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The Permanent Secretary
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CONFIRMATION OF LAND FOR THE UGANDA INTER- GOVERNMENTAL FISCAL TRANSFERS (UGIFT) PROGRAMME

In FY 2018/2019, this Ministry secured funding under the Uganda Inter-Governmental Fiscal Transfers (UGIFT) Programme for the construction of Seed Secondary Schools in sub-counties without secondary schools and upgrading of Health Centre IIs to IIIs.

At the beginning of the Programme, it was agreed that all investments could only be constructed on land owned by Government or where the community or individuals have offered land and Government is able to take up ownership.

We are concerned that the above-mentioned condition may not have been taken into consideration by some LGs. For instance, this Ministry received a concern from Budaka District Local Government over the ownership of land on which Kamonkoli Seed Secondary School in Budaka District Local Government is being constructed. The Land owner dragged the district to court claiming that he never donated the land.

Given the incident, we are requesting that you:

- (i) Verify ownership of land on which the current projects are located as well as land for the proposed projects due to be constructed in FY 2020/21; and
- (ii) Caution the LGs to ensure that land on which the UGIFT supported investments are being constructed formally belongs to Government and is free of any encumbrance.

Any Accounting Officer who neglected/ or neglects this condition will be held liable for causing financial loss to Government.

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By copy of this letter, all District Chairpersons, Mayors, Local Government Accounting Officers and RDCs are duly informed.


Keith Muhakantzi

PERMANENT SECRETARY/SECRETARY TO THE TREASURY

Copy to: District Chairpersons
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 Resident District Commissioners

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