



President Ndayishimiye calls on the administrative officials for regarding their role in supervising the population in agro-pastoral farming



During a meeting held on Monday June 17, 2024 for the provincial Governors and provincial directors of agriculture and livestock in Karusi Province, the Head of State His Excellency Evariste Ndayishimiye called on administrative authorities to fully play their role in guiding the population with regard to the current agro-pastoral policies, environmental protection and guaranteeing food security for the population. That meeting is part of the evaluation sessions aimed at analyzing the steps already taken in the agriculture and livestock sector with a view to finding together the sustainable solutions to the challenges that haunt that sector. "The fight against poverty and hunger is a continuous fight," noted the Bu-

rundian Number One, rejoicing however that Burundi already benefits from great potential for agro-pastoral development because it has a favorable climate and fertile soil. Speaking on agriculture in his opening remarks, President Evariste Ndayishimiye pleaded in particular for the exploitation of all non-cultivable land, the promotion of agricultural development cooperatives, the creation of agro-pastoral development centers and the promotion export crops. "We want clear water to flow in every water source in Burundi," declared the Head of State who invited these leaders to raise awareness among the population for the protection of these sources by tracing water curves level, the planting of trees which coexist

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with the crops and the development of catch basins. The President of the Republic also recommended to those responsible for administration and agro-pastoral in the provinces, to ensure the good management of the harvest in order to allow ANAGESSA to truly constitute a strategic stock to from which prisons and military and police camps will be supplied, which would allow the reduction of the budget devoted to this purpose.

With the same aim of guaranteeing a good harvest management, His Excellency Evariste Ndayishimiye believes that agricultural cooperatives should create networks for the exchange of agricultural products and reiterates his call to all Burundian families to invest in livestock farming, which would allow them to have sufficient, healthy and nutritious food every day. **(Presidency)**

The Anglican Bishops of Burundi welcome the step taken by Burundi under the leadership of President Evariste Ndayishimiye



On Tuesday June 18, 2024, the Head of State His Excellency Evariste Ndayishimiye received in audience the College of Anglican Bishops of Burundi who came to congratulate him and show their gratitude for the largely positive assessment of the achievements accomplished during his 4 years at the head of the country.

“We are happy to be received on this date which coincides with the 4th anniversary of his accession to power. We showed him the contribution of the church, the awareness of the faithful so that they can adhere to his vision,” revealed Mgr Martin Blaise Nyaboho, Dean of the College of Anglican Bishops of Burundi after the audience.

During that meeting, the College of Anglican Bishops of Burundi thanked the Head of State for having restored peace and security and strengthened national unity throughout the country. He also welcomes his efforts in the fight against corruption and the establishment of the rule of law in Burundi.

In addition, the Anglican Bishops congratulate Presi-

dent Evariste Ndayishimiye for having succeeded in normalizing diplomatic relations with other countries during those 4 years and that thanks to his invaluable efforts, Burundi has regained its place in the concert of nations.

The Anglican Bishops of Burundi welcome the strong involvement of His Excellency Evariste Ndayishimiye in improving the living conditions of the population as well as the efforts invested to achieve the abundant agricultural production which the people are so happy about.

These bishops also wanted to clarify that the economic challenges facing

Burundi are not the exclusive responsibility of the Head of State. They reassure the population and instead call on them to join forces to support government projects and programs in order to meet these challenges.

“We thank you for your prayers and for the contribution of the church in the development of the country”, for his part indicated the Burundian Number One who invited those men of God to continue, to sensitize Christians on the change of mentalities in order to that Burundi can achieve its Vision of Burundi as an emerging country in 2040 and a developed country in 2060.

As for the concerns raised in particular linked to the economic challenges of the moment and the grievances of the Anglican Church of Burundi, the Head of State promised to spare no effort to provide lasting solutions in the general interest of all the Burundian people. **(Presidency)**

Fourth anniversary of the inauguration of the Head of State/prayer of thanksgiving



On Thursday June 20, 2024, the opening ceremonies of the thanksgiving prayer at the Nyabihanga communal stadium in the province of Mwaro began with a parade of the country's high authorities, headed by the Head of State His Excellency Evariste Ndayishimiye and his Spouse, followed by representatives of the communes of this province.

That prayer of thanksgiving is organized on the occasion of the celebration of the 4th anniversary of the inauguration of the Head of State. That prayer is centered on a biblical verse from Deuteronomy 8.19 "Remember the Lord your God, for he will give you strength to acquire his riches, etc."

In her prayer, the First Lady H.E Angeline Ndayishimiye implored the Lord God to bless all the participants in that prayer of thanksgiving. She also asked God for forgiveness on behalf of all Burundians and all authorities in the country for all the shortcomings recorded.

H.E Angeline Ndayishimiye asked the Lord to grant the Burundians a fraternal love and to enlighten their hearts, until even the detractors repent and

return to the country, to contribute to its development alongside other Burundians, in with a view to achieving the vision of Burundi as an emerging country in 2040 and a developed country in 2060.

In his welcome speech, the Governor of Mwaro Mr Gaspard Gasanzwe congratulated the Head of State for these 4 years in power. He promised on behalf of the population of Mwaro to support him in his caravan towards achieving the vision of Burundi as an emerging country in 2040 and a developed country in 2060.

The preacher of the 1st day of thanksgiving prayer, Reverend Pastor Denise Nkurunziza, referring to the reference verse of Deuteronomy 8.19, asked the future generations to never stop believing in God, even for the attainment of the vision of Burundi, an emerging country in 2040 and a developed country in 2060, because all the knowledge that will lead Burundians to the development is given by the Lord.

In his opening speech, the President of the Republic of Burundi His Excellency Evariste Ndayishimiye thanked the Lord who preserved Burundi and the Burundians against all kinds of threats during the four years of his power, and that now peace and security reigns in the

country.

President Evariste Ndayishimiye announced that Burundi has already started its caravan towards a country of milk and honey, into which Burundians are preparing to enter, through the vision Burundi emerging country in 2040 and developed country in 2060.

The President of the Republic, His Excellency Evariste Ndayishimiye said that the path to achieving the vision Burundi emerging country in 2040 and developed country in 2060, does not lack obstacles that can discourage more than one, but calls on Burundians to trust in the Lord to overcome them.

He called on the Burundian population to work hard to increase production, not to envy the countries that developed while Burundi went through dark periods, from colonization to the period of awakening by making the Alliance with God.

The economic problems that Burundi is experiencing following the unjust economic sanctions imposed in 2015, followed by the consequences of the Covid-19 pandemic, will end if and only if the Burundians follow the directions of the authorities, by strengthening dialogue and understanding family while leading a social life based on the word of God. (RTNB)

China and the United Nations Children's Fund contribute to better school education in Burundi



On Tuesday June 18, 2024, the First Lady of the Country H.E Angeline Ndayishimiye and president of the Bonne Action Umugiraneza Foundation received 200 desks and school kits provided by the Chinese Embassy in Burundi in collaboration with the Fund of the United Nations for Children (UNICEF) Burundi. The event takes place on Gihinga localities, Ndava commune of Mwaro province at

MAN_MANJUL FUTURE SCHOOL.

The First Lady of the country, H.E Angeline Ndayishimiye thanked the Chinese Embassy in Burundi and the United Nations Children's Fund Burundi for their support of the Bonne Action Umugiraneza Foundation. She specified that that donation of desks will help students to follow classes well and thus obtain good results.

According to the First Lady of Burundi H.E Angeline Ndayishimiye, children constitute the foundation of development and are also nurseries of the country's future. H.E Angeline Ndayishimiye added that Burundi needs well-trained children with intellectual knowledge in different areas to achieve the vision of Burundi as an emerging country in 2040 and developed in 2060.

The Ambassador of the Republic of China to Burundi, Her Excellency Zhao JIANGPING encouraged the First Lady H.E Angeline Ndayishimiye for her projects which are part of the promotion of national education. She also encouraged him for his school canteen program which allows schoolchildren to follow classes well and thus obtain good results. (RTNB)

Towards the harmonization of the draft Electronic and Postal Communications Code with other legal texts in Burundi

The call for a panoply whose missions overlap and tend to duplicate or supplant existing institutions and a wide openness in terms of implementing texts, those are the major reasons underlying the second reading of the bill establishing the Code electronic and postal communications. Those amendments on second reading were the subject of the plenary session on Tuesday June 18, 2024. The bill combines telecommunications and the postal activities. The National Post Office (RNP) has the mission

of operating and managing the postal services and the postal financial services (money orders and postal checks) as well as the collection of savings. The Council of Ministers adopted that bill with, among other recommendations: Redact from the project what is related to Poste-Bank and maintain the Poste-Mail component. But this bill did not take this recommendation into account.

On the other hand, with regard to the Post Office, this bill contains provisions whose reading suggests a veiled pri-



vatization of the postal service. In particular, Article 208 provides: "The State may designate and grant to a public or private postal operator by means of a license, the execution of its postal public service missions. The designated postal operator must be a commercial company under Burundian law or a foreign company registered in Burundi meeting the technical and financial conditions determined, etc." In addition, this bill did not take into account already existing texts which govern other bodies and activities in the communications sector including the law on the National Communication Council (CNC), the decree governing the Regulatory Authority and Telecommunications Control (ARCT), the decree governing the Universal ICT Service Fund in



Burundi, the press law and the law on cyber crime. Furthermore, this bill seems to place the ARCT under the supervision of the ministry while the regulatory and control body must be strengthened and placed under the supervision of the Presidency in accordance with the decree in force. Still on this subject, the analysis of the institutional framework proposed by the bill implicitly abolishes the ARCT which it replaces with the AR-CEP (Regulation and Control Authority for Electronic and Postal Communications). In this way, this bill establishes a panoply of institutional bodies whose missions overlap and do not take into account already existing bodies. **(National Assembly)**

Wages unduly received: the Minister of the Civil Service issues an ultimatum



On Wednesday June 19, 2024, the Minister of Public Service, Labor and Employment Mr Venuste Muyabaga held a press briefing relating to the progress of the work to recover salaries unduly received by fictitious civil servants. That appeal which was launched at the end of May that year to the public concerning ficti-

tious civil servants who unduly received salaries, indicated the Minister in charge of the public service Mr. Venuste Muyabaga.

A period of thirty days was granted so that those who unduly received state salaries have already returned the money unduly received to the public treasury.

The Minister in charge of public service announced that an amount of 148,292,438 BIF has already been returned to the state coffers by 21 people and 56,272,518 BIF recognized by those who unduly received it.

A period of two weeks for voluntary surrender has been granted to those who have not yet done so. And to add that the commission is always available 7 days a week in the building ex finance office number 1 to welcome those who wish.

From July 1, 2024, a forced recovery is planned with penalties of 100% of the amount as recommended by the Council of Ministers. **(RTNB)**

Closely, the collective intelligence will soon facilitate data collection



The Ministry of National Solidarity, Social Affairs, Human Rights and Gender in collaboration with the International Organization for Migration (IOM) on financing from the European Union made the presentation on Thursday June 19, 2024 results of the pilot project “environmental degradation: exploiting citizens -centered data to improve the humanitarian programming.

According to the IOM Program Officer Mr Michaël ASIMA, that project developed and improved jointly by IOM and JIPS (Informing solutions to internal displacement) to promote the collective intelligence approaches in places affected by internal displacement. That project wants to create new forms of governance by accessing citizen-generated data to design tailor-made solutions and produce robust evidence of how climate-related displacement impacts different population groups.

IOM Program Manager Mr Michaël ASIMA noted that collective intelligence has the potential to improve the accuracy and representativeness of data through greater inclusion and increased local and community participation. According to him, that action will contribute to strengthening the overall capacity of the humanitarian sector, global governance models and national authorities in preventing and planning response to displacement

due to disasters.

It will provide a better understanding of how displacement occurs in disaster contexts and strengthen long-term risk assessment and evaluation of appropriate policy responses.

The Acting Director General of National Solidarity and Social Affairs Jean Christophe Ndikumana indicated that the Ministry of National Solidarity, Social Affairs, Human Rights and Gender is delighted with the introduction of this intelligence initiative collective which has the merit of improving the precision and representativeness of data through greater inclusion and increased local and community participation.

Mr Jean Christophe Ndikumana indicated that unlike traditional methods of collecting data through enumerators who conduct household surveys, that method of collective intelligence both complements and improves approaches by allowing local communities to collect data. - themselves data as such using Smartphones thanks to an accessible data collection interface designed for that purpose.

The Acting Director General of National Solidarity and Social Affairs indicated that the community validation sessions organized at the residence level made it possible to strengthen community ownership of the data that the local populations provided and which will serve as a reference for the responses adapted to their needs.

Community consultation sessions were conducted on the local project intervention and 49 volunteers designated by community disaster risk reduction committees (CCRRCs) in the communes of Mpanda, Muha, Mukaza, Mutimbuzi, Ntakangwa and Rumonge were then trained and supervised in the use of the collective intelligence tool. (RTNB)

Makamba: the Ministry of justice organizes a citizen review

As part of implementing the recommendations of the Head of State to the Ministry of Justice, to reduce the distances of litigants, the Ministry of Justice organized on Tuesday June 18, 2024, in the capital of the Makamba province, a citizen magazine. The Assistant to the Minister of Justice on behalf of the absent Minister, in collaboration with the senior officials of the Ministry, listened to the concerns of the population and provided advice to judges, magistrates

and the population, in order to facilitate the execution of the judgments.

Assistant to the Minister Mrs Virginie Havugiyaremye urged judges and magistrates to work assiduously to reduce the number of cases pending in court, avoid corruption and use a clear, designed and precise system to facilitate the execution of judgments. At the same time, she recalled that field trips to confront the protagonists and witnesses at the site of disputes and facilitate the



discovery of the truth. On the sidelines of that citizen

review, the Minister's Assistant Mrs Virginie Havugiyaremye accompanied by the inspectors also provided the responses to request for review of judgments rendered and appeals to executions rendered. As the province of Makamba records more than half of the 40 thousand files filed in the bodies of the National Land and Other Property Commission (CNTB), those concerned were informed that the files will be transferred to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (CVR) and that the treatments will soon begin after signing a decree granting jurisdiction .(RTNB)

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