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LVBC GETS A CLEAN AUDIT OPINION



Auditor generals from the EAC partner states during the exit meeting in the Republic of Burundi.

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Lake Victoria Basin Commission (LVBC) got an unqualified audit opinion in the recently concluded audit exercise.

The East African Community (EAC) Audit Commission concluded that the financial statements present fairly in all material respects the financial position of the institution as at 30thJune 2023.

For a period of one month, the audit commission conducted a review of LVBC's financial information. processes, controls and compliance to provide an objective and unbiased assessment of its financial statements, internal controls, and adherence to applicable laws and regulations.

It is from this assessment that the Audit Commission gave LVBC a clean audit opinion.

The commission also acknowledged that the institution presented its financial statement in accordance with International Public Sector Accounting Standards and complied with the Treaty for Establishment of the East African Community, 1999 (as amended) and EAC Financial Rules and Regulations, 2012.

The exit meeting and signing ceremony of all the audited financial statements of the community for the financial year ended 30th June 2023 was conducted in the Republic of Burundi.











ALL IS SET FOR 22ND SECOM MEETING



The 22nd ordinary meeting of the sectoral council of ministers (SECOM) for Lake Victoria Basin is scheduled for next week in Kisumu.

The meeting is expected to consider the report of implementation status of previous decisions and directives of the 21st SECOM-LVB.

The report of the 10th joint regional policy steering meeting for LVBC projects and programmes is also set to be considered.

During the meeting, reports of finance, administration and institutional matters will be discussed.

Lake Victoria Basin Commission Executive Secretary Dr

Masinde Bwire said ministers responsible for water, Environment and Natural Resources, Health and Maritime Transport and communication from the East African Partner States are expected to attend.

Dr Bwire said apart from the ministers, permanent secretaries and senior government officials from are also expected to attend the meeting.

He said, "All is set for this crucial meeting where critical decisions that will steer the commission to greater heights will be made".









CONSTRUCTION OF MRCC KICKS OFF IN MWANZA IN THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA

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The construction of Maritime Rescue coordination centre (MRCC) has kicked off in Mwanza, in the United Republic of Tanzania. The construction site is at Ilemela, approximately over seventeen Kilometres from Mwanza town.

The construction of the new centre that will cost USD 1,870,000 officially kicked off in December 13th, 2023.



The Government of Uganda (GoU) and the United Republic of Tanzania (URT) through the Lake Victoria Basic Commission (LVBC) and with support from the African Development Bank (AfDB) procured a contractor to Design and build the centre.

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Bwire said, "The Contractor applied to MUWASA and got water supplied to site. The erection of the site offices is also at 70 %".







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the ministry of water from the United Republic of Tanzania Prof Jamal Katundu at the LVBC Site in Kisumu.



The refurbished RV Jumuiya at the Mwanza port



RVJUMULYA

New Maritime Training Facility at the Fisheries Training Institute Entebbe in the Republic of Uganda.

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