

**National Launch of the National Development Plan [2010/11-
2014/15]**
by H.E the President of the Republic of Uganda,
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The National Planning Authority (NPA), the Government Agency responsible for producing comprehensive and integrated development plans is launching a new generation National Development Plan (NDP). The launch of NDP marks yet another significant step in Uganda's development history – having successfully implemented many other policies reforms for the past two decades. The NDP will consolidate past achievements and bring about the desired social economic transformation of Ugandan societies, which will propel the country from a peasant dominated economy to the ranks of middle income countries.

Since 1997, the overall planning framework for guiding public action on development/poverty reduction in Uganda has been the Poverty Eradication Action Plan (PEAP). The PEAP has been implemented on a three-year basis through its translation into expenditure actions in the 3-Year Medium Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF). Accordingly, the PEAP has been revised every 3 years so as to incorporate emerging lessons and issues. The latest version of the PEAP was formulated in 2004 and thus expired in June 2008.

In line with Government's decision to adopt a five-year medium term development planning horizon, National Planning Authority has prepared a 5-Year National Development Plan (NDP), through an intensive, country-wide consultative process with all stakeholders, at national and sub-national levels, including government, Civil Society and Private Sector, to become the successor plan to the PEAP.

The NDP is the National Planning Framework and guide to prioritization and direction of government actions for the period 2010/11 to 2014/15. It is the first of six 5-year National Development Plans, which will contribute to the attainment of Uganda's vision of "***a transformed Ugandan society from a peasant to a modern and prosperous country within 30 years***". This NDP brings about a paradigm shift in planning by Government including the shift from the MTEF to 5-year planning.

Following its completion, the NDP will be officially launched by H.E the President of the Republic of Uganda, and made public to provide feedback, enhance ownership and garner support for its implementation by all stakeholders. The launch is jointly organized by NPA and Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development.

The launch will bring together experts, practitioners and opinion leaders associated with planning and development including; MDAs and Local Governments, Civil Society Organisations (CSOs), Private Sector, Development Partners, Political Leaders and the wider public.