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providing the training to tour guides to improve performance of the sector and boost state coffers.

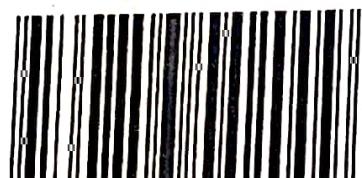
Herman Batiko (pictured), the northern zone top conservator for the Tanzania National Parks (TANAPA) said the training is offered under the rapid credit facility and the rapid financing instrument to support the government's efforts in responding to the pandemic by addressing urgent health, humanitarian and economic costs, extended last year by the International Monetary Fund (IMF).

Batiko said the sector's contribution to the economy was enormous, but it has dropped due to the outbreak of COVID-19, whereas earlier it contributed just over 17.5 percent to the gross domestic product (GDP) and providing jobs to 1.5m people.

"Tourism was seriously hit by the global pandemic as it resulted in countries imposing lockdowns," he said, noting that the drastic reduction in the number of tourists cut into projected government revenues.

Emmanuel Mollel, the chairman of the

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USAID Health Office director Ananthi Thamblinayagam (R) pictured at Dar es Salaam's Julius Nyerere International Airport yesterday presenting to Dar es Salaam Regional Medical Officer Dr Rashid Mfaume 1.6 million Pfizer-made Covid-19 Vaccines donated by the US government. Photo courtesy of US Embassy

Mwinyi calls on UAE to invest in Zanzibar

By Guardian Reporter, Abu Dhabi

ZANZIBAR President Dr Hussein Ali Mwinyi yesterday held talks with International Holding Company (IHC) officials, after having met the UAE Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, Sheikh Shakhboot Nahyan Al Nahyan.

The president traversed matters related to bilateral ties between Tanzania and UAE, like opening a UAE consulate in Zanzibar, holding talks with the key investor before ending his visit to the UAE yesterday.

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The company is the biggest investor in the United Arab Emirates and has massive presence in western countries, assuring the visiting Zanzibar leader that it would send investors to the Isles, after President Mwinyi explained to company officials various investment opportunities arising from the blue economy strategy.

He said Zanzibar needs serious investors especially for Zanzibar's small offshore islands numbering 53, with other opportunities associated with the blue

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Drought wreaks havoc: Over 62,000 cattle die

Pastoralists appeal for food aid

By Guardian Correspondent, Simanjiro

PASTORALIST communities in Simanjiro District, Manyara Region are appealing for food aid from the government after prolonged drought killed thousands of livestock in the area—their main source of food and income.



More than 62,000 head of cattle are estimated to have died so far in the district, leaving many pastoralists in poverty.

Abdallah Ulega (pictured), the deputy minister for Livestock and Fisheries, was the guest at a public meeting where this appeal was presented by Petro Alamnyaka, an elder in the Orkesumet, Naberera and Emboret wards.

Asking the deputy minister to convey to President Samia Suluhu Hassan their request for food aid, the appeal said a cow that was being sold at 1m/- can't find a buyer even for 100,000/- at present.

The biggest problem facing the area is hunger, he stated, elaborating that due to poor condition of the livestock, some dying

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against COVID-19 includes donating 365m vaccine doses to other countries, purchasing 1bn vaccine doses to donate

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to nearly 100 developing countries, it elaborated.

The US contributed \$4bn to GAVI, the worldwide vaccine alliance, in support of COVAX, the global initiative to equitably distribute safe and effective COVID-19 vaccines everywhere, plus delivering essential medicines, supplies and therapeutics.

It also focuses on other assistance for countries rebuild economies, overcome food shortages and strengthen health security.

US President Joe Biden (pictured) has pledged that the United States will be the world's arsenal of vaccines in the shared fight against COVID-19, the embassy recalled.

"We will continue to do all we can to build a world that is safer and more secure against the threat of infectious disease," it added, citing remarks from the president early last year.



*Uzalishaji gesi kwa kutumia samadi fursa kwa wafugaji

NI rahisi kuzalisha nishati
Inayotokana na kinyesi cha mifugo kwa kuwa bado klinapatikana kwa wingi, hasa maeneo ya vijijini.

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Maeneo mengi ya vijijini yanakabilwa na changamoto ya nishati ya umeme, licha ya kuwepo rasilimali zinazweza kuzalisha huduma hiyo.

Miongoni mwa rasilimali hizo ni kinyesi cha mifugo kinachowezza kuzalisha biogas inayotumika kutoa nishati kwa ajili ya shughuli mbalimbali za kuchumi, iliweipo kupikia ama kuendesha biashara.

Katika makala hii mwandishi anafanya mahojiano na Emmanuel Gabriel, msimamizi wa shamba la kigani la St Joseph lillipo Kwanjange, Wilaya ya Mwanga, Mkoani Kilimanjaro ambao wamekuwa na mradi wa kuzalisha umeme unaotokana na kinyesi.

Gabriel anasema biogas ni gesi asilia itokanayo na kinyesi cha wanyama, wakiwepo ng'ombe, nguruwe na wengine ambaio ni rahisi kupata vinyesi yao ambavyo vinawenza kuzalisha gesi.

Gabriel anasema na rahisi kuzalisha nishati inayotokana na kinyesi cha mifugo, kwa kuwa bado klinapatikana kwa wingi, hasa maeneo ya vijijini.

Anasema kinachohitajika kutengeneza biogas ni kinyesi cha wanyama.

Maji na mapipa

Anasema katika mapipa hayo

moja ni la kuchakata gesi na jingine la kukusanya gesi.

Pia, anasema kunahitajika bombo la kusafirisha gesi kutoka pipa la kukusanya gesi kwenda kwenye jiko.

Anasema mahitaji mengine ni viungo vinne nya kuunga bomba kuungiza kinyesi na kutoa mbolea, chuma kuzua pipa la kukusanya gesi kutodondoka au kuhama sehemu libipowekwa na chuma kidogo cha kupina gesi.

Jinsi ya kutengeneza

Gabriel anasema baada ya kuwa na vifa ya hivyo unapasca kuandaa pipa la kukusanya kinyesi na maji.

Anasema weka kipimo lita moja maji na kilo moja kinyesi, kichanganya kinyesi na maji ili kuondoa uchafu ambaa hauhitajiki.

Pia anasema inapaswa kuwa na sehemu ya kuungiza kinyesi katika pipa la kuchakata gesi.

"Unapasca kuwa na boma ndogo la kusafirisha gesi kuandaa pipa la kukusanya gesi. Chumba shimo vizuri utakalokewa pipa la kukusanya gesi na weka maji yatakayo-kuwa yakuungia kidogo kidogo

kwenye pipa kutumia matundu madogo ili kuwezesha kijazo wa gesi kuwa juu, hivyo kuweza kutoka kwenda katika jiko," anasema Gabriel.

Mambo ya kuzingatia

Anasema mambo ya kuzingatia ni kuhalikisha kwenye pipa la kuchakata gesi hakuna tundu la kuungiza au kutoa hewa, kuna boma la kuungiza kinyesi na maji

"Kwa mkulima na mfugaji matumizi ya biogas ni ukombozi katika maisha yake, kwa kuwa inapunguza gharama za matumizi ya nishati, lakini pia unapata mbolea na chakula kizuri cha kuku.

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"Binafsi mtambo huu umekuwa

na faida sana kwa familia yangu kwa kuwa umeme ninaotumia unaotokana na gesi," anasema Rehema.

Anasema alipata elimu ya kutengeneza biogas kupitia mradi wa kilimo hai ambacho anafanya.

"Kikubwa katika mradi huu ni kuwa na elimu na vifa ya kutengeneza biogas," anasema.

Mratiba wa mradi wa mkulima mbunifu, Erica Rugabandana anasema matumizi ya biogas yanawenza kaboresha maisha ya wafugaji na wakulima.

Anasema bado kuna maeneo vijijini ambayo hakuna nishati ya uhakika ya umeme, hivyo ukwia na mtambo wa biogas utapunguza gharama za maisha.

"Kutumia mtambo huu unapata nishati ya gesi, unapata mbolea, lakini pia unapata chakula cha mifugo," anasema.

Hivyo matumizi ya biogas ni fursa ya kukuza uchumi na kujikwamua na umaskini.

Faida ya biogas

Anasema inapunguza gharama ya matumizi ya mkaa, mafuta na gesi ya viwandani, lakini pia ni mbolea ya shamba, chakula cha kuku na utatunza mazingira.

Gabriel anasema kwa mkulima

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UFARANI

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Lake Oil yatanua mbawa kwenye mafuta ya ndege

geji wa miundombinu yote muhimu na tangi Novemba 25 mwaka jana huduma inatolewa katika Uwanja cha Ndege wa Kimataifa Kilimanjaro (KIA). Tunewekeza zaidi ya dola milioni nne za Marekani (Sh9.2 bilioni)," anasema Elagib.

Muda wowote kuanzia hivi saa, Elagib anasema watakamilisha utaribtu na kuanza kutoa huduma JNIA na Iringa, hivyo kuruhusu usafiri wa anga kufanyakila bila hofu ya kukosa mafuta au kuyafuata umbali mrefu.

Uwekezaji huu, anasema unaafanya kwa umakini mkubwa unaozingatia mwongozwa ya Mamlaka ya Viwanja vya Ndege Tanzania (TAA) na Shirkisho la Mamlaka za Usafiri wa Anga Duniani (IATA) kuhakikisha usalama wa chombo na abiria watakaowamo ndani.

Lake Group, iliyowekeza kwenye sekta tofauti kuanzia mafuta, gesi,



Uwanja

usafirishaji, vikaini vya mitambo, chuma na ujenzi, imejirini zaidi ya wafanyakazi 6,000 mpaka sasa wanaofanikisha kuuza mafuta.

Tanzania na mataifa mengine Kusini na Mashariki wa Afrika, ikiwamo Zambia, Jamhuri ya Kidemokrasia ya Kongo (DRC), Burundi, Kenya, Ethiopia na Rwanda. Wakati wakiwa na uwezo wa kutunza litu milioni moja KIA, Lake Aviation watakuwa na litu milioni 18 katika bohari walijonayo Kigamboni jijini Dar es Salaam, na

lita 450,000 Uwanja wa Ndege Iringa ambazo, Elagib anasema zinawenza kuongezwa muda wowote iwapo kutukwau na mahitaji.

"Kati ya changamoto tunazokabiliana nazo ni kuhalikisha tunatoka huduma zenye ubora. Yaani rubani aliyehudumiwa Marekani, Urusi, Ufaransa na Uingereza anatarajia huduma za kiwango kilekile. Tunejipanga kukiidhi matarijio yao," anasema Elagib. Katika miaka mitano jayo, anasema malengo yao ni kufikisha huduma hiyo katika viwanja vingi iwezekanayo nchini na katika nchi za Afrika Mashariki na Kati.

Kote watakakofikisha huduma za, anasema wanaamini watatoka bei shindani, kwani wanayo miundombini yao kuanzia mafuta yanapopokewa bandarini mpaka kuifadhlwa na malori ya kuyasafirisha kwenda popote.

USHINDANI

Kampuni ya Lake Oil inasema itakuwa na bei shindani kwani inayo miundombinu ya kutosha.

Baada ya mlaka 15 ya kudumu sokoni, kampuni ya Lake Group iliyozanzishwa mwaka 2006 sasa imeanza kusambaza mafuta ya ndege.

Bidhaa hiyo mpya ndani ya kampuni hiyo inayobewa na nembo ya Lake Oil, itakuwa inasambazwa na kampuni tanzu ya Lake Aviation ambayo imeshaanza kuhudumia Uwanja wa Ndege wa Kimataifa wa Julius Nyerere (JNA) na Uwanja wa Ndege Iringa.

Meneja Mshauri wa Lake Aviation, Ismail Elagib anasema kwa sasa wana kibali cha kutoa huduma katika viwanja vitatu, ukiwumu Uwanja wa Ndege wa Kimataifa wa Julius Nyerere (JNA) na Uwanja wa Ndege Iringa.

"Tumekamilisha ujenzi na usun-