



Listening to cooperatives to boost production



On wednesday september 7, 2022, the President of the Republic of Burundi His Excellency Evariste NDAYISHIMIYE met in Buringa, in Gihanga commune of Bubanza province, the cooperatives of the Imbo plain engaged in rice cultivation. To support His Excellency Evariste NDAYISHIMIYE in his development policy, the farmers are claiming their lands stolen by some administrators for other purposes such as commercial places or playgrounds.

President NDAYISHIMIYE spoke out in favor of farmers so that every mouth has something to eat and every pocket has money. "Rice coopera-

tives need a lot of chemical fertilizers. They must benefit directly from the chemical fertilizers of FOMI, without any other intermediary known as a distributor, except the Imbo Regional Development Company".

The members of these cooperatives are asking the Burundian Number One and Supreme Magistrate to help them because most of the managers of the cooperatives have left behind them empty coffers and unjustified and unreimbursed loans. President NDAYISHIMIYE recommended to the competent authorities to carry out the forced execution.

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Inauguration of the RUZIBAZI hydroelectric plant



On tuesday september 06, 2022, the President of the Republic of Burundi His Excellency Evariste NDAY-

ISHIMIYE and the Ambassador of the Popular Republic of China inaugurated the RUZIBAZI hydroelectric power plant with a capacity of 15 Megawatts, in Rumonge commune and province, 43 km towards the south of Bujumbura. The power plant consists of a gravity dam, a supply channel, a power plant, a return channel, a step-up transformer station and an electrical transmission line. On this occasion of inauguration, these great personalities reassured that China and Burundi are moving forward hand in hand: good friends, good partners and good brothers.

The Chinese Ambassador Zhao Jiangping reaffirmed

the China's commitment to energy self-sufficiency. He said it is a starting point for win-win cooperation between Burundi and the Popular Republic of China.

The Head of State His Excellency Evariste NDAYISHIMIYE warmly thanked the Government and the Chinese people for this unconditional and very important support in the development of Burundi.

"China has been able to assess our needs and manages, through this very important support in electricity, to accompany us in our objective of seeing every mouth have something to eat, and every pocket money" President NDAYISHIMIYE cited the sectors of China's intervention, particularly in the agro-livestock sector, especially in the improvement of seeds (cereals), education, and energy. The Burundian Number One reminded all Burundians to go about their development activities, to know how to exploit the roads, energy and optical fiber at their disposal instead of listening to satanic agents, obstacles to the development of the country. (www.presidence.bi)

The Head of State of Burundi and current President of the EAC launches the 5th Edition of JAMAFEST



On monday september 04, 2022, accompanied by the First Lady, the Burundian Head of State His Excellency Evariste NDAYISHIMIYE proceeded to the Intwari stadium in Bujumbura Town Hall, at the official launch of the Festival of arts and culture, JAMAFEST.

The current President of the EAC with his Spouse first visited the stands of the various countries of the East African Community along the Boulevard de l'Uprona before heading to the Intwari stadium where he was welcomed with ovation by different jumuhia delegations.

In his opening speech of the 5th Edition of the JAMAFEST festival, President NDAYISHIMIYE indicated that this festival offers the opportunity to exchange and share artistic and cultural experiences, likely to promote social cohesion and unity in the within the East African Community.

Thanking his counterparts from the Community of East African States for sending different artistic and cultural groups to the peaceful and hospitable Burundi, the current President of the EAC His Excellency Evariste NDAYISHIMIYE wished the participants of this festival a good stay in the heart of Africa and encouraged them to proudly display their cultures and learn from others with interest.

The Deputy Secretary General of the EAC in charge of the productive and social sectors Honorable Christophe BAZIVAMWO appreciated the presence of the Burundian Head of State in the ceremonies marking the 5th Edition of the JAMAFEST Festival which has the theme: "Exploiting the resources to mitigate the impact of COVID19 within the EAC".

Honorable Christophe BAZIVAMWO ended his speech by thanking the Government and the people of Burundi for their legendary hospitality and for all the facilities granted to the various delegations. "It is a clear and strong sign of your commitment to enhancing the values and ideals of your integration into the

Gervais NDIRAKOBUCA, the new Prime Minister of Burundi



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President of the Republic of Burundi His Excellence Evariste NDAYISHIMIYE appointed Lieutenant General of Police Gervais NDIRAKOBUCA as Prime Minister. This appointment took place after the approval of the National Assembly and the Senate.

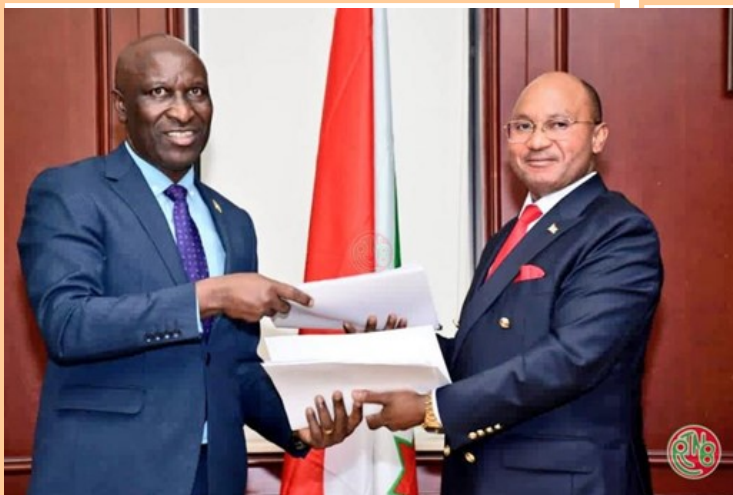
The Constitution of the Republic of Burundi, in its article 130 stipulates that the activities of the Government are coordinated by a Prime Minister, appointed by the President of the Republic, after prior approval of the National Assembly and the Senate voting separately by absolute majority of its members.

On the morning of Wednesday, september 7, 2022, the National Assembly and the Senate had approved the candidacy of Lieutenant General of Police Gervais NDIRAKOBUCA for the post of Prime Minister as proposed by the President of the Republic Evariste NDAYISHIMIYE

In his assurance, the new Prime Minister Gervais NDIRAKOBUCA swore, before God the Almighty, before the National Assembly and the Senate, to remain faithful to the Charter of National Unity, to the Constitution and to the other laws of the country, that he will devote his efforts to the good of the country, with strict respect for peace and justice for all. In the exercise of his functions, the Prime Minister undertakes to combat genocidal ideology and behavior and to promote respect for human rights.

Were present at the time of the taking of the oath in the hemicycle of Kigobe, the highest authority His Excellency Evariste NDAYISHIMIYE, the high personalities of the country such as the Vice-President of the Republic Prosper BAZOMBANZA, the Ombudsman, the members of the offices of the Chambers of Parliament, the President of the Supreme Court, Parliamentarians, Representatives of Defense and Security Corps, Diplomatic Corps, International Organizations Representatives, Specialized National Commissions Representatives and former Heads of State Domitien NDAYIZEYE and Sylvestre NTIBANTUNGANYA. Remind that before being appointed Prime Minister, Gervais NDIRAKOBUCA was Minister of the Interior, Community Development and Public Security. ([www.rtnb .bi](http://www.rtnb.bi))

Delivery and recovery within the prime Minister's office

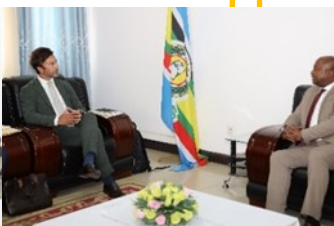


place between the outgoing Prime Minister, Police Commissioner General Alain Guillaume BUNYONI and the incoming Prime Minister, Police Lieutenant General Gervais NDIRAKOBUCA.

Among the flagship projects that the outgoing Prime Minister left to his successor are the issue of the implementation of the salary policy and social protection, the pension of retirees, the digitization of public services, the consolidation of administrative entities and the development of the country in general. ([www.rtnb .bi](http://www.rtnb.bi))

On thursday september 08, 2022, at the Presidential Palace Ntare House, the handover and recovery ceremonies took

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“deepest regrets” for “these wounds of the past whose pain is today revived by the discriminations

On monday september 05, 2022, His Excellency Ambassador Albert SHINGIRO, the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Development Cooperation, received in audience a Belgian parliamentary delegation in charge of examining the Belgian colonial past, its consequences and the follow-up to be reserved for its conduct. by Mr. Wouter De Vriendt, deputy and president of the Belgian Parliamentary Commission, who came to discuss with the Burundian deputies on the past of Belgian colonization in Burundi.

To fully understand this arrival in Burundi of Belgian parliamentarians: In 2018, the Burundian Senate appointed a group of experts including historians and anthropologists to assess the impact of colonization, a crime against humanity in Burundi. At the end of June 2020, the King of the Belgians Philippe expressed, during the 60th anniversary of the independence of the Democratic Republic of Congo, his

still too present in societies”.

In July 2020, the Belgian Parliament followed suit. The Belgian House of Representatives setting up a special commission to look into Belgium's colonial past in the Congo, Rwanda and Burundi. Thus on August 13, 2020, the State of Burundi confirmed, through the President of the Senate, the Honorable the Most Honorable NDIKURIYO Reverien, its request for forgiveness and financial compensation for the harm caused by German and Belgian settlers during the period from 1896 to 1962.

In July 2022, after a visit by King Philippe of Belgium to the Democratic Republic of Congo, Mr. Stephane Doppagne, Special Envoy of the King of the Belgians and of Belgium, joined the Burundians during the celebration of the 60 years of Independence of the Burundi, and expressed Belgium's regrets to the Burundian authorities and public at the abuses committed by Belgian settlers during the 43 years of Colonization in Burundi. **(MFADC)**

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