

Partnership with Korea crucial in teacher instruction – First Lady

By Vision reporter

The First Lady and the Minister of Education and Sports, Janet Museveni, has said there is need for the education ministry to partner with South Korea to get experts who can train technical instructors in Uganda in order to improve on their skills for the betterment of education in the country.

During a meeting with Kim You-Churl, the ambassador of the Republic of Korea to Uganda at State House, Nakasero, the minister noted that such skills could be in shoe making, textiles and household utensils, among other things that we still import.

The envoy was accompanied by the deputy head of mission counsellor, Kim Hyejin and Lim Hyangmi, his political assistant.

According to a release from her office, Mrs. Museveni said her ministry will propose how best to co-operate with



Mrs. Museveni with Kim You-Churl at State House, Nakasero

South Korean people because the Koreans have a very rich experience that Ugandans could learn from to develop their country.

She also thanked the Korean government for the excellent job done wherever they support the education sector in Uganda.

The First Lady and the Korean delegation also discussed plans by the Korean government to provide a loan to support Makerere University.

The meeting was attended by officials from the education Ministry.

Korea's support to the education and sports sector is mainly in the skills development sub-sector which includes the Korea Education IV project financed by South Korea Economic Development Co-operation Fund. The project worth \$26.8m was agreed upon in 2012 as co-financing for Africa Development Bank Education IV project.

It was intended to contribute to the

establishment of human resource, which is necessary for Uganda to achieve her economic and social objectives by establishing a vocational training system relevant to Uganda's National Development Plan, as well as to give fair opportunities to high level vocational training to more students.

Five technical institutes in five districts of Uganda were supported under this intervention through renovation and expansion of physical facilities in order to enable them provide high quality labour force armed with technology or techniques to contribute to industrial development.

New modern equipment of international standards were also provided for these schools.

The beneficiary institution are Iganga Technical Institute, Arua Technical Institute, Kiryadongo Technical Institute, Mubende Technical Institute and Nyakatere Technical Institute.

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