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Parliament passes 7.5 billion for Busoga region Development

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Busiki County Member of Parliament, Hon. Paul Akamba delivering the Speaker of Parliament's speech at the 2019 Basoga Twegaite Convention in New Jersey, USA recently | @CSBAG2019

Parliament has passed a Sh7.5 billion special fund to develop Busoga sub region.

While delivering the Speaker of Parliament's speech at the 2019 Basoga Twegaite Convention in New Jersey, USA recently, the Busiki County Member of Parliament Paul Akamba revealed that Government considered the need for a special program for the development of Busoga and to achieve this, Parliament has passed Sh7.5b for the program.

The convention was attended by MPs mainly from Busoga sub-region and the Basoga community working and living in the diaspora.

Regional Poverty

Bugabula south MP, Henry Maurice Kibalya, described the fund as timely as the region is grappling with poverty.

“We have succeeded in the special program for Busoga which will uplift the region just like other development programs,” Kibalya said.

The Technical head, Busoga Development Consortium, Anthony Mula, thanked Government for establishing the fund which he said will improve the lives of many people in Busoga region and advised that the money should be used to address pressing issues in the region in sectors like education,

Tourism, Investment, Agriculture and uplift the region from poverty. Environmental protection.

“This fund has been long overdue; we have been trying to engage the Government for a long time to pass it. It will be used to effectively address issues like education in the region,” Mula said.

The Chairperson Parliament's committee on Budget, Amos Lugolobi, confirmed that the money was approved by Parliament under the Luweero Triangle Ministry, during the consideration of the 2019/20 National Budget which was passed by Parliament recently. Lugolobi said that the money will go towards programs that are meant to empower people economically.

Tourism in Busoga sub- region

Kadaga also implored Ugandans living in the diaspora to invest in tourism in Busoga sub- region saying it is one of the lucrative sectors that will

Kadaga said that different sites in Busoga with the potential to generate revenue for the development of the sub-region have been identified.

Development Programs

Government has over time introduced several development programs for marginalized areas like the Northern Uganda Social Action Plan (NUSAF I and II) for the Northern region, The Karamoja Integrated Disarmament and Development Program for Karamoja region and The Luweero Rwenzori Development Program (LRDP) for the Central and Western regions.

In 2018, UBOS ranked Busoga region, which has been granted a special fund, as one of the regions with the highest poverty prevalence in the country.

UPCOMING EVENTS

National Budget March from the Constitutional Square to Kololo Ceremonial Grounds – Wednesday 5th June 2019

Service Excellence Exhibition at Kololo Ceremonial Grounds – Wednesday 5th to Friday 7th June 2019

Organized by: CSBAG, MoFPED, and URA

OUR WORK IN PICTURES



State Minister for Sports, Hon. Charles Bakkabulindi (C) hands over scholastic and other materials during a donation at East Kololo Primary School on 30th May 2019 as dignitaries from CSBAG, MoFPED, URA and DDA look on. | @CSBAG 2019



CSBAG Budget Policy Specialist, David Walakira (R) takes part in a BBS interview on the National Budget Month for FY 2019/20 at URA offices in Kampala. | @CSBAG 2019