

Ministry of ICT & National Guidance

UGANDA MEDIA CENTRE

BRIEFING TO THE MEDIA ON CABINET DECISIONS TAKEN DURING THE CABINET MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 24th FEBRUARY 2020 AT STATE HOUSE, ENTEBBE

Cabinet sat on Monday February 24, 2020 at State House, Entebbe, and;

- 1. Approved the Mandatory and Periodic motor vehicle inspection services. The benefits include;
 - (i) Improvement of Road Safety through periodic testing for vehicle road worthiness that ensures a sound fleet of vehicles on the roads as adopted in the National Road Safety Policy;
 - (ii) Job creation. At least 200 direct employment opportunities have been created for Ugandans with focus on the youth;
 - (iii) Control of air pollution from vehicles;
 - (iv) Monitoring the vehicle population in the Country including stolen vehicles (keeping a clean database) since the inspection data base will be linked to Motor Vehicle Registration system and Vehicle Tracking System;
 - (v) Enhanced revenue collection through ensuring that every vehicle is compliant to all statutory requirements (Road Safety, Tax Laws and transfer of ownership.
- 2. Noted the global situation in regard to outbreak of COVID-19 in China and other parts of the world including Uganda and the measures undertaken by the Ministry of Health to prevent, detect and respond to COVID-19.

3. Noted the Desert Locust Invasion into Uganda and the current spread to now 23 Districts in Karamoja, Teso, Acholi and Lango Sub-region and the interventions undertaken by Government in collaboration with key stakeholders and the challenges encountered to-date.

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