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Northern Umbrella of Water and Sanitation to support the

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## TORORO

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A Chinese investor is set to build a cable car on top of Tororo Rock.

Foredy Investment Company Limited has committed to injecting over \$10m (about sh3.6b) towards the project. The caves within the rock will be developed into a restaurant and bars.

Jifeng Ye, the company's managing director, said the real investment work would start in the next two to three months after feasibility studies are carried out.

Jifeng made the commitment during the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between the executive director of Majestic International Travels and Tours, Phibby Otaala and Foredy Investment on Friday at the foot of the rock.

"There is great potential of turning this rock into a modern tourism site and my company is going to inject over \$10m into the project," Jifeng said.

The highest altitude of Tororo Rock is 4,865ft (1,483m) high with a gradient of about 0.75 from the east to the west. On the rock's slopes are caves and various rock paintings. The elevation of Tororo town is 3,888ft (1,185m).



Tororo Rock is to get a cable car, restaurant and bars

## ON THE GROUND

**Phibby Otaala cautioned politicians against politicising and tribalising the proposal to develop Tororo Rock, saying the revenue earned would facilitate service delivery to the people, irrespective of their political affiliations.**

Originally, people and students would climb the rock via the steep slopes.

The rock's top hosts telecommunication equipment and radio boosters. Its top can accommodate a structure that can be used for refreshments by the tourists.

Otaala, who is also Uganda's ambassador to Kenya, said under the partnership they are required to improve the existing scenery and link up with tourism promoting companies to ensure that the tourist site is known internationally.

She said a cable car would help take individuals who may find it difficult to access the top manually, hence reducing on time spent on the trip.