

# **VOTE: 105 Law Reform Commission (LRC)**

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## **I. VOTE MISSION STATEMENT**

To reform and update the laws of Uganda in line with the social, cultural and economic needs and values of the people of Uganda

## **II. STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE**

- 1 To revise and reform the laws with the view to making recommendations for their systematic improvement
- 2 To simplify and translate laws with a view to enhancing access and usability.
- 3 To enhance public participation in the law reform process from inception to dissemination
- 4 To enhance research, innovation, advocacy and networking for law reform
- 5 To ensure efficient and effective governance at the Commission.
- 6 To enhance the capacity and effectiveness of the functions of the Commission.
- 7 To enhance financial efficiency and sustainability

## **III. MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2023/24**

1. completed revising the 7th Edition of the Principal Laws of Uganda which are now under print and awaiting launch by end of third quarter 2024/24
2. developed a Mobile App for the laws of Uganda to ease access of the law on mobile devices
3. translated the Constitution of the Republic of Uganda, 1995, into ten local languages bringing the cumulative number of the local languages into which the Constitution has been translated to (Law Revision department to provide) out of the 65 local languages listed in the Constitution.
4. conducted studies for review of the following laws (obtain the studies from law reform department)
5. simplified laws relating to Employment (rights and duties), Traffic and Road Safety Act, etc.
6. carried out country wide dissemination of the translated Constitution, simplified laws, and other publications by the Commission to enhance public access to the law in action.

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## IV. MEDIUM TERM BUDGET ALLOCATIONS

Table 4.1: Overview of Vote Expenditure (Ushs Billion)

	2023/24		2024/25	MTEF Budget Projections				
	Approved Budget	Spent by End Dec	Budget Estimates	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	
<b>Recurrent</b>	Wage	4.073	1.668	3.417	3.588	3.767	3.956	5.056
	Non-Wage	13.965	3.915	14.220	14.202	16.616	19.108	22.930
<b>Devt.</b>	GoU	0.420	0.000	0.420	0.441	0.507	0.558	0.669
	Ext Fin.	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
<b>GoU Total</b>		<b>18.458</b>	<b>5.583</b>	<b>18.057</b>	<b>18.231</b>	<b>20.890</b>	<b>23.622</b>	<b>28.655</b>
<b>Total GoU+Ext Fin (MTEF)</b>		<b>18.458</b>	<b>5.583</b>	<b>18.057</b>	<b>18.231</b>	<b>20.890</b>	<b>23.622</b>	<b>28.655</b>
Arrears		0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
<b>Total Budget</b>		<b>18.458</b>	<b>5.583</b>	<b>18.057</b>	<b>18.231</b>	<b>20.890</b>	<b>23.622</b>	<b>28.655</b>
<b>Total Vote Budget Excluding Arrears</b>		<b>18.458</b>	<b>5.583</b>	<b>18.057</b>	<b>18.231</b>	<b>20.890</b>	<b>23.622</b>	<b>28.655</b>

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Table 4.2: Budget Allocation by Department for Recurrent and Development (Ushs Billion)

<i>Billion Uganda Shillings</i>	Draft Budget Estimates FY 2024/25	
	Recurrent	Development
<b>Programme:16 Governance And Security</b>	<b>17.340</b>	<b>0.420</b>
<b>SubProgramme:04 Access to Justice</b>	<b>17.340</b>	<b>0.420</b>
<b>Sub SubProgramme:01 Advocay for law reform</b>	<b>0.400</b>	<b>0.000</b>
001 Law Reform	0.400	0.000
<b>Sub SubProgramme:02 General administration and support services</b>	<b>8.832</b>	<b>0.420</b>
001 Finance and Administration	8.832	0.420
<b>Sub SubProgramme:03 Translate, simplify and disseminate laws</b>	<b>4.532</b>	<b>0.000</b>
001 Law Revision	4.532	0.000
<b>Sub SubProgramme:04 Reform of laws</b>	<b>3.427</b>	<b>0.000</b>
001 Law Reform	3.427	0.000
<b>Sub SubProgramme:05 Publications</b>	<b>0.150</b>	<b>0.000</b>
001 Law Revision	0.150	0.000
<b>Programme:20 Legislation, Oversight And Representation</b>	<b>0.296</b>	<b>0.000</b>
<b>SubProgramme:01 Legislation</b>	<b>0.296</b>	<b>0.000</b>
<b>Sub SubProgramme:02 General administration and support services</b>	<b>0.296</b>	<b>0.000</b>
001 Finance and Administration	0.296	0.000
<b>Total for the Vote</b>	<b>17.637</b>	<b>0.420</b>

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## V. PERFORMANCE INDICATORS AND PLANNED OUTPUTS

Table 5.1: Performance Indicators

Programme: 16 Governance And Security

SubProgramme: 04 Access to Justice

Sub SubProgramme: 01 Advocacy for law reform

Department: 001 Law Reform

Budget Output: 460131 Pre - enactment and post enactment advocacy

PIAP Output: Public awareness of existing laws

Programme Intervention: 160501 Develop appropriate infrastructure for legislation, security, justice, law and order

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2023/24		Performance Targets
				Target	Q2 Performance	2024/25
No. of law awareness campaigns conducted	Number	2019	4	8	15	4

Sub SubProgramme: 02 General administration and support services

Department: 001 Finance and Administration

Budget Output: 000001 Audit and Risk Management

PIAP Output: General Administration (utilities, meetings, welfare, etc)

Programme Intervention: 160201 Re-engineer business processes to reduce red tape in service delivery especially regarding commercial and land dispute resolution

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2023/24		Performance Targets
				Target	Q2 Performance	2024/25
Fully operational offices	Text	2019	85%	65%	65%	100%

Budget Output: 000007 Procurement and Disposal Services

PIAP Output: General Administration (utilities, meetings, welfare, etc)

Programme Intervention: 160201 Re-engineer business processes to reduce red tape in service delivery especially regarding commercial and land dispute resolution

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2023/24		Performance Targets
				Target	Q2 Performance	2024/25
Fully operational offices	Text	2019	75%	90%	90%	100%

**VOTE: 105 Law Reform Commission (LRC)****Sub SubProgramme: 02 General administration and support services****Department: 001 Finance and Administration****Budget Output: 000013 HIV/AIDS Mainstreaming****PIAP Output: Administration support services provided****Programme Intervention: 160605 Undertake financing and administration of programme services**

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2023/24		Performance Targets
				Target	Q2 Performance	2024/25
Number of reports prepared	Number					2

**Budget Output: 000014 Administrative and Support Services****PIAP Output: General Administration (utilities, meetings, welfare, etc)****Programme Intervention: 160201 Re-engineer business processes to reduce red tape in service delivery especially regarding commercial and land dispute resolution**

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2023/24		Performance Targets
				Target	Q2 Performance	2024/25
Fully operational offices	Text	2019	75% functional offices	90% functional offices	90%	100%

**Budget Output: 000089 Climate Change Mitigation****PIAP Output: Administration support services provided****Programme Intervention: 160605 Undertake financing and administration of programme services**

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2023/24		Performance Targets
				Target	Q2 Performance	2024/25
Number of reports prepared	Number					1

**Budget Output: 000090 Climate Change Adaptation****PIAP Output: Administration support services provided****Programme Intervention: 160605 Undertake financing and administration of programme services**

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2023/24		Performance Targets
				Target	Q2 Performance	2024/25
Number of reports prepared	Number					1

**VOTE: 105 Law Reform Commission (LRC)****Sub SubProgramme: 03 Translate, simplify and disseminate laws****Department: 001 Law Revision****Budget Output: 460128 Translation, simplification and dissemination of laws****PIAP Output: Translated and simplified laws****Programme Intervention: 160606 Simplify, translate and disseminate laws, policies and standards**

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2023/24		Performance Targets
				Target	Q2 Performance	2024/25
Number of complaints registered through Mobile complaints handling clinics	Number	2019	40	40	0	5

**Sub SubProgramme: 04 Reform of laws****Department: 001 Law Reform****Budget Output: 460129 Law reform proposals****PIAP Output: Research Proposals for law reform****Programme Intervention: 160603 Review and enact appropriate legislation**

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2023/24		Performance Targets
				Target	Q2 Performance	2024/25
No. of laws reviewed	Number	2017	4	4	3	7

**Sub SubProgramme: 05 Publications****Department: 001 Law Revision****Budget Output: 460130 Laws and reports publications and management****PIAP Output: Published laws and study reports****Programme Intervention: 160606 Simplify, translate and disseminate laws, policies and standards**

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2023/24		Performance Targets
				Target	Q2 Performance	2024/25
No. of laws/study reports published	Number	2019	4	4	3	10
No. of publications	Number	2021	5	6	5	10

**Programme: 20 Legislation, Oversight And Representation****SubProgramme: 01 Legislation**

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Sub SubProgramme: 02 General administration and support services

Department: 001 Finance and Administration

Budget Output: 000012 Legal and Advisory services

PIAP Output: Laws reviewed

Programme Intervention: 200102 Improve legislative processes in Parliament and LG Councils to ensure enhanced scrutiny and quality of legislation.

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2023/24		Performance Targets
				Target	Q2 Performance	2024/25
No. of studies for law reform undertaken	Number					4

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## **VI. VOTE NARRATIVE**

### **Vote Challenges**

1. Heavy workload for the few staff because of the halt in recruitment of new staff across the entire service.
2. delays by the Government printer to undertake printing of the laws on time hence affecting sales of laws for realization of the NTR

### **Plans to improve Vote Performance**

1. Procure more consultants to carry out studies for review of laws to relieve the few staff of the heavy workload.
2. Consider an amendment on the Law Revision Act to enable open competition for printing of the laws instead of limiting printing only to the government printer.

## **VII. Off Budget Support and NTR Projections**

### **Table 7.1: Off Budget Support by Project and Department**

N/A



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<b>Revenue Code</b>	<b>Revenue Name</b>	<b>FY2023/24</b>	<b>Projection FY2024/25</b>
142114	Sale of publications-From Private Entities	0.800	2.000
<b>Total</b>		<b>0.800</b>	<b>2.000</b>

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## VIII. VOTE CROSS CUTTING POLICY AND OTHER BUDGETARY ISSUES

Table 8.1: Cross- Cutting Policy Issues

### i) Gender and Equity

<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	To mainstream gender and equity related aspects in process of law reform and revision
<b>Issue of Concern</b>	law inclusiveness in reform and revision processes
<b>Planned Interventions</b>	Translation of the constitution in 10 local languages Public involvement in law reform processes
<b>Budget Allocation (Billion)</b>	0.187
<b>Performance Indicators</b>	Number of laws translated into local languages Number of laws transcribed in braille and sign language number of slates and styluses procured

### ii) HIV/AIDS

<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	To mainstream HIV in all commission activities
<b>Issue of Concern</b>	Limited awareness and psychosocial support
<b>Planned Interventions</b>	provide psychosocial support to the infected and affected conduct periodic health awareness promote a healthy living among staff
<b>Budget Allocation (Billion)</b>	0.068
<b>Performance Indicators</b>	Number of health awareness sessions conducted Number of HIV prevention material distributed

### iii) Environment

<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	To contribute to a sustainable environment for enjoyment of every Ugandan
<b>Issue of Concern</b>	High levels of environmental degradation
<b>Planned Interventions</b>	Reform of environmental related laws Promote a paperless workplace policy
<b>Budget Allocation (Billion)</b>	0.250
<b>Performance Indicators</b>	Number of environmental laws reformed

### iv) Covid

N / A

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## **IX. PERSONNEL INFORMATION**

### **Table 9.1: Staff Establishment Analysis**

N / A

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## **Table 9.2: Staff Recruitment Plan**

N / A