

REPUBLIC OF RWANDA



Office of the Prime Minister

Communiqué

On Friday, November 11th 2022, His Excellency Paul Kagame, the President of the Republic of Rwanda chaired a Cabinet meeting at Urugwiro Village.

1. The Cabinet approved resolutions of the previous meeting held on October 14th 2022.
2. Cabinet approved the following official school and working hours in Rwanda, aimed at promoting quality education, as well as improving both workplace productivity and family wellbeing:

School hours will be 8:30 am to 5:00 pm. Official working hours will be eight hours, from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm (excluding a one-hour lunch break), including a flexible hour between 8:00 am and 9:00 am, where an employee may work remotely.

Essential services to the public will remain available throughout the day. This will take effect beginning with the month of January 2023. Further details will be provided by respective ministries.

3. The Cabinet approved a Presidential order granting pardon to 12 persons convicted of various offences and a Ministerial order granting release on parole to 802 persons convicted of various offences.
4. The Cabinet approved the following draft laws and orders:
 - Draft law approving a ratification of the loan agreement between Government of Rwanda and the Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa, relating to the upgrading of Nyacyonga-Mukoto road project.
 - Presidential order on responsibilities, organisation and functioning of the sector, cell and village.
 - Prime Minister's order establishing special statute governing members of the District Administration Security Support Organ (DASSO).
 - Ministerial order determining student benefits.
 - Ministerial instructions on allowances for sector and cell council members.
5. The Cabinet approved the following programmes and strategies:
 - Agreement between Government of Rwanda and the Green Climate Fund on privileges and immunities of the Green Climate Fund.
 - Host country agreement between Government of Rwanda and the East African Communications Organization (EACO).

- Revised Ubudehe categorization.
- National Strategy for sustainable graduation.
- Revised Vision Umurenge Program (VUP).
- Student loan recovery fund to cover the laptop acquisition scheme.

6. The Cabinet approved the following agreements:

- Power purchase and concession agreement for Bihongora 4.22mw hydropower project at Bihongora river in Rubavu District.
- Sponsorship agreement between Government of Rwanda and Trace Global to host the Trace Awards and Festival in Rwanda.
- Share purchase agreement between Burera district and Noguchi Holdings Ltd for the sale of Burera district shares in Burera College of Trade.
- Property purchase agreement between Burera district and La Paillotte Ltd for the purchase of Burera Beach Resort Hotel.

7. The Cabinet approved the agreement for appointment of the following Ambassadors/High Commissioners and Honorary Consul:

Ambassador/High Commissioner

- **Mr. Aslan Alper Yüksel**, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Türkiye to the Republic of Rwanda with residence in Kigali.
- **Mr. Nicholas Manolis**, High Commissioner of the Republic of Cyprus to the Republic of Rwanda, with residence in Doha.

Honorary Consul

- **Mr. Prajwal Jung Pandey**, Proposed Honorary Consul of the Republic of Rwanda in Kathmandu, Nepal.

8. The Cabinet made the following appointments:

The Senate

- **Mr. Maurice Kabandana**, Director of Communication Unit
- **Mr. Joseph Migambi**, Table Officer

Ministry of Health

- **Ms. Amanda Rurangwa**, Chief Technical Advisor

Rwanda Food and Drugs Authority

- **Mr. Jean Prosper Welcome Mbonyimfura**, Good Manufacturing Practices and Good Laboratory Practices Analyst
- **Ms. Ines Uwineza**, Director of Medicines and Cosmetics Testing Unit
- **Mr. Alain Nyirimigabo Katembezi**, Director of Food Testing Unit

Ministry of Trade and Industry

- **Mr. Cassien Karangwa**, Director of Trade Promotion Unit

Financial Intelligence Centre (FIC)

- **Ms. Doreen Mutesi**, Director of Administration and Finance Unit
Rwanda Inspectorate, Competition and Consumer Protection Authority (RICA)
- **Mr. Ildephonse Niragire**, Director of Farm Products and Processes Inspection Unit
- **Mr. Ephrem Charite**, Director of Human Resources and Administration Unit
- **Mr. Robert Mugisha**, Director of Registration and Licensing Unit
- **Mr. Joseph Mutabazi**, Director of Industrial Products and Market Surveillance Unit

Rwanda Cooperative Agency

- **Mr. Emmanuel Usengimana**, Director of Financial Services Cooperatives Development and Sustainability Unit

National Rehabilitation Service

- **Mr. Jean Nepomuscène Ngwije**, Director of Delinquency Prevention and Reintegration Unit
- **Mr. Jean Marie Vianney Niyitegeka**, Director of Social and Health Rehabilitation Unit
- **Ms. Colette Zigama**, Director of Administration and Finance
- **Dr. Jean Damascène Nshimiyimana**, Director of Health and Social Rehabilitation Unit at Iwawa Rehabilitation Center (IRC)
- **Mr. Jean Noel Nzamwita**, Director of Health and Social Rehabilitation Unit at Nyamagabe Rehabilitation Center (NRC)

Eastern Province

- **Mr. Richard Ndahiro**, Director of Planning and Budgeting Unit

9. AoBs:

- The Minister of National Unity and Civic Engagement informed Cabinet of *Urugerero rw'Inkomezabigwi (National Service for secondary school graduates)* scheduled on November 14th 2022 - February 28th 2023.
- The Minister of Trade and Industry informed Cabinet of the Africa Industrialization Day scheduled on November 18th 2022. The theme for this year is "Industrializing Africa: Renewed Commitment Towards an Inclusive and Sustainable Industrialization and Economic Diversification".
- The Minister in the Office of the President informed Cabinet of the International Anti-Corruption Day scheduled on December 9th 2022.

Kigali, November 11th 2022.

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Prime Minister

