Mwinyi attributes oneyear strides to peace

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said, vowing to sustain the stance in his entire tenure in office because, "There is no way the national economy can grow in the midst of corrupt and dishonest public servants.'

The President defended his dismissal of chief executives of various public institutions, saying the sacking was inevitable to infuse discipline in public service. "Most of the fired officers were either linked to embezzlement of public resources or things were just not moving in their respective institutions."

Dr Mwinyi reaffirmed his keenness to enforce accountability in public service, warning that any underperformer will be subjected to stern disciplinary measures, "We have already created an image of severe punishment for unaccountability."

He said the government has devised an appropriate development plan that focuses on the blue economy—tourism, port, fishing, oil/gas and marine transportation—to accelerate the national economic growth; "Zanzibar has limited land but is endowed with resourceful ocean."

He said in the one year period, the government has attracted huge investments, es-

pecially in tourism sector. Just last month, President Mwinyi laid foundation stones for construction of various tourist hotels, including three projects in Unguja with combined investments of 335 million US dollars (about 800bn/-).

"Huge amount of money has been invested in just a short period and many prospective investors are coming," Dr Mwinyi said, further reiterating the government commitment to implement the multibillion US dollar Mangapwani project.

According to the master plan by Oman Investment Authority (OIA), the integrated project involves construction of a multi-terminal port, satellite city and redevelopment of Malindi port as a tourism hub.

The 180-hectre satellite city whose 10 per cent is for commercial uses will accommodate 50,000 inhabitants.

"The project execution might take between three and four years but once completed, it will accelerate the national economic growth," said President Mwinyi.

The government, through the project, aims at transforming Zanzibar into East and Central Africa's commercial and tourism hub through construction of essential economic



Samia submits assets forms

after laying the foundation stone for the construction of ministries' offices after inspecting and approving the construction of the President Office's block at Mtumba Government City in Dodoma Region. Right is Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office (Policy, Coordination, Parliamentary Affairs, Labour, Youth, Employment and Persons with Disability) Jenista Mhagama. (Photo by Staff Photographer)

Boost for digital economy

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The Head of State noted that since the country needs more investors then it is crucial for government officials to act accordingly for the greater interest of the nation.

She was also pleased to learn that the factory has already received a tender to connect 185 district councils and 4,580 wards with fiber optic cable to ease communications and development.

The connectivity project will require only 12,000 kms of optic fiber cable out of the factory's annual capacity of 24,000 kms. This is a huge step towards supporting local investments," stated President Samia.

According to her, the government recognises and appreciates the contributions of the private sector in building the economy, and that efforts are underway to improve the Blue Print for Regulatory Reforms to Improve the Business Environ-

She also expressed the government commitment of ensuring Information and Communication Technology (ICT) service is availed across the country.

President Samia also challenged the owner of the industry. Mr Ramadhan Mlanzi to fulfill his dream of building a smartphone manufacturing factory, a move that will further efforts of

digitising the economy.

She said the government will continue building infrastructures to support the industrial sector in the Coast region in continued efforts to create employment opportunities and facilitate transfer of technology, including spurring the country's economic growth.

"We shall ensure adequate supply of water, electricity and good road network to ease investment and business as well as movement of people, goods and service to and from the region," she added.

Earlier, Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office (Investment) Geofrey Mwambe described the establishment of the factory as a key achievement for the country since independence of 1960.

"This project was registered in 2015 by then I was Director General of Tanzania Investment Centre (TIC), I helped him (the investor) in addressing challenges he was facing on establishing this factory." he explained.

He also commended the CRDB Bank for loaning the investor to a tune of 22bn/- that has played a great role to establish the plant.

Going forward, the minister invited investors to make better use of available opportunities as the government has worked on challenges that were hindering the investment sector.

Great strides made in anti-narcotics war

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DCEA Commissioner General Gerald Kusaya.

Addressing a press conference in Dar es Salaam yesterday, Commissioner Kusaya said out of the total suspects 2,231 were found with heroin, 502 with Cocaine, and 37,743 with cannabis while the remaining 5,308 were possessing khat.

He said the Commission confiscated 1,125.41 kilogrammes of heroin, cocaine (26.67kgs), cannabis (199,740kg), khat (97,640 kgs), precursor chemicals 57,600 kgs as well as 431kg of methamphetamine.

He explained that a total of 434,684 kilogrammes of bhang and 170,760 kilogrammes of khat were impounded between 2011 and September 2021. "This shows that there is a high consumption of bhang among all other illicit drugs, we are working hard day and night to contain the problem," he explained. Speaking on industrial il-

licit drugs, Mr Kusaya said between 2011 and 2021, the Authority seized a total of 2,192.9 kilogrammes of heroin, 390.8 kilogrammes of cocaine as well as 431.02 kilogrammes of methamphetamine. In April this year, DCEA in

collaboration with the Tanzania Navy Command arrested seven Iran nationals who were ferrying 504.36 kgs of heroin and 355 kgs of Methamphetamine along the Indian Ocean in Lindi region. The consignment was netted

at Kilwa Masoko area in Kilwa District, Lindi region being ferried along the Indian Ocean in a dhow christened Al Arbo, making a record of huge packages of illicit drugs being netted at once since independence. On enforcing the Drug Control and Enforcement Act, the Authority filed a total of 6,894 cases in different courts within the country.

He said a total of 336 cases were concluded whereas the government has won 243 of them.

Other achievements that DCEA has recorded ahead of the commemoration of 60 years of independence include dissolution of a network of drug dealers.

"This has been attained through cooperation with the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), Interpol, Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) and National Crime Agency (NCA)," he noted.

He added that Tanzania has managed to curb importation of illicit drugs by over 90 per

He said Tanzania has also made huge progress in controlling irregularities in the importation of 304,513 litres of liquids and 22.143 tonnes of precursor chemicals and curbing importation of illicit drugs by over 90 per cent.

Control of irregularities in importation of precursor chemicals has enabled the country to be appointed to train nine countries on techniques on curbing importation of narcotic chemicals.

A list of countries includes Rwanda, Burundi, Madagas car, Zambia, Malawi, Ethio-Mozambique, Eritrea and Mauritius. Tanzania has formed a trilateral planning cell with Mozambique and South Africa on effectively fighting drug trafficking and consumption.

Apart from arresting drug dealers the Authority in collaboration with the Ministry of Health, Community Development, Gender, Elderly and Children has managed to improve provision of services to drug addicts.

"In 2011 there were three centres that were accommodating 3,500 victims but now a number of centres have increased to 11 serving 10,565 drug addicts each day," he said, adding that plans are in place to increase four satellite centres in Kigamboni, Segerea, Tageta and Mbagala in Dar es Salaam region.

From NELLY MTEMA in Dodoma

PRESIDENT Samia Suluhu Hassan has continued to lead by example after she recently became among the first pubic leaders to submit the Assets and Liabilities Declaration Form to the Ethics Secretariat.

Commissioner of the Ethics Secretariat Judge Sivangilwa Mwangesi told reporters yesterday that President Samia submitted the form at the Ethics Secretariat's subhead office in Dar es Salaam on November 29, 2021

President Samia handed in her declaration form on November 29, 2021 at the Secretariat's sub – head office in Dar es Salaam and was received here on Thursday (December 2nd, 2021)" said the Ethics Commissioner.

He said according to the laws, public leaders are supposed to submit the assets and liabilities forms every year between October 1 and December 31, of the respective

Justice Mwangesi said more than 15,000 public leaders are supposed to sign and submit their assets and liabilities declaration forms but only 161 had done so until the end of last month.

He said by becoming among the first public leaders to fill in and submit the form to the Ethics Secretariat President Samia has shown the public she is indeed lead-

emulate the example. Justice Mwangesi said public leaders who are yet to fill in

and submit the forms should not wait for the deadline as the last-minute rush results into unnecessary inconveniences. According to the regulations, he said, those who fail to

> tions form within the scheduled time will have to appear before the Ethics Council for further year all public leaders with an ern court buildings and the best exception of one person sub-

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the deadline. However, thorough search conducted revealed that the leader had duly submitted the form only that it was unintentionally misplaced.

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He cited some advantages of ing by example, calling upon

such facilities to the public, inthe remaining public leaders to cluding reducing costs and time spent by citizens in seeking justice, as well as lowering administrative and court operating costs. "There are five IJCs in Dar

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es Salaam, Morogoro, Mwanza, Dodoma, and Arusha, and most of the court buildings were old because they had been there even before independence," he explained. According to him, court

buildings in the past were old and dilapidated but as the nation celebrates 60 years of indepen-Justice Mwangesi said last dence, there are various modcourts that are not only the best mitted their assets and liabili- in Tanzania but also a role model in the African continent.

> Prof Gabriel stated that the number of courts has increased at all levels; there are 17 High Court centres, 4 High Court divisions, 29 Resident Magistrate Courts, 120 District Courts, and

960 primary courts.

The IJC is a one-stop centre so they provide all judicial services in one area, from the Primary Court to the Court of Appeal. The Primary Court, District Court, Resident Magistrates' Court, High Court, and Court of Appeal are among them.

On the use of Information Technology Communication (ICT), he remarked that since the colonial era, all court records were being written by hand, which has resulted in delays in the administration of justice.

The Court has installed sophisticated technological systems. "Our team is collaborating with outside experts to ensure we get a software architect for translating Kiswahili and other lan guages, including native ones.'

Procedures for recording court hearings, registration of proceedings, and updates in the Judiciary Statistical Dashboard System (JSDS II), e-library and website use, e-office, and the

Online Feedback Application (OFA) are some of the other areas where technology has been used.

"OFA allows people to pro-

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vide feedback on court services whenever they get them. "We encourage the public to use this app, which is available on Google Play," he said. "People can use it easily, and the court can work on their comments Prof Gabriel stated that since

independence Tanzania been served by six Chief Justices, and that the present staff headcount is over 5,835 and 4,343 non-judicial staff compared to the pre-independent number.

They established the Court of Appeal in 1979, with the Chief Justice and four other justices working in the Dar es Salaam and Zanzibar registers. The Court of Appeal now has 24 judges and 16 jurisdictions," said Prof Gabriel.

He asserted that the Supreme Court had two registrars in Dar es Salaam and Arusha, as well as seven judges, during the country's independence but by now the number of High Court judges has risen to 85, while the number of Supreme Court registrars has risen from two to 17.

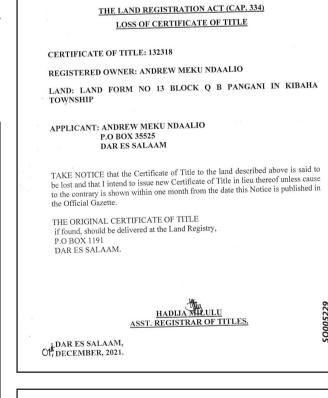
To commemorate Tanzania's 60th anniversary of independence, the Chief Court Administrator stated that intellectual freedom must flourish in Tanzanian culture across the legal

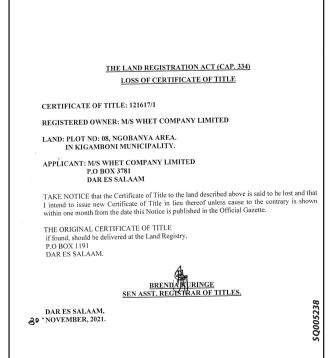
Procurement of twelve vehicles for delivery and use in Tanzania

Mott MacDonald Limited is procuring on request of FCDO the vehicles for the Shule Bora programme. The purpose of this Invitation for Tender (IFT) is to source three passenger 4x4 vehicles and 9 fourwheel-drive double cabin vehicles for use on and offroad throughout Tanzania. Delivery and handover of such vehicles will take place in Dodoma, Tanzania.

Closing date for tenders is the 6th of December (2pm). Please note that any questions relating to this IFT should not be submitted later than the 2nd of December.

For more information, please see https://www.gov. uk/contracts-finder, after pressing Start use the search function to type "Procurement of twelve, vehicles for delivery and use in Tanzania".





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