

VOTE: 164 National Council for Higher Education

V1: VOTE OVERVIEW

i) Vote Strategic Objectives

1. To enhance quality Assurance and Compliance in Higher Education Institutions.
2. To strengthen Digital Transformation within National Council for Higher Education and Higher Education Institutions for regulation and management.
3. To advance relevant research and innovation and strengthen usage of Higher Education statistics for regulation and policy.
4. To strengthen corporate governance, institutional capacity and development at National Council for Higher Education.

ii) Snapshot of Medium Term Budget Allocations

Table V1.1 Overview of Vote Medium Term Allocations (Ush Billion)

<i>Billion Uganda Shillings</i>	FY2025/26		FY2026/27	MTEF Budget Projections			
	Approved Budget	Spent by End Sep	Proposed Budget	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31
Recurrent Wage	7.792	1.808	7.792	8.182	8.591	9.021	9.472
Non Wage	9.157	1.509	9.157	10.531	12.637	15.164	18.197
Dev. GoU	0.100	0.000	0.100	0.110	0.132	0.158	0.190
ExtFin	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
GoU Total	17.049	3.316	17.049	18.823	21.360	24.343	27.859
Total GoU+Ext Fin (MTEF)	17.049	3.316	17.049	18.823	21.360	24.343	27.859
<i>A.I.A Total</i>	0.000	0	0	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Grand Total	17.049	3.316	17.049	18.823	21.360	24.343	27.859

Table V1.2: Medium Term Projections by Programme and Vote Function

<i>Billion Uganda Shillings</i>	FY2025/26		2026/27	MTEF Budget Projections			
	Approved Budget	Spent by End Sep	Proposed Budget	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31
12 Human Capital Development							
01 Higher Education Quality, Standard and Accreditation	2.578	0.223	2.578	10.531	12.637	15.164	18.197
02 General Administration and support services	14.471	3.093	14.471	8.292	8.723	9.179	9.662
Total for the Programme	17.049	3.316	17.049	18.823	21.360	24.343	27.859
Total for the Vote: 164	17.049	3.316	17.049	18.823	21.360	24.343	27.859

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V2: MEDIUM TERM BUDGET ALLOCATIONS BY DEPARTMENT AND PROJECT

Table V2.1: Medium Term Projections by Department and Project

<i>Billion Uganda Shillings</i>	FY2025/26		2026/27	MTEF Budget Projection			
	Approved Budget	Spent by End Sep	Proposed Budget	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31
Programme: 12 Human Capital Development							
Vote Function: 01 Higher Education Quality, Standard and Accreditation							
<i>Recurrent</i>							
001 Quality Assurance and Accreditation	1.000	0.173	1.000	4.531	5.637	6.164	8.197
003 ICT, Research and Innovation	1.278	0.035	1.278	3.000	4.000	5.000	6.000
004 Standards, Recognition and Equation of Qualifications	0.300	0.015	0.300	3.000	3.000	4.000	4.000
Total for the Vote Function 01	2.578	0.223	2.578	10.531	12.637	15.164	18.197
Vote Function: 02 General Administration and support services							
<i>Recurrent</i>							
001 Finance, Planning and Administration	14.371	3.093	14.371	8.182	8.591	9.021	9.472
<i>Development</i>							
1980 Institutional Development of National Council for Higher Education	0.100	0.000	0.100	0.110	0.132	0.158	0.190
Total for the Vote Function 02	14.471	3.093	14.471	8.292	8.723	9.179	9.662
Total for the Programme 12	17.049	3.316	17.049	18.823	21.360	24.343	27.859
Total for the Vote: 164	17.049	3.316	17.049	18.823	21.360	24.343	27.859

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V3: VOTE MEDIUM TERM PLANS

Planned Outputs for FY2026/27 and Medium Term Plans

FY2026/27	
Plan	MEDIUM TERM PLANS
Programme Intervention: 12212 Accelerate the acquisition of urgently needed skills in key growth areas	
1. Accredite 600 programmes from higher institutions of learning by National Council for Higher Education. 2. Train 200 institutional and programme assessors from higher institutions of learning by National Council for Higher Education.. 3. Train 400 higher education managers and owners in governance by National Council for Higher Education. . 4. Monitor 80 higher education institutions for compliance by National Council for Higher Education. . 5. License 12 higher education institutions by National Council for Higher Education..	1. 1200 programmes accredited in medium term by National Council for Higher Education. . 2. 400 institutional and programme assessors trained by National Council for Higher Education. 3. 1200 higher education managers and owners trained by National Council for Higher Education. 4. 240 higher education institutions monitored for compliance by National Council for Higher Education.. 5. 36 higher education institutions licensed in medium term by National Council for Higher Education..
Programme Intervention: 12211 Provide early exposure to STEM/STEI to children through innovative science projects in schools and higher education institutions	
1. Train 100 staff on ICT tools and system by National Council for Higher Education. 2. Publish the State of Higher Education survey report. 3. Publish the Tracer study report by National Council for Higher Education. 4. National Council Higher Education to publish higher education review journal of National Council for Higher Education. 5. Organize the Annual Higher Education conference by National Council for Higher Education. 6. Organize the Annual Higher Education Exhibition by National Council for Higher Education. .	1. 300 staff from NCHE and Higher Institutions of Learning trained. 2. State of Higher Education survey report published by National Council for Higher Education. 3. Tracer study report by National Council for Higher Education published. 4. Higher education review journal of National Council for Higher Education published. 5. Annual Higher Education conference organized by National Council for Higher Education.
Programme Intervention: 122110 Provide the required physical infrastructure and equip, instruction materials, human resources and quality assurance mechanism for Higher Education and TVET Institutions including Special Needs Education (SNE)	
1. Develop 12 minimum standards for courses of study by National Council for Higher Education. 2. Review 4 minimum standards for courses of study by National Council for Higher Education. 3. Equate 600 foreign academic and professional qualifications by National Council for Higher Education. 4. Recognize 320 local academic and professional qualifications by National Council for Higher Education. 5. Train NCHE staff quarterly by National Council Higher Education . 6. Sign 4 memorandum of understandings with stakeholders. 7. Conduct sensitization workshops on HIV/AIDS and environment for staff. 8. Procure ICT equipment and furniture for staff.	1. 36 minimum standards for courses of study developed. 2. 12 minimum standards for courses of study reviewed. 3. 1800 foreign academic and professional qualifications equated. 4. 960 local academic and professional qualifications recognized. 5. NCHE staff trained quarterly. 6. 12 memorandum of understandings with stakeholders signed. 7. Sensitization workshops on HIV/AIDS and environment for staff held. 8. ICT equipment and furniture for staff procured.

V4: Highlights of Vote Projected Performance

Table V4.1: Key Service Areas and Indicators

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Programme:	12 Human Capital Development			
Vote Function:	01 Higher Education Quality, Standard and Accreditation			
Department:	001 Quality Assurance and Accreditation			
Key Service Area:	320035 Quality, Standard and Accreditation			
PIAP Output:	Strengthened Skills acquisition and development framework			
Programme Intervention:	12212 Accelerate the acquisition of urgently needed skills in key growth areas			
Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	FY2026/27
				Proposed
National Qualifications Framework developed	Number	2023/24	0	1
Department:	003 ICT, Research and Innovation			
Key Service Area:	320010 E-Learning, and innovation services			
PIAP Output:	Increase Student Participation in STEM/STEI activities and projects			
Programme Intervention:	122211 Provide early exposure to STEM/STEI to children through innovative science projects in schools and higher education institutions			
Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	FY2026/27
				Proposed
Number of schools/institutions undertaking innovative Student-led inovative science based projects	Number	2023/24	50	10
Number of Student-led innovative science based projects developed/supported	Number	2023/24	20	4
Department:	004 Standards, Recognition and Equation of Qualifications			
Key Service Area:	320039 Standards, Recognition and Qualifications services			
PIAP Output:	Physical infrastructure, human resources and quality assurance improved for for Higher Education and TVET Institutions			
Programme Intervention:	1222110 Provide the required physical infrastructure and equip, instruction materials, human resources and quality assurance mechanism for Higher Education and TVET Institutions including Special Needs Education (SNE)			

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Vote Function:	01 Higher Education Quality, Standard and Accreditation			
PIAP Output:	Physical infrastructure, human resources and quality assurance improved for for Higher Education and TVET Institutions			
Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	FY2026/27
				Proposed
Bunyoro and Busoga Universities established	Number	2023/24	0	
Gulu University Constituent College, Moroto established	Number	2023/24	0	1
Number of Higher Education Graduates tracer studies conducted by NCHE	Number	2023/24	1	1
Number of Public Higher Education institutions with ICT enabled infrastructure	Number	2023/24	10	10
UNITE established and fully operationalized	Number	2023/24		1
Vote Function:	02 General Administration and support services			
Department:	001 Finance, Planning and Administration			
Key Service Area:	000013 HIV/AIDS Mainstreaming			
PIAP Output:	Physical infrastructure, human resources and quality assurance improved for for Higher Education and TVET Institutions			
Programme Intervention:	1222110 Provide the required physical infrastructure and equip, instruction materials, human resources and quality assurance mechanism for Higher Education and TVET Institutions including Special Needs Education (SNE)			
Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	FY2026/27
				Proposed
Number of Higher Education Graduates tracer studies conducted by NCHE	Number	2023/24	1	1
Key Service Area:	000089 Climate Change Mitigation			
PIAP Output:	Physical infrastructure, human resources and quality assurance improved for for Higher Education and TVET Institutions			
Programme Intervention:	1222110 Provide the required physical infrastructure and equip, instruction materials, human resources and quality assurance mechanism for Higher Education and TVET Institutions including Special Needs Education (SNE)			
Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	FY2026/27
				Proposed
Bunyoro and Busoga Universities established	Number	2023/24	0	1
Number of Public Higher Education institutions with ICT enabled infrastructure	Number	2023/24	10	
Key Service Area:	320035 Quality, Standard and Accreditation			

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Vote Function:	02 General Administration and support services			
PIAP Output:	Physical infrastructure, human resources and quality assurance improved for for Higher Education and TVET Institutions			
Programme Intervention:	1222110 Provide the required physical infrastructure and equip, instruction materials, human resources and quality assurance mechanism for Higher Education and TVET Institutions including Special Needs Education (SNE)			
Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	FY2026/27
				Proposed
Number of Public Higher Education institutions with ICT enabled infrastructure	Number	2023/24	10	10
Project:	1980 Institutional Development of National Council for Higher Education			
Key Service Area:	000003 Facilities and Equipment Management			
PIAP Output:	Physical infrastructure, human resources and quality assurance improved for for Higher Education and TVET Institutions			
Programme Intervention:	1222110 Provide the required physical infrastructure and equip, instruction materials, human resources and quality assurance mechanism for Higher Education and TVET Institutions including Special Needs Education (SNE)			
Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	FY2026/27
				Proposed
Number of Higher Education Graduates tracer studies conducted by NCHE	Number	2023/24	1	1
Number of Public Higher Education institutions with ICT enabled infrastructure	Number	2023/24	10	10

V5: NTR Projections(Uganda Shillings Billions)

Revenue Code	Revenue Name	FY2025/26	Projection FY2026/27
142202	Other fees e.g. street parking fees	0.000	0.000
142225	Other Licence fees	4.700	0.000
Total		4.700	0.000