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surrounding the tragic incident.

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By Eddie Ssejjoba

The Government will protect the family of the late Kayunga National Resistance Movement (NRM) chairperson Moses Kalangwa who last week perished in a road crash. Minister of Local Government Balaam Barugahara has said.

The minister further stated that the Government will also guard Kalangwa's estate against opportunists who want to take advantage and steal his livestock.

Barugahara pledged this on Sunday as he visited the family at their home in Bbaale, Kayunga district where Kalangwa, who was also a senior presidential advisor, was buried last week.

LAND GRABBING ALLEGATIONS

According to Barugahara, the Government is concerned with what he termed as "reckless allegations against the deceased", with some individuals turning to social media to celebrate his death and vowing to take revenge on the family.

He urged the public to

dismiss allegations that Kalangwa was a land grabber, saying under normal circumstances, he would buy off some people but would give them a grace period to harvest their crops.

"Unfortunately, many of these people would later turn around and refuse to vacate the land he had already paid for, creating a false impression that he was evicting them," Barugahara said.

He explained that some of these individuals wanted to take advantage of his death to grab his estate.

"Whoever has any claims of losing land to Kalangwa should come up with evidence and will be helped; we shall not allow anyone to steal his land," Barugahara said while meeting widow Florence Kirabo and orphans led by Jacqueline Birungi.

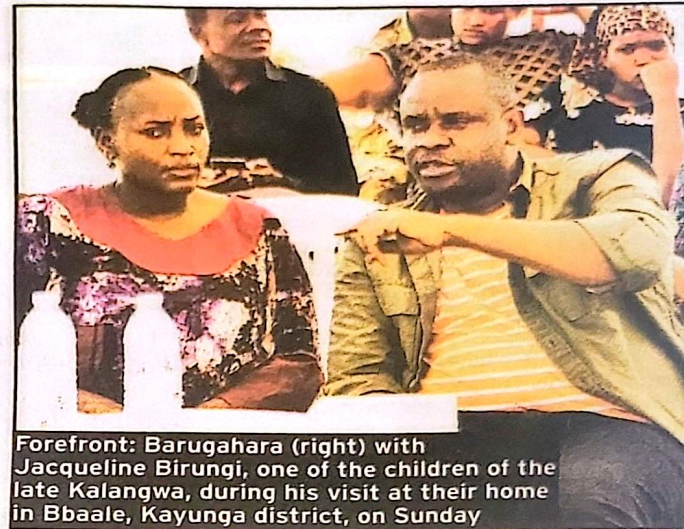
He offered a condolence of sh5m and pledged to buy



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300 iron sheets towards the completion of the Church the late was constructing.

Barugahara also said he had started mobilising Kalangwa's associates to contribute towards the church until



Forefront: Barugahara (right) with Jacqueline Birungi, one of the children of the late Kalangwa, during his visit at their home in Bbaale, Kayunga district, on Sunday

it is completed.

EMULATE KALANGWA

Barugahara urged the family to avoid selling off the father's estate, but suggested that they form a company to manage

the estate.

"Kalangwa was rich, but worked like an ordinary peasant. We appeal to the children to emulate him and work to protect his legacy,"

he said, adding that was Kalangwa's long associate.

Barugahara described as a friend of many who become so industrious he advised the family to reacting to reckless media comments about father.

According to Barugahara, President Yoweri Museveni granted Kalangwa a funeral because he was active within the NRM and the Government. In addition, Barugahara said President contributed sh100m towards the while Operation Creation co-ordinator Salim Saleh pledged sh40m.

At the burial, Government was represented by Minister for the Presidency Milly Babalanda, while was represented by Secretary General Rwigyira Todwong and its director for mobilisation Rose Sseninde.

Birungi assured the minister that they would keep the unity and work towards upholding Kalangwa's estate.