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To All Accounting Officers:

- (i) Public Universities;
- (ii) Missions Abroad;
- (iii) Regional Referral Hospitals; and
- (iv) Local Governments.

**FIRST QUARTER (JULY – SEPTEMBER 2015) FY 2015/16 DEVELOPMENT BUDGET
RELEASE FOR PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES; MISSIONS ABROAD; REGIONAL REFERRAL
HOSPITALS; AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS**

Please find attached the Development Budget release schedule for the first Quarter (July – September 2015) of FY 2015/16 for Missions Abroad, referral Hospitals and Public Universities (**Annex 1**) and Local Governments (**Annex 2**). The attached release schedule clearly indicates the Vote Code, Project Code, Project name, Approved Budget Estimates and the amount released for the first Quarter of FY 2015/16.

It is important to note the following:

1.0 Accessibility on the Website

The summary of the Third Quarter release schedule can be accessed on the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development website at 'http: www.finance.go.ug' and 'http: www.budget.go.ug'

2.0 Work plans and Accountability

2.1 All Accounting Officers are advised to utilize the funds released under this circular in accordance with quarterly work plans as specified under the appointment letters for Accounting Officers and the Performance Contracts signed with the Permanent Secretary/Secretary to the Treasury in line with the provisions of the Public Finance Management Act, 2015.

2.2 For Central Government votes, accountability from Project Managers should continue to be submitted to the respective Accounting Officers with three copies to this Ministry - one for the attention of the Director Budget; the other two to the Ag. Internal Auditor General and the Ag. Commissioner/Treasury Inspectorate and Policy Department.

Mission

"To formulate sound economic policies, maximize revenue mobilization, ensure efficient allocation and accountability for public resources so as to achieve the most rapid and sustainable economic growth and development"

- i) **UShs. 50,520,378,000/= (Uganda Shillings: Fifty Billion, Five Hundred Twenty Million, Three Hundred Seventy Eight Thousand Only)** will be credited on the Local Governments' General Fund Accounts for the projects of LGMSD, Health Development, Water and Environment Development, Roads Development and SFG component of Education Development; and
- ii) The balance of **UShs. 1,771,600,000/= (Uganda Shillings: One Billion, Seven Hundred Seventy One Million, Six Hundred Thousand Only)**, which is for Secondary School Construction component of the Education Development Grant (**Proj Code 1214, item 321370**) will be sent directly to the beneficiary schools, based on the advice by Ministry of Education and Sports. I have attached the details by vote and school, under **Annex 3**, for your ease of reference,
- 5.2 Whereas the funds in 5.1 (ii) above will be remitted directly to the service delivery units, the Local Government Accounting Officers are personally liable for effective utilization of these funds, submission of performance progress reports as well as the accountability of the funds.
- 5.3 The Local Government release referred to under para 5.1 above excludes the funds for Project 1255, Item 321465: Urban Municipal Infrastructure Support Project (USMID) which will be released under a separate schedule by Ministry of Lands, Housing and Urban Development; and
- 5.4 I have attached (**under Annex 4**) a schedule of the breakdown of the funds released to local governments under each Sector Development Grant, including 'of which' allocations to pre-existing transfers and their PRDP components for ease of ascertaining the details of these releases.
- 6.0 By copy of this letter, the Auditor General and the Commissioner General, Uganda Revenue Authority are informed. The Accountant General and the Commissioner Financial Management Services are hereby requested to take the necessary action.

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For: PERMANENT SECRETARY/SECRETARY TO THE TREASURY

- cc: The Hon. Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development
cc: All Hon. Ministers of State, Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development
cc: The Head of Public Service and Secretary to Cabinet
cc: The Deputy Head of Public Service
cc: The Auditor General
cc: The Inspector General of Government
cc: The Accountant General
cc: The Commissioner General, Uganda Revenue Authority
cc: The Commissioner, Financial Management Services
cc: The Ag. Internal Auditor General
cc: The Ag. Commissioner, Treasury Inspectorate and Policy Department
cc: The Ag. Commissioner, Debt Management Department
cc: The Resident District Commissioners
cc: The LC V Chairpersons, Local Governments
cc: All Project Coordinators/Managers