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Amuru residents positive on investment. The vice chairperson Uganda Women Entrepreneurs Association Limited, Ms Santa Joyce Laker, has said the locals in Amuru District welcome more investment projects in their region, as long as they are consulted. Ms Laker, who was touring Horyal Investment Holding Company which owns a sugarcane farm in Atiak Sub-county, Amuru District on Saturday, noted that many times investors consult the government instead of locals, leading to land wrangles. [Stephen Okello, Monitor]

Prime Minister Ruhakana Rugunda (C) consoles the late Archbishop Janani Luwum's widow, during the archbishop's 39th commemoration anniversary at Mucwini Sub-county in Kitgum District on Tuesday.

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Museveni honours St Luwum

Commemorated. Thousands of Christians on Tuesday commemorated the 39th martyrdom anniversary of St Janani Luwum.

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KITGUM. Thousands of Christians from all walks of life on Tuesday thronged Wii-gweng village at Mucwini Martyrs shrine in Kitgum District to commemorate the 39th martyrdom anniversary of St Janani Luwum.

Janani Luwum, the archbishop of metropolitan Anglican province of Uganda, Rwanda, Burundi and Boga-Zaire, was killed on 16th February 1977, a day after he was arrested on false charges by former President Idi Amin. Janani Luwum was Amin's sharp critic on the rule of law.

In a message read by Prime Minister Dr Ruhakana Rugunda on behalf

of the president, Mr Museveni described St Janani Luwum as a hero and an icon who stood for human rights and his faith.

The president said the death of Luwum was a clear sign of love he had for his country, adding that it's a strong sense of patriotism which he ultimately paid for with his blood.

He noted that Luwum's death became a major uniting factor and a healing force within a besieged church and a country riddled with fear and agony.

"Last year, government gazetted February 16 of every year a public

"He was a gift to Uganda and Africa in general; he is a gift to humanity. Today, we pay tribute to an icon who stood for truth, justice, his faith and respect for human rights,"

PRESIDENT YOWERI MUSEVENI

holiday in honour of St Janani Luwum whose murder was carried by Idi Amin. His death still remains a tragedy to Ugandans," Mr Museveni said.

He added that St Janani Luwum's death marked a pivotal point for the liberation of Uganda since it set a stage and mood that greatly facilitated the subsequent and successful Tanzanian-led campaign to remove Idi Amin's dictatorial regime.

ArchBishop of the Church of Uganda Stanley Ntagali, who led the prayers, urged Ugandans to emulate St Janani Luwum towards a peaceful 2016 election.

The occasion was attended by key dignitaries who included former chief justice currently, chairperson of Uganda's Elders Forum James Ogoola, Judge Owiny Dollo, Foreign Affairs minister Okello Oryem and Acholi paramount chief Rwot David Onen Achana.