# STATEMENT ON PROGRESS, CHALLENGES FACED AND MITIGATION MEASURES FOR SEED SCHOOLS UNDER THE INTER-GOVERNMENTAL FISCAL TRANSFERS (UGIFT) PROGRAM

Rt Hon Speaker and Hon Members, as you are all aware, the Government of Uganda in partnership with the World Bank is currently implementing the Inter-Governmental Fiscal Transfers (UgIFT) program which commenced in FY 2018/19 and is running for four years.

Over the disbursement period of four years, the World Bank is expected to disburse Ushs.460bn to the Education Sector for Non-wage (*i.e. capitation grants, inspection and cocurricular activities*) and Development (*i.e. Construction of Seed Secondary Schools*). The construction component of this program will see 232 Seed Schools established across the Country in two phases (*i.e 117 currently under construction and 115 to be constructed in Phase II*). With completion of the above schools, Government will create access for 13,920 learners. The lists of these schools are hereby attached (Phase I and Phase II).

Some of the achievements so far include the following:

- (i) Capitation grants for learners in Government aided Primary and Secondary schools have tremendously increased:
  - The unit cost of Universal Primary Education (UPE)has been increased from Ushs. 8,000 to Ushs. 14,000;
  - ➤ The Unit cost of Universal Secondary Education (USE) has been increased from Ushs. 41,000 to Ushs. 55,000;

- The unit cost of Universal Post O'Level Education and Training (UPOLET) has increased from Ushs. 80,000 to Ushs. 88,000.
- (ii) Construction of the first batch of 117 Seed Secondary Schools commenced in FY 2018/19. All these schools are expected to be ready in December, 2020 with approximately 60% already at roofing stage. However, this has not been without challenges some of which are highlighted below:

#### 1. Land ownership Issues:

This remains one of the biggest constraints to the smooth implementation of the UgIFT program in regard to construction of the Seed Secondary Schools. During the design of the program, it was agreed that the Seed Secondary Schools were to be constructed on at least 5 acres of public owned land free of any encumbrances, however, this was not the case for many Local which had sub-counties Governments without Government aided Secondary Schools. Many Local Governments fronted land owned by religious bodies which made it difficult to title since the ownership is not readily transferrable. Some Local Governments simply did not have 5 acres of Public land within the target subcounties leading to delays in commencement of civil works. Examples of affected Local Governments include Wakiso, Mukono, Buhweju, Luweroand Mpigiamongst others. It should be noted that one of the Conditionalities on this loan is that the funds should not be used for acquisition or transfer of land to set up the Seed School.

As a mitigation measure, the Ministry advised Local Governments to enter into Memoranda of Understanding

with Religious bodies to ensure that the land ownership is transferred into the names of the beneficiary school. Local Governments with no clear land ownership status shall not benefit under the second phase of the program.

2. Weak capacity of contractors and size of the lots:
Based on guidance from Cabinet. The Ministry lotted and clustered the contracts for the Seed Secondary Schools in groups ranging from 3 to 5 schools per lot. This was done to ensure that the contracts are not awarded to 'briefcase companies'. Unfortunately, the size of the lots and the distances between the Schools have made it difficult for some of the local contractors to implement the project without delays. The affected Local Governments includeOmoro, Gulu, Amuru, andNwoya whose contract was awarded to Ms. Davrich Company (U) Ltd. The Ministry continues to engage the contractors on a case by case basis to provide support where necessary to implement the project.

For phase 2, the Ministry will reduce the size of the lots to a maximum of 3 schools per lot. Island districts will be limited to one school per lot. We are optimistic that this adjustment will improve the pace of implementation under the second phase.

## 3. Weak monitoring and supervision by the beneficiary Local Governments:

We have noted with concern that Local Governments are not closely following up the construction works and the guidance provided by Ministry. For instance, some Local Governments are yet to recruit clerks of work. During the design of the program, it was agreed that some roles would be shared between the Central Government (Ministry of Education and Sports) and the Local Governments.

For the case of supervision and monitoring, it was agreed that this would be done at five levels which include the District Engineer (Project Manager), Clerk of Works (reports to the Chief Administrative Officer), Constructions Management Unit of Ministry of Education and Sports and Ministry of Works and Transport.

To date, a number of Local Governments are yet to recruit clerks of works yet the Ministry sent funds for this purpose, which compromises the overall pace and quality of works. Some of these Local Governments include the following: Apac, Amolator, Napak, Nabilatuk, Kalungu, Mubende, Butambala, Mpigi, Kiboga, Nakaseke, Budaka, Kibuku, Bukwo, Luuka and Kaliro.

During phase 2 of implementation, Local Governments without a clerk of works in place will not be granted a no objection to sign a contract for the execution of works.

## 4. Conflict and political interference in regard to location of the facilities:

In some instances, there have been disagreements among individual stakeholders in beneficiary Local Governments ranging from choice of sub-county to location of the school within the beneficiary sub-county. Some of these Local Governments include: Manafwa, Bulambuli and Bushenyi.

To date, civil works at Sibanga sub-county in Manafwa are yet to commence as stakeholders continue to disagree about the final location of the Seed Secondary School.

#### 5. Environmental issues:

Some Local Governments ignored environmental safeguards by selecting sites that are situated within the wetlands. This means that the land provided was not

suitable to construction of the Seed School based on the approved designs.

One such example is **Mbarara** Local Government where the Seed School is to be situated on land which has a very high water table. This means that the contractor will not be in position to construct pit latrine stances. To date, construction on this site is yet to commence although the district insists that it is the only available Public land in that sub-county.

As a mitigation measure, environmental screening will be jointly done by the Ministry and the Local Governments prior to advertising all sites for the second phase of UgIFT.

**Rt. Hon. Speaker** and **Honorable Members**, as I conclude, I would like to appeal to any members with issues outside the ones mentioned above to contact my Ministry for immediate action.

MINISTER OF STATE FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

UgIFT Phase 1 -Schools under Construction

S/N	District	Sub-county/ School
<u> </u>	Amuru	Amuru Seed Secondary School
	Nwoya	Lungula Seed Secondary School
	Gulu	Palaro Seed Secondary School
	Omoro	Lakwana Seed Secondary School
	Lamwo	Paloga Seed Secondary School
	Kitgum	Amida Seed Secondary School
	Pader	Ogom Seed Secondary School
····	Agago	Lapono Seed Secondary School
	Maracha	Kololo Public Secondary School - Tara
	Koboko	Padrombu Seed Secondary School - Lobule
	Yumbe	Lodonga Seed Secondary School
	Moyo	St. j ohn Community Seed S.S Dufile
	Adjumani	Maaji Seed S.S Ukusijoni
	Nebbi	Atego Seed Secondary School
	Zombo	Atyak Seed Secondary School
	Pakwach	Alwi Seed Secondary School
	Masindi	Budongo Seed Secondary School
	Buliisa	Ngwendo Seed Secondary School
	Kiryandongo	Kitwara Seed Secondary School
	Rubirizi	Ryeru Seed Secondary School
	Bushenyi	Kabushaho Seed Secondary School - Bumbaire
	Mitooma	Mayanga Progressive Secondary School
	Sheema	Kigarama Seed Secondary School
	Kiruhura	Nyakashashara Secondary School
	Ibanda	Rwenshambya Seed Secondary School - Kishangara
	Mbarara	Bukiiro Seed Secondary School
	Buhweju	St Anthony S.S - Kyankanda
	Lyantonde	Rwamabara S.S Mpumudde
	Kyegegwa	Rwentuha Community S.S.
	Kamwenge	Bwizi Seed Secondary School
	Kyenjojo	Mparo Parents S.S Kyembogo
	Bundibugyo	Kisuba Seed Secondary School
	Ntoroko	Nombe Seed Secondary School
	Kabarole	Kasenda Seed Secondary School
	Bunyangabu	Kiyombya Seed Secondary School
	Kabale	Buhara Seed Secondary School
	Kisoro	Nyakinama Seed Secondary School
	Rubanda	Nyamweru Seed Secondary School
	Rukiga	Rwamucucu Seed Secondary School
	Rukungiri	Kebisoni Seed Secondary School
	Kanungu	Katete Seed Secondary School
	Ntungamo	Kihanga Public S.S Rukoni East
	Isingiro	Ruborogota Seed Secondary School
	Apac	Apac Seed Secondary School

S/N	District	Sub-county/ School
45	Kole	Okwelodot Seed Secondary School
46	Kwania	Aduku Seed Secondary School
47	Amolatar	Muntu Seed Secondary School
48	Lira	Agali Seed Secondary School
49	Alebtong	Abia Seed Secondary School
50	Otuke	Ogor Comprehensive Secondary School
51	Dokolo	Batta Seed Secondary School
52	Kaberamaido	Kakure Seed Secondary School
53	Soroti	Asuret Seed Secondary School
54	Katakwi	Palam Seed Secondary School
55	Serere	Kagwara Seed Secondary School - Kadungulu
56	Ngora	Ngora Seed Secondary School
57	Kumi	Kumi Seed Secondary School
58	Bukedea	Malera High School - Kabarwaa
59	Napak	Napak T/C Seed S.S
60	Nakapiripirit	Nakapiripirit Seed S.S - Kakomongole
61	Nabilatuk	Lolachat Seed Secondary School
62	Amudat	Karita Seed Secondary School
63	Abim	Nyakwae Seed Secondary School
64	Kotido	Panyangara Seed Secondary School
65	Moroto	Rupa Seed Secondary School
66	Kalungu	Kalungu Seed Secondary School - Lukaya T/C
67	Masaka	Bukakata Seed Secondary School
68	Kalangala	Bufumira Seed Secondary School
69	Lwengo	Lwengo Seed Secondary School - Mbirizi T/C
70	Rakai	Samson Kalibbala Kamya Memorial Seed School - Lwamagwa
71	Sembabule	Lwebitakuli Seed Secondary School
72	Gomba	Kyayi Seed Secondary School - Maddu
73	Mubende	Kigando Seed Secondary School
	Butambala	Budde Seed Secondary School
75	Mpigi	Wamatovu Seed Secondary School - Kiringente
76	Kasanda	Manyogaseka Seed Secondary School
77	Mityana	Namungo CoU Seed Secondary School - Namungo
78	Kyankwanzi	Bananywa Seed Secondary School
	Kiboga	Katoma Seed Secondary School - Kibiga
80	Wakiso	Ssumbwe Seed Secondary School - Wakiso T/C
81	Nakaseke	Nakaseke Seed Secondary School
82	Luweero	Katikamu Seed Secondary School
	Kayunga	Nazigo Seed Secondary School
84	Mukono	Kimenyedde Seed Secondary School
85	Buikwe	Buikwe Seed Secondary School
	Hoima	Kigorobya Seed Secondary School
	Kagadi	St. Catherine Kicucura Secondary School - Kiryanga
88	Kibaale	Nyamarwa Seed Secondary School
89	Kakumiro	St Matia Mulumba Seed school - Birembo

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S/N	District	Sub-county/ School
90	Kikuube	Nyairongo Seed Secondary school - Kiziranfumbi
91	Budaka	Kamonkoli Seed Secondary School
92	Pallisa	Olok Seed Secondary School
93	Kibuku	Kabweri Seed Secondary School
94	Kibuku	Kasasira Seed Secondary School
95	Tororo	Malaba Seed Secondary School - Malaba T/C
96	Butaleja	Nakwasi Seed Secondary School - Butaleja
97	Butebo	Kanginima Seed Secondary School
98	Bugiri	Iwemba Seed Secondary School
99	Mbale	Bumbetsye Seed Secondary School - Wanale
100	Manafwa	Sibanga Seed Secondary School
101	Manafwa	Buwagogo Seed Secondary School
102	Namisindwa	Mukoto Seed Secondary School
103	Sironko	Bumirisa Seed Secondary School - Buteza
104	Bulambuli	Bunambutye Seed Secondary School - Bufumuni
105	Kapchorwa	Kabeywa Seed Secondary School
106	Bukwo	Eastern College Chebinyinyi Seed Secondary School - Kaptererwo
107	Kween	Kitawoi Seed Secondary School
108	Jinja	Buwenge Seed Secondary School - Buwenge T/C
109	Kamuli	Kitayunjwa Seed Secondary School
110	Luuka	Ikumbya Seed Secondary School
111	Buyende	Buyende Seed Secondary School
112	Kaliro	Bukamba Seed Secondary School
113	Mayuge	Mpungwe Seed Secondary School
114	Namayingo	Mwema Seed Secondary School - Mutumba
115	Namutumba	Nawampandu Seed Secondary School
116	Bugweri	Naigombwa Seed Secondary School - Namalemba
117	Iganga	St. Mathias Mawagala Secondary School - Nawanyingi

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### **UgIFT Phase 2 beneficiary Sub-counties/ Schools**

S/N	District	Sub-county/ School
1	Amuru	Amuru T/C
2	Nwoya	Got Apwoya
3	Gulu	Unyama - Renovation at Sir Samuel Baker S.S.
4	Pader	Latanya
5	Lamwo	Ogili
6	Kitgum	Labong Layamo
	Agago	Kotomor
	Agago	Wol
	Maracha	Maracha T/C
10	Koboko	Dranya
11	Arua	Manibe
12	Obongi	Gimara
13	Adjumani	Arinyapi
14	Yumbe	Kerwa
15	Yumbe	Drajini
16	Nebbi	Ndhew
17	Nebbi	Kucwiny
18	Pakwach	Wadelai
19	Rubirizi	Kichwamba
20	Bushenyi	Ibaare
21	Sheema	Shuuku T/C (New facilities for Ryakasinga C.H.E)
22	Kiruhura	Kanyaryeru (New facilities for Lake Mburo S.S.)
23	Kiruhura	Kenshunga (New facilities for Kaaro H.S.)
24	Lyantonde	Kasagama (New facilities for Kasagama S.S.)
25	Mbarara	Rwanyamahembe
26	Buhweju	Engaju
27	Buhweju	Nsiika T/C
28	Kyegegwa	Ruyonza
29	Kitagwenda	Kanara
30	Kyenjojo	Kigaraale
31	Bundibugyo	Mabere (New facilities for Kabango S.S.)
32	Ntoroko	Kibuuku
33	Ntoroko	Butungama
34	Kabale	Central Division (Kigezi College Butobere)
35	Kisoro	Nyabwishenya (New facilities for Mwumba Progressive S.S.)
36	Rubanda	Ruhija
37	Rukiga	Bukinda
38	Bunyangabu	Kabonero
39	Kabarole	Karangura
40	Kasese	Bwesumbu
41	Rukungiri	Nyakishenyi (New facilities for Nyakishenyi H.S.)
	Mitooma	Kashenshero
43	Ntungamo	Nyabihoko

S/N	District	Sub-county/ School
44	Masindi	Kimengo
45	Buliisa	Buliisa
46	Kiryandongo	Bweyale T/C
47	Apac MC	Arocha
48	Kole	Kole T/C
49	Oyam	Ngai (New facilities for Ngai S.S.)
50	Amolatar	Etam
51	Kaberamaido	Aperikira
52	Dokolo	Adeknino
53	Lira	Ogur (Ogur Seed S.S.)
54	Lira MC	Rilways Division
55	Alebtong	Awei
56	Otuke	Orum (New facilities for Okum Seed S.S.)
57	Serere	Olio
58	Soroti	Alapai (Teso College Aloet)
59	Soroti	Kamuda
60	Amuria	Asamuk
61	Katakwi	Toroma
62	Kumi	Nyero (New facilities for Dr. Aporu Okol Memorial S.S.)
63	Napak	Iriiri
64	Nakapiripirit	Moruita
65	Amudat	Looro
66	Abim	Alerek
67	Kotido	Rengen
68	Moroto	Тарас
69	Karenga	Lobalangit
70	Kalangala	Mazinga
71	Lwengo	Malongo (New facilities for Kaikorongo Seed S.S.)
	Rakai	Kacheera
73	Kyotera	Kasali
74	Buvuma	Bwema
75	Kasanda	Makokoto (New facilities for Makokoto Seed S.S.)
76	Mubende	Bageza (New facilities for Mugungulu Seed S.S.)
77	Kibaale	Mugarama
78	Kakumiro	Mpasaana
79	Nakaseke	Kikamulo
80	Luweero	Butuntumula (New facilities for St. Andrew Kaggwa Kasaala S.S.)
81	Kyankwanzi	Nsambya
82	Nakasongola	Nakitoma
83	Hoima	Buhanika
84	Kagadi	Luteete
85	Kagadi	Kagadi
86	Kikuube	Kyangwali (New facilities for Kyangwali Seed S.S.)

S/N	District	Sub-county/ School
87	Budaka	Nansanga
88	Budaka	Mugiti
89	Pallisa	Pallisa
90	Kibuku	Kibuku
91	Tororo	lyolwa
92	Tororo	Sop Sop
93	Butaleja	Kachonga
94	Bugiri	Budhaya
95	Mbale	Lwasso
96	Manafwa	Khabutoola
97	Namisindwa	Namboko
98	Bududa	Nakatsi
99	Sironko	Bugitimwa
100	Bulambuli	Sisiyi
101	Kapchorwa	Expansion and copmletion of Gamatui Girls' S.S. as a Boarding School
102	Bukwo	Senendet
103	Kween	Kaptum
104	Kween	Moyok
105	Jinja	Bugembe T/C
106	Kamuli	Nabwigulu
107	Kamuli	Kagumba
108	Kamuli MC	Southern Division (New facilities for Busoga H.S.)
109	Luuka	Nawampiti
110	Kaliro	Budomero
	Bugweri	Igombe
112	Mayuge	Wairasa
	Namayingo	Buhema
114	Namutumba	Nabweyo
115	Busia	Sikuda