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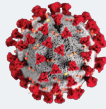


RECOVERY OF EXPORT EARNINGS DURING COVID-19





THE COVID-19 DASHBOARD



AFRICA;

- ☼ 432,421 CONFIRMED CASES
- ☼ 207,148 RECOVERIES
- ☼ 10,646 DEATHS
- ☼ 214,627 ACTIVE CASES

GLOBALLY;

- ☼ 11,387,287 CONFIRMED CASES
- ☼ 6,445,343 RECOVERIES
- ☼ 533,621 DEATHS



UGANDA;

- ☼ 939 CONFIRMED CASES
- ☼ 891 RECOVERIES
- ☼ 0 DEATHS
- ☼ 197 ACTIVE CASES (167 Ugandans, 25 Foreigners and 05 Refugees)



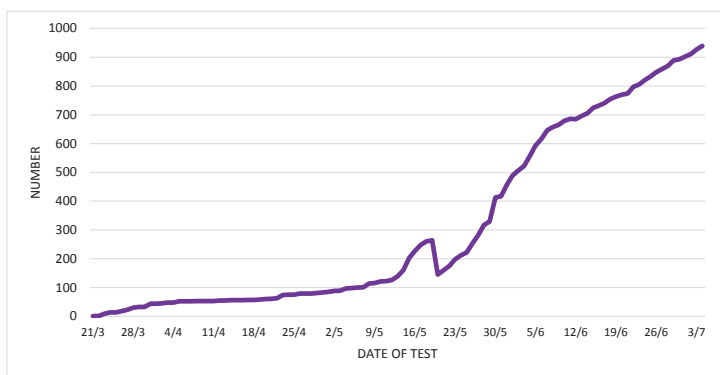
CURRENT STATE OF COVID 19 IN UGANDA



Uganda registered her first case of COVID-19 on Saturday March 21, 2020. Figure 1 shows that as of July 04, 2020, Uganda has 939 confirmed cases. Only two in every ten confirmed cases are Ugandans who are active (19%) and

are admitted (167). In addition, 25 foreigners and 5 refugees are admitted in Ugandan hospitals bringing a total of 197 active cases that are admitted in Uganda. To date, there is no death due to COVID-19 recorded in Uganda.

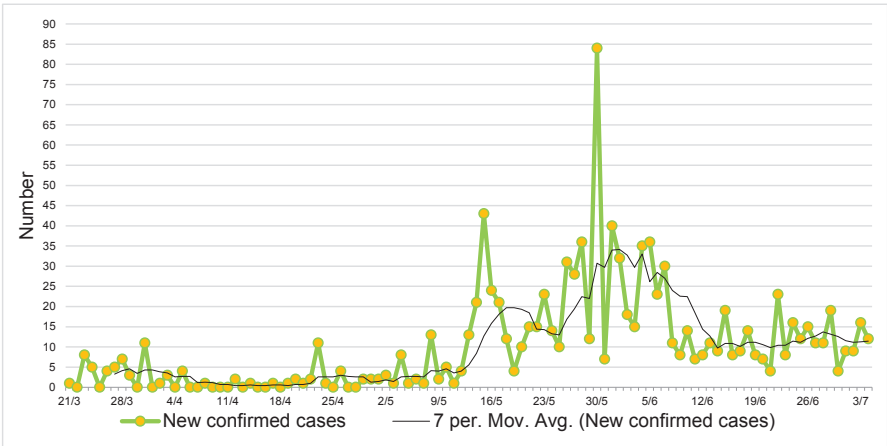
Figure 1: Cumulative Number of Confirmed Cases



The number of cases confirmed on a daily basis had dropped to as low as 4 cases on June 30, but since the beginning of July, there has been a slight increase. The increase may be attributed to the recent number of

returnees and passengers who tested positive (14) within one week. These returnees were from Afghanistan, South Africa, DR Congo and one illegal migrant found in Amuru district.

Figure 2: Trend of Daily Confirmed Cases



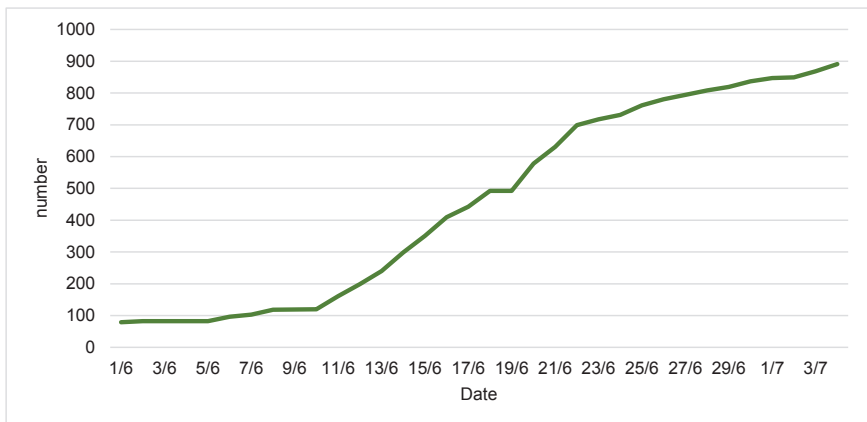
TREND OF RECOVERY FROM COVID 19



Since June 01, 2020, Uganda has continued to register many recoveries across the country. **Figure 3** shows that currently, there are 891 recoveries, who include foreigners and refugees that are not captured among the cumulative number of confirmed cases **(The Ministry of Health had not been sharing the information that a number of**

foreigners were admitted in Uganda, so our previous bulletins were not capturing that the recoveries included foreigners). There is an upward trend in recoveries since June 01, 2020. This shows that the frontline health care workers have done a tremendous job in the treatment and management of cases.

Figure 3: Trend of Cumulative Number of Recoveries

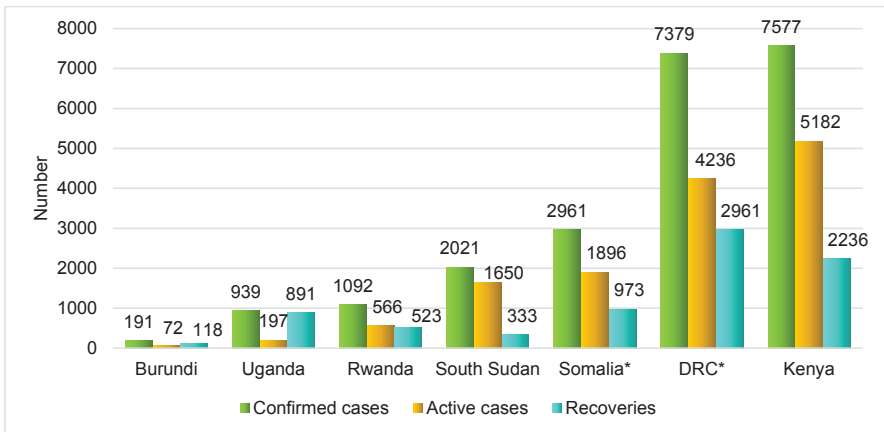


RATES ACROSS THE EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY



According to the corona virus worldometer as of July 04, 2020, within the EAC member states, Kenya (7,577) ranks highest by confirmed cases followed by South Sudan (2,021).

Figure 4: Comparison across the EAC countries



NOTE: Tanzania is excluded because it has not reported its official COVID-19 figures since April 29, 2020



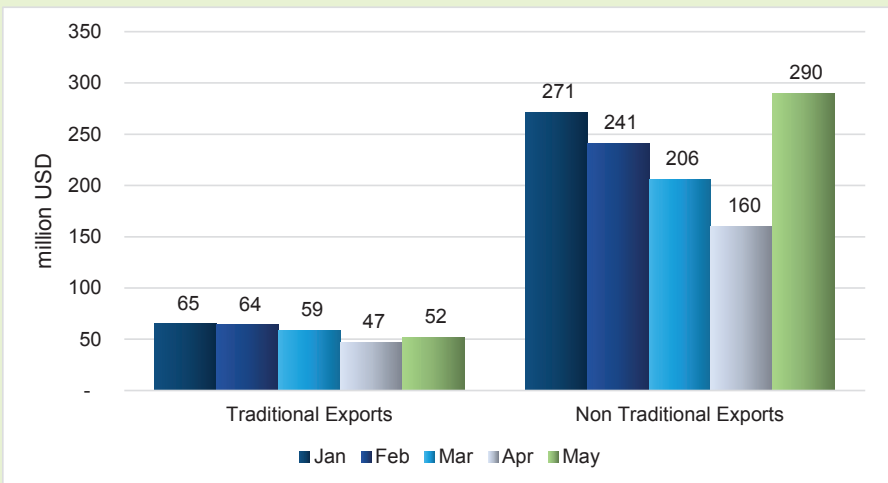
RECOVERY OF EXPORT EARNINGS DURING COVID-19



The measure of recovery of the export earnings is based on only formal exports registered by the customs department of the Uganda Revenue Authority. The export earnings bill initially faced a month-by-month downward trend since January 2020 because of the

lockdown due to COVID-19. However, **figure 5** shows that the month of May registered an 81% increase for the nontraditional exports and 11% increase for the traditional exports. This is promising progress to recovery.

Figure 5: Total export earnings, Jan-May in 2020

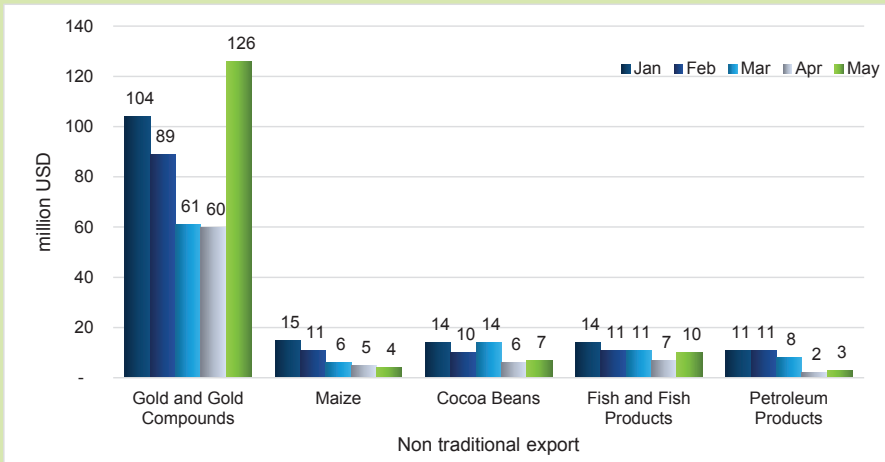


A deeper analysis of the performance of the non-traditional export earnings also shows a downward trend during this COVID-19 period for each of the items. Gold and gold compounds registered the highest increase of 110% between April and May followed by petroleum products, which registered a 31%. Maize exports are still low and there is no change between April and May. Fish and fish products had a 41% increase and cocoa beans had a 5%

increase. This indicates a start of the road to recovery.

However, there are other non-traditional exports that registered a further decline between April and May i.e Sesame seeds (64%), animal/fats & oils (44%), hoes & hand hoes (44%) among others. The others that registered an increase include: ground nuts (417%), iron & steel (89%), sugar & sugar confectioneries (77%) among others.

Figure 6: Export earnings from top 5 non-traditional items, Jan-May 2020



GOVERNMENT HALTS RETURN OF NATIONALS FROM ABROAD



- Due to the sudden wave of the COVID-19 pandemic across the globe and the ensuing national lockdowns, many Ugandans were caught abroad with some reportedly facing difficulties in managing the living and welfare costs abroad.
- Through the ministry of foreign affairs, government approved a 'return plan' for all Ugandans stranded abroad with the first group of returnees arriving on June 22, 2020 from Turkey aboard Ethiopian Airlines.
- As of July 04, 2020, government had so far successfully repatriated 1,000 Ugandans from different Countries including Sudan, South Africa, USA, Afghanistan and the Netherlands.
- However, in order to efficiently manage the numbers without exerting pressure on the quarantine centres, government has suspended further repatriation of Ugandans effective July 04, 2020 for at least two weeks.



SCHOOLS AND UNIVERSITIES TO REMAIN CLOSED



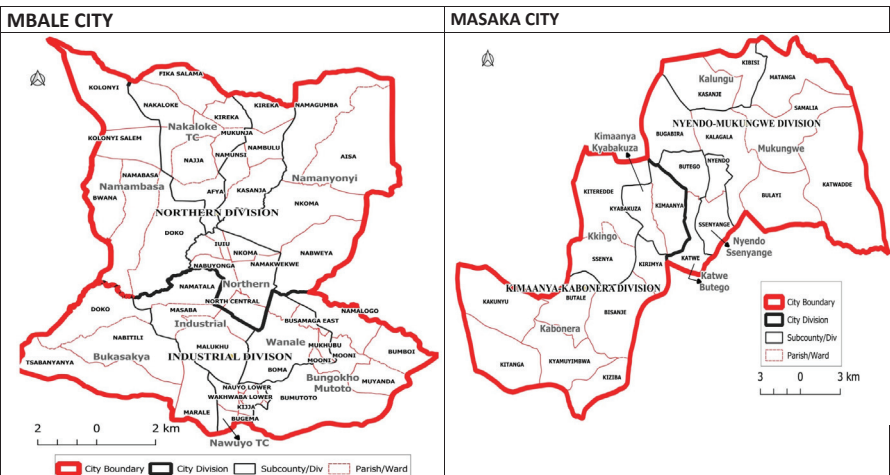
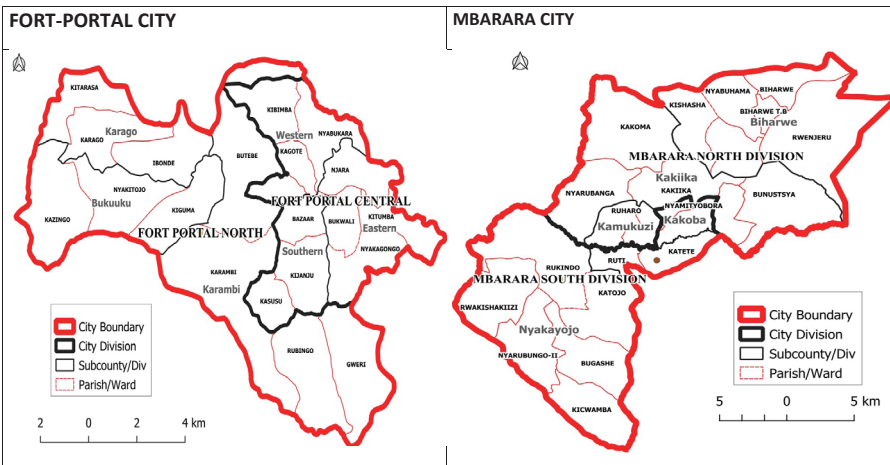
- In her address to the nation last week, the minister for Education and Sports, Hon. Maama Janet Museveni said that for the time being, all institutions of learning would remain closed.
- She said that the continued closure is to ensure the learners are protected from the risk of corona virus.
- That primary and secondary schools, vocational and teacher training institutions will continue to receive home based learning assistance and solutions. That in particular, primary and secondary learners will make use of radios and television facilities.
- She appealed to parents and guardians to support the home schooling of their children in this era as we battle against the pandemic.
- However, she gave a go ahead to universities and other institutions of higher learning to make use of e-learning platforms for continuity. She cautioned that no student should be left out and / or disadvantaged once e-learning is rolled out.
- She confirmed that government has put together guidelines for the enforcement of e-learning, which will soon be released by the National Council for Higher Education.



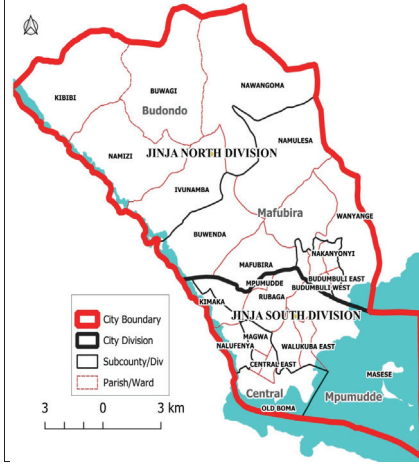
UGANDA GETS NEW SEVEN (07) CITIES

- Effective July 01, 2020, Uganda inaugurated 07 new cities i.e Jinja, Arua, Gulu, Masaka, Fort Portal, Mbarara and Mbale.
- In addition to Kampala, Uganda's capital city, the country now boasts of 08 cities. It is billed the cities will bring more services closer to the people.

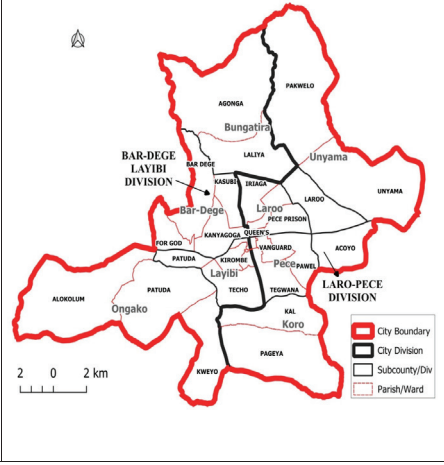
But how well do you know the demarcations of the new cities???? Here below we bring you the demarcations...



JINJA CITY



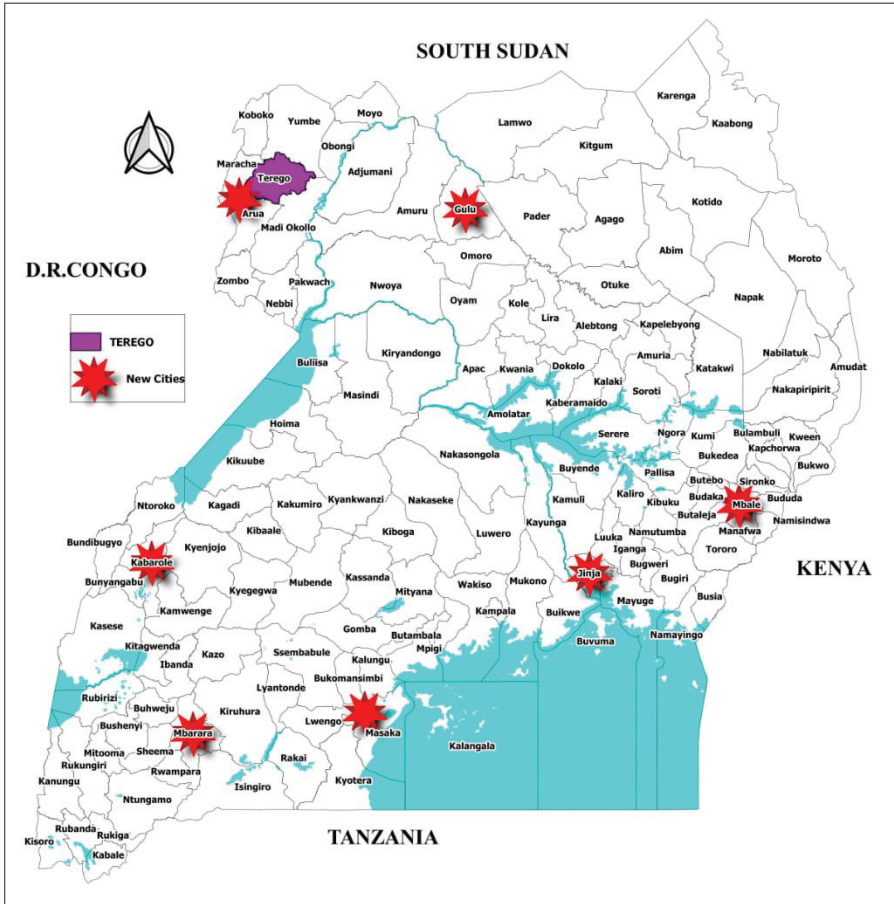
GULU CITY



ARUA CITY



THE LOCATION OF THE NEW CITIES IN UGANDA



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