

Are we ready for the dry season?

The second rainy season is about to end and then the dry season will start. As we all know, the dry season is always characterised by lack of water, pasture and increased food prices.

I can authoritatively say that the media will constantly carry stories of people being hungry in certain parts of the country at the peak of the season. But as usual, Ugandans will continue into the dry season without thinking of contingency measures like water storage.

When the dry season sets in, food prices are going to rise and we shall see Uganda Bureau of Statistics say the inflation has risen. In my view, as a country, we should be focussing on ways of preventing the

dry spell from having a devastating effect on us rather than the current issues we are quarrelling over.

We should be discussing issues of survival and not age limit or anything in that direction. The billions that have been given to MPs should have been allocated to irrigation to ensure that we have enough food next year.

Age limit will not increase our food production. Things like agriculture modernisation will.

As Ugandans, we need to have a serious dialogue on our survival as a country.

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