

UGANDA ROAD FUND

Press Release

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RELEASE OF UGX 75.8bn TO UGANDA ROAD FUND DESIGNATED AGENCIES FOR MAINTENANCE OF PUBLIC ROADS IN QUARTER 1 OF FY 2017/18

1. About the Release

The Uganda Road Fund (URF) has released UGX 75,834,675,557 for quarter 1 of FY2017/18 to its designated agencies and sub-agencies for routine and periodic maintenance of various categories of public roads.

The Fund has just concluded signing performance agreements with all its agencies which include UNRA, KCCA, 121 Local governments (Districts and Municipalities) and their sub agencies Town Councils and Sub counties. In this quarter the Fund begun financing road maintenance programmes of 6 new districts and 35 Town councils. The districts include Namisindwa, Pakwach, Butebo, Rukiga, Kyotera and Bunyangabu.

Break down of disbursements to Designated Agencies

| Designated Agency | Q1 Funds Disbursed |
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| UNRA | 49,956,621,004 |
| KCCA | 3,638,724,563 |
| Districts | 8,977,845,950 |
| Municipalities | 4,819,281,420 |
| Town Councils | 3,682,506,747 |
| Mechanical Imprest | 2,235,566,420 |
| Emergency Funding | 750,000,000 |
| Tarmacking Town Councils | 1,130,346,876 |
| Bridges | 643,782,576 |
| Total | 75,834,675,557 |

This Quarter 1 release represents 18.64% of the annual Road Maintenance Budget of UGX 406,776,000,000 which is specifically disbursed to designated agencies for their programmed works. In this quarter, the Fund has experienced a shortfall in the budget of UGX 25.8bn. The funds for community access roads will be disbursed to districts in the second quarter of the financial year.

In this financial year, the Fund has embarked on maintenance of bridges on the DUCAR network. Resources have also been released for the completion of selected Town Council roads that had not been completed in 2015/16.

2. Eligibility for Funding

- a) The Agency should have signed a performance agreement with the Fund.

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- b) Submission of a satisfactory annual work plan.
- c) Submission of a general receipt with evidence of timely receipt and transfer of funds to sub agencies. This is done within a given quarter when the funds are disbursed.
- d) Submission of a satisfactory physical and financial accountabilities filed at the beginning of every new quarter.

3. Activities to be funded in the Q1 FY2017/18

The funds disbursed will facilitate Routine and Periodic maintenance, bridges maintenance, Road safety works, Axle load control and enforcement both fixed and mobile, Ferry operations and maintenance, Plant and Equipment Repairs, Transport studies, Road materials and Operational expenses of respective Agencies.

In this quarter UNRA has planned to maintain 1,849km of paved roads, 9,149km unpaved roads, 52 bridges and 13 ferries among other road maintenance activities. KCCA will maintain 97km of paved roads and 80km of unpaved roads as well as road markings and junction maintenance under its road safety programmes. Districts will maintain 26,600km of roads and 4 bridges in this quarter; and 4,190km of roads and 1 bridge will be maintained by Municipal Councils in this quarter.

The Uganda Road Fund Secretariat adheres to timely disbursements of road maintenance funds to avoid delays in execution of planned programmes of its Agencies.

The Fund therefore calls upon the District Roads Committees to provide oversight of the road maintenance funds by ensuring that the funds are put to their rightful use guided by their respective annual workplans.

Uganda Road Fund remains committed to its core principles of Prudence, Transparency, Integrity and Value.

Scope of works

Local Governments Bridges under Maintenance

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| 1. Bududa District - Passa bridge- Bududa-Busano road | 2. Kasese District - Kyoho bridge on Kyabulere Town council - Lhume river road |
| 3. Sheema District – Muhito Bridge | 4. Namayingo District - Bujwanga-Simase-Lufudu Swamp road (9.2km) |
| 5. Rakai District - Kyakatagwa Bridge in Kabira subcounty | 6. Lyantonde District - Kabunika bridge on Nkiro-Kabundi-Makukulu road |
| 7. Kasese District - Mpondwe-Lhubiririha Town Council - Mupanda Bridge - River Mpondwe | |

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Kampala Capital City Authority ongoing works

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| 1. | Kamokya traffic signal installations |
| 2. | Kalungu road |
| 3. | Nantongo road |
| 4. | NWSC road |
| 5. | Kayinda road |
| 6. | Kalungu road |
| 7. | Natongo road |
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Uganda National Roads Authority Planned Works

| UNRA - National Roads under maintenance | |
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| 1. | Wandi rhino - Arua |
| 2. | Kitgum lokung |
| 3. | Lira Aduku |
| 4. | Iganga Kaliro |
| 5. | Jinja - Kamuli |
| 6. | Amuria Acowa |
| 7. | Ariami Lopei |
| 8. | Kabwohe Kitagata |
| 9. | Muyembe Namalu |
| 10. | Zirobwe Lwajjali |
| 11. | Villa maria |

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