

# Re-adjusting land in rural areas good idea

I was very excited by the advert in the *Daily Monitor* of July 6, where the Ministry of Lands, Housing and Urban Development, is in advanced stages to pilot land re-adjustments and re-settlement in rural areas.

I thank the government for the progressive and innovative thinking on how to deal with land fragmentation and address rural poverty by organising settlements and promoting commercial farming.

I hope that local politicians will equally be progressive in their thinking and that these pilots will be corruption-free so that communities will embrace them. I also urge the government to undertake the pilot programme alongside the private sector, development partners and NGOs. Progressive policies energise those of us who are working to make lives for rural communities better.

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