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UDN JOINS THE FIGHT AGAINST CORRUPTION



In the middle: Minister of Ethics and Integrity Minister Rev. Fr. Simon Lokodo and Director for Ethics Inspectorate of Government Mr JJ Rwerezza with UDN staff Marching during the Anti-corruption Procession through Kampala City.

torate of Government (IG), Office of the Auditor General (OAG), Public Procurement and Disposal of Public Assets Authority (PPDA), the Justice Law and Order Sector (JLOS) and Directorate of Ethics and Integrity (DEI) have come together to form a 'syndicate of anti—corruption agencies' to counter syndicate corruption and all other forms of corruption.

This year, the celebrations UDN is part of are being marked under the theme; *Restoring Integrity in Public Service, Regaining Citizens' Trust in the Anti-corruption Fight*. The official launch which was held on 28th November 2017 was presided over by the 2nd Prime Minister for East African Community Affairs Ali Kirunda Kivejinja at

CHOGM grounds in Kampala.

During this launch, UDN exhibited and distributed materials such as the Dossier on Corruption in Uganda, Reversing the tide against misuse of Government Vehicles and poor state of Health Services in Uganda, The Uganda Public Service Standing Orders (Section F) among other policy documents; as well as Posters and Placards to widely popularize anti corruption advocacy.

Corruption is misuse of entrusted power for private gain. The vice is not unique to Uganda but is a global concern which different States are grappling with and the Corruption Perception Indices produced annually by Transparency International attest to this. For example in 2016, Somalia ranked most corrupt with a score of 10 while Denmark was least corrupt with a score of 90. Uganda ranked 151 with a score of 25.

As an issue that affects all countries around the world, the UN General Assembly by resolution 58/4 of October 31, 2003, designated December 9th of every year as International Anti-Corruption Day. This was in the hope of raising awareness of corruption and the United Nations Convention against Corruption, which Uganda ratified. Uganda has further put in place good anti-corruption laws and institutions including the Anti-corruption (amendment) Act, 2015 which seek to eliminate corrupt tendencies.

Anti-corruption Launch

Every year, a special week is set aside in Uganda in respect of the fight against corruption. In a collaborative approach and effort, the anti-corruption Agencies namely, the Inspec-

As part of the activities to commemorate the Anti-corruption campaign 2017, UDN Is to hold a dialogue at Kayabwe where we previously patterned with Government to install an anti-corruption mural that was officially commissioned by the Minister of Ethics and Integrity Minister Rev Fr. Simon Lokodo). This year UDN and partner CSOs focused on Advocacy for Better Health. Corruption in the health sector affects the marginalized groups especially women and children. Due to the importance of the Health Sector, UDN has documented cases of corruption in the health sector and compiled them into the 2017 Corruption Dossier. The Corruption Dossier will be Launched at the Public Dialogue. The dialogue will take place on 14th December at the Equator Line Prayer Altar for Nations and Camping site, from 9:00 to 2:00pm.

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