Here are Uganda's top ten industries: Where do you fit?



Maid: I am fed up of being poor!
Mzee: You don't lack much though.
Maid: Nice food, light work and talking to an old man in a big house all day can be boring. I want big money to drive a big car and fly all over the world
Mzee: Uganda is a land of endless opportunities, pick your choice!
Maid: Show me where!
Mzee: Try any of the ten most lucrative sectors.
Maid: Number one?
Mzee: Let's start at number ten: Banking
Maid: I don't have the qualifications nor the capital. And I think the banks sat on their fat bottoms too long and the telecoms took up the movement of money and now giving quick loans without making you beg or bribe. Give me number nine!
Mzee: Agriculture...
Maid: Leave me alone! I cannot afford mechanisation and after several years just switching on ovens and a washing machine, I don't think I can lift a hoe.
Give me number eight!
Mzee: Hospitality and food. You don't have to build a five-star hotel, even a shack can have its customers. Just look out of the window. And, until human beings evolve to absorb nutrients from sunlight and the air, you cannot go wrong with food.
Maid: I know, but serving bodaboda and taxi drivers not for me. Number seven?
Mzee: Construction. Everyone is building something these days. Can't go wrong.
Maid: I know nothing about construction and to hire those who know is tough. What is at number six?
Mzee: Mining; this country is sitting on endless valuables under the ground.
Maid: Don't mock me! It has taken the Government all my life to get the oil out of the ground which was confirmed when I was being born. You expect me to live a thousand years to extract wealth from the ground? Give me number five!
Mzee: Okay, number five you can afford, even I can give you a loan for it. Invest in bodaboda! There is no bodaboda that doesn't make a million a month and opportunity is still there even with a million people already riding bodabodas.
Maid: I am not a million people. I know one million times one million is a trillion and it may be the 5th biggest industry. But one million a month for me won't buy me a big car and air tickets every month! What is number four?
Mzee: Beverages. I am told Ugandans drink a million bottles a day...
Maid: Too much capital required. What's the number three money spinner?
Mzee: Education of course. Just set up a school that you can manage. Start a nursery in this compound and that guest wing that has never been occupied.
Maid: Now you are talking. I should consider that. But what is at number two?
Mzee: Telecoms. As you said, they are doing all that the banks failed to do.
Insert yourself somewhere in the money movement chain.
Maid: I know telecoms are big, but our mobile money girl up the street tells me the profits for the small timers are small. I seem to be unfit for most options. Just tell me the number one biggest industry and..
Mzee: Politics of course. What don't you know?
Maid: Oh, yes! Why hadn't I seen it? But I am told people have been investing a billion to get elected to Parliament and only one out of every five candidates won! But I don't have a billion.
Mzee: Who told you politicians are only in Parliament? What about all those councillors? Madam, we have 72,000 villages, can you surely fail to get yourself a post in one of them, between now and 2031? Start working on it, even Parliament. You already have O'level, get you are A'level equivalent in the next two years, go offer some service in every household in this compact constituency and try your luck. From 2030 you will use my car so remember me when you get the 300m plus for the car when you win.
Maid: Thank you so much, Mzee!
Mzee: You are welcome, my girl!