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I. VOTE MISSION STATEMENT

To provide seamless and reliable registration Services.

II. STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE

Strategic Objectives are

Strengthen legal and institutional framework to promote competitiveness

Simplify processes to ease registration

Enhance communication and awareness about URSB services.

Strengthen Research and Advisory Services.

III. MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2022/23

Collected NTR of UGX 45.97 Bn from July 2022 to February 2023 leading to a growth of 11 percent compared to July to February 2021/22

Increased registrations to enhance the formalization of the economy
From July 2022 to February 2023 URSB registered 18198 companies 27591 business names 56224 legal documents and 918 debentures

4530 security interest notices were registered from July 2022 to February 2023 facilitating access to credit using the Security Interest in the Movable Property Registry system

Registration of innovations and creative works From July 2022 to February 2023 URSB registered 106 copyrights 34 industrial design 1593 local trademark 1850 Foreign trademarks

From July to February 2022/23 6671 civil marriages were registered 867 Customary marriages and 286 Church licensed

The Companies Act 2012 and Insolvency Act 2011 were amended having been assented to by the President of Uganda and published in the Uganda Gazette

The Partnerships Bill 2022 was passed by the Parliament in August 2022
The amendment is to provide for the definition of the beneficial owner to provide for a register of beneficial owners which shall contain particulars of beneficial owners and other related matters

URSB relocated to its premises at the Uganda Business Facilitation Center which is going to lead to a saving of UGX 1.56 billion per annum on rent

URSB deployed the Online Business Registration System The system is fully integrated with National Identification and Registration Authority and Uganda Revenue Authority to support an end to end seamless registration transactions and processes

URSB issued the first Geographical Indication certificate in Uganda to Rwenzori Geographical Indications Limited concerning Rwenzori Mountains of the Moon Coffee

Achieved 65 percent progress regarding the upgrade of Security Interest in the Movable Property Registry and integration with the Motor vehicle registry This will ease access to credit using motor vehicles as collateral

Launched the 32nd Technology and Innovation Support Center at Lira University. These centers help to improve the quality of research in universities and other research institutions by providing access to up to date patent and nonpatent databases

Established a Digital Register for Insolvency practitioners Insolvency practitioners registration is now online

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Enhanced service quality standards in URSB through the journey towards ISO 9001 2015 Quality Management System

Improvements have been achieved through the Standardization of processes and procedures and process reengineering among others

URSB completed commissioned and handed over a fully constructed health and sanitation facility under the Corporate Social Responsibility initiative to the Oleni Primary school management in Vurra County

URSB participated in the sixth Session of the World Intellectual Property Organization engagement that took place on September 21st and 22nd 2022 and presented on the progress made on the Artificial Intelligence front other initiatives by the Uganda Registration Services Bureau as the National Intellectual Property Office

Formulation of law on Traditional Knowledge to regulate Traditional knowledge and folklore. Draft principles for the Traditional Knowledge legislation were completed by the end February 2022 23

Amendment to the Copyright and Neighboring Rights Act Proposals for amendment to the Act aimed at ensuring maximum economic and social benefits for rights holders have been formulated

URSB held engagements with opinion and political leaders and discussed potential areas of partnership and how to increase formalization, fully implement the National Intellectual Policy, review some of the laws that need reform like the Private Members Copyright and Neighboring rights that will support creative value promotion, and how to improve on public education on URSB initiatives

URSB participated in a regional conference on Geographical Indications for African Regional Intellectual Property Office Countries held at the ARIPO Secretariat in Harare, Zimbabwe. This was to set a strategy among the ARIPO Member States concerning setting up a Geographical Indication legal framework on a regional or national level.

URSB held a final review of the Geographical Indications workflows in the Industrial Property Automation System. This is aimed at simplification of processes to ease the registration of Geographical Indications

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IV. MEDIUM TERM BUDGET ALLOCATIONS

Table 4.1: Overview of Vote Expenditure (Ushs Billion)

		2022/23		2023/24	MTEF Budget Projections			
		Approved Budget	Spent by End Dec	Budget Estimates	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28
Recurrent	Wage	13.393	6.369	13.393	14.062	15.468	17.015	18.717
	Non-Wage	19.854	6.620	26.689	17.140	20.568	22.723	30.390
Devt.	GoU	0.970	0.001	4.756	4.756	5.707	6.563	7.220
	Ext Fin.	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
GoU Total		**34.217**	**12.990**	**44.837**	**35.959**	**41.744**	**46.302**	**56.327**
Total GoU+Ext Fin (MTEF)		**34.217**	**12.990**	**44.837**	**35.959**	**41.744**	**46.302**	**56.327**
Arrears		0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Total Budget		**34.217**	**12.990**	**44.837**	**35.959**	**41.744**	**46.302**	**56.327**
Total Vote Budget Excluding Arrears		**34.217**	**12.990**	**44.837**	**35.959**	**41.744**	**46.302**	**56.327**

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

Billion Uganda Shillings	Draft Budget Estimates FY 2023/24	
	Recurrent	Development
Programme:07 Private Sector Development	**9.718**	**0.267**
SubProgramme:01 Enabling Environment	**0.649**	**0.267**
Sub SubProgramme:02 Lawful Registration Services	**0.649**	**0.267**
004 SIMPO / Chattels	0.649	0.267
SubProgramme:02 Strengthening Private Sector Institutional and Organizational Capacity	**9.070**	**0.000**
Sub SubProgramme:01 General administration, planning, policy and support services	**1.617**	**0.000**
001 Regional Offices	1.617	0.000
Sub SubProgramme:02 Lawful Registration Services	**7.453**	**0.000**
001 Business Registration Services	6.797	0.000
003 Insolvency / Official Receiver	0.656	0.000
Programme:13 Innovation, Technology Development And Transfer	**2.410**	**0.000**
SubProgramme:03 STI Ecosystem Development	**2.410**	**0.000**
Sub SubProgramme:02 Lawful Registration Services	**2.410**	**0.000**
006 Intellectual Property Rights	2.410	0.000
Programme:15 Community Mobilization And Mindset Change	**0.341**	**0.000**
SubProgramme:01 Community sensitization and empowerment	**0.341**	**0.000**
Sub SubProgramme:01 General administration, planning, policy and support services	**0.341**	**0.000**
005 Public Relations and Corporate Affairs	0.341	0.000
Programme:16 Governance And Security	**27.612**	**4.489**
SubProgramme:01 Institutional Coordination	**26.218**	**4.489**
Sub SubProgramme:01 General administration, planning, policy and support services	**26.218**	**4.489**
002 Finance and Administration	26.218	4.489
SubProgramme:04 Access to Justice	**1.394**	**0.000**
Sub SubProgramme:01 General administration, planning, policy and support services	**0.646**	**0.000**
003 Legal and Advisory Unit	0.646	0.000
Sub SubProgramme:02 Lawful Registration Services	**0.748**	**0.000**
002 Civil Registration Services	0.748	0.000
Total for the Vote	**40.081**	**4.756**

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V. PERFORMANCE INDICATORS AND PLANNED OUTPUTS

Table 5.1: Performance Indicators

Programme: 07 Private Sector Development

SubProgramme: 01 Enabling Environment

Sub SubProgramme: 02 Lawful Registration Services

Department: 004 SIMPO / Chattels

Budget Output: 460030 Registration services

PIAP Output: Security Interest in Movable Property Registry System fully functional and accepted by the industry

Programme Intervention: 070502 Increase access to affordable credit largely targeting MSMEs

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2022/23		Performance Targets
				Target	Q2 Performance	2023/24
No. of MSMEs sensitized and trained on usage of Security Interest in Movable Property Registry System (SIMPRS)	Number	2019/2020	0	60	0	10
No. of women and youths sensitized and trained on usage of Security Interest in Movable Property Registry System (SIMPRS)	Number	2019/2020	200	400	130	300
Number of security interests registered at the movable property registry	Number	2019/2020	3353	3600	3162	6640

Project: 1648 Retooling of Uganda Registration Services Bureau

Budget Output: 000003 Facilities and Equipment Management

PIAP Output: Security Interest in Movable Property Registry System fully functional and accepted by the industry

Programme Intervention: 070502 Increase access to affordable credit largely targeting MSMEs

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2022/23		Performance Targets
				Target	Q2 Performance	2023/24
Number of security interests registered at the movable property registry	Number	2019-2020				6640

SubProgramme: 02 Strengthening Private Sector Institutional and Organizational Capacity

Sub SubProgramme: 01 General administration, planning, policy and support services

Department: 001 Regional Offices

Budget Output: 460030 Registration Services

PIAP Output: One stop centres for business registration and licensing established

Programme Intervention: 070302 Strengthening system capacities to enable and harness benefits of coordinated private sector activities

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Sub SubProgramme: 01 General administration, planning, policy and support services

Department: 001 Regional Offices

Budget Output: 460030 Registration Services

PIAP Output: One stop centres for business registration and licensing established

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2022/23		Performance Targets
				Target	**Q2 Performance**	**2023/24**
Number of one stop centres established in (Fort Portal, Masaka, Hoima, Lira, Soroti, Gulu, Jinja & Entebe)	Number	2017-2018	43	47	0	1

Sub SubProgramme: 02 Lawful Registration Services

Department: 001 Business Registration Services

Budget Output: 460030 Registration Services

PIAP Output: Established a unique identifier for all businesses across agencies

Programme Intervention: 070301 Improve the management capacities of local enterprises through massive provision of Business Development Services geared towards improving firm capabilities through

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2022/23		Performance Targets
				Target	**Q2 Performance**	**2023/24**
No of businesses registered under the single registration form reform	Number	2017/2018	75814	23000	25393	96800

Department: 003 Insolvency / Official Receiver

Budget Output: 190027 Insolvency services

PIAP Output: Strengthened Corporate Rescue Framework in Uganda

Programme Intervention: 070301 Improve the management capacities of local enterprises through massive provision of Business Development Services geared towards improving firm capabilities through

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2022/23		Performance Targets
				Target	**Q2 Performance**	**2023/24**
No. of Companies that successfully go through business rescue (Avoid liquidation)	Number	2017-2018	0	7	0	2
Number of public awareness events on insolvency undertaken	Number	2017/2018	1	12	2	2

Programme: 13 Innovation, Technology Development And Transfer

SubProgramme: 03 STI Ecosystem Development

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Sub SubProgramme: 02 Lawful Registration Services

Department: 006 Intellectual Property Rights

Budget Output: 000075 Registration Services

PIAP Output: Human Resource capacity in the IP value chain developed

Programme Intervention: 130103 Develop a framework for promotion of multi-sectoral and multilateral collabourations

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2022/23		Performance Targets
				Target	Q2 Performance	2023/24
Number of experts qualified in IP	Number	2017-2018	1	8	10	12

PIAP Output: Utilization of the IP system enhanced

Programme Intervention: 130510 Strengthen the Intellectual Property (IP) value chain management;

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2022/23		Performance Targets
				Target	Q2 Performance	2023/24
Number of media engagements on IP	Number	2017-2018	4	4	3	4

Programme: 15 Community Mobilization And Mindset Change

SubProgramme: 01 Community sensitization and empowerment

Sub SubProgramme: 01 General administration, planning, policy and support services

Department: 005 Public Relations and Corporate Affairs

Budget Output: 000011 Communication and Public Relations

PIAP Output: Local Artists, Musicians, CMO's sensitized on IP Rights in the Culture and Creative industry

Programme Intervention: 150101 Design and implement a programme aimed at promoting household engagement in culture and creative industries for income generation;

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2022/23		Performance Targets
				Target	Q2 Performance	2023/24
Number of engagements and interactions on IP conducted with the Collective Management Organizations & Musician Associations.	Number	FY2017-18	1			2

PIAP Output: Comprehensive communication strategy on registration services developed and implemented

Programme Intervention: 150103 Develop and implement a national civic education programme aimed at improving the level of awareness of roles and responsibilities of families, communities and individual citizens

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Sub SubProgramme: 01 General administration, planning, policy and support services

Department: 005 Public Relations and Corporate Affairs

Budget Output: 000011 Communication and Public Relations

PIAP Output: Comprehensive communication strategy on registration services developed and implemented

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2022/23		Performance Targets
				Target	Q2 Performance	2023/24
Comprehensive communication strategy on registration services in place	Number	FY2017-18	0	1	1	1

Programme: 16 Governance And Security

SubProgramme: 01 Institutional Coordination

Sub SubProgramme: 01 General administration, planning, policy and support services

Department: 002 Finance and Administration

Budget Output: 000014 Administrative and Support Services

PIAP Output: Monitoring and evaluation of performance conducted

Programme Intervention: 160601 Coordinate programme planning, budgeting, M&E and policy development

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2022/23		Performance Targets
				Target	Q2 Performance	2023/24
Number of m&e field visits conducted	Number	2017/2018	4	4	4	4

PIAP Output: Annual performance reports, statistical abstracts, MPS, BFP and budgets prepared

Programme Intervention: 160601 Coordinate programme planning, budgeting, M&E and policy development

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2022/23		Performance Targets
				Target	Q2 Performance	2023/24
Whether performance reports are formulated	Text	2017/2018	Yes	YES	Yes	Yes

PIAP Output: Salaries, gratuity expenses and NSSF contributions cleared

Programme Intervention: 160602 Develop and implement human resource policies to attract and retain competent staff

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2022/23		Performance Targets
				Target	Q2 Performance	2023/24
Number of staff paid	Number	2017/2018	152	235	234	250

PIAP Output: General administration (utilities, Motor vehicle repaired and maintained and staff welfare enhanced)

Programme Intervention: 160605 Undertake financing and administration of programme services

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Sub SubProgramme: 01 General administration, planning, policy and support services

Department: 002 Finance and Administration

Budget Output: 000014 Administrative and Support Services

PIAP Output: General administration (utilities, Motor vehicle repaired and maintained and staff welfare enhanced)

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2022/23		Performance Targets
				Target	**Q2 Performance**	**2023/24**
Whether utilities cleared and welfare enhanced	Number	2017/2018	Yes	YES	1	Yes

Project: 1648 Retooling of Uganda Registration Services Bureau

Budget Output: 000003 Facilities and Equipment Management

PIAP Output: Retooling of URSB (Acquistion of ICT equipment,office furniture and purchase of motor vehicles) and systems maintenace done

Programme Intervention: 160605 Undertake financing and administration of programme services

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2022/23		Performance Targets
				Target	**Q2 Performance**	**2023/24**
Number of directorates and units retooled	Number	2017/2018	2	2	2	4

SubProgramme: 04 Access to Justice

Sub SubProgramme: 01 General administration, planning, policy and support services

Department: 003 Legal and Advisory Unit

Budget Output: 000012 Legal advisory services

PIAP Output: Develop an integrated Case Management System Rules and procedures reformed

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	2022/23		Performance Targets
				Target	**Q2 Performance**	**2023/24**
Time taken to register a business(days)	Number	2017/2018	1	1	0.17	1

Sub SubProgramme: 02 Lawful Registration Services

Department: 002 Civil Registration Services

Budget Output: 460030 Registration Services

PIAP Output: Capacity of duty bearers strengthened

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

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Sub SubProgramme: 02 Lawful Registration Services

Department: 002 Civil Registration Services

Budget Output: 460030 Registration Services

PIAP Output: Capacity of duty bearers strengthened

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2022/23		Performance Targets
				Target	**Q2 Performance**	**2023/24**
Proportion of Districts and Sub counties re-tooled and supported (%)	Percentage	2017/2018	2	8%	6%	8%

PIAP Output: Commercial laws enforced

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	2022/23		Performance Targets
				Target	**Q2 Performance**	**2023/24**
Level of Automation of business registries	Level	2017/2018	45%	60%	65%	75%

PIAP Output: National Marriage Registration System (NMRS) rolled out

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	2022/23		Performance Targets
				Target	**Q2 Performance**	**2023/24**
Number of duty bearers covered with the roll out of NMRS	Number	2017/2018	4	500	578	600

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VI. VOTE NARRATIVE

Vote Challenges

Limited decentralization of URSB services in all districts and regions in a bid to bring registration services closer to all citizens

Limited MTEF budget allocation leading to unfunded priorities like the implementation of the human resource structure which was revised by the Ministry of Public Service

Plans to improve Vote Performance

Streamlining business processes through automation of all business processes improve real time registration and turnaround time

strengthening the Intellectual Property value chain while promoting trademarks patent and industrial designs registration and protection
Establish more Service Centers for increased access to registration services

Collaborate with the Private Sector to develop innovative products based on URSB registry data

Continuous legal reforms to adopt to the changing business environment

Implementation of mass business registration aimed at increasing the formalization of the economy through business registration and the promotion of awareness of registration. This will be done through the establishment of more registration points, mobile business registration clinics, Collaboration with Strategic partners to boost business formalization and partnership with district commercial leaders and other stakeholders

Implementation and adherence to the client charter to provide services within the stipulated timelines

Compliance to ISO standards and certification to provide services that meet globally acceptable business operations

Implement a harmonized staff establishment Structure

VII. Off Budget Support and NTR Projections

Table 7.1: Off Budget Support by Project and Department

N/A

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Table 7.2: NTR Collections (Uganda Shillings Billions)

Revenue Code	Revenue Name	FY2022/23	Projection FY2023/24
142211	Registration fees for Documents and Businesses	0.000	0.000
Total		**0.000**	**0.000**

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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 enhance equal access to and utilization of services
Issue of Concern	Integration of equal treatment in steering process
Planned Interventions	-Gender budgeting -Capacity enhancement and promotion of gender sensitization work environment -Gender documentation, reporting and monitoring
Budget Allocation (Billion)	0.005
Performance Indicators	Ratio of male to female staff recruited

ii) HIV/AIDS

OBJECTIVE	To provide a comprehensive framework for management of HIV/AIDS at the work place
Issue of Concern	protection of employees with HIV/AIDS against discrimination,victimization and harassment
Planned Interventions	-provision of medical insurance scheme to staff
Budget Allocation (Billion)	0.910
Performance Indicators	-Number of staff with medical insurance

iii) Environment

OBJECTIVE	To promote environmental conservation practices at the workplace
Issue of Concern	To promote environmental conservations practices at the workplace
Planned Interventions	Automation of services
Budget Allocation (Billion)	0.750
Performance Indicators	-% of services automated

iv) Covid

OBJECTIVE	To design appropriate intervention measures to ensure safety of staff, clients and stakeholders
Issue of Concern	To mitigate the spread of Covid 19 and its effects to the working environment
Planned Interventions	Alignment of policies and procedures to SOPs
Budget Allocation (Billion)	0.001
Performance Indicators	Number of existing policies and procedures aligned to SOPs

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IX. PERSONNEL INFORMATION

Table 9.1: Staff Establishment Analysis

Title	Salary Scale	Number of Approved Positions	Number of filled Positions
Manager Internal Audit	RB 3	1	0
Manager Monitoring & Evaluation	RB3	1	0
Manager Official/Liquidation	RB 3	1	0
Manager, Human Resource	RB 3	1	0
Procurement Officer	RB 5	2	1
Senior Compliance & Enforcement	RB 4	2	1
Senior Human Resource Mgt Officer	RB 4	1	0
Senior Monitoring and evaluation	RB3	2	1
Senior Procurement Officer	RB 4	1	0
Traditional Knowledge Coordinator	RB 5	1	0

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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 FY2023/24	Gross Salary Per Month (UGX)	Total Annual Salary (UGX)
Manager Internal Audit	RB 3	1	0	1	1	6,728,000	80,736,000
Manager Monitoring & Evaluation	RB3	1	0	1	1	6,728,000	80,736,000
Manager Official/Liquidation	RB 3	1	0	1	1	6,728,000	80,736,000
Manager, Human Resource	RB 3	1	0	1	1	6,728,000	80,736,000
Procurement Officer	RB 5	2	1	1	1	4,256,000	51,072,000
Senior Compliance & Enforcement	RB 4	2	1	1	1	5,240,000	62,880,000
Senior Human Resource Mgt Officer	RB 4	1	0	1	1	5,240,000	62,880,000
Senior Monitoring and evaluation	RB3	2	1	1	1	5,240,000	62,880,000
Senior Procurement Officer	RB 4	1	0	1	1	5,240,000	62,880,000
Traditional Knowledge Coordinator	RB 5	1	0	1	1	4,256,000	51,072,000
Total					**10**	**56,384,000**	**676,608,000**