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**POLITICAL;**

**MPs reject proposal to contribute UGX 2M each towards Covid-19 vaccine purchase;** MPs have rejected a proposal to deduct UGX 2million salaries to support the procurement of COVID-19 vaccines. On Tuesday, Esther Afoyo-chan, a MPC proposed during plenary that each legislator contributes Shillings 2million million to help the government procure vaccines for learners between 2 and 18 years of age. [Story](#)

**ENERGY NEWS;**

**The GOU has identified key focus areas in the Energy Sector;** in the NDP II. This includes increasing power generation, expanding the electricity transmission and distribution grid networks, increasing energy efficiency, promoting the use of alternative sources of energy, and strengthening the policy, legal and institutional framework. [Story](#)

**NATIONAL;**

**Museveni, Kabaka meet at Nakasero State Lodge;** the Kabaka Ronald Muwenda Mutebi II visited the Nakasero state lodge where he met the president. As you may be aware, leaders always have some things to talk about and indeed if there any issues the leaders talk about them, and it yields to something. [Story](#)

**REGIONAL;**

**Rwanda reels from UK red list travel ban;** while all the East African countries are currently on the UK's red list, Rwanda and Burundi were the first countries in the region to be added on the list on January 29. Rwanda protested the ban, saying the "arbitrary decision" by the UK does not "stand up to scientific scrutiny" given the country's strict enforcement of Covid-19 protocols. [Story](#)

**HEALTH;**

**Govt starts distribution of Covid-19 vaccines;** Ms. Sheila Nduhukire, the spokesperson for NMS, said: "We are finalizing distribution of personal protective equipment for health workers, then we will start the process of dispatching vaccines across the country. By next week, districts shall have received their doses. [Story](#)

**COURT;**

**Chief Justice lifts ban on hearing cases and election petitions;** the Chief Justice Alfonse Owiny-Dollo has directed the resumption of the hearing of both criminal and civil matters under strict observance of the standard operating procedures aimed at stopping the spread of COVID-19. Justice Owiny-Dollo, who had also suspended the hearing of election petitions, has ordered those hearings resume on August 16, 2021, saying the Principal Judge will be issuing the schedules. [Story](#)

**BUSINESS;**

**Import substitution policy excites local economy;** MoH is set to procure about 46,000 beds from local manufacturers. The ministry has also been purchasing face masks and sanitizers from local companies. [Story](#)

**SPORTS;**

**Cheptegei, Kiplimo and Chelimo qualify for 5000m final in Tokyo Olympics;** Joshua Cheptegei, Jacob Kiplimo and Oscar Chelimo have all qualified to represent Uganda in the 5000m final. The three will now take part in the finals on Friday August 6. Chelimo was the first to secure his spot after finishing fourth in heat one posting 13:39.07 behind Kenya's Nicholas Kipkorir Kimeli who won the race in 13:38.87. [Story](#)

**And finally; 7 new bridges in Tororo collapse before handover;** Local leaders in Tororo District have appealed to the State House Anti-Corruption Unit to investigate circumstances under which seven newly constructed bridges in various sub-counties have collapsed before being officially handed over to the authorities. [Story](#)

Today's scripture; **Romans 15:13**

**ESKOMorning quote;** "If you don't get out of the box you've been raised in, you won't understand how much bigger the world is." **By- Angelina Jolie**

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