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OF

GENDER AND EQUITY COMPLIANCE OF THE NATIONAL BUDGET FRAMEWORK PAPER FOR FY 2020/2021 – 2024/2025

(Made under Section 9 (5), (6) (a – b) of the Public Finance Management Act, 2015)

Background

In accordance with Section 9 (6) (a-b) of the Public Finance Management Act (2015), the Minister responsible for finance shall in consultation with Equal Opportunities Commission issue a Certificate:

- a) Certifying that the Budget Framework Paper is gender and equity responsive; and
- b) Specifying measures taken to equalise opportunities for men, women, persons with disabilities and marginalised groups.

Objectives of the Budget for FY 2020/2021

- i) Enhancing value addition to the productive sectors: - agro-processing, mineral beneficiation and mineral-led industrialization, oil refining, tourism expansion, and labor-intensive light manufacturing;
- ii) Strengthening the private sector to create jobs;

- iii) Consolidating and increasing the stock and quality of productive infrastructure;
- iv) Enhancing the productivity and social wellbeing of the population:
 - Increasing the generation of more skilled, better motivated and healthier workforce for all sectors of the economy, but particularly for the industrial sector as well as a modernized agricultural sector;and,
- v) Strengthening the role of the state in guiding and facilitating development.

Assessment of the National Budget Framework Paper for FY 2020/2021 – 2024/2025 for Compliance with Gender and Equity Requirements

In fulfilment of the requirements under Sections 9 (5) – (6) (a – b) of the Public Finance Management Act, 2015, the National Budget Framework Paper for FY 2020/2021 – 2024/2025 has been assessed in order to:

- i. Ascertain the extent to which Sector and Votes' objectives focus on inclusive growth and wealth creation as provided for the NDP III 2020/2021 – 2024/2025;
- ii. Examine the level of compliance of Sectors and Votes with Gender and Equity requirements when reporting on past performance and their Medium Term commitments;
- iii. Examine the extent to which Sectors and Votes allocate budgetary resources to priority outputs in response to Gender and Equity concerns or issues;
- iv. Establish the extent to which Sectors and Votes incorporated the Gender and Equity outcomes in their plans and budgets for next financial year;
- v. Assess Gender and Equity challenges faced by Sectors and Votes in budgeting and programming and recommended

- appropriate measures for corrective action towards ensuring equal opportunities for all; and
- vi. Inform the issuance of the Gender and Equity Compliance Certificates to the respective qualifying Sectors and Votes.

Assessment Results and Recommendations

Overall, the National Budget Framework Paper for FY 2020/2021 – 2024/2025 compliance with Gender and Equity requirements is at **59%** compared to **61%** for FY 2019/2020 – 2023/2024.

Therefore, in respect of compliance of the National Budget Framework Paper for FY 2020/2021 – 2024/2025 with Gender and Equity requirements, ***this Certificate of Gender and Equity Compliance is hereby issued to qualify the National Budget Framework Paper for FY 2020/2021 – 2024/2025 for compliance, worthiness and consideration by Parliament.***

Attached is the assessment report by Equal Opportunities Commission.

Submitted under my hand on this day of 19th December, 2019.



Matia Kasajja (MP)

MINISTER OF FINANCE, PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

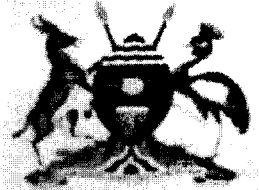
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CERTIFICATE OF GENDER AND EQUITY COMPLIANCE OF THE NATIONAL BUDGET FRAMEWORK PAPER AND SECTOR BUDGET FRAMEWORK PAPERS FINANCIAL YEAR 2020/2021.

Pursuant to section 14 of the Equal Opportunities Commission Act (2015) and section 9(6) (a) and (b) of the Public Finance Management Act (2015), the commission is delighted to recommend issuance of the certificate of Compliance with Gender and Equity requirements to National BFP FY 2020/2021-2024/2025 and the 11 sectors whose Budget Framework Papers for the Financial Year 2020/2021 met the requirements.

Overall, the National BFP (FY2020/2021-2024/2025) Compliance with Gender and Equity requirements was 59%. The Commission also assessed the 12 out of 19 sector BFPs, of which 11 passed the assessment (50% minimum) and these include: Agriculture 75%; trade Industry and cooperatives 64%, Education 82.4%; Health 75.3%; Water and Environment 72.7%; Social Development 86.2%; Science Technology and innovation 52%; lands, Housing and Urban Development 69.8% and Tourism 52%. Wildlife and antiquities 54.7%. The Sector whose BFP was found to be non-compliant with Gender and Equity Requirements was Security 43%.

Seven Sectors had not submitted their BFPs for assessment by 16th December 2019 and therefore were not assessed. They include; Works and Transport, ICT and National Guidance, Justice, Law and Order, Public Sector Management, Accountability, Public Administration and Local Government.

The purpose of this letter therefore, is to recommend issuance of a gender and equity certificate for the National Budget Framework Paper for the FY2020/2021-2024/2025 and the 11 sectors whose BFPs met the gender and equity requirements out of the 12 assessed.

The Commission is committed and shall continue working with all sectors to enhance Gender and Equity planning and Budgeting as a strategy to redress imbalances and to promote equal opportunities for all.

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Ag. SECRETARY TO THE COMMISSION.

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