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At the 1st Sitting of the 3rd Meeting of the 4th Session of the 10th Parliament of Uganda, Hon. Muzanira (Woman MP Rukungiri District) brought a matter of National Importance on delayed completion of Kahengye Water Supply and Sanitation System in Rukungiri district. I wish to clarify and respond as follows;

1. The Ministry of Water and Environment contracted with M/S Technofab Engineering Ltd. for construction of the Water Supply and Sanitation System valued at UGX 44 billion with the commencement date of 14th July 2016.
2. The Contractor completed 95% of the works but failed to clear and deliver 5 containers of critical fittings from Mombasa due to financial and other managerial challenges within the company. He was charged delay damages of 10% of the contract price in line with the Particular Conditions of the Contract.
3. The Ministry of Water and Environment has outsourced the remaining works to another company Ms Vambeco Enterprises Ltd. The Ministry yesterday (10th February 2020) received a waiver of 50% on the storage charges and the final bill from the Kenya Ports Authority. Vambeco Enterprises Ltd is going to immediately pay this final bill and deliver the containers to Rukungiri.
4. The Ministry expects the fittings in the country within two weeks' time from today. Installation and commissioning of the system will take us a maximum of 3 months from the date of receipt of the fittings. The new Contractor has reported to site this morning. I am therefore to assuring Hon. Muzanira and the Rukungiri community that water supply system will be up and running by the end of May 2020.



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MINISTER OF STATE FOR ENVIRONMENT

Dated: 11th February, 2020