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High-level commitment to the reform reconfirmed

UN Deputy Secretary-General (DSG), Dr. Asha-Rose Migiro, and former UN Secretary-General (SG), Kofi Annan, visited Dar es Salaam in March to be the key note speakers at the international IMF conference "Changes -Successful Partnerships for Africa's Growth Challenge."

The DSG took advantage of her visit to Tanzania to further engage in Delivering as One and met with the President, high-ranking government officials, development partners, the media and UN staff.

In the meetings with stakeholders the DSG engaged in discussions on one of the key challenges facing the pilot: How to ensure further simplification of UN programming at country level. The DSG highlighted her commitment to making headway on this front. Dr. Migiro also told

all stakeholders in Tanzania that their efforts to work more closely together to deliver better development results are being commended at all levels.

The need for closer partnerships was also a key focus of the IMF Africa conference. Mr. Annan highlighted the threat facing the continent: "We could be facing the financial equivalent of a tsunami. If not managed, it threatens to undo the progress in recent years across Africa - progress which Tanzania exemplifies."

The UNICEF Deputy Executive Director, Ms. Hilde F. Johnson, also visited Tanzania in March. She assured the UN Country Team of her support for introducing a single UN strategic plan to ultimately replace all agency specific programmes - a critical move towards greater coherence.



Left: DSG, Dr. Asha-Rose Migiro, together with UN drivers during her visit in March. Right: Former UN SG, Kofi Annan, during the IMF conference on Africa's challenges.

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One UN Highlights

- UN Deputy Secretary-General, Dr. Asha-Rose Migiro meets Delivering as One stakeholders
- UNICEF Deputy Executive Director, Ms. Hilde F. Johnson, expresses strong commitment towards Delivering as One
- UN SG appoints RC to TZ as Assistant SG for Political Affairs
- Colourful celebrations mark the 90th anniversary of ILO
- Handover of ambulances in Dodoma as part of JP2 on Maternal and Newborn Mortality Reduction
- Marking 15th anniversary of the Genocide in Rwanda
- UN gender-audit training conducted for UN officers and local government officials in Morogoro



A Word from the Government



The Minister for Labour, Employment and Youth Development, Hon. Prof. Juma A. Kapuya (MP), represented the Government of Tanzania at the colourful celebration at Mnazi Moja Grounds to mark the 90th anniversary of the International Labour Organization. The quote below is an extract from the keynote address by the Minister highlighting the importance of the UN Delivering as One in Tanzania:

"The United Republic of Tanzania supports the introduction of the new system of the UN working together as a team. To date, several development partners are supporting various programmes in the country through these reforms. These programmes and future ones will continue to be supported as part of the One UN reforms, which will lead to improved productivity. On behalf of the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania, I would like to thank all the donor countries, through their respective offices, for this continued support."

Celebrating one of the oldest UN family members

The International Labour Organization, ILO, was founded in 1919. Today, 90 years down the road, the organisation with its unique tripartite structure of governments, workers and employers is as relevant as ever. "Decent work - A better world starts here" is more than just a slogan, as decent work is a key pillar of prosperous development.

20 April was the main day for festivities marking the anniversary of the first specialized agency of the UN together

with all its constituents. Speeches were delivered and a number of events including exhibitions, performances and a large procession were organized with the theme "Social dialogue for decent work and fair globalisation."

As managing agent of the Joint Programme on Wealth Creation, Employment and Economic Empowerment, ILO is a decisive player in the Delivering as One reform in Tanzania.



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One UN Calendar

20-24 April: Mission to Tanzania by UN Office in Nairobi to review possibility of having one joint UN host country agreement with the GoT

25 April: World Malaria Day commemoration

2 - 8 May: Training for Tanzania Port Authority conducted by UN Conference on Trade and Development

3 May: World Press Freedom Day to be celebrated in Dar es Salaam and Zanzibar

Early May: UN staff briefings per function groups on progress and challenges of Delivering as One

Q&A on UN reform in Tanzania

Q: How is the UN capacity assessment from last year being put to use?

A: The key recommendation to provide more policy advice to the Government has led the UN Country Team to focus on reducing programme management to free capacity for policy work. The reduction is first of all sought through consolidation of the UN's portfolio of programmes and streamlining of joint programmes. Advisers have been recruited to immediately advance the UN's ability to provide technical assistance in critical areas like governance and economic affairs. New tools, such as a joint human resources database, have also been developed to better manage and use the existing expertise available at country level.

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Ambulances to save women and children in Dodoma Region

Eight new ambulances were handed over to health facilities in Dodoma Region on 20 April as part of the Joint Programme on Maternal and Newborn Mortality Reduction. The Minister for Health and Social Welfare, Prof. David Mwakyusa, received the vehicles, which were purchased with One Fund resources at a cost of USD 260,000.

The ambulances will help improve the referral system in the six districts in Dodoma Region with the aim of providing basic emergency obstetric care, which is currently not available. Only six percent of Tanzania's health facilities provide such services.

According to the 2004/05 Tanzania Demographic Health Survey, about 8000 women die every year while giving birth or due to complications related to pregnancy. Almost 45,000 newborn babies die every year before they are even one month old. The chance of newborns surviving is closely linked to the survival of the mother.

Low quality health care, inadequate numbers of skilled health workers and limited use of family planning are some of the contributing factors to the high mortality rates, which the joint programme aims to address under the framework of Delivering as One.

A United Vision: Delivering as One in Tanzania

UN reform at a glance

Tanzania is one of four countries in Africa piloting the Delivering as One reform along with Cape Verde, Mozambique and Rwanda. Albania, Pakistan, Uruguay and Viet Nam are also among the first pilot countries to implement the Delivering as One initiative at country level.



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