

e MPs Kasibante, Nambooze arrested

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KAMPALA. Police in Kampala yesterday arrested and later released Rubaga North MP Moses Kasibante and Mukono Municipality legislator Betty Nambooze for alleged disruption of the voting process.

The duo's arrest came after they stormed Streams of Life Church Polling Station following a tip off that supervisors and some candidates' agents had signed declaration forms before the voting exercise was concluded.

"I was informed that the declaration forms had been signed at exactly 1pm. We all know the exercise is supposed to end at 4pm. I demanded that the voting process be suspended with immediate effect," Mr Kasibante said while speaking to the media at Old Kampala Police Station where the duo was temporarily held.

Ms Nambooze blamed police for arresting them yet they had evidence that could have been used to call off voting at that centre.

Turning against the whistle-blower

"We were surprised when the police blamed us for attacking the polling officials. We have handed over the exhibits and the suspect to the police and we hope they will do the needful," Ms Nambooze said.

Mr Patrick Onyango, the Kampala Metropolitans Police spokesperson, insisted the duo had not been arrested, but they were stopped from disrupting the voting process.

He added that the suspect told them that the polling officials and candidates' agents had agreed to sign the declaration forms so that they can catch up with time. He, however, admitted that what had been done was unlawful. He said Mr Kasibante, Ms Nambooze and the suspect had recorded statements that will be used for further investigations.

Meanwhile, an unidentified man survived being lynched by voters at Nakivubo Blue after he was suspected of voting more than once.