

# Vote:226 Mission in Iran

## VI: Vote Overview

### (i) Snapshot of Medium Term Budget Allocations

**Table V1.1: Overview of Vote Expenditures**

<i>Billion Uganda Shillings</i>	FY2018/19 Outturn	FY2019/20		FY2020/21 Proposed Budget	MTEF Budget Projections			
		Approved Budget	Spent by End Sep		2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
Recurrent Wage	0.707	0.707	0.153	0.707	0.707	0.707	0.707	0.707
Non Wage	2.841	3.135	0.768	3.135	3.135	3.135	3.135	3.135
Devt. GoU	0.000	0.100	0.023	0.000	3.135	3.135	3.135	3.135
Ext. Fin.	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
<b>GoU Total</b>	<b>3.548</b>	<b>3.942</b>	<b>0.943</b>	<b>3.842</b>	<b>6.977</b>	<b>6.977</b>	<b>6.977</b>	<b>6.977</b>
<b>Total GoU+Ext Fin (MTEF)</b>	<b>3.548</b>	<b>3.942</b>	<b>0.943</b>	<b>3.842</b>	<b>6.977</b>	<b>6.977</b>	<b>6.977</b>	<b>6.977</b>
<i>A.I.A Total</i>	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>3.548</b>	<b>3.942</b>	<b>0.943</b>	<b>3.842</b>	<b>6.977</b>	<b>6.977</b>	<b>6.977</b>	<b>6.977</b>

### (ii) Vote Strategic Objective

1. Promote International Peace and Security
2. Promote Commercial/ Economic Diplomacy
3. Provide Diplomatic, Protocol and Consular Services to both Ugandans and foreigners
4. Mobilise and empower Uganda's Diaspora for national development
5. Promote Uganda's Public Diplomacy and enhance her image in countries of accreditation.
6. Strengthen Institutional Capacity of the Embassy

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## *V2: Past Vote Performance and Medium Term Plans*

### **Performance for Previous Year FY 2018/19**

1. Prepared and coordinated the visit to Uganda of H.E. Dr. Sorena Sattari, Iranian Vice President to Uganda. During the visit, it was agreed that Iran shall open up its markets for Ugandan Goods to promote trade between the two countries. The Iranian Government shall also encourage its Companies to invest in Uganda's economy especially in Agriculture.
2. Further to the visit of the Vice President, a forum was held between Iranian knowledge-based companies and corresponding companies from Uganda during which the sides exchanged views and signed 02 Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) namely: (a) The National Elites Foundation of Iran and Iran Uganda Holdings Ltd signed an MOU to establish a modern agro-science technology farm in Uganda while (b) Barakat E-Health Company also signed an MOU with Mbarara Community Hospital in which the hospital will be offered tele-health services in remote and deprived areas.
3. Successfully engaged the Iranian Government to include Uganda as one of the countries to benefit from its new policy to undertake/invest in commercial agricultural projects abroad to feed its growing population.
4. The Embassy officials represented Uganda at various national days for countries accredited to the Islamic republic of Iran and discussed various forms of cooperation on the sidelines of the functions and various meetings with the Iran Government officials.
5. Esfahan Steel Company agreed to come to Uganda for a fact finding Mission and explore ways of exporting steel to Uganda as a prelude for investing in steel industry in Uganda.
6. Rayhaneh Pharmaceutical Company which manufactures Drugs in Iran agreed to cooperate with National Drug Authority and explore ways of cooperation to bring Iranian affordable high quality Drug to Ugandan Market.
7. Promoted Ugandan Beans, Tea and Coffee in Iran. Over 80 Containers were exported to Iran but increased fresh sanctions on Iran by the United States have made the exportation difficult due to difficulty in shipping and insurance.
8. The Embassy paid courtesy calls to various tour operators with the aim of making Uganda a priority on their travel destinations
9. Continued to engage Pakistan, Kazakhstan and Azerbaijan authorities on Investment opportunities available in Uganda.
10. Followed up on MOUs existing between Uganda and Iran.
11. Visited Qom Province and provided various consular services to the Ugandans community including the students and encouraged them to invest home
12. Encouraged Iranians to obtain visas on arrival and to visit Uganda for both tourism and business purposes. The Embassy did not issue visas because it had not yet been facilitated to handle electronic visa issuance.
13. Provided consular services to Ugandans incarcerated in various prisons such Evin prison.
14. Coordinated charitable activities to give free optical care to Ugandans.

### **Performance as of BFP FY 2019/20 (Performance as of BFP)**

-The mission coordinated the visit of the Rt. Hon. Speaker Rebecca Kadaga, Speaker of the Parliament of Uganda in Islamabad, Pakistan from 28th July to 3rd August 2019 while she attended the 5th Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) Asia Regional Conference.

-The mission coordinated the 42nd Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Parliamentary Union of the OIC member states that was held in Kampala from 1st to 2nd October, 2019. Diplomats from Senegal, Iran, Mauritania, Pakistan and Sudan attended this meeting.

- The embassy held talks with the President of Guilan Chamber of Commerce and discussed modalities of how Ugandan traders can directly export their products Iran.

-Coordinated a trade show and invited the Uganda business community to show case the country's products in the Anzali Free Trade Industrial Zone

-The mission received two new staff ie.a Financial attache and Driver.

-Traveled to Qazvin Province to Visit Parshayan Co. Factory which deals in Cosmetics and Health Care products. Held business discussions on prospective investment opportunities and trade between Uganda and Iran

-Traveled to Qazvin Province and Visited Pars Switch Company which manufactures Medium and High Voltage Circuit Breakers and disconnecter switches. Inspected their factory and discussed with Management the prospective of having Pars Switch as one of the suppliers of of electrical transmission devices to our energy sector.

- The embassy issued gratis visas to 8 diplomats who traveled to Kampala to attend the 42 Executive Committee meeting of the Parliamentary Union of OIC member states.

- Purchased two safes

-Purchased furniture for the recently deployed Financial Attache

-Purchased one Printer

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## FY 2020/21 Planned Outputs

- Bilateral cooperation with countries of accreditation
- Peace building initiatives/processes of interest to Uganda and the great Lakes Region
- Consular services provided including addressing issues of 30 distressed Ugandans
- Issue visas to foreigners travelling to Uganda
- Protocol services provided to all visiting entitled officers
- Promote Uganda's export products (coffee, tea and beans) promoted to countries of accreditation
- Promote Uganda's investment opportunities in 2 priority areas of Agro processing and trade
- Show case Uganda's tourist products at 4 tourism promotion events in Iran and other countries of accreditation
- Source 10 scholarship/training opportunities for Ugandans
- Access of employment especially by 200 Ugandan Youth in Iran and countries of accreditation
- Security system upgraded and ICT equipment purchased
- Furniture and fittings for chancery and Official Residence procured.
- Four workshops on gender issues organized
- At least 30% level of female staff maintained at the embassy-Over 1000 condoms distributed to Uganda students in the countries of accreditation
- Four HIV Sensitization workshops carried out
- A clean, safe and secure environment maintained.

## Medium Term Plans

The Embassy will continue to:-

1. Engage Iran and other countries of accreditation to be supportive of Various Peace-building Initiatives/Processes of Interest to Uganda and the Great Lakes Region.
2. Lobby Iran and other countries of accreditation for understanding and appreciation of Uganda's Position on various Issues including Social, Economic, and Political and Cultural aspects.
3. Promote Uganda exports to Iran and other countries of accreditation.
4. Lobby for Foreign Direct Investments from Iran and other countries of accreditation
5. Attract Tourists from Iran and other countries of accreditation
6. Handle consular cases including Ugandans in distress.
6. Engage Ugandan Diaspora to actively contribute to national development.
7. Lobby gainful employment of Ugandans in Iran and countries of accreditation.
8. Acquire, develop and Manage property in Tehran

## Efficiency of Vote Budget Allocations

1. The mission will prioritize activities and multitask in the implementation of planned activities
2. Collaborate with other stakeholders in co-funding of some of the key unfunded activities
3. Introduce and strengthen existing internal control systems such as the procurement function.

## Vote Investment Plans

- Purchase of Furniture
- Purchase and upgrade of ICT equipment and system

## Major Expenditure Allocations in the Vote for FY 2020/21

A large portion of the Mission's budget is allocated mainly statutory items of Mission staff salaries, Foreign Service Allowance, Rent and Medical expenses among others.

## V3: PROGRAMME OUTCOMES, OUTCOME INDICATORS AND PROPOSED BUDGET ALLOCATION

**Table V3.1: Programme Outcome and Outcome Indicators**

<b>Programme :</b>	<b>52 Overseas Mission Services</b>
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<b>Programme Objective :</b>	The Mission aims to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Promote International Peace and Security;</li> <li>2. Promote Commercial/ Economic Diplomacy;</li> <li>3. Provide Diplomatic, Protocol and Consular Services in countries of accreditation.</li> <li>4. Mobilize and empower Uganda's Diaspora for national development</li> <li>5. Promote Uganda's Public Diplomacy and enhance her image in countries of accreditation.</li> <li>6. Strengthen Institutional Capacity of the Embassy</li> </ol>				
<b>Responsible Officer:</b>	Benjamin Mukabire				
<b>Programme Outcome:</b>	Enhanced national security, Development, Country's image abroad and well being of Ugandans				
<i>Sector Outcomes contributed to by the Programme Outcome</i>					
<b>1. Improved regional and International Relations</b>					
Programme Performance Indicators (Output)	Performance Targets				
	2019/20 Plan	2019/20 Q1 Actual	2020/21 Target	2021/22 Target	2022/23 Target
• Number of cooperation frameworks negotiated, and concluded	3	1	3	Enhance bilateral cooperation with countries of accreditation	Enhance bilateral cooperation with countries of accreditation
• Rating of Uganda's image abroad	Good	good	Excellent	Improve and maintain Uganda's good image in countries of accreditation	Improve and maintain Uganda's good image in countries of accreditation

**Table V3.2: Past Expenditure Outturns and Medium Term Projections by Programme**

Billion Uganda shillings	2018/19	2019/20		2020/21	MTEF Budget Projections			
	Outturn	Approved Budget	Spent By End Q1	Proposed Budget	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
<b>Vote :226 Mission in Iran</b>								
52 Overseas Mission Services	3.438	3.942	0.943	3.842	6.977	6.977	6.977	6.977
<b>Total for the Vote</b>	<b>3.438</b>	<b>3.942</b>	<b>0.943</b>	<b>3.842</b>	<b>6.977</b>	<b>6.977</b>	<b>6.977</b>	<b>6.977</b>

## V4: SUBPROGRAMME PAST EXPENDITURE OUTTURNS AND PROPOSED BUDGET ALLOCATIONS

**Table V4.1: Past Expenditure Outturns and Medium Term Projections by SubProgramme**

Billion Uganda shillings	2018/19	2019/20		2020/21	Medium Term Projections			
	Outturn	Approved Budget	Spent By End Sep	Proposed Budget	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
<i>Programme: 52 Overseas Mission Services</i>								
01 Headquarters Tehran	3.438	3.842	0.921	3.842	3.842	3.842	3.842	3.842

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<i>Total For the Programme : 52</i>	3.438	3.942	0.943	3.842	6.977	6.977	6.977	6.977
<b>Total for the Vote :226</b>	<b>3.438</b>	<b>3.942</b>	<b>0.943</b>	<b>3.842</b>	<b>6.977</b>	<b>6.977</b>	<b>6.977</b>	<b>6.977</b>

N / A

### Table V4.3: Major Capital Investment (Capital Purchases outputs over 0.5Billion)

N/A

## ***V5: VOTE CHALLENGES FOR 2020/21 AND ADDITIONAL FUNDING REQUESTS***

### **Vote Challenges for FY 2020/21**

1. The Mission is accredited to 11 countries namely Iran, Kyrgyzstan, Palestine, Iraq, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Turkmenistan, Kazakhstan, Tajikistan, Pakistan and Afghanistan where credentials have to be presented and the new Ambassador gets accredited before commencement of work. The accreditation process itself is expensive in addition to the high operating cost in such number of countries.
2. The Mission in the execution of its mandate still continues to encounter the challenges of sanctions which make remittance of the Mission funds impossible and the business community cannot transfer also. Officers at the station need 5-10% if they are to remit money informally which renders the Mission a hard to live station requiring Government to consider paying hardship allowance to the Mission staff.
3. Communication challenges like delayed and or no feedback from the relevant stakeholders in Uganda

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