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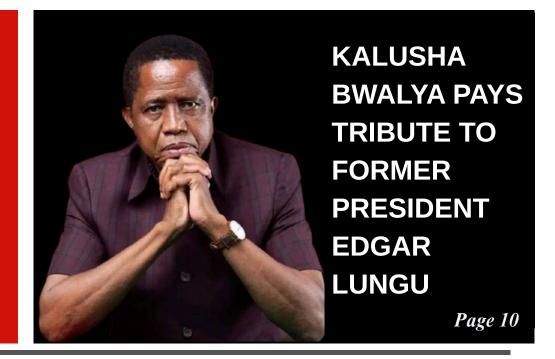
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By Cecilia Chiluba



National urged consumers to buy food products which may contain distributors to prevent is consumption of unsafe assessments. products.

Authority

Communications Officer Sandra Lombe has since reaffirmed the NBA's commitment to ensuring the highest standards to food safety from products that may contain GMOs.

emphasized Authority matters related to GMOs environment.

Biosafety World Food Safety Day contain GMOs in order to may arise." genetically Authority's mandate as Lombe explained. organisms food safety is a priority cardinal risk in

permits to import or to products which may contain GMOs as part of that the human and regulates consumption.

Authority (NBA) has theme which is; 'Food ensure compliance to the Safety: Science in Action,' provisions of the Biosafety "The 2025 theme draws aligns very well with the Act No. 10 of 2007," Ms. attention to the use of

> the theme recognizes the key key to reducing risks such as role played by science in illness, cutting costs and ensuring the credibility and "Among other mandates, accuracy of food safety the Authority grants guidance and advice used by governments, food place on the market businesses and consumers alike.

its regulatory role. Before She said due to climate in 2018, to raise awareness the permits for import or change effects, biosafety is at placing on the market are the center of action as granted, the Authority scientists try to mitigate the In a statement ahead of ensures that a scientific impact in order to promote World Food Safety Day based risk assessment is the judicious use of science which falls on 7th June conducted to ensure that as the venture in production annually, Ms. Lombe the products are safe for of disease resistant plant animal varieties and animal breeds.

scientific based knowledge conducting scientific (GMOs) from authorized and scientific information Ms. Lombe observed that based risk assessments as saving lives," she added.

> Celebrated annually on 7th June, World Food Safety Day, officially was established by the United Nations General Assembly about the importance of safe food.

The day also emphasizes the collective responsibility of governments, businesses, consumers in food safety maintaining across the entire food

KCC APPREHENDS MAN FOR SELLING ILLICIT BREW AT CHISOKONE MARKET

By Money Daily



through Police Section, this distribute morning arrested a 35- beverages, year-old identified Mulenga Compound bottles alcoholic kachasu.

Mr. suspected illicit liquor public, Chisokone Licensing Act No. 20 premises only. This is prohibits manufacture possession traditional without a valid licence. licensed venues, is an

its Council, Mr. Chitako Department of Public had neither the licence The man breaching as Mr. provisions of the law. alcohol were be the illicit K1,000. Should he fail these areas will also be brew to pay the fine, he will liable for prosecution. commonly known as be prosecuted through the courts of law.

Chitako was The Council has also Public found in possession of issued a stern warning Officer 175 bottles of the to members of the Lupikisha, reminding authority Market. consumption His actions are in clear intoxicating liquor is protecting violation of the Liquor restricted to licensed health. beer public places, except in regulations.

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Kitwe City Council, According to the offence. Council Health and Council to manufacture nor to emphasized that such markets, bus stations, thus and streets are not the designated zones for sales Timothy Chitako of As a result, all 175 consumption. for illegally selling a confiscated, and Mr. Individuals found concoction suspected Chitako was fined buying or drinking in

In a statement issued by Kitwe City Council Relations **Emmanuel** the local reaffirmed while operating at them that the sale and its commitment to of enforcing the law and public

of 2011, specifically in accordance with The Council warned Section 33(1), which Section 32(1) of the that it would not the Liquor Licensing Act, hesitate to take legal or which states that action against anyone of consuming alcohol in found violating liquor

TIBAUZE DAILY PACKAGES "Science is key in food safety supply chain. to ensure safety for the the as it helps recognize what "In addition, humans, animals and the Authority also conducts makes food unsafe and inspection for the assists on how to prevent **PLATINUM** distributors and importers foodborne diseases and **BRONZE** GOLD other potential risks that of products that may She noted that this year's Get a 15-minutes Get a 15-minutes Get a 15-minutes program program program 93.7 Have your advert played Advertise your small business on TIBAUZE for as low as K50 Have your advert Have your advert THINK BUSINESS eight(8) times a day played five(5) times a CALL/WHATSAPP 0972 930 606 played three(3) times a day **K500** K750 K1,000 Call/WhatsApp Are you a small business? Subscribe to SME updates to get latest deals for your business. Text 'SME' to 0972-93-06-06 0771-40-88-33 for FREE updates.

HAABAZOKA PAYS TRIBUTE TO PRESIDENT LUNGU'S SUPPORT FOR ECONOMIC DIALOGUE, EMPOWERMENT

By Lucky Chama



Economics Former Association of Zambia (EAZ) President Dr. Lubinda Haabazoka has hailed the late President Edgar Chagwa Lungu as a key pillar in the advancement of Zambia's economic dialogue and national empowerment programmes.

Speaking in the wake of Lungu's President passing, Dr. Haabazoka described the Sixth Republican President as a "true statesman" who unwavering offered support to the Economics Association of Zambia during a pivotal moment in its history.

"President Lungu was instrumental supporting the Economics Association of Zambia," said Dr. Haabazoka. "He played a pivotal role in the successful organization of the first-ever National Economic Summit. It was under his encouragement

that the Summit attracted participation high-level and helped reposition EAZ as a leading voice in national development discourse."

Dr. Haabazoka, who met President Lungu shortly after assuming EAZ's presidency in 2018, recalled a productive and working respectful relationship that grew from their first meeting at State House.

"That initial meeting left a lasting impression. He was warm, welcoming, and genuinely interested in our vision for Zambia's economic future," he said. Beyond support for EAZ, Haabazoka Dr. highlighted President Lungu's commitment to inclusive economic growth through initiatives such as the Citizen Economic **Empowerment** Programme.

"He believed deeply in Zambians taking

ownership of their He often economy. emphasized the need to create inclusive opportunities for especially the youth and women," Dr. Haabazoka noted.

He also shared personal memories of accompanying the president on an official visit to India, calling it one of the most humbling moments of his career.

"Witnessing his diplomacy and leadership on the international stage was inspiring. carried He Zambia's with name dignity and pride," he said.

Even after his presidency, Haabazoka President Lungu remained a gracious mentor and host, offering advice and encouragement in personal settings.

"He would engage us with wisdom, humility, and his characteristic sense of humor. Those moments

showed the man behind the title — a father, a friend, and a servant leader," he said.

In honor of the late president's enduring legacy, Dr. Haabazoka has proposed the creation of a national memorial library in his name.

"The Edgar Chagwa Lungu Memorial Library would serve as a space for civic education, knowledge sharing, and national unity — a fitting tribute to a man who believed empowering his people," he

Dr. Haabazoka concluded with a message of unity and compassion, urging the nation to embrace the values President Lungu embodied — peace, faith, humility, and service.

"Zambia is grateful. He ran his race with grace," said Dr. Haabazoka.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT RECEIVES 21 MOTORBIKES TO BOOST OPERATIONS IN WESTERN PROVINCE

By Money Daily Reporter



Department Community Development under Ministry Community Development enhance Province.

were officially handed Community Self Help over government, expected to improve Empowerment delivery in communities across the province.

handover ceremony, Secretary, Provincial Coordinator Community Development Western Ndumba expressed gratitude to commitment the government for the decentralizing timely support.

that the motorbikes in rural areas. would significantly ability vulnerable but viable government's communities with key unwavering

of development programmes.

ease

its life-changing Pack, The motorbikes, which Skills Development, Mr. Akapelwa said the Initiative, and the He are Livelihood remote Ndumba noted.

transport

And officiating at the communities event, Western serve. Speaking during the Province Permanent Simomo The initiative is part of Akapelwa, who was the Ministry's broader for represented by Deputy mandate to empower in Richard Mulwanda, targeted support and Province, reaffirmed Samakayi, government's development ensuring that no one is centres.

boost the department's "This gesture is a Province, reach demonstration of the Public

commitment improving service delivery our of "The motorbikes will communities."

and challenges and enable "We are determined to Social Services has our field staff to equip our frontline received 21 motorbikes effectively implement officers with the tools they need to reach operations in Western programmes such as every corner of the the Food Security province with essential Community development services,"

urged and recipients to use the motorbikes responsibly mobility and service Support Scheme," Mr. and maintain them well to ensure long-term benefits for the they

> Permanent Secretary, communities through the effective service delivery all at to administrative levels.from and headquarters to sub-

Mr. Ndumba noted left behind, especially This is according to a statement made available by Western Principal Relations Officer, Mwakoi Njekwa.

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By Money Daily Reporter



Ministers of Trade produced from Member States region. of the Southern African Development Community (SADC), They have reaffirmed their concern commitment improving resilience current shocks.

SADC Committee of system. Ministers of Trade held in "The meeting trade in goods and plurilateral collaborating industrialization beneficiation

critical raw materials Ministers said.

by

to implications the region but also for otherwise Speaking at the the multilateral trading disadvantaged.

increasing reciprocal Harare, Zimbabwe, emphasis on reciprocal measures would erode trade conflicts." the Ministers said trade measures that the such benefits," they this would be done world is witnessing noted. by enhancing self- calls into question the reliance on intra-fundamental basis of The SADC multilateral and reaffirmed their Member services as well as agreements, whereby predictable, on all parties to trade development-oriented, obligations under the agreements are treated transparent, policies to enhance equally under the inclusive, and rules- industry protocols are value addition and most-favoured nation based of principle,"

benefits of multilateral approach agreements, on which to countries such as SADC protocols are expressed those in the SADC based. over the region are intended to economic "SADC that support geopolitical development, against external trade developments on trade particularly in poorer critical role that the may have, not only for countries that would WTO has played in

"Increased

Ministers market, trade support the trading

represented by the

Trade the Organization (WTO)

Member States acknowledge the be fostering global economic growth and serving as a forum for use of dialogue to help trade prevent escalating

"In order to safeguard the SADC internal SADC the commit to ensuring that the principles and fair, SADC trade and multilateral maintained and fully system implemented," they said

ZAMBIA, BOTSWANA REAFFIRM STRATEGIC IMPORTANCE OF STRATEGIC IMPORTANCE OF MKL RAIL LINK PROJECT

By Cecilia Chiluba



Zambia and Botswana Project, in Kasane, And have reaffirmed the strategic importance of the Mosetse-Kazungula-Livingstone (MKL) Rail link project as a catalyst for regional integration, sustainable trade facilitation, and inclusive economic growth across the African Southern Development

Community (SADC).

Both countries have since pledged that no less than 40% of goods, services, and labor during the construction phase will be locally sourced to stimulate job creation and skills development.

during a Meeting Convened by the two Governments, through respective Ministries, for the MKL Rail Link Botswana today.

The meeting was co- drive to expand its Transport and Logistics empower communities Botswana Minister Frank Tayali by creating and his counterpart, corridors Salakae, opportunity. Noah Botswana's Minister of Transport Infrastructure.

corridor will provide a Special climate-smart linking Botswana Kazungula Livingstone, Zambia, thereby unlocking a In appreciating the diligence regional international markets.

Ministerial Committee infrastructure, it is a 2025, lifeline of trade, a oversight to symbol of unity, and a transparency bridge to prosperity for accountability. our two nations and the region at large," Mr. The two countries will vision, and practical Tayali said.

Salakae pension Mr. Botswana's players. reflects

Shareholders' Agreement for the Mr. Tayali said the rail creation of a Joint According to resources.

seamless gateway to project implementation professionalism and milestones, the two advancing the project to Ministers directed that its current stage. detailed engineering States This came to light "The MKL Rail Link is designs commence by The two countries joint not just a piece of the last quarter of reaffirmed with

also put together a

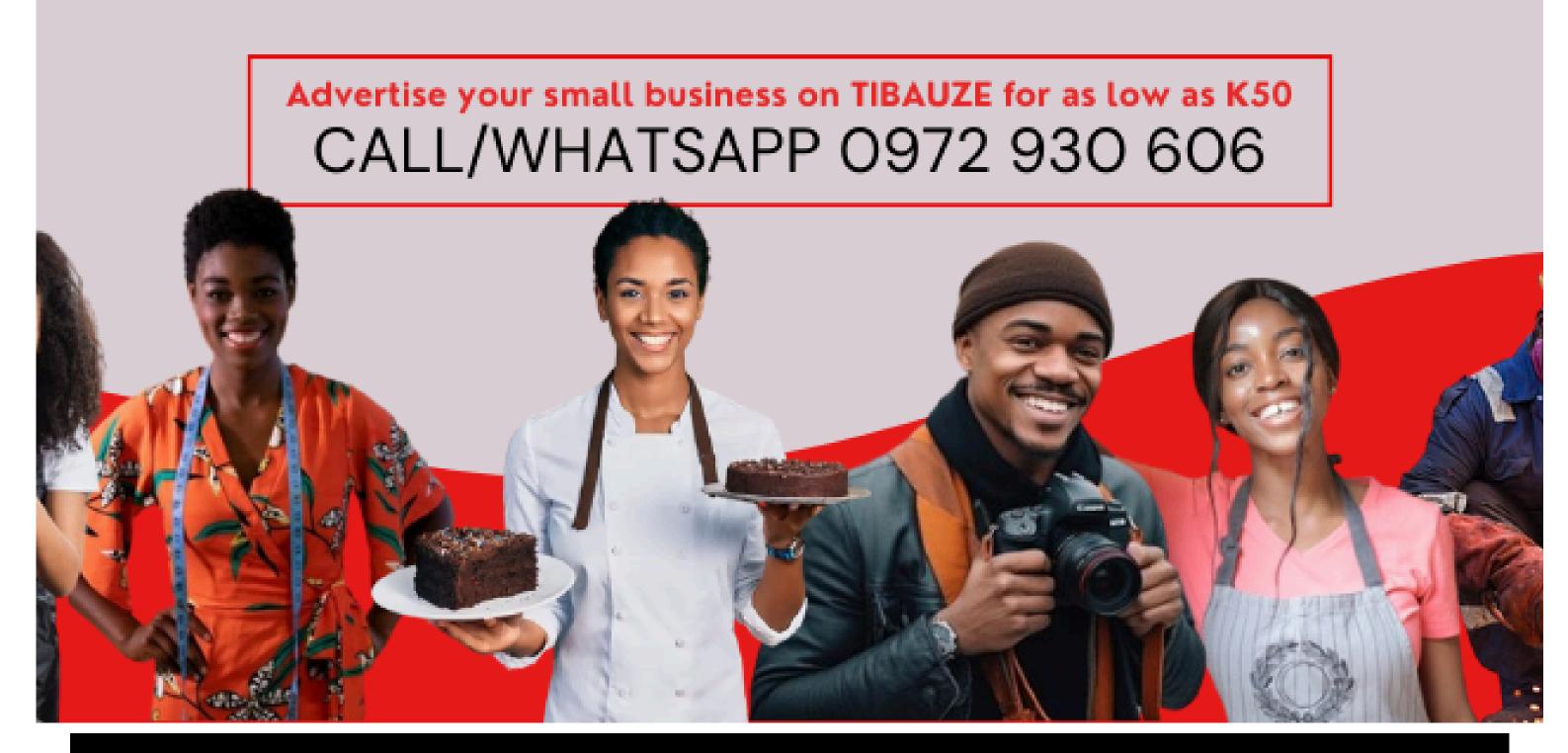
Joint Task Team to lead the Environmental and Social **Impact** Assessment (ESIA), ensuring the project aligns with international best practices and is implemented in an inclusive sustainable manner.

The Ministers announced that a joint financing roadshow will be held in Lusaka and Gaborone in July 2025, to attract investment development from finance institutions, funds, and stated that the project strategic private sector

chaired by Zambia's logistics landscape and In addition, a Zambiagraduate new exchange programme of will be launched, training over 120 young professionals during the and The Draft Treaty and engineering phase of the project.

Purpose statement issued by direct, efficient, and Vehicle were reviewed Ministry of Transport route and approved, paving and Logistics Public central the way for mobilizing Relations Unit, both through capital and technical Ministers applauded the Joint Technical Committee for its and

> their joint commitment to ensuring ensure that the MKL Rail Link and Project becomes a beacon of what regional cooperation, shared action can achieve.



GOVT HAILS AFDB'S FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO ZAMBIA OF US\$2.7 BILLION SINCE 1971

By Cecilia Chiluba



Development (AfDB) has financially Dr. Musokotwane noted. supported Zambia with a date of about US\$ 2.7 developmental billion.

Laying ceremony for the AfDB's permanent office Lusaka, Situmbeko Musokotwane Agriculture said AFDB's support has Processing results in sectors such as energy, transport, water and sanitation, as well as agriculture.

Dr. Musokotwane noted that the Bank's support been provided consistently despite not having a Permanent Office in the country.

"This shows the Bank's commitment to deliver on its vision for the African continent."

"AfDB's support Zambia has been instrumental supporting the country's development espoused in the national development plans, which emphasize on among others, the need build resilient infrastructure, promote

Minister of Finance and inclusive and sustainable various projects. National Planning has industrialization and foster

include the Kazungula projects. Speaking at the Stone Bridge, Integrated Small Towns Water Sanitation, Dr. Sanitation Small Dams project.

> "The establishment of the therefore welcomed with the full support the continent in year." blessings of President addressing effects of the Hakainde Hichilema."

ministries, institutions and insecurity. implementing other agencies," Musokotwane said.

duties with pride and Musokotwane added. purpose the in implementation of the

between Zambia AfDB depends solely on relationship cumulative net value to He added that some of the the most basic day to day institution projects engagements during the government. supported by the Bank implementation of AfDB

> Lusaka forward programme, commitment Marketing dedication which will ultra billion. and contribute to Zambia's country," he remarked.

Dr. Musokotwane urged various governments in the million Skills

And AfDB Vice President creation.

Nnenn Nwabufo said the laying of the foundation stone disclosed that African innovation in all the He emphasized that the to build the Bank's permanent Bank sectors of the economy," success of the cooperation office in Zambia is a and testament to the enduring between and the

> Mr. Nwabufo stated that the bank currently has an ongoing and "The government looks portfolio of interventions your across many sectors in and Zambia totaling almost US\$1

produced many positive Infrastructure project, as development and actualize "Following Zambia's first well as Multi-purpose the vision 2030 of subscription to the Bank in becoming a Middle income 1971, the first operation of a commercial farm project valued at about \$1million was Bank's permanent office Dr. Musokotwane further approved by the Bank's been encouraged the Bank to Board of Directors, the same

> drought experienced in "Since that date, the Bank has Southern Africa during the approved interventions in "The AfDB permanent 2023/2024 rainy season, Zambia with a cumulative net demand which caused widespread value of \$2.7 Billion across increased engagements and water shortages, livestock various sectors of the collaboration between the losses and diminished economy, with direct impact bank and the line harvests, resulting in food on millions of Zambian citizens," he said.

> > Dr. "We therefore urge the He added that with the Bank's consider intervention in the Social supporting efforts by the Sector, including the \$30

the AfDB country staff region towards addressing sub-sectors such as metal and the technical officers these devastating effects of fabrication and drilling, wood various the drought among other processing, agro-development implementing ministries to economic challenges over and Entrepreneurship Project, continue carrying out their the next five years," Dr. there has been enhanced productivity competitiveness for job





Zambian and Skills Training management. (ZEHEST) has called organizations, government to take most immediate against pollution country Environment annually.

Zambia has the joined global community commemorating World Environment entrepreneurship, Day under the theme: environment, "Ending Pollution."

ZEHEST Director Muzyamba Money News, ending Muzyamba said. plastic pollution requires faceted approach that organization businesses, society, individuals together.

Muzyamba that stressed the need for environment. adoption sustainable practices,

reduce plastic use, Environment Day, we

pressing more plastic of our time, with far- generations," he urged. the reaching consequences for our ecosystems, Mr. today plastic pollution."

focused Plastic governance, empowerment,

ZEHEST is committed World Executive to playing its part in Day Clarence the fight

a multi- He stated that the environment. will civil environmental and sustainability, support organizations, plastic use, protect

of "On this World

Empowerment Hub increase recycling, and urge all Zambians to for Entrepreneurship ensure proper waste join us in the fight against pollution. Let us work individuals, "Plastic pollution has together to create a and become one of the cleaner, healthier, and sustainable action environmental issues environment for future

Muzyamba commemorates World wildlife, and human emphasized the need for Day, health. Zambia, like the country to reduce which falls on 5th June many other countries, the usage of single-use is not immune to the plastics, recycle and devastating impacts of properly dispose of plastic waste, support businesses in "As an organization initiatives that promote on sustainability, as well as advocate for policies that protect and environment.

> Environment (WED) against celebrated annually on told plastic pollution," Mr. 5 June and encourages awareness and action for the protection of the

involves government, continue to promote It is supported by many non-governmental working initiatives that reduce businesses, government and entities, and represents advocate for policies the primary United our Nations outreach day supporting the environment.



MAPATIZYA CONSTITUENCY DISBURSES OVER K2.4 MILLION IN EMPOWERMENT GRANTS FOR WOMEN, YOUTH

By Cecilia Chiluba

CONSTITUENCY DEVELOPMENT FUND



EMPOWERING PEOPLE TRANSFORMING COMMUNITIES

In a significant boost to grassroots economic development, Mapatizya Constituency disbursed K2,491,290.41 Constituency in Fund Development (CDF) empowerment grants to over 100 women youth clubs, is and reaffirming government's commitment to inclusive development directly to job growth and communitydriven progress.

The held ceremony, Luyaba School in Luyaba Ward, brought together community leaders, club representatives, government officials in a celebration empowerment opportunity.

Speaking at the event, Mapatizya Member of

Parliament Mrs. Emeldah New Dawn administration. Munashabantu Nkhata hailed the moment as a Mrs. Nkhata emphasized has landmark economic transformation.

the continuation mission to the people," said Ms. innovation. Nkhata. "Every ward in Mapatizya at grants are an investment Chairperson women and youth."

and A total of 105 clubs benefitted from fund in 2022 under the

local that investing in women and youth is not only a moral imperative but also a strategic one for building "This is not just a resilient local economies. disbursement of funds—it She urged beneficiaries to powerful be responsible stewards of of our the funds and to use them bring to spur entrepreneurship, creation,

disbursement benefitted, and today's Zimba Town Council reaching our communities in the dreams, businesses, Loveness Chigora described and leadership of our the empowerment grants as of economic transformation."

> the "These are not handouts grants, drawn from a they are tools meant to broader K7 million CDF unlock potential. With allocation to Mapatizya discipline, determination, since the government and strategic use, these significantly increased the grants will support families, grow local

businesses, and uplift entire communities," said Ms. Chigora.

She lauded the New Dawn Government for commitment decentralization and for ensuring timely disbursement of larger CDF packages compared previous and administrations.

"Today, the funds are not has Also speaking at the event, just allocated — they are Madam on time. That is tangible progress. That is real empowerment," she added.

> Both leaders stressed the importance accountability and transparency in managing public resources, urging communities to ensure that every kwacha is used for its intended purpose.

MINISTER IMPRESSED WITH IMPLEMENTATION **OF CDF PROJECTS IN KAFUE**

By Money Daily Reporter



Lusaka Constituency Development Fund (CDF) projects in Kafue "After district, particularly in pronouncement of free Hakainde the education sector.

Through the expanded to come and learn as policy. CDF, modern blocks constructed Mutendere Shikoswe schools to accommodate lacking more pupils following proper leadership being the surge in pupil provided by the head of Since enrolment owing to the state" free Education policy.

said she was impressed said. that CDF was contributing the And to betterment education sector Kafue district.

Mrs. encouraged the local

Province leadership to continue be more tactical in Minister is elated with and do better where executing the projects the execution of the there is need for improvement.

> education, learners came on board the one by three you have seen. We have classroom spoken to these children The learners said for been and have a story to tell many of them and their at because the government friends it would have and has come through for been impossible to be Secondary children because

Speaking when she is why you see such kind children have been able visited pupils at the two of development all over to go back to school schools, Sheal Mulyata Zambia," Mrs. Mulyata across Zambia.

> Kafue the Council Chairperson Lusaka in Buumba urged contractors of all Principal CDF projects to step up Relations Officer, Mulyata works adding that the Logic Lukwanda. local authority will

Meanwhile, pupils at both schools have the thanked President Hichilema many for the introduction of free education

that were in class without free of education.

the free Education policy pronouncement "This is leadership, this 2021, over two million

> This is contained in a Town statement issued by Provincial Malambo Administration, Public



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THE NEED FOR PEACE AND NATIONAL UNITY AS WE MOURN PRESIDENT LUNGU

news that the Sixth President solemn process. of the Republic of Zambia, His Excellency Dr. Edgar These meetings, aimed at bustling cities to the quietest all, a human being. great equalizer, has reminded church service before us once again of our shared his repatriation. humanity.

We have finally heard be granted. It confirmation Minister of Foreign Affairs about the love International and respect and Cooperation, a government delegation to distant South Africa to coordinate lands. the repatriation and funeral At moments like these, we with unity, clarity, and none of that

Zambia's Acting High Commissioner to Africa, Mrs. Mwenya, has already met

Yesterday morning, the sun with President Lungu's family, rose over Zambia with a represented by Hon. Makebi heavy heart. Our nation Zulu, to deliberate on key received the heartbreaking decisions that will guide this

Chagwa Lungu, had passed harmonizing the interests of away in Pretoria, South family, Party, and State, are Africa. A wave of sorrow essential. The late president swept through the land, transcending political lines, Patriotic Front. He was exhains through every same and the land of the echoing through every corner Zambia. He was father, our country—from husband, leader—and above

power in his hands now lies South Africa has expressed a in eternal rest. Death, that desire to honor him with a

> This is a touching gesture and should that the speaks volumes Hon. Zambians have

arrangements of the late must put away our political President Lungu. This is not daggers and come together as only reassuring but one people. We may have necessary. It lays to rest the disagreed with President speculations that government Lungu's leadership. We may was silent and unmoved. The have challenged his policies, process of mourning a Head questioned his decisions, and of State must be carried out opposed his party. But today,

Hon. Haimbe, joined by simply Zambians mourning Cabinet Office officials and the passing of one of our own.

South President Lungu led this Inonge nation_through seven defining years. He may not have been

but he gave his service. He offered leadership. He occupied the highest office of this land with calmness, often opting for peace in the face of provocation. In the wake of political turmoil and uncertainty, he offered a steadying hand.

He was a man of quiet strength. When the world demanded he take a stance on LGBTQI+ matters tied to foreign aid,

people, fired

perfect—no human being is— Yes, President Lungu made all political legacies, is a mistakes. He, like many leaders tapestry of triumphs and before and after him, trusted the wrong people. He believed in allies who later betrayed the protest. Those who supported the protest. Those who supported the protest of t confidence of the people. Some him did so with deep whom he gave the privilege to admiration. Those who serve abused that power for opposed him did so with personal gain. In the end, it equal intensity. That is the was not hatred that unseated nature of leadership. That is him—it was disappointment. the price of the presidency. and disillusioned, voted for change. must be folded and kept But they never stopped seeing away. For now, we honor the him as their own. They never institution he served. We of villages. A man who once held the instruments of The Zambian community in the cultural and moral values he father of the nation.

President Lungu stood firm on denied him the dignity of a honor the office he once the cultural and moral values he father of the nation.

But in death, the scorecards who bore the weight of a nation's hopes.

Fair thee well, President Lungu. You ran your race. You stumbled, you rose. You won, you lost. You served.

You now join a sacred line of Zambian heroes—KK, Chiluba, Mwanawasa, Sata, Banda - resting in eternal

May your soul find the peace that all men seek. May your legacy be remembered in balance and fairness.

May Zambia remain united in this solemn moment of

MONEY EDITORIAL

Mulambo Haimbe, is leading for their leaders—even in believed reflected Zambia's identity. "We would rather remain poor," he said, "than compromise our beliefs." That was not just a statement—it was a conviction. Agree or disagree, that was leadership with a spine.

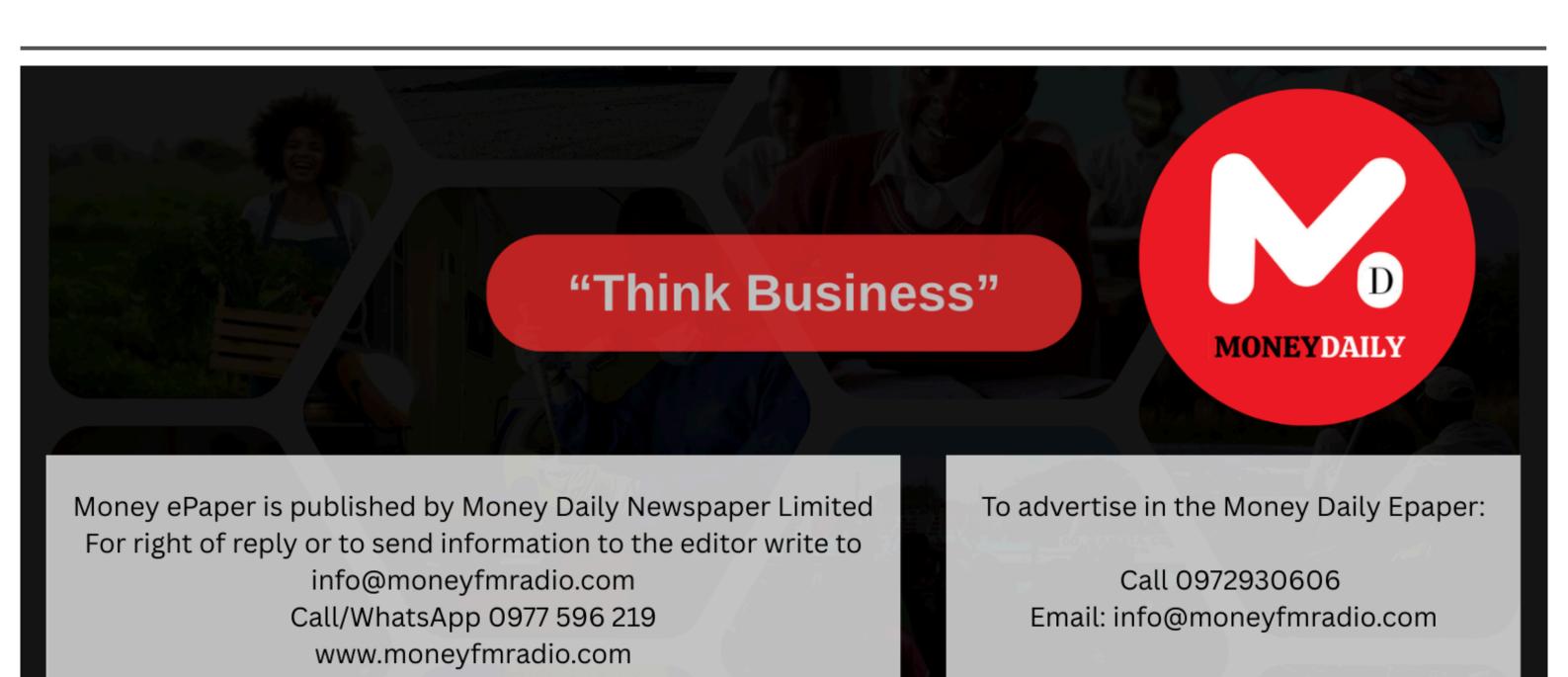
When the world was ravaged by the COVID-19 pandemic, President Lungu led Zambia respect—and this step matters. Today, we are not through dark and uncertain and fully. This is not a time for Zambia mourns you. Zambia provides a path forward.

PF, UPND, Socialist, or days. Our hospitals were under political point-scoring. This is remembers you. Zambia Independent. Today, we are strain, our economy was a time for healing. A time to salutes you. buckling, and our people were Yet ûndêr his leadership, we endured. We did not collapse. We carried on. And that, too, must be acknowledged.

Now that he is gone, let us not resurrect old battles. Let us not reopen old wounds. The judgment of history will remain. The verdict of the people in 2021 stands. But death calls us to maturity. To compassion. To unity.

Let the Patriotic Front allow all Zambians to mourn in peace. Let the ruling party Hamba kahle, Mr. President. provide support in humility. Rest in power, Bashi Tasila. Let the citizens grieve freely Go well, our Sixth President. remember the man beyond the politics—the father, the husband, the friend, the believer, the servant.

President Lungu's legacy, like



TIGHT MONETARY POLICY SLOWS MONEY SUPPLY **GROWTH**

By The Nation



Malawi's broad money supply growth has slowed for the third consecutive month, reflecting the impact of tight monetary policy and lingering effects of the 44 percent currency devaluation in late 2023.

Data from the Reserve Bank of Malawi (RBM) shows that annual broad money (M2) growth declined to 33.9 percent in March 2025, down from 37.8 percent in February and 47.8 percent in March 2024.

The deceleration is largely attributed to lower growth in demand deposits, currency in circulation, and foreign currency-denominated accounts.

RBM figures show that

demand deposits rose by K590.1 billion in March 2025. down from K630.7 billion in February. Currency circulation also registered a slower increase of K271.6 billion compared to K298.0 billion in the previous month. Meanwhile, foreign currencydenominated deposits declined by K80.2 billion, widening from a K27.2 billion drop in February.

In contrast, term deposits which include savings and deposits—showed modest resilience, rising by K586.2 billion in March from K569.6 billion in February. However, their contribution to the overall money supply remained steady at around 14.5 percentage points.

On a monthly basis, broad money rose by 0.7 percent to K5.4 trillion in March 2025.

The expansion was driven largely by increased demand deposits and higher currency outside the banking system, which rose by K46.1 billion K11.5 billion, and respectively.

The rise in cash demand was linked to the start of the agricultural marketing season, which traditionally sees rural economies shift toward cash-based transactions.

INDIA CENTRAL BANK DELIVERS SHARP RATE CUT AS **GROWTH AND INFLATION FALL**

By BBC Business

India's central bank has lowered interest rates by a deeper-than-expected half a percent - the third cut in a row amid falling inflation and lower growth in Asia's third largest economy.

It also increased the amount of liquidity - or supply of money available in the system.

The repo rate - the level at which the central bank lends money commercial banks, borrowing influencing costs for home and car loans - now stands at 5.5%. the lowest in three years.

Explaining the rationale for major economy, although the cut, RBI governor Sanjay growth has sharply dropped Malhotra said growth is from the 9.2% high recorded "lower than our aspirations" in financial year 2023-24. and the bank felt it was Meanwhile, retail prices in "imperative to domestic consumption and investment" amid global uncertainties.

The rate cut comes on the previous back of two reductions in February.

showed that India's economy changed its monetary policy grew by 6.5% in the previous financial year ending March.

world's fastest expanding

stimulate India have slowed faster than expected to 3.16% in April rising the lowest in six years - and below the RBI's 4% target, driven down by falling food prices.

April and RBI has now forecast lower inflation than earlier projected for the year ahead. Data released last week But the central bank has stance from

"accommodative" to "neutral", that indicating The country remains the further rate cuts will depend on how India's growthinflation dynamic evolves.



EXCHANGE RATES

Daily Commercial Banks Exchange Rates

6 04-06-2025	09:30				12:30				15:30			
Bank Name	Interbank Rates		Retail Rates		Interbank Rates		Retail Rates		Interbank Rates		Retail Rates	
	Buy	Sell	Buy	Sell	Buy	Sell	Buy	Sell	Buy	Sell	Buy	Sell
ACCESS BANK ZAMBIA	26.6500	26.7000	26.4000	26.9000	25.9000	25.9500	25.8000	26.1500	25.9900	26.0400	25.7000	26.1000
BANK OF CHINA (ZAMBIA)	26.7200	26.7700	26.3925	26.8755	25.9000	25.9500	25.6225	26.1055	25.9500	26.0000	25.6725	26.1555
ABSA BANK ZAMBIA	26.6000	26.6500	26.4864	26.9414	25.9000	25.9500	25.7920	26.1300	26.0000	26.0500	25.7920	26.2080
CITIBANK ZAMBIA	26.6500	26.7000	26.6100	27.0000	25.9500	26.0000	25.7070	26.0990	25.9500	26.0000	25.7070	26.1800
ECOBANK ZAMBIA	26.8000	26.8500	26.6001	27.0200	25.9000	25.9500	25.7501	26.2500	25.9500	26.0000	25.5915	26.1000
FIRST ALLIANCE BANK ZAMBIA	26.7500	26.8000	26.7500	27.0500	25.9500	26.0000	25.9500	26.2500	25.9500	26.0000	25.9000	26.2000
FIRST CAPITAL BANK ZAMBIA	26.7000	26.7500	26.6010	27.1050	25.9000	25.9500	25.8560	26.3050	26.0500	26.1000	25.8560	26.3050
FIRST NATIONAL BANK ZAMBIA	26.6500	26.7000	26.6440	26.9420	25.9000	25.9500	25.8950	26.1840	25.9000	25.9500	25.7950	25.9670
INDO-ZAMBIA BANK	26.7500	26.8000	26.6000	26.9600	25.9000	25.9500	25.6500	26.0800	26.0000	26.0500	25.8000	26.1800
STANBIC BANK ZAMBIA	26.7500	26.8000	26.4540	26.9800	26.0000	26.0500	25.8350	26.3500	25.9500	26.0000	25.7690	26.2810
STANDARD CHARTERED BANK	26.7000	26.7500	26.5750	27.0000	25.9500	26.0000	25.8250	26.3350	25.9250	25.9750	25.5950	26.1000
UNITED BANK FOR AFRICA ZAMBIA	26.6500	26.7000	26.6124	27.0144	26.0000	26.0500	25.9016	26.4115	25.6000	25.6500	25.3568	25.8560
ZAMBIA INDUSTRIAL COMMERCIAL BANK	26.7500	26.8000	26.5876	26.9892	25.9000	25.9500	25.7672	26.2088	25.9000	25.9500	25.7672	26.2088
ZAMBIA NATIONAL COMMERCIAL BANK	26.7000	26.7500	26.6500	27.0524	26.0000	26.0500	26.0000	26.4420	25.8500	25.9000	25.6158	26.0000
Market Average	26.7014	26.7514	26.5688	26.9879	25.9321	25.9821	25.8108	26.2358	25.9261	25.9761	25.7084	26.1315





DAILY MARKET NEWS

European markets rise ahead of German debt reform vote; QinetiQ down 20% - CNBC

European stocks started the new trading week in positive territory, although investors will be looking to see if global market volatility continues.

The pan-European Stoxx 600 index was up 0.75% by 3:15 p.m. London time, with most sectors moving higher.

British defense firm QinetiQ shed 20%, tumbling to the bottom of the Stoxx 600, after the company made a downward revision to its revenue outlook for the year.

European markets ended the week higher Friday after German lawmakers reportedly came closer to agreeing on reforming the country's so-called debt brake rule. Media reports said Germany's likely next chancellor Friedrich Merz had won support from the Greens party to hike public borrowing to allow an increase in defense spending.

steel exports - Reuters

The European Commission is considering proposing levies on scrap steel and metals exports, Reuters reported Monday, citing a draft plan.

CNBC has contacted the European Commission for comment.

The institution earlier this month launched a strategic dialogue on steel, seeking to support an industry which has been hit hard by higher energy costs, challenging raw materials access and as of last week — U.S. import tariffs of 25%.

The EU will also investigate possible safeguard measures to counter the U.S. duties, which also target aluminum, Reuters reported.

EU mulling duties on European scrap U.S. stocks slightly higher - Reuters European currencies rise

The S&P 500 rose on Monday as the Europe's major currencies rose against the following a four-week rout on Wall Donald Trump's tariffs regime persisted. Street exacerbated by President Donald Trump's chaotic tariff policy The euro gained around 0.26% against the rollout and falling confidence.

0.2%. The Dow Jones Industrial dollar. Average advanced 163 points, or 0.4%

benchmark tries to continue its dollar on Monday, as jitters around the state of comeback from correction territory the American economy and U.S. President

consumer greenback by 10:47 a.m. in London, while the British pound was up by roughly 0.29% against the U.S. currency. The Swiss franc, widely seen The broad market index gained 0.4%, as a safe haven in times of economic or while the Nasdaq Composite rose geopolitical uncertainty, added 0.3% against the

SPORTS NEWS





SABOTEURS OF ZAMBIAN FOOTBALL FACE PROSECUTION - KEITH MWEEMBA WARNS

By Lucky Chama

Football Association of criminal prosecution. Zambia (FAZ) president Keith Mweemba has issued Mweemba's stern warning "deliberate sabotage" and international interference with national team.

Speaking during a press to threatened both internal unpaid allowances.

to comes in the wake of the budge. individuals suspected of recent cancellation of June 2025 in Morocco, due Morocco

declaration an act of betrayal of the Mweemba said.

friendlies "As you may be aware, the efforts to make the trip Mweemba the against Sudan and Tunisia, men's national team was happen, certain individuals, patriotism must never wait for scheduled for 6th and 10th scheduled to travel to some of the players payment adding that playing for players reportedly sanctioned friendlies games travel, citing issues around "privilege, not a right".

"However, despite frantic

player boycott, labelling it September, but also a to them. Obviously, these "totally unacceptable" and matter of national pride," outstanding allowances and other dues are things that we just found in office."

FIFA included, have refused to for the national team is a

briefing, Mweemba also refusing to travel over that are not only part of our unpaid allowances from preparation for the 2026 their last outing in Russia FAZ sanctions and civil and Mweemba condemned the FIFA World Cup qualifiers in and other past dues owed

KALUSHA BWALYA PAYS TRIBUTE TO FORMER PRESIDENT EDGAR LUNGU

By Lucky Chama



Zambia is mourning the during his of its loss Edgar Chagwa Lungu, who passed away on Thursday in South Africa To Former First Lady at the age of 68.

Among the many voices entire expressing grief and accept came from Kalusha true sportsman. Bwalya, former Chipolopolo captain and former president of the Football Association of Kalusha's tribute highlights Zambia (FAZ).

an statement, Bwalya honored Lungu not just Zambia's but as a personal friend and dedicated supporter of Zambian football.

"I am deeply saddened participating by the passing of His fitness activities Chagwa Lungu, Zambia's national team. Sixth Republican President," Bwalya wrote. President Lungu was born football and healthy infrastructural living. I fondly remember development. our long runs together

'Keep sixth weekends and his Republican President, Dr. unwavering support for the Chipolopolo.

Esther Lungu, Hon. Tasila Lungu-Mwansa, and the family—please heartfelt my remembrance, one of the condolences. Zambia has most heartfelt tributes lost a humble leader and

> May his soul rest in eternal peace."

a lesser-known side of President Lungu—his deep emotional personal commitment to fitness and his close ties to football as a former head of state community. During his presidency from 2015 to 2021, Lungu frequently championed sports and healthy living, often seen in public Excellency Dr. Edgar standing firmly behind the

"President Lungu was not on November 11, 1956, only a statesman but a and led Zambia through six passionate supporter of years of economic and



GREEN EAGLES FC PARTS WAYS WITH ENTIRE TECHNICAL BENCH

By Lucky Chama

League side.

Green Eagles Football Club requirements. has officially announced the departure of its entire The club Coach Head Hachipuka. The move, praising their dedication confirmed by the club's and leadership throughout Executive marks the end of an era for Hachipuka and his team the Zambian

According to a statement flight and played a key released by the club, role in developing local Hachipuka and assistants have been redeployed to other duties "Green Eagles Football within the Zambia National Club extends its gratitude Service (ZNS)—the parent to Coach Hachipuka and institution that owns and his team for their valuable manages Green Eagles FC. contributions. We wish

coaching staff is in line with Zambia National Service," ZNS's internal operational

Kebby the outgoing bench, season. Committee, their time at the helm. Premier were instrumental maintaining the club's competitiveness in the top his football talent.

them continued success in The decision to reassign the their new roles within the the club stated.

The club has indicated that announcements regarding the appointment of a new technical expressed team will be made in due course, as technical bench, including sincere appreciation for preparations begin for the next football



