

Govt renovates Kagadi Hospital sanitation system

KAGADI

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The Government through the health ministry, is renovating Kagadi Hospital to improve service delivery in the single hospital serving Kagadi, Kibaale and Kakumiro districts.

The acting district engineer, Abel Mwebaze, told *New Vision* that the district received sh500m to kick-start the first phase of the renovations.

"We hope the renovation will be done in three phases, but starting with the urgent and most critical elements," Mwebaze said.

He said the contract was awarded to Mark Implex Ltd and is supposed to take six months.

Daniel Masinde, the site engineer, said the partial renovation involves emptying septic tanks, building two VIP latrines with three stances and fixing the toilets in the wards.

Other renovations include a facelift, which includes painting both inside and outside, replacing broken window panes, water taps and repairs in the hospital store.

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contract demands," Masinde said.

He said they will also replace the leaking iron sheets and repair the sewage system that is currently not functioning.

Masinde told *New Vision* that there is a lot of garbage in the septic tank, which is slowing down their work, but he is optimistic that they will work as expected.

The engineer said the partial renovation started on February 6 and is expected to be complete by August.

Mwebaze said once the money is utilised well, extra funds shall be released to complete the renovation in a period of three years.

He added that they started with hygiene and sanitation while the second phase shall compromise the renovation of staff quarters and even constructing a new one to accommodate the increasing number of health workers.