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## THE NATIONAL BUDGET MONTH FY2020/21

In FY 2017/18, this Ministry initiated the idea of sensitizing the Public on the National Budget through holding a number of activities during the week/ month of the Budget Speech reading. The objective of these activities was to increase Public awareness of the National Budget, enhance participation in the National Budget process and showcase what Government Ministries, Departments and Agencies contribute to the Economy using the public resources allocated to them.

Since its inception therefore, the National Budget Week/ Month has generally enhanced public awareness about the National Budget, provided an opportunity for citizens to engage in the Budget process, heightened accountability by Government agencies, and, improved collaboration among public service providers.

Preparations for the National Budget Month (NBM) for FY2020/21 have commenced. As indicated in the attached concept note, the National Budget Month FY2020/21 will take place from Tuesday, 12th May to Friday, 19th June 2020, with the following activities:

- 1. Tree Planting and Donation of items by all Government Agencies: this is part of National Corporate Social Responsibility;
- 2. A National Budget March from the constitutional square to Kololo Ceremonial Grounds:
- 3. A Service Excellence Exhibition in which MDAs will showcase the services that they provide and at which awards will be given to the best performing Government agencies;
- 4. The Budget Speech Reading; and,
- 5. The Regional Budget Breakfasts.

The purpose of this letter therefore, is to inform you of the proposed activities for the National Budget Month FY2020/21, to enable you to appropriately plan for and participate in the activities.

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