

I WILL TRANSFORM AGRICULTURE – BARYAMUREEBA

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Independent presidential candidate Venansius Baryamureeba has promised to boost agriculture in the country once elected president in the February 18 elections.

Baryamureeba said agriculture is the back bone of this country and any leader who strives for its development should put emphasis on it.

He said people involved in farming need to be supported in order to be productive by not just being given free things but through the introduction of co-operatives, where they can get a boost.

“When a co-operative society is set up, farmers will easily access inputs like seedlings, fertilisers, chemicals and structures. Equipment like tractors can also be easily got at a subsidised cost to the member farmers which will result in the multiplication of harvests hence enough profits since the market of the produce will be readily available” Baryamureeba noted.

The former vice-chancellor at Makerere University was speaking to reporters shortly after attending a church service at Ibanda Kagongo Catholic Parish in his home village church.

Baryamureeba, who will be officially campaigning in Ibanda district on January 16, while addressing voters after the church service attacked the elderly politicians for taking long to relinquish power to the young leaders like him who have new developmental ideas for the country.

“Just like bishops retire at the age of 65, I think it should be same in politics. However, this is not the case in Uganda,” Baryamureeba, who is 47 years observed.

When asked about the recent directive of the Electoral Commission banning candidates from visiting hospitals, Baryamureeba said it is against their rights as Ugandans.

He, however, wondered why the former Prime minister and the independent presidential candidate Amama Mbabazi of the Go Forward has remembered to visit hospitals now yet he had failed to do so when he was at the top office in the Government.



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