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The President and First Lady touring stalls during the ceremony at Rukoni grounds, Ruhaama in Ntungamo on Saturday

Museveni commends Makerere



The First Lady saluted the university for solving some of the problems facing Africa. Photos by A. Ssenyonyi

development of the community.

The training was facilitated by the First Lady, Janet Museveni, who is also the MP for Ruhaama and patron of Ntungamo Transformation Initiative.

The Bishop of South Ankole Diocese, Nathan Ahimbisibwe, who is also the chairperson of the Ntungamo Transformation Initiative, thanked the First Lady for sponsoring the training and asked Makerere to reach out to farmers in other districts.

The President said it was good for the participants to receive skills such as the preservation of yoghurt, processing hides and skins to the level of making shoes.

He promised more support for the project and advised the university to also add the components of cotton and silk production in order to create more jobs.

The President reiterated his caution to the

people of Ntungamo to stop land fragmentation, a practice he said had increased poverty in the area. He said it is better to use land and other assets as a family to generate income and share profits.

The First Lady saluted Makerere University for overcoming some of the problems facing most institutions of higher learning in Africa.

She said such problems had contributed to slow development in many underdeveloped nations.

"When a university sends professors to share knowledge with the ordinary people in their communities and when the people embrace the university as we have witnessed today, I can comfortably say that the sky is the limit for our ordinary people and our country," she stated.

She said the Government is committed to eradicating poverty and urged Ugandans to use the good climate and good soils to achieve prosperity for all. She said Ugandans are willing

to work hard, if they are well guided.

The Makerere University chancellor Mondo Kagonyera, called for more involvement of women and the youth in such programs to practise agriculture more professionally.

He lauded the Government for the given through the Presidential Initiative in Science and Technology that has brought innovations at the university, including the development of an electrical vehicle. He said they will continue to engage the Government to support the commercialisation of research and innovation.

Beneficiaries speak out

The owner of Pure Haven Honey from Ntungamo, East, Edgar Nkwasiwe, expects to earn sh12.8m from honey and sh8m from other products annually. Asaph Taremwa expects to earn sh19.6m annually from honey and John Nkwasiwe also expects to earn sh10.5m.

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