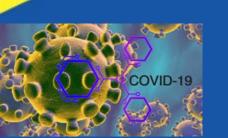
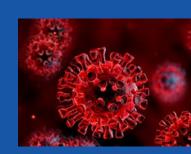




DEVELOPING UGANDA TOGETHER

### URA INTERVENTIONS DURING and AFTER COVID 19 Milly Nalukwago Isingoma June 2020







## **TALKING POINTS**

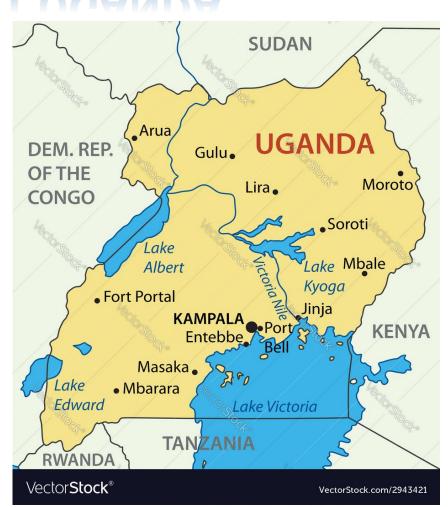
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- URA preparedness for Covid-19





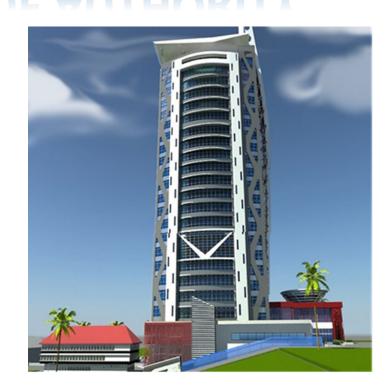
### **FACTS ABOUT UGANDA**

- Total size = 241,550 sq. km.
- Open water & swamps=15%
- Population = 42.7m
- Total GDP = UGX 122.7tn (\$33bn)
- GDP by sector = Agric 23%;
  Industry 28%; Services 43%
  (adjustment 6%)
- GDP per capita = UGX
  3.2m (\$864)



# THE UGANDA REVENUE AUTHORITY

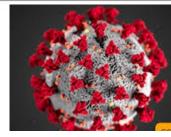
- Established by The Uganda Revenue Authority Act of 1991.
- Mandate: To assess, collect and account for all Central Government tax revenue (including non-tax revenue) and to advise Government on revenue implications, tax administration and aspects of policy changes relating to all taxes as spelt out in the URA Act.
- Mission: We provide an environment that delivers a delightful experience in revenue services and business facilitation.
- Vision: To be THE center of excellence and innovation in revenue administration



Target FY 2020/21--- UGX21Tn = 14% GDP



## THE COVID-19 IMPACT ON UG



- □ Covid -19 cases over 600 with no death so far .
  □ In Uganda the projection of economic growth in FY 2019/20 has been revised downwards from 6.0% to worst case scenario of 3.1%.
  □ Formal economy impacted : Hotel, tourism, wholesale & retail, NTR from licensing agencies etc.
- ☐ The lockdown to contain the COVID-19 has also disproportionately hurt the informal economy Players such as;
  - Informal workers who survive on daily cash.
  - Street vendors, taxi and other auto drivers such as boda boda riders,
  - · Shoe polishing, food vending, music recording and
  - Phone dealers accessories, commercial pay phone services,
  - Beauty & cosmetics businesses, hairdressing & barbering,
  - Motor mechanical repairs, etc.



### THE COVID-19 IMPACT ON URA



### **Staff**

- % staff have to work from home.
- Change of culture, social distance, wearing masks
- Anxiety; especially those wking from home and at border stations.

#### Clients

- Lock down impact on movement leading to Some taxpayers unable to file and pay on time.
- Have to change business focus to suit situation i.e. less alcohol, more sanitizers.



## THE COVID-19 IMPACT ON URA



#### **Revenue Decline**

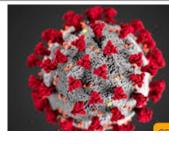
- Decline in revenue collection 27.5% in April 32.1% in May vs same month last year.
- Decline in imports by over 45% compared to last year.
- Most affected, private sector PAYE, tourism, hotel, wholesale& retail,

Signs of Hope

	Description	April 2020 in UGX Bn	May 2020 in UGX Bn
	Imports		
1	China	230 .6	713.9
2	Kenya	127.3	289.5
3	Tanzania	76.2	164.5
	Exports		
1	Beverages ,spirits, Vinegar	13.7	426.0
2	Milled produce	18.4	109.2
3	Sugar & Sugar confectionaries	14.5	97.1



## URA PREPAREDNESS ON COVID-19



#### **Staff**

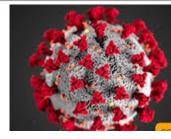
- Put in place policy, framework and tools to facilitate off site work.
- Protective gear, masks, sanitizers, gloves, fumigation, water and soap.
- Enhanced virtual contact centre to reduce physical contact.
- Constant safety messages and staff contribution to National Covid-19 task force.

#### Revenue

- Promotion of tax health checks while carrying out internal data analysis.
- Provision of installment payments of tax due.
- Tax relief on imports of raw materials or finished products to support Covid-19.
- Focus on HNWI
- Special focus on e Commerce & real estate.



# URA PREPAREDNESS ON COVID-19



### **URA ONLINE SERVICES**

- TIN Application for Individual, Non Individual & Groups
- Tax Clearance Application
- Declaration of an Instrument
- Declaration of Bulk Instruments
- Generation of a Stamps Certificate
- · Generation of a Payment Slip
- Re- Validation of Motor Vehicle
- Application of Motor Vehicle post registration services
- Filing a Presumptive Return
- · Filing any other Tax Return
- Accessing any Tax Literature on Line



- Customs systems and reports
- Agent licensing
- Online Auctioning
- URA Transporter licensing
- Online Service Support
- · Partlot management
- Declaration of entries
- Agent T1 self -generation
- · Entry Query management
- Issuance of Preferential Certificate of Origin
- Transporter Licensing (Online

#### **Transit Goods License)**

- Licensing of Customs Bonded Warehouses
- Motor vehicle Tax calculator
- Online Banking /EFT/RTGS/Online debit
- Banks, Agency banking
- Visa/MasterCard for Stanbic Bank, ABSA and UBA
- PayWay Services across the country
- Mobile Money (MTN and Airtel)



