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Bukedi MP winners celebrate overnight

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BUDAKA/KIBUKU/PALLISA. Supporters of various candidates yesterday afternoon took to the streets and gathered in trading centres in the districts of Bukedi sub-region, Pallisa, Budaka and Kibuku to celebrate the victory of their candidates, who won in the parliamentary elections.

In Budaka, supporters of the Budaka Woman MP elect, Ms Pamela Kamugo Nasiyo, and those of Mr Robert Kasolo, the winner in Iki-Iki County walked for about 20km to converge at the central venue for the partying. Ms Kamugo trounced the incumbent MP as well as State minister for Luweero, Ms Sarah Kataike, while Mr Kasolo trounced the incumbent MP, Mr Jeremiah Twa-Twa.

"We had to party as soon as the victorious candidates were declared by the district election officer," said a supporter.

In Kibuku District, the story was no different as supporters of Herbert Kinobere, who had to fight hard to unseat the incumbent, Mr Saleh Kamba, as Kibuku County MP. Mr Kibonere's supporters danced in the trading centres as soon as he was declared winner by the district returning officer, Ms Sarah Kabukaire.

In Kabweri County, many of Francis Gnahasa Zindula [FDC] supporters also did the same as they carried posters, dancing all the way from the tally centre.

While in Pallisa, supporters of Mr Rogers Tantambuka [NRM] went crazy as they blew all sorts of instruments and danced. This was the case for supporters of Mr Fred Mudukoi who trounced the incumbent, Mr Patrick Mutono in Butebo county.

Kisoro mayor wins municipality MP race



Mr Sam Byibesho is lifted shoulder high after he was declared winner of the Kisoro Municipality parliamentary seat on Friday. PHOTO BY ROBERT MUHEREZA

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KISORO. Kisoro mayor Sam Byibesho, has been elected as the first MP for Kisoro Municipality which becomes operational in July.

The district Electoral Commission returning officer, Mr Alex Ainebyoona, declared Mr Byibesho (NRM) after winning with 3,300 votes while his closest challenger, Mr Paul Bucyananyi, son of Agriculture

minister Tress Bucyananyi got 2,900 votes. The third contender Christopher Dfutumukiza (independent) got 34 votes. Mr Byibesho has been the mayor for Kisoro Town Council since 2002 and he attributed his victory to his all-embracing approach to the people.

"I think people voted for me because of the achievements I have made since I was elected mayor 15 years ago. Some of the achievements include participating in the process to el-

evate Kisoro Town Council into a municipality, construction of a modern central market that accommodates about 200 shops, construction of the taxi/bus parks, beautification of Kisoro town that made it attain the 7th position among the clean towns in Uganda and having night lights on all the streets in Kisoro," said Mr Byibesho.

He promised to buy exercise books for all children in primary schools in Kisoro Town starting with the second term.

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MP winners and losers