



### President Ndayishimiye serves as a role model in fish farming



**T**he President of the Republic of Burundi His Excellency Evariste Ndayishimiye visited thursday, July 13, his fish ponds extending over an area of 2.5 ha in Karusi. He appreciated the important production of tilapias, calpes, and Clarias, fished in his presence. He calls on Bu-

rundians to follow the model to balance their diet.

The President Ndayishimiye intends to associate that fish farming project with the breeding of rabbits, chickens and pigs; which will enrich the diet of the fish.

That major project of the Head of State is carried out in a swamp separating the Buhiga and Bugenyuzi communes, which was practically difficult to exploit because the water of the Ndurumu river flooded that part during all the growing seasons. ([www.presidence.gov.bi](http://www.presidence.gov.bi))

### The World Food Program representative in Burundi bid farewell to the Head of State

**T**he President of the Republic His Excellency Evariste Ndayishimiye received in audience on monday in Kibimba the Representative of the World Food Program (WFP) in Burundi Mr. Housainou TAAL, who came to bid him farewell after the expiration of his mandate.

Mr. Housainou TAAL first gave a

brief overview of the World Food Program on WFP interventions in Burundi.

“The interventions are aligned on the priorities of the National Development Plan 2018-2027, the National Program for capitalization of peace, social stability and the promotion of economic growth 2021-2025 and Vision 2025,” said Mr. Housain-

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ou TAAL before adding that currently the operations target the humanitarian needs of the country, without forgetting the investments in long-term development. That high personality did not hide his satisfac-

tion about the achievements, especially to the Ministries in charge of Agriculture, Health, Trade, Solidarity, and the Ministry in charge of Education, in terms of logistics, the capacity increasing and the school canteen.

He also noted that Burundi has made a significant progress in its policy of seeing every mouth to have something to eat and every pocket to have money, thus setting a model for many countries.

"We are preparing a round table of the development partners to agree on combining the plans together," said the Head of State after thanking the WFP for its role in the development of Burundi.

He also congratulated that personality for the renewed confidence and wished him every success in the Central African Republic where he will again represent the WFP.

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### The First Lady Her Excellence Angeline Ndayishimiye: Laureate of the United Nations Population Prize of 2023 edition



1981 (resolution 36/201) recognizes and rewards an individual and/or an institution that has made an outstanding contribution in raising community awareness of the population issues and their solutions.

The United Nations Population Fund, which serves as the secretariat of the Award Committee for that prize, in its announcement, described the First Lady as "a tireless philanthropist and defender of the rights of women

**O**n July 12, 2023, the First Lady of Burundi H.E. Angeline NDAYISHIMIYE received, in New York at United Nations Headquarters, the United Nations Population Prize in the individual category. This award, created by the General Assembly in November

and young girls in Burundi". The qualifications that have always characterized her in her positions as First Lady and the President of the Fondation Bonne Action Umugiraneza, which she personally created and which earned her that prestigious award.

In her speech, the First Lady H.E. Angeline Ndayishimiye said that this prize is not "only a prize but also an encouragement to persevere in the actions carried out in favor of the Burundian population, especially women, young people and the most vulnerable».

"When we committed in transforming the lives of our brave people, through the OPDD-Burundi or the Fondation Bonne Action Umugiraneza, we wanted to restore the smiles and dignity to the people we serve. She added.

In her citation for the First Lady's Award, UNFPA Executive Director Dr. Natalia Kanem said the award was given to her "in recognition of her leadership and the advocacy on the treatment and awareness of the public in stigmatizing and poorly of the treated health problems such as obstetric fistula, to fight against

the root causes and consequences of violence and gender-based violence in particular, because of the concrete solutions: the creation of a center psychology for improving the psychosocial well-being and commitment for strengthening the information on sexual and reproductive health in the Republic of Burundi. »

The 2023 Edition of that award occurred one day after the celebration of world population day under the theme: "Raise the voice of women and girls to unlock the infinite possibilities of our world". A theme

which perfectly matches with the commitments of the First Lady.

On the sidelines of that occasion, the First Lady H.E Angeline NDAYISHIMIYE participated, on July 11, in the training activities on health and development organized by the World Academy of the First Ladies, at Columbia University. This four-day symposium had the ultimate goal of "discussing on the current trends, the sustainable critical research and the evidence-based approaches in promoting the population health and their well-being. »([www.presidence.gov.bi](http://www.presidence.gov.bi))

### **Presentation of the major achievements of the Ministry of Justice during the fiscal year 2022-2023**



**T**he Minister of Justice, Mrs. Domine Banyankimbona, held a press briefing on Wednesday, July 12, 2023 in Bujumbura to present the major achievements of this Ministry. On that occasion, Mrs. Banyankimbona, indicated that the Ministry of Justice carried out, during the 2022-2023 financial year, the activities included in the action plan and which are in line with the axis of the development plan in relationship with the governance. The major achievements include the organization of the meetings for raising the awareness and improving the justice staffs and litigants. For the former, it was a question of reminding them their duty to serve the population, the respect for the law, the promptness in the processing of cases and the respect of the human dignity in their mission to render justice. For the latter, it was a question of encouraging them

to focus more on the development activities in avoiding the endless lawsuits, when they have no interest in doing so. This is to make it possible to commit to the vision of the President of the Republic who wants every mouth to have something to eat and every pocket to have money.

Regarding the penitentiary field, there have been the activities that aimed at decongesting the prisons. To that end, the various prisons have organized the income-generating activities to combat inmate idleness and prepare them for their reintegration. Those activities are, the planting of oil palms, tomatoes and tea, the cultivation of rice, the production of soap, as well as the breeding of cows and goats.

The reforms for the revision of certain laws that have become obsolete have been persistent and five draft texts have been prepared and submitted to the authorized bodies for adoption. Those are the draft code of judicial organization and jurisdiction, the draft code of civil procedure, the draft law on the status of the legal profession as well as the profession of notary.

In the same vein, 24 normative texts have undergone the legal overhaul and 40 other texts have been translated into Kirundi by the national legislation service. And in order to popularize the laws and regulations among the population, the Ministry of Justice has regularly produced and disseminated the normative texts through the official bulletins of Burundi (BOB). It is within this framework that



24 official bulletins of Burundi were produced and published, she added.

With regard to land, the Ministry of Justice has started to sensitize the population for the land registration. It is in this context that 7,890 property titles were issued by the land titles and national cadaster department. That direction made a return to the public treasury of an amount of 13,657,721,487 BIF while the other sectors of justice such as the one in charge of fighting against corruption and other judicial services collected on behalf of the treasury public an amount of 3,527,776,097.BIF. Ms. Domine said that in order to guarantee the access to justice for all, the Ministry of Justice provided the legal and judicial assistance to 1,427 vulnerable and destitute

people, by providing them the defense lawyers for their causes.

With the same aim of guaranteeing access to justice for all, more or less 24 cases awaiting judgment were closed while three field visits to inspect the premises and enforce the judgments were also organized, she clarified.

In addition, she recalled, the councils of quarters and neighborhood notables have been set up, and are at work to establish a conciliation justice throughout the national territory. That group, made up of more or less of forty thousand notables, has made it possible to significantly reduce the disputes previously known to the level of the courts of residence.([www.abpinfos.com](http://www.abpinfos.com))

### Public broadcast by spokespersons of public institutions



The Spokespersons of the public institutions hosted a public broadcast on thursday, July 13, 2023 at the Royal Stadium of Muramvya. They responded from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. to questions from journalists and the public.

In the greeting message of the Head of State reported by his Spokesperson Mrs. Rosine Guilène Gatoni, the Head of State called on the population not to waste the harvest of this dry season and to keep it in community sheds, practice irrigation during this dry season to avoid idleness.

Through the same message addressed to the population, the Head of State is delighted that young people are actively contributing to the development of the country, he encourages them to entrust themselves to their funds intended for their financing.

The Head of State called on Burundians to

prepare their future by saving in banks and microfinance institutions and to avoid hoarding because it can abolish their economy.

Responding to questions of the journalists wanting to know how the Head of State will translate into action his desire to take judicial matters in hand, his Spokesperson indicated that the President will not decide on the trials but rather follow the work closely the judicial bodies.

About the progress made and challenges during the 3 years of the Head of State in power, his Spokesperson said that the President of the Republic highlighted the good governance, the fight against poverty, the fight against corruption and economic embezzlement, the macroeconomic reforms, etc. Regarding the challenges, Mrs. Rosine Guilène Gatoni specified that the Head of State deplors the absence of a patriotic spirit that characterizes some Burundians.

Regarding the fuel shortage which persists whereas the Head of State has announced that he has taken this issue in hand, the Spokesperson for the Head of State indicated that the country has the fuel stocks at DAR- ES-SALAMA in Tanzania and that the problem lies with the transporters who

do not do their job properly, adding that the government plans to equip itself with large fuel transport trucks.

Wanting to know why the government of Burundi does not use the central corridor to transport fuel via Lake Tanganyika, as other countries do, Mrs. Rosine Guilène Gatoni indicated that the competent authorities are studying this way.

Speaking on the persistent shortage of SOSUMO sugar, Mr. Onésime Niyukuri, Spokesman of the Ministry in charge of Trade acknowledged that SOSUMO's production is not sufficient. As a solution, SOSUMO is building a new factory. He nevertheless warns traders who speculate and illegally increase the official price.

Asked when the central market of Bujumbura will be rebuilt, Mr. Prosper Ntahogwamiye, government spokesman, said that the projects presented to the Council of Ministers contained many gaps.

Wanting to know the progress of the case of the former Prime Minister General Alain Guillaume Bunyoni, the Spokesperson of the Supreme Court announces that the investigation continues on the offenses committed by the former Prime Minister, Alain Guillaume Bunyoni. In addition to the three charges against Police General Bunyoni, Agnès Bangiricenge adds the illegal possession of weapons and the insults to the Head of State. According to her, the prosecution requested that the alleged remain detained.

Concerning the suspension of the President of the CNL party Agathon Rwasa by a group of 10 members of the executive committee of that party, the Spokesperson of the Ministry of Interior, Community Development and Public Security Lieutenant-Colonel of Police Pierre NKWIRIKIYE has clarified that the recognized bodies are those that have been set up in accordance with the law in force of 2019 of that party. The spokesperson of the Ministry in charge of the interior added that the two parties confided in the Ministry in charge of the interior and added that the file is still under study.

With regard to the pensions of retirees promised by the Head of State, the Govern-

ment Spokesperson specified that the draft law governing this measure already exists, the rest is the ministerial order of application which is being drawn up to be analyzed by the Council of Ministers, specifies the spokesman of the government, Mr. Prosper Ntahogwamiye.

To the question of the Christians of the Adventist Church who are in conflict in certain provinces, the Spokesperson Pierre Nkurikiye indicated that the question is settled, they are no longer believers, they are rather assimilated to criminals apprehended as perpetrators of unrest, said the spokesman for the Ministry in regarding the buyers of plots in the Gisyo district but who have seen their plots fragmented because of the rising waters of Lake Tanganyika, the spokesperson for the Ministry in charge of infrastructure called on them to join the social housing, otherwise their development costs would be returned in agreement with the Ministry of Finance.

Regarding the return of ten thousand and five thousand banknotes, the spokesman of the Bank of the Republic of Burundi Mr. Bellarmin Bacinoni said that the provisional report showed that 95% of the banknotes were returned and that the final report will be conditioned by the detailed counting of banknotes and calls on Burundians to deposit the money in financial institutions "Use your money, but do not keep the colossal sums on you or at home and promote the monetary transfers to avoid the dangers that may arise from it. " did he declare.

Regarding the lamentations of the population who do not receive certain radio and television channels in Burundi, especially those on the borders, the assistant to the Ministry of Communication Mr. Thierry Kitamoya indicated that the main cause is the dilapidation of some antennas. He said that they are doing everything so that the entire population has access to all radio and television stations broadcasting in Burundi. ([www.rtnb.bi](http://www.rtnb.bi))

## The National Center for Socio-Professional Rehabilitation (CNRSP) is seeking support



**G**raduation on tuesday, tuly 11, 2023 to the 21 winners of the National Center for Socio-professional Rehabilitation (CNRSP) in Jabe. The ceremonies were enhanced by the Permanent Secretary at the Ministry in charge of national solidarity Mr. Pontien Hatungimana. Those winners received equipment kits that will allow them to continue to exercise their trades in association. Those kits consist of sewing machines, irons, etc.

The director of that rehabilitation center Mr. William Ndayimirije asked the government of Burundi and any other partner to continue to support that center which accommodates the students living with disabilities. He also requested support for the material kits given to the winners at the end of their training and a vehicle to move the food intended to feed the students.

The Permanent Secretary at the Ministry in charge of national solidarity Mr. Pontien Hatungimana urged the young graduates to

use the knowledge acquired to develop themselves and their families, to always be attentive, especially young girls, so that no one can mislead them. .

A parent representative warmly thanked the director of the national socio-professional rehabilitation center because those children living with a disability leave that center with a very satisfactory knowledge. He calls for a regular monitoring of those young graduates so that they can make a good progress in their professions. ([www.rtnb.bi](http://www.rtnb.bi))

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