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Coffee farmers urged on quality

Pius Wakabi Kasaijja, the permanent secretary, Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, has urged farmers to embrace best practices of farming if they are to harvest improved seed quality.

Kasaijja made the remarks while presiding as chief guest during celebrations to mark international coffee day at Makerere University Agricultural Institute, Kabanyolo (MUARIK) on Thursday.

During the celebrations, it was revealed that although Uganda is one of the best coffee producing countries in Africa, there is still a challenge of poor quality coffee which cannot compete on the goal market.

It is at the point that Kasaijja urged farmers to improve on the quality of coffee.

"Most farmers harvest non-ready coffee in a bid to get quick money. But its high time farmers started harvesting red ready coffee beans," said Kasaijja.

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