



Naguru Hospital gets sh55m COVID-19 aid

KAMPALA

By Vision Reporter

The Honorary Consul of Israel in Uganda, Ishta Asimwe Muganga, has saluted the medical fraternity in Uganda for their commitment in the fight against COVID-19.

Ishta said the frontline medical workers have done a great job in treating COVID-19 patients and sensitising the masses on the pandemic, which she said has made Uganda a model in the region.

She was last week speaking during the handover of personal protective equipment (PPE) and other assorted medical equipment to Kiboga Hospital and China-Uganda Friendship Hospital Naguru (CUFH-N) in Kampala.

The donation, worth sh55m, was made by Brit Olam and SBI International Holdings AG (Uganda), with the support of the Israeli embassy and MASHAV.

Ishta said the government of Israel had also contributed to the education and agriculture sectors to promote sustainable development.

"Many of our students have undertaken studies in agriculture at universities and agricultural colleges in Israel to improve the agriculture sector," she said.

Dotan Hameiri, the SBI



Ishta handing over personal protective equipment to Batiibwe in the presence of Hameiri at Naguru Hospital in Kampala last week

International Holdings acting operations manager, said the donation included 150 pieces of three-layered disposable isolation suits, 1,000 pairs of non-woven shoe covers, 940 pieces of four-layered KN95 PPE, 3,700 pieces of three-layered disposable masks and 23 pieces of infrared thermometers.

Hameiri said they are committed to improving the health sector in Uganda, including facilitating Israeli doctors to Uganda to build the capacity of the health sector.

He said they have opened

the women's and diabetes clinics at Kiboga Hospital and also equipped Kabaale Health Centre IV and Buseruka Health Centre III in Hoima district with maternity beds, among others.

The CUFH-N hospital director, Dr Emmanuel Batiibwe, said the hospital, which started operations in 2012, is one of the facilities treating COVID-19 patients.

He said the hospital has received 119 suspected cases of COVID-19, some of whom were positive, but have since been discharged.

Woman arrested over murder

EAST

The Police in Jinja have arrested Fatuma Najuma, 45, over the murder of her mother, Sophia Nakeyena, 75. Haj Abby Moiti, the Kira region Police commander, said Najuma allegedly committed the offence with her brother, only identified as Bashir, who is on the run. Moiti explained that the suspects allegedly killed their mother over a piece of land in Buwekula Nakanyonyi, Bugembe town council. He said they learnt about the incident when Fred Banaywa, the LC1 chairperson of Bugembe, reported to Police that an old woman had been killed and locked in her house, before it was set on fire.

Health workers abandon facility

EAST

Health workers at Kaukura Health Centre II in Apopong sub-county, Pallisa district have abandoned the health facility over unknown reasons. This was discovered after angry residents stopped the Resident District Commissioner (RDC), Ssenyonjo Kyeyune's tour of Agule sub-county and requested him to first visit the health centre, which was still locked by 10:00am. The residents, who spoke with *New Vision*, said the health facility has been locked for a week and that the health workers had turned to private business.

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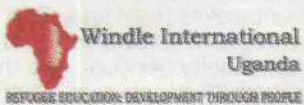
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