

Idd Adhuha, including the Muslim World League office in Uganda, the Uganda Red Cross Society and the

year now costs sh2m and above, according to the organisations. Sheikh Hassan Mayambala, the

fundamental act of worship in Islam. He explained that the practice not only commemorates Prophet Ibrahim's unwavering devotion

the act of slaughtering an animal honours this ultimate test of faith and demonstrates that a believer places Allah's will above worldly

At Kibuli mosque, prayers will start at 9:30am. Sheikh Ishaq Mutemba will deliver the main sermon at Kibuli mosque.

By Joseph Mutebi

The Office of the National Chairperson (ONC) of the National Resistance Movement (NRM) yesterday donated more than 30 bulls and assorted food items to Muslim communities in Kampala ahead of today's Idd celebrations.

The head of ONC and senior presidential advisor on political affairs, Hajjat Hadijah Namyalo Uzeiye, launched the donation exercise at Al Albaan Islamic Primary School and Masjid Noor in Kawaala, Rubaga Division, where each mosque received a bull and food supplies.

The donations, which were received by Muslim women in Kawaala, are aimed at supporting vulnerable families as Muslims mark one of the most significant festivals on the Islamic calendar.

While handing over the items, Namyalo clarified that the support had been provided by President Yoweri Museveni through the ONC, noting that she was only delivering the

President's message of solidarity to the Muslim community.

"This support is from President Museveni. People should know that the President is always thinking about all Ugandans and standing with them during important occasions like these. I am only delivering his message and support to the people," Namyalo said.

The head of media and communications at ONC, Hakim Kyesswa, said the office had received over 30 bulls from Museveni, in addition to food items, such as sugar, rice, posho, maize flour and cooking oil, with extra contributions from well-wishers.

Kyesswa said the items would be distributed to various mosques across the Kampala Metropolitan area, including Katwe, Ndeeba, Nateete, Kawaala, Lubaga, Nansana, Kakiri, Banda, Seeta, Mukono

and neighbouring areas.

Hajjat Namyalo urged Muslim families to uphold discipline, unity and love during the Idd festivities, saying the celebrations should be used to strengthen family and community bonds.

She also revealed that after

Idd, the ONC would resume its nationwide empowerment programmes targeting women, youth and other vulnerable groups. "President wants Ugandans, especially the youth and women, to improve their livelihoods and fight household poverty," she said.

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Namyalo (second-right), buys bulls from Kampala city abattoir for donation to Muslim communities in Kampala ahead of today's Idd celebrations

many families preparing for Idd," Bashir said.

She also commended Namyalo for her continued outreach and empowerment initiatives, noting that many women and local residents had benefited from her mobilisation and support programmes.

"Namyalo has always stood with ordinary people. She supports women, empowers the youth and continues to reach out to communities without discrimination," she added.

The donation drive is part of ONC's ongoing community outreach programmes being conducted across the country under Museveni's wealth creation and empowerment campaign.

Meanwhile, Moses Ndugwa, a senior Muslim at Masjid Noor in Kawaala, appealed to Museveni to consider Namyalo for a bigger government position, citing her mobilisation efforts since 2022 in support of the President's new term campaign under the slogan, "Omalako Jajja Tova Ku Main."