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**POLITICAL.**

**Covid cash was our idea;** the opposition FDC has accused the government of hijacking its idea of Covid-19 relief cash transfer to vulnerable Ugandans. [Story](#)

**ENERGY NEWS.**

**Why Africa needs renewable energy now;** there is a strong and urgent need to accelerate the growth of renewable energy across the region to ensure sufficient, affordable, reliable energy supply for individuals, businesses, and communities. [Story](#)

**NATIONAL;**

**Worry as hackers target driving permit company;** the Uganda Driver Licensing System, the company mandated to issue driving licences, has revealed that fraudsters and hackers have severally attempted to infiltrate its system. [Story](#)

**REGIONAL;**

**Kenya backs AU role in resolving Nile dam dispute;** Kenya on Thursday called on the African Union to continue leading discussions on the Nile dam operations in Ethiopia, even as Egypt warned that Ethiopia's mega hydro power project was "an existential threat." [Story](#)

**HEALTH;**

**Gulu University claims its 'Covid-19 drug' can heal patients in 12-72 hours;** Gulu University is seeking Shs 200m to scale production of its herbal drug it claims can heal coronavirus disease patients within 72 hours. [Story](#)

**COURT;**

**Law Society slams magistrate over torture of suspects;** the Uganda Law Society has criticized the Nakawa Chief Magistrate for not acting when his attention was drawn to the torture marks on the bodies of the five men accused of attempting to assassinate Works' minister Gen Katumba. [Story](#)

**BUSINESS;**

**Low sugarcane prices push Busoga farmers towards the cliff;** by July this year, prices once again fell from shs110,000 to Shs104,000 and later there was a steep decline to Shs96,000 at which it is selling now. Even at that low price, the millers in Busoga do not have the capacity to consume the sugarcane, partly because of limited production capacity. The unpredictable market has given rise to ruthless middlemen, who have enforced an extortionist cartel permit system, which has pushed farmers towards the cliff. [Story](#)

**SPORTS;**

**Victorious Italy return home after spoiling England's Euro 2020 party;** Italy's team returned home in triumph Monday after beating England in a tense penalty shootout to win Euro 2020 at Wembley, plunging the host nation into despair and prolonging their 55-year wait for a second major title. [Story](#)

**And finally; South Africa's Ramaphosa deploys troops after 10 killed in 'rare' unrest;** President Cyril Ramaphosa on Monday said the deadly unrest gripping the country is unprecedented in post-apartheid South Africa as he deployed troops to help police crush the violence and looting sparked by the jailing of ex-president Jacob Zuma.

**Story**

Today's scripture; **Ezekiel 37:14**

ESKOMorning quote; "Opportunity is missed by most people because it is dressed in overalls and looks like work." By- Thomas Edison

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