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DIT STAFF ATTEND THE 8TH CORONATION ANNIVERSARY OF THE KYABAZINGA OF BUSOGA.

The Directorate of Industrial Training attended celebrations to mark the 8th Coronation anniversary of His Majesty W.W. Gabula Nadioppe IV as the Kyabazinga of Busoga at the Kingdom Quarters in Bugembe



Over 1220 certified at the 3rd graduation at Pioneer technical institute.

DIT agriculturalists sensitized at Crane High School on the Lower Secondary School Curriculum.



DIT Launches campaign on the new lower secondary curriculum at Iganga High School

MESSAGE FROM AG. DIRECTOR DIT:

The Directorate of Industrial Training is a skills quality assurance body mandated to develop occupational standards, regulate work-based training schemes, apply and expand the Uganda Vocational Qualifications Framework, accredit assessment centers, Assess and Award Uganda Vocational Qualification as provided for in the BTVET Act of 2008.

When the Ministry of Education and Sports launched a 10-year strategic plan titled: "Skilling



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Uganda". The Concept of Skilling Uganda denoted a paradigm shift for skills development in the country. This implied that the Business, Technical, Vocational Education and Training (BTVET) would be transformed from an education sector into a comprehensive system of skills development for employment, productivity and growth.

The Directorate of Industrial Training (DIT) pursues the following five strategic objectives (SOs) in order to achieve its mission that include: Enhancing the visibility of DIT through the scope and quality of its services, developing and maintain mutually beneficial partnerships, increasing staff capacity for improved performance, Widening the resource base for infrastructure developments and service provision and Strengthen leadership and management systems.

INTRODUCTION.

The Directorate of Industrial Training is a Ugandan quality assurance body offering nationally, regionally and internationally recognized quality assurance services for the Business, Technical, Vocational Education and Training (BTVET) and a sub sector under the Ministry of Education and Sports.

The Ministry of Education and Sports under its mandate provides quality education and Sports services in the country which are constitutional obligations for the Ugandan State and Government. It is based on its Mission that the government is also concurrently exploring options for revitalization and strengthening Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) to provide demand-driven skills under the encapsulating term of Skilling Uganda. The Mission of the Ministry of Education and Sports is:

"To provide for technical support, guide, coordinate, regulate, and promote the delivery of quality education and sports to all persons in Uganda; for national integration, individual and national development."

DID YOU KNOW?

The Directorate of Industrial Training (DIT) was first established by the Industrial Training Decree, Decree No. 2 of 1972, which subsequently became the Industrial Training Act of 2003

Some of the most important objectives and provisions in the Act are:

The establishment of the Uganda Vocational Qualifications Framework (UVQF).

The continuation of the existence of the DIT subject to the Act with new and challenging roles and functions.

The establishment of the Industrial Training Council (ITC) as the policy making organ and supervisory body of the DIT.

INDUSTRIAL TRAINING COUNCIL (ITC)

The ITC is the policy-making organ of the Directorate and an advisory body to the Minister of Education and Sports on BTVET policy matters in the country.

The key functions of the Directorate are to:

- To identify the needs of the labour market for occupational competencies that fall under the Uganda Vocational Qualification Framework (UVQF).
- To regulate apprenticeship/traineeship/internship schemes.
- To foster and promote entrepreneurial values and skills as an integral part of the UVQF.
- To secure adequate and sustainable financing for the operation of the directorate.
- To accredit training institutions or companies as UVQF assessment centers.
- To assess and award Uganda Vocational Qualifications.
- To develop, apply, expand and improve the purposeful application of UVQF.
- To promote on the job training in industry for apprenticeship, trainee-ship and indenture/agreement training and other training such as further skills training schemes.
- To prescribe the procedure for the making training schemes.



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PHYSICAL EDUCATION FOR CAPACITY BUILDING WORKSHOP AT MAKERERE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF EDUCATION.

The Directorate of Industrial Training (DIT) conducted a capacity training workshop at Makerere University School of Education. The two-day training was mainly in the areas of Physical education such as; football, netball, and volleyball with games teachers being the main attendants with a total of 500 games teachers.

DIT sensitized the teachers on the benefits of having physical education in schools and encouraged the low secondary curriculum. The workshop was meant to show the benefits of having physical education training to the students. The participants were from different schools including; Gayaza girls secondary school, Mengo Secondary School, and Teso College.



The Director DIT Dr. Byakatonda Patrick addressing over 500 physical education teachers about the new lower secondary curriculum on 24th September 2022 at Makerere University School of Education conference hall

GRADUATION OF 200 STUDENTS AT PLAI TRAINING AND SKILLING CENTER IN KYEBANDO.

PLAI skilling and training center had a total number of 200 grandaunts who were assessed and certified by DIT in the different practical skills such as; hairdressing, beautician, tailoring, brick making, and bakery. The practical fields have a certificate awarded at the end of the training period.



Mr. Akiiba Severino Bataringaya awarding a certificate to the graduand at Plai Training and Skilling Center at Kyebando.

SENSITIZATION OF OVER 524 STUDENTS OF LUBIRI HIGH SCHOOL AND AN ESTIMATION OF OVER 500 STUDENTS FOR LUZIRA SECONDARY SCHOOL OF SENIOR ONE AND TWO



The Directorate of Industrial training sensitized students of Lubiri high school on the importance of the new lower secondary curriculum on their academic journey and life after school as the curriculum emphasizes hands-on skilling and training in schools.

The training had a total of one thousand twenty-four students who were sensitized about the need to undergo the lower secondary curriculum that equips them with practical skills in different fields.

The benefit of the lower secondary curriculum is that the student leaves school with two certificates a technical certificate from DIT and a formal certificate from the Uganda National Examination Board (UNEB).



CRANE HIGH SCHOOL AT BWERENGA IN ENTEBBE BEING SENSITIZED ABOUT THE LOWER SECONDARY CURRICULUM



The Directorate of Industrial training sensitized students of Crane high school on the importance of the new lower secondary curriculum on their academic journey and life after school as the curriculum emphasizes hands-on skilling and training in schools the training took place at Bwerenga.

Skills that are the main emphasis in the new curriculum are for the improvement of the student's livelihood through practical skills training in the various practical fields of life to enable stable growth of the student's income through putting into use the various practical skills which are vital in community development and growth.

DIT ASSESSES NATIONAL WATER AND SEWAGE CORPORATION STAFF IN THE ELECTRO TECHNICIAN OCCUPATION AT THEIR HEAD OFFICE IN GGABA.



The scholars were trained by NWSC and assessed by DIT in their different practical fields in line with their occupational choice.

The Directorate of Industrial Training in conjunction with the National Water and Sewage Cooperation conducted training in the field of electro-mechanical technicians with the training mainly focusing on the competence of scholars in various occupations.

DIT OVERSEES THE 3RD GRADUATION OF PIONEER TECHNICAL INSTITUTE IN IGANGA.

The Directorate of Industrial Training assessed and certified over 1220 graduands during the 3rd graduation at Pioneer technical institute in different practical fields such as; tailoring, plumbing, auto mechanic, bakery, tailoring, catering, hairdressing, secretariat, and beautician. These occupations they have been trained in will be their start up their own small businesses be their day-to-day sources of income.



Dr. Patrick Byakatonda addressing the graduands at Pioneer Technical Institute Iganga.



1221 STUDENTS GRADUATE AT PIONEER TECHNICAL INSTITUTE IN IGANGA.

DIT SENSITIZES STUDENTS OF IMMACULATE HEART GIRLS SCHOOL ABOUT THE NEW LOWER SECONDARY CURRICULUM.



Students exhibiting products that have been made by them during their practical skills from the different skills they had been trained in.

The Directorate of Industrial Training (DIT) held a sensitization drive at Immaculate Heart Girls School in Rukungiri district where they informed students about the importance of having practical skills and the impact it holds on the community.

DIT in collaboration with different schools in Uganda is pushing for the full utilization of practical skills in the new lower secondary school curriculum and the role of practical skills in the scholar's life from financial provision to lifetime practical skill incorporation.

DIT SENSITIZES SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS ON THE LOWER SECONDARY SCHOOL CURRICULUM AT BAT VALLEY THEATRE.

The Directorate of Industrial training conducted a sensitization program with the aim of passing the values and benefits of the new lower secondary curriculum to the students at Bat Valley Theatre. The sensitization that was attended by students from different schools in Uganda where they were able to understand the benefit of practical skills incorporation as

the top element in the new lower secondary curriculum. The Directorate of Industrial Training as the quality assurance body in the business, technical, Vocational Education and Training under the Ministry of Education has come on board to sensitize and assess the scholars in different secondary schools in Uganda so that the scholars are of importance to society.



Students attending a lower secondary curriculum sensitization program at Bat valley theatre

BRIEFING OF DIT ASSESSORS AND VERIFIERS ON DO'S AND DONT'S WHILE IN THE FIELD.

The Directorate of Industrial training conducted a briefing of their field assessors and verifiers at the DIT Lugogo boardroom to assess how their performance in the field, reecho the Do's and Dont's to follow when carrying out assessments in the different

fields and also address the challenges faced by them while in the field. The assessors and verifiers were also trained in handling student cases who undergo DIT skills training but are not registered in the system.



Dr. Okumu Michael the Deputy Director Assessment and Certification at the Directorate of Industrial Training Briefing Assessors and Verifiers on how smoothly the assessment is going to be conducted

“I OWE MY SUCCESS TO MY DIT CERTIFICATION,” AISHA NARRATES.

Ms. Aisha featured on the Pakasa show that airs on Bukedde TV PAKASA from Directorate of Industrial Training beneficiaries and how the practical skills are impacting their daily lives. She was assessed and certified in the soap making profession and, in the show, she explained to the viewers the essence of the

training she received and urged them to take the initiative to enroll for professional training with accredited institutions. She has been making soap and liquid detergent for a period of 5 years in women’s community-based organization and she supplies the community together with schools in the area of Salaama in Makindye.



Aisha giving her testimony of how the training and certification by the Directorate of Industrial Training has helped her in her business

DIT LAUNCH AND CAMPAIGN OF THE NEW LOWER SECONDARY CURRICULUM AT IGANGA HIGH SCHOOL



DIT Staff after the Lower Secondary School Curriculum campaign at Iganga High School.

The Directorate of Industrial Training under the Ministry of Education and Sports Launched a campaign on the New lower Secondary Curriculum at Iganga High School and encouraged the parents, students and population at large to embrace Vocational Skilling.

QS REVIEW WORKSHOPS AT DIT BUSINESS INCUBATION CENTRE.



DIT Assessors and VERIFIERS during the QS Review Workshop at the DIT Business Center at Sir Apollo Kaggwa.

Manuscript Review Workshops in the occupations of Mobile Application Developer, Hockey Practitioner, Irish potato farmer, and Audio Producer took place concurrently at DIT BIC Sir Apollo Kaggwa with the objective to align the manuscripts with the correspondent Assessment Training Packages

TRAINING OF TRAINERS CERTIFICATE HANDOVER CEREMONY FOR THE STAFF OF MINISTRY OF WORKS AND TRANSPORT.

The Ministry of Works and Transport in collaboration with the Japanese Embassy and the Mechanical Engineering Training and Advisory Centre awarded Certificates to 45 Trainers of Trainees (TOT) that had been undergoing training in the occupations like Plant Operators, Grader Operators and Back Hoe Operators. These were assessed and certified by the Directorate of Industrial Training (DIT) under the Ministry of Education and Sports.



Representatives from the Ministry of Works and the Japanese Embassy and the Mechanical Engineering Training and Advisory Board handing over a Certificate to one of the Trainers of Trainees.



Trainers of Trainees after being awarded certificates in the different occupations.

DIT ASSESSES IN THE DOMESTIC ELECTRICIAN OCCUPATION.



The Directorate of Industrial Training assessed a total number of 14 technicians in the occupation of Domestic Electrician (Modular) at St. Simon Peter Vocational Training Centre in Hoima under the Modular level for a period of 3 months.

PARTICIPATION OF DIT IN CORPORATE GAMES.

The Football team of the Directorate of Industrial Training under the Ministry of Education and Sports participated in the third set of corporate games (2022-2023) at Kyambogo University West End pitch. The activities included Football, Athletics, Tag of War, and Gymnastics among others.



DIT Staff during the Corporate Games 2022- 2023.

QS REVIEW WORKSHOPS AT DIT BUSINESS INCUBATION CENTRE.



Four Manuscript Review Workshops in the occupations for the different professions that include: Biogas technician, Events decorator, Badminton Practitioner and Vegetable Processors where training manuals were developed for students to use during the roll out of Lower Secondary School Curriculum. These were held concurrently at DIT BIC Sir Apollo Kagga with the objective of aligning the trainers with the respective Assessment Training Packages to be used as a guide in the rolling of the Lower Secondary Curriculum trainings.

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