

GOVT ALLOCATES SH2.49 TRILLION TO WEALTH-CREATION INITIATIVES

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The Government has committed more than sh2.49 trillion towards wealth-creation interventions in the coming financial year 2026/27, aimed at creating thousands of jobs, boosting household incomes, supporting enterprise development and strengthening access to affordable financing across the country.

This reflects continued emphasis on poverty eradication, industrialisation, financial inclusion and enterprise growth.

According to the figures, the Parish Development Model (PDM) has been allocated the largest share at sh1.084 trillion, reaffirming the Government's continued focus on lifting households from subsistence production into the money economy.

PDM remains one of the Government's flagship socio-economic transformation programmes, targeting communities at the parish level through production, storage, processing, marketing and financial inclusion.

The Uganda Development Corporation (UDC) has been allocated sh454.1b in the coming financial year, while the Uganda Development Bank (UDB) received a sh442.2b capitalisation.

UDB financing is expected to support investments in manufacturing, agro-processing, tourism, health, infrastructure and other productive sectors. UDC funding is intended to strengthen government participation in strategic investments and industrial projects.

The Export Guarantee Scheme under the Investment for Industrial Transformation and Employment programme has been allocated sh180b. The scheme is intended to support exporters and businesses seeking access to trade financing by reducing risks associated with export credit.

The Government also allocated sh100b to Emyooga, a presidential initiative aimed at supporting organised savings and investment groups across different sectors and trades.

Since its introduction, Emyooga has been promoted as a programme intended to improve household incomes



Musasizi said increased investment in wealth-creation programmes is intended to expand access to credit

VULNERABLE GROUPS

Beyond wealth-creation programmes, the Government also allocated significant resources towards social protection interventions targeting vulnerable groups. According to the figures, social protection programmes received approximately sh173.55b.

The Social Assistance Grants for Empowerment (SAGE) programme received sh121.16b, taking the largest share in the social protection category. SAGE is one of the Government's key social assistance programmes, supporting older persons through direct cash transfers.

The Youth Livelihood Programme was allocated sh29.57b to support youth groups engaged in income-generating projects. The National Special Grant for Persons with Disabilities received sh17.82b, while the Senior Citizens Grant Operations programme was allocated sh5b.

The social protection interventions are intended to support vulnerable Ugandans through livelihood support, financial assistance and empowerment programmes.

economic transformation agenda.

"We have put a development finance arrangement under UDB to enable our companies to get cheap credit," Musasizi said, adding that the financing is targeting companies involved in primary agriculture, manufacturing and other productive sectors of the economy.

He added that the Government is also using the UDC to make direct investments in strategic industries.

"We have invested in Atiak [sugar factory in Amuru district]. We have invested in Dei Pharma and many other companies," he explained.

Musasizi said the interventions are structured to support both large-scale investors and ordinary households through what

through access to seed capital, savings mobilisation and small business support.

The figures further show that sh75.93b has been allocated to the Generating Growth Opportunities and Productivity for Women Enterprises (GROW) project. The GROW project mainly targets women entrepreneurs and focuses on improving access to affordable financing, training and business support services.

Other allocations under the wealth-creation interventions include sh58.5b for the youth skilling programme under State House, sh50b for the Agriculture Credit Facility and sh48.5b for support to microfinance initiatives, including funding to other categories of saving credit cooperative societies.

The Agriculture Credit Facility is expected to continue supporting farmers and agribusiness enterprises by providing affordable credit.

In total, the wealth-creation interventions account for approximately sh2.494 trillion in the 2026/27 national budget, which will be officially read next month.

The substantial allocation comes at a time when the Government continues to prioritise wealth creation and industrialisation as key pillars for economic growth, employment creation and poverty reduction.

The minister of state for finance (general duties), Henry Musasizi, said the Government's increased investment in wealth-creation programmes is intended to support Uganda's long-term

Allocation to wealth creation programmes FY26/27 National Budget

PROGRAMMES	BILLION SHILLINGS
Agriculture Credit Facility	50.0
Export Guarantee Scheme (INVITE)	180.0
Capitalisation of UDB	442.2
Budget of UDC	454.1
Support to Micro Finance	48.5
Youth Programme under State House	58.5
Emyooga	100.0
Parish Development Model	1,084.7
Generating Growth opportunities and productivity for women enterprises (GROW) project	75.9
Social Assistance Grants for Empowerment (SAGE)	121.2
Youth Livelihood Programme (YLP)	29.6
Special Enterprise Grant for Older Persons (SEGOP)	5.0
National Special Grant for Persons with Disabilities (NSGPWD)	17.8

he described as a two-level economic support system. "The upper base is being supported under UDB and UDC, among others, while the lower base is being supported with PDM, Emyooga and State House programmes," the

minister explained. Musasizi said the broader objective is to build "an economy that can respond to the needs of the population" and support Uganda's ambition of growing into a \$500 billion economy.

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JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Mirage Tiles Limited is a leading tile distribution company, supplying high-quality tiles and related products. We are also one of the largest importers of ceramic tiles and accessories from India, Spain, Italy, Kenya among other countries, and also dealer in locally made tiles (Goodwill) and other Sanitary Ware. The company has grown to being an iconic symbol of artistry and creativity in tiles business and flooring solutions.

We are seeking to recruit competent, organized, detail-oriented and motivated professionals preferably with experience in the tile, sanitary ware, ceramics sector or warehouse handling to fill the following positions:

Job Title: Stock Controller
Duty station: Kampala Uganda

Job Description

The Stock Controller, will be responsible for managing inventory levels, ensuring accurate stock records, well-organized storage environment and coordinating with store managers and other managers to guarantee smooth operations. This role is vital in preventing shortages, stock-outs, minimizing losses, and supporting smooth day-to-day operations with timely customer deliveries.

Duties, Roles and Responsibilities

- Maintain accurate and up-to-date stock records, including stock levels, movements, and discrepancies in both the system and physical.
- Monitor stock levels and coordinate with the ordering team to reorder items in a timely manner.
- Ensure proper organization and maintenance of stock to ensure proper handling and easy accessibility.
- Conduct regular physical stock counts and reconcile with system records, investigating and reporting any discrepancies.
- Track damages, or losses and report discrepancies to management.
- Assist in preparing stock reports, forecasts, and inventory analyses for management review.
- Ensure compliance with company policies, safety standards, and storage regulations.
- Coordinate with suppliers and internal teams to resolve stock-related issues efficiently.
- Work closely with operations, finance, and purchasing teams to maintain efficient stock flow.
- Inspect and verify all incoming deliveries against purchase orders and delivery notes for quantity and quality.

- Monitor and track slow-moving or obsolete stock and propose appropriate actions to prevent financial losses.
- Continuously improve inventory management processes to enhance efficiency, reduce costs, and optimize stock availability.
- Work closely with store staff, sales teams, and management to align stock levels with business needs.

Qualifications, Education and Competencies Requirements:

- Bachelor's degree or diploma in procurement, logistics, Accounting or a related field.
- Minimum 3 years of proven work experience in stock management, inventory control preferably in the tile, sanitary ware, ceramics and construction sector or related field.
- Strong knowledge of supply chain and warehouse operations.
- Proficiency in inventory management software (Tally or similar).
- Excellent organizational and problem-solving skills.
- Strong attention to detail and ability to work under pressure.

Job Title: Marketing & Sales Manager

Job Description

The Marketing Manager will be responsible for designing and implementing a comprehensive marketing plan covering brand positioning, digital channels, content, PR, and events. You will manage and expand our online presence (LinkedIn, website, and other social media platforms). The role also will ensure growth of our sales and brand.

Responsibilities

- Develop and execute marketing strategies.
- Conducting market research and analysis.
- Create and manage marketing campaigns.
- Coordinate with the sales team to drive growth.
- Work with and guide the business in the introduction of suitable products to ensure growth in the customer numbers.
- Manage product launches and oversee brand management.
- Build and implement digital marketing strategies and strengthen brand presence online.
- Lead internal processes for sourcing external service providers for digital, advertising, communications, creative, PR & sustainability services.
- Prepare and manage annual budgets for marketing and communications department

- and ensure a high return on marketing investments.
- Identify opportunities to reach new market segments and expand customer base through use of appropriate marketing channels and communications medium.
- Provide strategic direction towards strengthening mirage's reputation and relationships with key customers and external stakeholders.
- Accountable for developing plans and activities that support the development of the company's brand and external market perception.
- Under close guidance/delegation from the CEO, act as Mirage's spokesperson and represent the institution at senior level events where necessary.
- Manage the performance and development of staff in the marketing department.
- Media management, public relations management, brand management, stakeholder engagement, digital and social media management while ensuring cost effective campaign execution.
- Embed risk management and adaptability within marketing operations.
- Any other duties as may be assigned.

Qualifications, Education and Competencies Requirements:

- Bachelor's degree or diploma in sales, marketing or a related field.
- Minimum of 4 years of proven work experience in sales & marketing preferably in the tile, sanitary ware, ceramics and construction sector or related field.
- Strong knowledge of brand and media management.
- Proficiency in online advertising.
- Excellent organizational and problem-solving skills.
- Strong attention to detail and ability to work under pressure.

How to Apply

1. Interested candidates are invited to submit their resume, academic documents and cover letter to admin@miragetiles.com. If you are a motivated and experienced professional looking for a new challenge, we look forward to hearing from you!
2. Deadline: 20th May 2026
3. NB: Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted.