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I. VOTE MISSION STATEMENT

To promote good governance through prevention of corruption enforcement of the law and citizens engagement

II. STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE

To enhance prevention detection and elimination of corruption

To promote minimum standard of behavior and leaders code of conduct

To promote adherence to the rule of law in public offices

To increase stakeholder engagement for effective execution of Inspectorate of Government mandate

To Strengthen Inspectorate of Government institutional and organizational capacity to deliver on its mandate

III. MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2021/22

Complaints Registration and Case Sanctioning. The IG received 804 corruption and ombudsman complaints against public officials across the country as follows. Head Office 467 and 337 from the 16 Regional Offices. Of the above complaints, 721 were sanctioned for investigation, 38 were referred and 8 were rejected while decisions were yet to be taken on 37 cases.

Verification of Leaders Declarations and investigation of the breaches of the Leadership Code of Conduct. The IG continued to receive declarations from newly elected leaders that came into office on 12th May 2021 in addition to the Public Officers who are now mandated to declare as per the amended Leadership Code Act. Approximately 400,000 declarations are expected from public officers as a result of the amendment in the LCA, 2002. By end of Q2, 182,187 individuals had submitted their declarations successfully hence representing 60.7% compliance rate. During the same period, the IG also continued with its effort to recover misappropriated funds by public officials. Recovery of UGX 1,486,391,325 (242%) was made and deposited on the IG asset recovery account.

Transparency Accountability and Anti Corruption (TAAC) in projects. Under the Transparency Accountability and Anti Corruption (TAAC) component, 2038 Citizens were trained to inspect ongoing Government projects. The above trained project monitors carried out 255 inspections of projects being implemented and found 137 grievances of which 26 (19%) were resolved on time. The IG furthermore followed up issues related to misuse of the project funds and UGX 3,440,000 was recovered in addition to two motorcycles.

Investigation of Corruption in Local Governments. In the period under review, 189 (76%) corruption cases in Local Governments were investigated out of the half year target of 250 cases. Arising from the above cases, UGX 3,127,083,090 was recommended for recovery, 10 Public officials were arrested and prosecuted, while 61 were referred to their relevant authorities for administrative action.

Ombudsman Complaints in MDAs, Policy and System Studies. During the half year, 71 (25%) Ombudsman cases out of a biannual target of 320 were resolved in MDALGs of which 22 were in MDAs while 49 were in LGs.

Education and Awareness Creation on Corruption. The IG sensitized the community through a number of initiatives which included trainings of councilors in 12 districts and a collaboration with GLS Uganda hosted by the InterAgency Forum Leadership Summit where 500 ACAs staff attended. Furthermore, in collaboration with other Agencies, the IG organized the International Anti Corruption Day which was officiated by H.E the President of the Republic of Uganda.

The IG also conducted 39 radio and TV programs during the quarter and these were on 19 different stations. The programs majorly discussed the IG mandate and how the Citizens can participate in the fight against corruption.

Additionally, with support from GIZ, 13 radio stations aired season two of the anti corruption dramas which were aimed at educating the Public about corruption and how to join the fight. Lastly as part of the advocacy to enlist the public, 960 anti corruption spot messages were aired on various radio stations.

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During the same period, one research study about the cost of corruption in Uganda was completed. The study established that the cost of corruption in Uganda is estimated to be at least UGX 9.144 trillion which is equivalent to 44% of total government revenue in 2019. In other words, corruption cost each Ugandan at least UGX 200,000. These figures include both direct and indirect costs of corruption.

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IV. MEDIUM TERM BUDGET ALLOCATIONS

Table 4.1: Overview of Vote Expenditure (Ushs Billion)

		MTEF Budget Projections				
		2022/23 Proposed Budget	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27
Recurrent	Wage	23.430	23.430	23.430	23.430	23.430
	Non-Wage	30.332	30.332	30.332	30.332	30.332
Devt.	GoU	13.976	13.976	13.976	13.976	13.976
	Ext Fin.	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
	GoU Total	67.738	67.738	67.738	67.738	67.738
	Total GoU+Ext Fin (MTEF)	67.738	67.738	67.738	67.738	67.738
	Arrears	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
	Total Budget	67.738	67.738	67.738	67.738	67.738
	Total Vote Budget Excluding	67.738	67.738	67.738	67.738	67.738

VOTE: 103 Inspector General of Government's Office(IGG)**Table 4.2: Budget Allocation by Department for Recurrent and Development (Ushs Billion)**

<i>Billion Uganda Shillings</i>	Draft Budget Estimates FY 2022/23	
	Recurrent	Development
Programme:14 PUBLIC SECTOR TRANSFORMATION	3.463	0.000
SubProgramme:01 Strengthening Accountability	3.463	0.000
Sub SubProgramme:01 Anti-Corruption	2.385	0.000
006 Leadership Code	2.385	0.000
Sub SubProgramme:03 Ombudsman	1.079	0.000
001 Ombudsman Affairs	1.079	0.000
Programme:16 GOVERNANCE AND SECURITY	50.299	13.976
SubProgramme:05 Anti-Corruption and Accountability	50.299	13.976
Sub SubProgramme:01 Anti-Corruption	24.311	0.000
001 Directorate of Anti-Corruption	13.740	0.000
002 Research Education and Advocacy	1.821	0.000
003 Legal Affairs	2.705	0.000
004 Special Investigations	3.791	0.000
005 Project Risk Monitoring and Control	2.254	0.000
Sub SubProgramme:02 General Administration and Support Services	25.988	13.976
001 Finance and Administration	25.988	13.976
Total for the Vote	53.762	13.976

VOTE: 103 Inspector General of Government's Office(IGG)**V. PERFORMANCE INDICATORS AND PLANNED OUTPUTS****Table 5.1: Performance Indicators**

Programme: 14 PUBLIC SECTOR TRANSFORMATION				
SubProgramme: 01 Strengthening Accountability				
Sub SubProgramme: 01 Anti-Corruption				
Department: 006 Leadership Code				
Budget Output: 390002 Management of declarations				
PIAP Output: Assets Declarations for all leaders received on time				
Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	Performance Targets
				2022/23
Compliance rate of Leaders declarations, %	Percentage	2017-18	75%	85%
Number of declarations verified	Number	2017-18	25	30

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VI. VOTE NARRATIVE

Vote Challenges

Inadequate funding. The funding provided is not sufficient for the Inspectorate of Government to execute the 3 core functions of Anti Corruption, Ombudsman and enforcement of the Leadership Code of Conduct. Approximately 95% of the funding provided is used to meet staff costs namely Wage, Gratuity, NSSF Contributions and Medical Insurance and other obligatory expenditures such as rent for Regional Offices and Head Office, utilities and development allocation for construction of the IG Head Office Building and Kabale Regional Office. In the entire budgetary provisions for FY 2022/23 only 1.8 Billion was earmarked for funding investigations, prosecutions, verifications of leaders declarations, Ombudsman activities, public awareness, anti corruption Campaigns and implementation of TAAC. The IG is therefore in need of funding for the following activities amongst other obligations

Implementation of the Leadership Code of Conduct. The Leadership Code Act was amended in 2021, to allow for all public officers to declare their Income, Assets and Liabilities to the Inspector General of Government. This amendment has increased the number of leaders declaring to the IG from 25,000 to over 400,000. The IG requires resources to receive, process, verify and investigate breaches into the Code. Without a significant increase in the budget provision it will not be possible for the IG to operationalize this legal requirement.

Asset Recovery. Currently there are over 5500 corruption and ombudsman cases under investigation at the Inspectorate of Government. In the above cases under investigation, there are over 50 high profile syndicated cases valued at over UGX 250 Billion. In the current FY 2021/22, using the limited resources provided, the IG has managed to recover over UGX 1.7 Billion in cash deposited to the IG asset recovery account and physical assets such as land worth 3.0 Billion. Therefore, the IG appeals for more funding to be able to investigate and prosecute the ongoing cases and recover more funds. In the next financial year, the institution intends to at least recover UGX 100 billion and thereafter a similar amount every year.

Inadequate skills to fight corruption and maladministration in the public sector. Over the years, the prevalence and complexity of corruption in Uganda has increased and is of particular concern to the entire nation. While corruption was previously limited to favors and bribes between a few officials, it now encompasses grand syndicated corruption where controls are deliberately circumvented in a systematic way, involving a network of corrupt officials from different MDALGs and the private sector. However, the IG has inadequate capacity to effectively deal with the current forms of corruption and maladministration. It lacks advanced equipment, forensic team, specialized staff such as engineers, valuers and quantity surveyors and skills to conduct assets tracing, verification, financial profiling and lifestyle audits. The inadequacy in skills and equipment has partially contributed to accumulation of uncompleted cases and delays in concluding cases. Currently the IG has over 5000 ongoing cases valued at over 200 Billion.

Understaffing. In the last four years, the number of local governments has significantly grown. The growth in the number of administrative units contributes to additional work for the IG. Also the number of leaders declaring to the Inspectorate of Government increased from 25,000 to 400,000 due to the amendment of the Leadership Code Act. The IG therefore requires an additional 50 staff to support its operations.

Plans to improve Vote Performance

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Automate processes and systems and increase use of technology to expedite investigations and prosecution of corruption cases

Partnering and collaborating with other stakeholders to harness synergies in the fight against corruption

Hire services of sister Anti Corruption institutions such Police, ISO and CMI and experts to support the institution where there is lack of capacity

Increase use of covert operations, intelligence, informers and whistle blowers to report corruption cases and provide information to strengthen investigations and prosecutions.

VII. Off Budget Support

Table 7.1: Off Budget Support by Project and Department

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VIII. VOTE CROSS CUTTING POLICY AND OTHER BUDGETARY ISSUES

Table 8.1: Cross- Cutting Policy Issues

i) Gender and Equity

OBJECTIVE	To execute the IG mandate in conformity with the National Gender Policy and the legislation in place to enforce it
Issue of Concern	Limited integration of gender issues in the IG work plans and budgets
Planned Interventions	Conduct Information and awareness-raising activities on gender mainstreaming techniques through workshops seminars and training for the IG staff Mainstreaming and awareness activities to promote the reconciliation of work private and family life Promote e
Budget Allocation (Billion)	0.050
Performance Indicators	8 gender awareness sessions conducted 4 investigations aggregated by gender

ii) HIV/AIDS

OBJECTIVE	To mitigate the effects of HIV and AIDS on the IG work place
Issue of Concern	The burden and impact of HIV and AIDS on the IG workforce and combating corruption and maladministration
Planned Interventions	Improve services seeking behavior of staff with more staff getting HIV tested and more staff on anti retroviral treatment Support Behavior change initiatives with staff reporting safer sexual behavior and more staff taking condoms from the workplace
Budget Allocation (Billion)	0.050
Performance Indicators	10 staff and 5 family members supported 5 outreach initiatives held

iii) Environment

OBJECTIVE	To contribute to sustainable use of environment through investigations and prosecution of environmental corruption related cases
Issue of Concern	Increased degradation pollution and exploitation of natural resources due to corrupt practices
Planned Interventions	Promptly investigate and prosecute allegations of environmental mismanagement and abuse of resources to safe guard environment Participate in planting of trees to restore environment through corporate social responsibility
Budget Allocation (Billion)	0.050
Performance Indicators	12 cases related to the environmental concern investigated 5000 Trees planted to restore the environment

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iv) Covid

OBJECTIVE	To prevent COVID19 infection and mitigate its impact on IG staff
Issue of Concern	High risk of Staff contracting COVID19 while conducting investigations prosecutions verification and public awareness
Planned Interventions	Encourage the IG staff and immediate family members to vaccinate Support testing and other logistical support for exposed staff their contacts and immediate family members
Budget Allocation (Billion)	0.050
Performance Indicators	70% of staff fully vaccinated against COVID19 100% of staff with suspected COVID19 cases tested

VOTE: 103 Inspector General of Government's Office(IGG)**IX. PERSONNEL INFORMATION****Table 9.1: Staff Establishment Analysis**

Title	Salary Scale	Number of Approved Positions	Number of filled Positions
ACCOUNTANT	IG5	2	1
DRIVER	IG8	89	74
INSPECTORATE OFFICER	IG5	229	91
PERSONAL SECRETARY	IG5	7	5
SENIOR PRINCIPAL INSPECTORATE OFFICER	IG2	1	0

VOTE: 103 Inspector General of Government's Office(IGG)**Table 9.2: Staff Recruitment Plan**

Post Title	Salary Scale	No. Of Approved Posts	No. Of Filled Posts	No. Of Vacant Posts	No. Of Posts Cleared for Filling FY2022/23	Gross Salary Per Month (UGX)	Total Annual Salary (UGX)
ACCOUNTANT	IG5	2	1	1	1	3,942,085	47,305,020
DRIVER	IG8	89	74	15	5	1,117,808	67,068,480
INSPECTORATE OFFICER	IG5	229	91	138	30	3,942,085	1,419,150,600
PERSONAL SECRETARY	IG5	7	5	2	2	3,942,085	94,610,040
SENIOR PRINCIPAL INSPECTORATE OFFICER	IG2	1	0	1	1	9,388,317	112,659,804
Total					39	22,332,380	1,740,793,944