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KAMPALA. State minister for Primary Healthcare, Dr Joyce Moriku Kaducu, on Wednesday evening joined her colleague, Dr Jane Ruth Aceng, the Cabinet Health minister, to seek better treatment abroad.

Dr Moriku was started on treatment at Aga Khan Hospital in Nairobi, following a referral from International Hospital Kampal(IHK), also a private hospital.

Speaking from Nairobi yesterday, the minister's husband, Dr Felix Kaducu, said his wife is still receiving treatment at the hospital's Intensive Care Unit (ICU).

"No, there is no improvement so far, but it is only one day [since they arrived at the hospital]. What we can say, she is stable on treatment," Dr Kaducu said.

The minister, also Woman Member of Parliament for Moyo District in West Nile, has been in-and-out of

hospitals for weeks for suspected food poisoning until last week when her condition deteriorated.

Her departure came five days after Dr Aceng travelled to India for specialised surgery on her knees.

Every year government spends at least \$150 million (about Shs377 billion) on treatment of mostly top

government officials abroad.

Having learnt about the expenditure last year, President Museveni asked it be brought down by restricting the privilege to a few selected severe cases.

The high cost also shocked ordinary citizens who say that it sharply contrasts with the continuous fund-

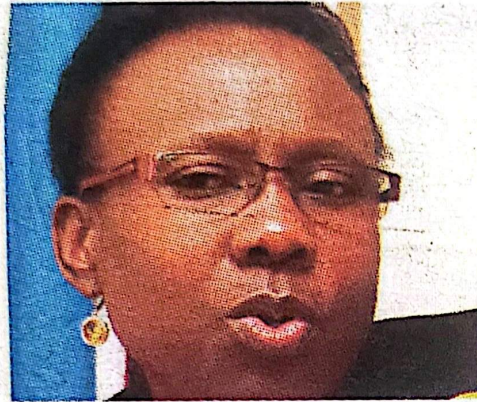
raising drives initiated by individuals in efforts to save lives of their beloved ones by seeking specialised treatment abroad.

Civil society organisations have also faulted government, arguing that the high expenditure on treatment of its officials out of the country should instead be used to upgrade local referral hospitals.

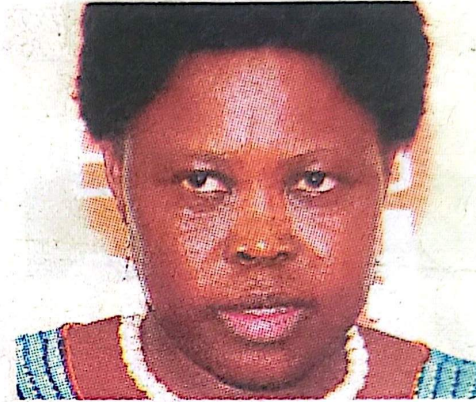
Mr Moses Talibita, the legal officer at Uganda National Health Consumers' Organisation, said the situation of having two health ministers seeking treatment out of the country is a true reflection of how bad the health care system in the country is.

State Minister for Health, Ms Sarah Opendi, could not be reached for a comment on what the situation of having two ministers seeking treatment abroad depicts of Uganda's health care system.

Two health ministers seek treatment abroad



Dr Jane Ruth Aceng



Dr Joyce Moriku Kaducu



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