals” **Jim Rohn**

“Satisfaction does not come with achievement, but with effort. Full effort is full victory”. **Mahatma Gandhi**

“There is joy in work. There is no happiness except in the realization that we have accomplished something” **Henry Ford**



DR. JOHNSON O.R. BYABASHAIJA
Commissioner General of Prisons



CGP, Dr. Byabashaija receives part of the donated IT equipment from the UNODC head of E.Africa region, Mr. Neil Walsh

UNODC DONATES TO UPS

The Commissioner General of Prisons, Can. Dr. Johnson Byabashaija received equipment and furniture donated to Uganda Prisons Service by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime. The donation was handed over by Regional head of Eastern Africa, Mr. Neil Walsh as part of the Joint Global Initiative on Management of Violent Extremist Prisoners and Prevention of Radicalization in Prisons. The function held at Luzira Prisons complex on Tuesday 28th April 2022.

Donations were; (i) IT equipment, (ii) Medical equipment, (iii) Logistic support to the vaccination campaign. IT equipment donated include; Computers (both desktops and laptops), Multipurpose printers, Uninterrupted power supplies and External hard drives while Medical equipments were; Stethoscopes, Digital thermometers, Sphygmomanometers (both pediatric and adult cuffs), Weighing scales with a height meter and BMI scale, Examination couches, Drug cabinets, Medical Chairs and tables, Laboratory stools, Non electrical sterilization machine, Medium sterilization drums, Laboratory fridges, Disposal bins 20 litres, Microscopes both ultraviolet and bright light, Gene Xpert Machines, Power back-ups, Laboratory biosafety cabinets, Complete Blood Count machines.

The Commissioner General expressed gratitude to UNODC and the European Union for its continued support and partnership, building institutional capacities and corporate governance. He pointed out that the intervention was very timely since UPS has already integrated Prevention of radicalization into its correctional programs.

The event was also attended by Mr. John Bosco Tumwebaze, CP (Ag. Director - Administration), Mr. Magomu Wilson, CP (Safety and Security) Mr. Frank Baine, CP (Cooperate Affairs & PRO), Dr. George Muge, CP (ICT), Mr. Rapheal Olinga, CP (Health), Mr. Asinjah Baker, CP (Custodial Duties), Ms. Juliet Nantale, ACP (Reintegration and Reintegration), Ms. Nabunya Stella, ACP (RPC kampala Extra Region), Ms. Sana Brenda, ACP (Commandant PATS), and all Officers in Charge within the KER.



CGP, Dr. Byabashaija making his speech during the function at Luzira

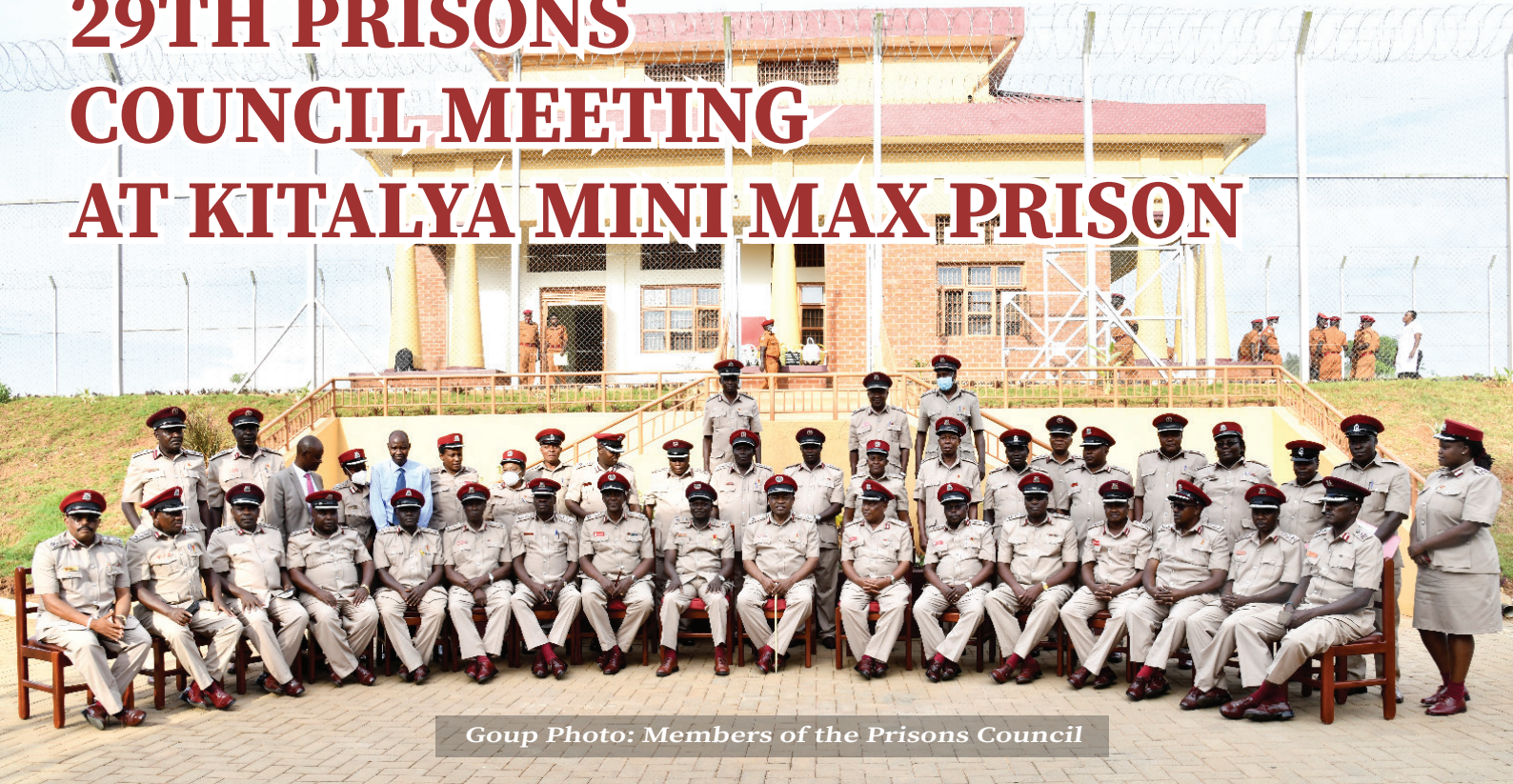


Dr. Byabashaija and Mr. Neil Walsh



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29TH PRISONS COUNCIL MEETING AT KITALYA MINI MAX PRISON



Group Photo: Members of the Prisons Council

The 29th Prisons Council Meeting commenced on 12th April 2022, at Kitalya Mini Max Prisons, Wakiso District. The Commissioner General of Prisons - Can. Dr. Johnson Omuhunde Rwashote Byabashaija officially opened the two-day meeting which discussed issues pertaining UPS policy, administration of the service, staff welfare, human capital development and set solutions for improved performance.



Mr. David Nsalasata, ACGP giving his remarks



Mr. Samuel Akena, ACGP presiding over the meeting

Dr. Byabashaija called on Prisons Officers to continue embracing discipline and hard work in their day to day duties so as to uphold the standards of Uganda Prisons Service.

In Pictures

Mrs. Aliyo Naatukunda, ACP (Legal) giving her remarks



Mr. James Emotu, CP, Policy and planning (speaking on microphone) and other member of the council at the meeting



Members converge for the 29th Prisons council at Kitalya



NEW COUNCIL MEMBERS SWORN-IN



Mr. Henry Tugume CP, Human Planning and Resource Development taking oath



Mr. Moses Sentalo, Ag CP (Inspectorate and Quality Assurance)

New members of the Prisons Council were sworn in and these are CP. Amos Turyashaba, CP. Moses Kamugisha, CP. Henry Tugume, Ag. CP. Moses Sentalo, SSP. Festo Sambya, SSP. Geoffrey Obbo, ASP. Irene Nantongo, CHW III. Kasolo Godfrey, Sgt WDR Ayini Nixon and Ass. Matron Santa Aima.

In attendance were the Assistant Commissioner Generals of Prisons, Commissioners of Prisons and Regional Prisons Commanders.



Mr. Moses Kamugisha CP (Political Commissar)



Mr. Festo Sambya, SSP being sworn in

DEVELOPMENT OF CORRECTIONAL POLICY 2022 IN THE OFFING



Mr. Moses Kakungulu, ACGP taking the participants through the major contents of the policy

Mr. Moses Kakungulu, Assistant Commissioner General of Prisons (Director of Co-operation and Corporate Affairs) opened a workshop on development of UPS Correctional Policy proposals from the National Policy on Corrections Development. In his remarks, Mr. Kakungulu, ACGP said proposals are being discussed on how to improve reforms in the process of rehabilitation and re-integration of offenders in fulfillment of UPS mandate.



Development of correctional policy workshop in progress at the Source of the Nile Hotel

The three-day workshop tackled themes on Uganda Prisons Service including; developing a comprehensive national correctional mechanism, eradication of congestion in correction institutions, establish a comprehensive mechanism on reintegration, strengthen the framework for community corrections and eradicate radicalization, violent extremism and fundamentalism focusing on 29 action points.

The team is comprised of officers from the Uganda Prisons Service, Uganda Law Reform, Ministry of Public Service.

KITALYA MINI MAX PRISON: A STATE OF ART FACILITY



Kitalya Mini Max Prison: Modern and best prison facility in East and Central Africa.

Kitalya Mini Max Prisons is located 55Km North West of Kampala in Busunju County, at the boundary of Wakiso and Mityana Districts, the 6-acre facility is found amidst the cascading plains of Gamba and sprawling green savannah of River Mayanja.

Kitalya Mini Max is a modern prison fitted with the latest amenities ranging from:

i. Medical facility fully fledged with Inpatient treatment rooms, Dental, Antiretroviral Treatment clinic (ART), Eye Treatment clinic, modern sick bay, Laboratory, isolation ward and fully stocked drugs store.



Members of the Prisons Council inspecting the Modern Dentistry Equipment at the facility



Members of the Prisons Council touring the sick bay



Entrance to the Eye Clinic



A modern medical Laboratory inside Kitalya Facility



Medical stores at Kitalya



A Remand Prisoner attending a court session from Kitalya Prison

ii. Modern Technology aiding access to Justice, through Audio – Video (Video Conferencing) system.

iii. Accommodation facilities;

Inmates are housed in 30 spacious prison wards with modern sanitation facilities and television sets.

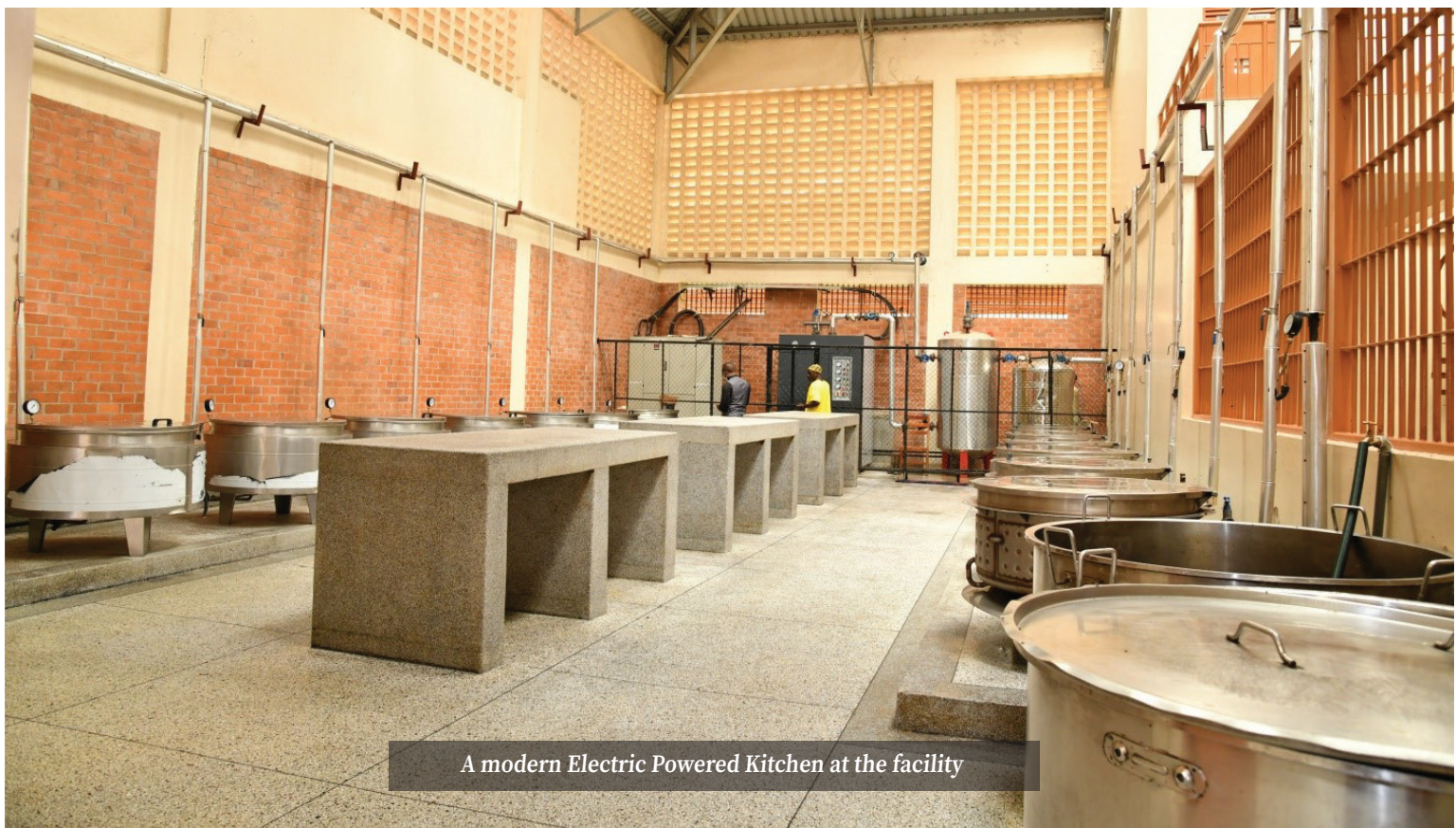


Members of the Prisons Council take a tour around Kitalya Mini Max Prison wards



Members of the Prisons Council touring the electric powered Kitchen at the prison

iv. Modern Kitchen; Meals / Food is prepared from a modern Electrical Kitchen fitted with the latest boilers with power saving technology.



A modern Electric Powered Kitchen at the facility

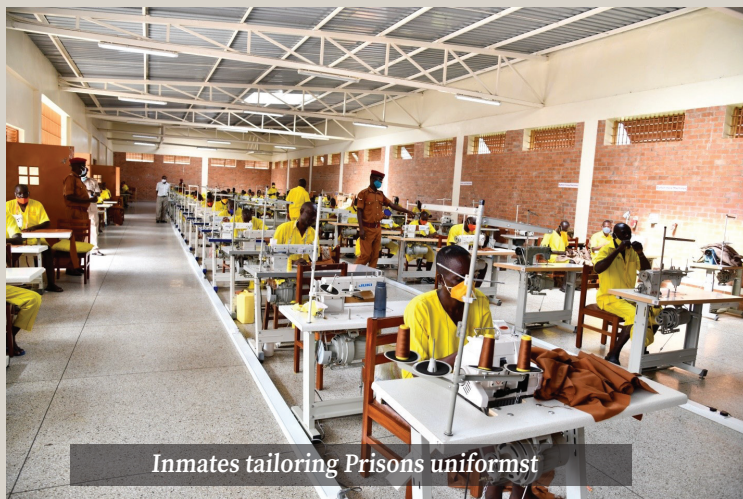
v. Rehabilitation activities offered at the facility include Formal Education through the inmates fully fledged school, Computer laboratory and library.



A tour to one of the inmate classes



Inmates taking on a computer training session



Inmates tailoring Prisons uniformst



A tour to the Garment cutting machine room

vi. Tailoring Workshop facilities with modern CNC Garment cutting machine and tailoring workshops with modern electrical sewing and button insertion machines.

SPORT AS A VEHICLE FOR LIVELIHOODS AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC CHANGE TARGETING THE YOUTHS IN UPS

The Minister for Kampala City Council Authority, Hon. Hajjat Minsa Kabanda, when officially closing the annual Easter tournament today at Luzira Prisons Stadium encouraged the youth to continue working hard so as to improve on their livelihoods at household levels.



Luzira Prisons Barracks Area: Minister of Kampala with area councilors

She reminded them of utilizing available government community programs as a way to prosper like the new Parish Development Model Projects and Emyoga Programs which was launched by H.E the President. The Minister congratulated all the teams from all Quarters for participating in

the tournament and pledged full support to the Youth of Luzira Prisons Barracks Area. Adolescent participation in pro-social activities such as sports like football and Netball promotes identity formation, self-efficacy and social support.

In a drive for improved staff welfare, the Commissioner General of Prisons earlier allocated a space within the Luzira Prisons Barracks Area to establish a center for Presidential initiative on skilling both the boy & girl child, a hands-on program that enables girls and boys to acquire skills ranging from bakery, tailoring, hairdressing & makeup, knitting, shoemaking, and weaving.



The Minister taking part in the tree planting exercise in Luzira



A Group photo with football players from B Quarters

UPS SET FOR MORE MEDALS IN GAMES & SPORTS

Uganda Prisons Athletics Club speed merchant, Wdr. Aron Adoli ran his personal best time of 46.07 in 400m during the Kenyan National Track and Field Championships at Moi International Sports Complex, Kasarani in Nairobi City.

The current 400m world record is being held by Wayde VAN NIEKERK of South Africa at 43.03.

Given the recent quality and character exhibited by Adoli nationally, the towering athlete is destined for another golden showdown in UPS alongside long distance runner Kissa Steven in an international competition, giving the fact that they have both qualified for 2022 African Senior Championship and Commonwealth Games of Nations.

In the same week while in Hamburg, Germany, Wdr. Stephen Kissa of Uganda Prisons Service misses a debutant win but finishes second with a new national Marathon record time of 2:04:48

behind Kenyan Cybrian Kotut at the 36th edition of Hamburg Marathon.



Prisons athlete Adoli Aron in the race



Atheletes at the starting point in Hamburg

Stephen Kissa is on the right course to represent UPS at this years' Oregon World Championships in the USA, African Senior Championship in Mauritius and Commonwealth Games of Nations in Birmingham U.K as confirmed by Prisons Athletics Club coach, Mr. Francis Demayi, ASP along side other competent long distance runners, he further said the newly set record is yet to be ratified by the governing Athletics Federation. The previous Ugandan National Record time of 2:05:12 was held by Cpl. Felix Chemonges of Uganda Prisons Service as well.

DARTS

Prisons Darts Club continues with their dominance in the game of Darts following a successful triumph at Nob On a cozy saturday afternoon, Prisons drew with Leisure Technical Team 6-6 after an intense display from both sides.

Coming back with a winning mentality on Sunday Morning, the Luzira based darts club thrashed Kobs 12-0, before seeing off Silver Springs 8-4 and the 11-1 obliteration of Pearls sumed up today's activities in the National Darts Super League.

With three players bracing up for National team selection including Mrs. Amoding Dinah, PO II, Sgt Wdr - Emomeri Andrew and Kalete Ronald, Prisons are now second on the log behind UWA with a quest of becoming champions. They now face Uganda Cancer Institute, UPDF and Marafiki in the final fixture.



WDR. Olokojo participating in one of the recent competitions



Prisons Darts Players during a recent league game in Sseta, Mukono



AS PROMISED, WE ARE BACK:



Maroons FC Team Line-up for a league game in the just concluded Startimes FUFA Big League 2021/22 Season

Maroons Football Club have secured an immediate return to Uganda Premier League for the 2022/23 season, earning automatic promotion after a two-year absence. The Luzira based side ensured a top-three finish in the FUFA BIG LEAGUE with a 5-0 away win over already relegated Nyamityobora FC at Kakyeka Stadium in Mbarara City. Maroons began the FUFA Big League campaign with eleven wins from their twenty matches, had only four defeats and five draws between October and April.



Maroons FC Striker amaku Fred being awarded the top scorer for the Startimes FUFA Big League 2021/22 Season

Familiar faces return to UPL.

The 2022/23 Uganda Premier League football season is set to feature the return of Fred Amaku, who has finished the FUFA Big League as a top scorer netting 15 times winning a golden boot and Startimes Kit. There will also be a return to the competition for Maroons Skipper Silvester Okello who has captained the team for close to a decade now. Emmanuel Olinga, Felix Okot, Maxwell Okello, Abraham Tusubira and Yahaya Luti among others are some of the notable faces to feature for Maroons in the top flight next season. Young stars Norman Odipio, Darius Ojok and George William Oluka are set to make their debutant showcase in the Uganda Premeir League for their team.



Maroons football team players celebrate a goal in one of their games



Maroons FC team warming up before a league match

Maroons FC remains one the most traditional and historical football clubs in Uganda. Founded in 1965, it won the first two Ugandan Premeir League titles in 1968 and 1969 under Peter Okee (RIP) as head coach, becoming the first team to represent Uganda in an international competition i.e 1970 Clubs African Cup of Champions. The club declined performance during the 1980s and suffered their first relegation blow in 1987. They qualified back to the top division under the stewardship of Asaph Mwebaze in 2007 before suffering a relegation set back in 2009. . They are three times champions of the FUFA Big League in the 2010s, gaining back to back promotion to the Ugandan Premier League each time they surface. Their most recent promotion came in the 2017/2018 football season. Maroons' players and fans will be eagerly waiting for the release of the 2022/23 Premier League fixtures in August ahead of the opening week of the campaign in September.

Which clubs will join Maroons?

Blacks Power FC and Kyetume FC complete the treble of teams that have earned sporting promotion to next season's StarTimes Uganda Premier League along side Maroons FC. The aforementioned teams won their respective games on the final day of the 2021/22 StarTimes FUFA Big League season to attain the ultimate target.

The Club Chairman of Maroons FC, Mr. Moses Kakungulu, Assistant Commissioner General of Prisons congratulated players and coaching staff of Maroons having been promoted into 2022/23 Uganda Premier League finishing second on the FUFA BIG LEAGUE table.

While addressing the team, he highlighted that the well-deserved milestone is as a result of hard work, passion and commitment, and everyone at the club is surely proud of this significant achievement.

Mr. Kakungulu was grateful extend his message to everybody involved, from the players to management to the administration, but most importantly without forgetting the fans who supported the club through out the campaign. In his conclusion, he expressed need for long term sustainability of the club in the top league.



Maroons Football Club chairman, Mr. Kakungulu poses for a Group photo with the team

Down the memory lane



Left Right, Left Right: Parade has been a brand for Uganda prisons service since Independence.

Training of staff spouses to act as Welfare Local Assistants at Ntawo Rural Training Center in Mukono by Mrs. Bataringaya on the 30th November 1967



ORBITUARY

The Commissioner General of Prisons announces the death of a fallen comrade.

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