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# SUSPENDED

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BY CHILUBA MAPULANGA

Government has announced that the first phase of Zambia's 24-hour economy will begin on 1st April 2026, with the lifting of the night travel ban on commercial trucks and buses.

Speaking on Diamond TV's COSTA programme, Trade and Industry Chipoka Mulenga said the move is aimed at enhancing the movement of goods and services, stimulating economic activity around the clock, and creating new opportunities for businesses and workers.

As part of the rollout, the Kazungula One-Stop Border Post will begin operating on a 24-hour basis. This is expected to support small and medium enterprises (SMEs) by allowing them to order goods at night and sell during the



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day, thereby expanding trade improving efficiency.

Mr. Mulenga explained that the operationalisation of the 24-hour economy will be demand-driven, with the retail and service sectors identified as priority areas in the initial phase.

He urged Zambians to embrace the initiative, noting its potential to generate more income, create jobs, and contribute to overall economic

growth.

The Minister emphasised that the 24-hour economy is not just about extended working hours but about restructuring economic activity to ensure productivity across sectors.

He said the initiative will require collaboration between government, businesses, and workers to ensure safety, efficiency, and sustainability.

Mr. Mulenga also cautioned that external factors, particularly the ongoing Middle

East conflict, could negatively impact Zambia's economy through rising fuel prices and pressure on the kwacha.

He explained that disruptions in global logistics and supply chains are affecting the movement of goods to key markets in Asia and the United Arab Emirates, which could increase costs for transporters and traders.

The government is therefore working to mitigate these risks by strengthening domestic

production capacity, diversifying trade partnerships, and ensuring that the 24-hour economy is supported by adequate energy and infrastructure.

Economists have noted that the initiative could transform Zambia's labour market by creating shift-based employment opportunities, particularly in transport, logistics, retail, hospitality, and border operations.

# CHAMBISHI EXPLOSION CLAIMS TWO LIVES

BY STAFF REPORTER

Two Indian nationals have died following an explosion at Yellow Stripe Resources Zambia Limited in Chambishi, which left six other workers injured.

The incident occurred around 01:40 hours when eight employees sustained severe burns after a metal reportedly reacted with other chemicals near the furnace.

Copperbelt Province Police Deputy Commanding Officer Geddy Divai confirmed that the deceased, Sanjay Kumar, 46, and Dwivet Kumar, 46, suffered grave injuries and were admitted to the Intensive Care Unit at Kitwe Teaching Hospital, where they succumbed to their injuries around 19:00 hours on March 30.

“Two Indian nationals who

were among six others that sustained burns after an explosion at Yellow Stripes Resources Company in Chambishi have died,” Ms. Divai said.

She added that four other Zambian nationals remain admitted to hospital and are receiving treatment.

Earlier, Kitwe Teaching Hospital General Surgeon Dr. Encok Soko confirmed that four of the injured were admitted around 03:00 hours, with three in critical condition in the ICU.

He explained that the patients suffered mixed burns ranging between 75 and 90 percent, both superficial and deep.

The remaining four injured employees are admitted to Royal Medical Centre, where their condition is reported to be stable.



One of the affected workers, Justine Nshimbi of Chambishi, told ZAMJOB News that the

explosion is believed to have been caused by overloading scrap metal into the furnace.

# PRESIDENT URGES FARMERS

## "WAIT FOR FRA CROP MARKETING SEASON..."

BY STAFF REPORTER

President Hakainde Hichilema has appealed to farmers to exercise patience and wait for the Food Reserve Agency (FRA) to begin purchasing their produce, warning against exploitation by unscrupulous private buyers as the country enters the harvest period.

In a statement issued by State House Chief Communications Specialist Clayson Hamasaka, the President expressed concern over reports that some private buyers are offering unfair and uncompetitive prices to farmers.

"The President particularly stressed that reports of some private sector players offering to buy some fields from some farmers before harvesting are extremely worrying as they expose the farmers to exploitation," the statement read in part.

President Hichilema urged private sector players to desist from exploiting farmers and instead offer fair prices that keep



HAKAINDE HICHILEMA

them motivated and productive. He emphasized government's commitment to ensuring farmers receive fair value for their labour and produce.

He further advised farmers to be patient until government officially opens the crop marketing season, assuring them that measures are in place to

safeguard their interests.

The Head of State also thanked farmers for their dedication, resilience, and unwavering commitment to increased productivity, noting that their efforts continue to sustain communities through household food security.

## EDITORIAL

The Ministry of Health's decisive action at the Zambia Medicines and Medical Supplies Agency (ZAMMSA) is both a wake-up call and a reassurance to the public. By suspending five senior officials and revoking a board appointment, Minister Dr. Alex Katakwe has sent a clear message: inefficiency, negligence, and misconduct in the management of medicines will not be tolerated. This is not merely an administrative reshuffle—it is a deliberate attempt to restore integrity in a sector where lapses can cost lives. For years, ZAMMSA has been dogged by concerns over procurement irregularities, delayed deliveries, and shortages of essential drugs. These challenges have undermined public confidence in the health system and placed undue strain on hospitals and clinics. The suspensions, coupled with the involvement of the Drug Enforcement Commission (DEC) and the Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC), signal a shift toward accountability.

Investigations must now be thorough, transparent, and free from political interference if they are to yield lasting reforms. Equally significant is the revocation of Keagan Mwape's board appointment. While the Pharmaceutical Society of Zambia remains an important stakeholder, the government's insistence on a new representative underscores the need for fresh perspectives and stronger oversight. Board positions at ZAMMSA should not be ceremonial; they must be filled by individuals committed to safeguarding the supply chain and ensuring that medicines reach patients without delay. Dr. Katakwe's assurance that there will be no disruption in the supply of medicines is welcome, but it must be backed by robust systems. Reinforcing warehousing, distribution, and planning mechanisms will be critical to avoid gaps in service delivery. The public deserves a health supply chain that is not only efficient but also transparent, with clear checks and balances to prevent abuse.

# GOV'T TO PUBLISH NAMES OF 2,000 NEWLY RECRUITED HEALTH WORKERS

BY STAFF REPORTER

Government has announced that the names of 2,000 health workers recruited under the 2025 exercise will be published within the next 14 days.

Health Minister Dr. Alex Katakwe said the recruitment process is in its final stages, with all procedures close to completion before the names are released to the public.

Speaking in an interview, Dr. Katakwe revealed that government is also planning to recruit an additional 2,500 health workers in 2026, subject to the availability of resources.

He explained that the Ministry is currently awaiting Treasury authority to proceed

with the 2026 recruitment.

Dr. Katakwe emphasized that increasing the number of health personnel remains a priority, particularly in underserved and rural areas where staffing levels are low.

Meanwhile, North-Western Province Health Director Dr. Luckson Chidikita said the recruitment of more health workers will greatly improve staffing levels in the province, enhancing service delivery and reducing the burden on existing personnel.

The transporters stressed that prolonged disruptions could have a ripple effect across the economy, as transportation is the backbone of trade and mobility.

"We are losing time and

money every day. Passengers are stranded, and our schedules are collapsing," one driver explained.

The shortage has already begun to affect workers' incomes, with drivers, conductors, and support staff facing reduced trips and earnings. Traders and commuters relying on intercity buses are also bearing the brunt, as delays increase costs and reduce productivity.

The transporters have since called on government to urgently address the shortage, warning that if left unresolved, it could undermine confidence in the transport sector and disrupt supply chains nationwide.

# WORLD BANK REPORT URGES CLIMATE-SMART DEVELOPMENT FOR ZAMBIA

BY STAFF REPORTER

A new report by the World Bank Group has revealed that Zambia can unlock economic growth, create jobs, and reduce poverty by investing in climate resilience and adopting smart development strategies.

The Zambia Country Climate and Development Report (CCDR) finds that climate change is already affecting the country's development, with extreme weather events such as recurrent droughts disrupting agriculture, hydropower generation, and household incomes particularly

among rural and vulnerable communities.

According to World Bank Economist Achim Fock assured that, targeted and cost-effective investments, combined with policy reforms, can help Zambia build resilience while promoting inclusive, private sector-led growth.

“Climate risks are no longer in the distant future for Zambia they are already shaping development outcomes today,” he said, adding that strengthening resilience through smart investments would protect livelihoods, accelerate growth, and expand employment

opportunities, especially for young people.

The report highlights the need to attract stronger private sector participation by creating a predictable policy environment, strengthening institutions, and reducing climate-related risks.

It outlines four key priority areas for action Transforming rural livelihoods through climate-smart agriculture, planning green and resilient urban development, mobilising private investment in green industries and infrastructure and strengthening human capital through improved disaster response systems and skills development.

Dominick de Waal noted that Zambia must embrace reforms and build strong institutions to

manage natural resources effectively and translate investments into improved living standards.

The CCDDR forms part of the World Bank's broader efforts to help countries integrate climate and development priorities, providing a roadmap for reducing emissions, adapting to climate risks, and achieving sustainable economic growth.

Experts say the report provides a timely framework for Zambia as it seeks to balance climate action with long-term development goals.

# OASIS ENERGIES REFUTES FALSE ALLEGATIONS CIRCULATING ONLINE

BY STAFF REPORTER

Oasis Energies has issued a formal statement dismissing as false and misleading allegations currently circulating on social media platforms.

The company categorically refuted claims that it is politically affiliated or engaged in hoarding fuel stocks, describing the publication as defamatory and lacking any factual basis.

“Oasis Energies maintains no affiliation whatsoever with any political entity, activity, or interest, nor is it engaged in the hoarding or improper withholding of fuel stocks as has been alleged,” the statement read.

The company emphasized that it conducts operations in strict adherence to corporate governance, ethical business



practice, and regulatory compliance, working closely with government and relevant

authorities in the stewardship of the national energy sector.

The matter has been escalated

to law enforcement, including the Cyber Crime Department, and is now under active investigation. Oasis Energies confirmed it is cooperating fully with authorities and will pursue all legal remedies to protect its reputation.

Members of the public have been urged to exercise caution and refrain from disseminating unverified or defamatory content, as doing so may result in legal liability.

The company expressed gratitude to its customers and the public for their continued confidence and support during what it described as a volatile global period, reaffirming its commitment to transparency, accountability, and service excellence.

# UPND MEDIA DIRECTOR BACKS 24-HOUR ECONOMY POLICY

artisanal miners to adopt similar practices.

He added that civil servants will also benefit, as they can engage in business alongside their regular work, thereby expanding the tax base.

Simuuwe further noted that ongoing infrastructure projects such as the Lusaka–Ndola dual carriageway are complementary to the policy, improving efficiency and safety for businesses and commuters.

BY STAFF REPORTER

United Party for National Development (UPND) Media Director Mark Simuuwe has described Zambia's 24-hour economy policy as timely, noting that it builds on government initiatives such as establishing the Ministry of SMEs, empowering youths, and providing market booster loans.

Mr. Simuuwe explained

that government has put in place measures to ensure the 24-hour economy is progressive and transformative for the nation's development trajectory. He highlighted that the initiative follows key preparatory steps, including the creation of the Ministry of SMEs under President Hakainde Hichilema's leadership.

He pointed out that thousands of youths have already benefited from

vocational training in carpentry, welding, aquaculture, agriculture, tailoring, and machinery repair, while over 75,000 market booster loans have been extended to small-scale entrepreneurs.

Mr. Simuuwe emphasized that industries such as mining, textiles, and manufacturing are naturally suited to 24-hour operations, and the policy will encourage small businesses and

# ZDA HANDS OVER PERMITS TO CREATE 7,800 JOBS

BY STAFF REPORTER

The Zambia Development Agency (ZDA) has handed over 13 Multi-Facility Economic Zone (MFEZ) permits to companies establishing operations in the Golden Baobab MFEZ, representing an investment valued at USD 195 million and projected to create 7,800 jobs.

The Golden Baobab MFEZ is designed as an integrated industrial ecosystem spanning manufacturing, energy, transport, construction, and agro-processing, positioning Zambia as a competitive regional hub for value addition and exports.

ZDA Board Chairperson Prof. Biemba Maliti said the milestone reflects growing investor confidence in Zambia's policy consistency and ongoing economic reforms.

"MFEZs are central to the Government's agenda of promoting value addition and economic diversification. Government remains committed to attracting quality

investments that create decent jobs, particularly for young people," he stated.

Prof. Maliti urged investors to honour their commitments by increasing industrial output, strengthening linkages with local businesses, and upholding environmental sustainability.

ZDA Director General Albert Halwampa described the development as further validation of President Hakainde Hichilema's continued efforts to position Zambia as a preferred investment destination.

He noted that under the President's decisive leadership, the country has experienced a turnaround driven by strong private sector growth and increased foreign direct investment (FDI).

"Kafue will soon regain its position as a major manufacturing hub in Zambia, contributing significantly to the regional economy and the national Gross Domestic Product (GDP)," Halwampa said.

He assured investors that ZDA remains fully committed to supporting them at every stage, from project inception through to post-establishment.

Between 2021 and 2025, ZDA approved six MFEZs across the country, driven by government's business-friendly policies.

Meanwhile, Golden Baobab Park Director Mr. Huang Pengqi, in remarks delivered on his behalf by Director Tresford Kaunda, highlighted the anticipated benefits to technical training institutions and the broader economy.

He noted that increased activity in the area is expected to spur growth in sectors such as hospitality, real estate, and financial services.

"Entrepreneurs must take advantage of the opportunities that this development presents," Mr. Huang said.

Joint inspections conducted with the Zambia Civil Aviation Authority (ZCAA) revealed that the stations were emitting out-of-band signals, harmonics, and intermodulation products beyond their assigned FM frequencies. These emissions interfered with critical aviation frequencies, posing risks to air navigation and passenger safety.

ZICTA stated that the affected stations will only be permitted to resume operations upon full compliance with regulations and

verification through regulatory inspection.

The Authority emphasized that aviation systems require clean, interference-free signals to maintain safe contact with air traffic control and ensure accurate navigation. Any interference constitutes a violation of Section 79 of the ICT Act No. 15 of 2009 and breaches license conditions.

In a statement, ZICTA's Manager Corporate Communications Hanford Chaaba, warned that non-compliance with technical, operational, or administrative license conditions will attract enforcement action.

"The integrity of the national spectrum and the safety of critical services such as civil aviation will not be compromised under any circumstances," he said.

ZICTA reaffirmed its commitment to safeguarding the public, protecting national airspace, and ensuring efficient spectrum management in line with international best practice. All operators have been urged to cooperate with ongoing monitoring and undertake prompt corrective action where required.

# HUSBAND TELLS WIFE TO TRY PROSTITUTION



A woman in Kitwe has told the Bulangililo Local Court that her husband advised her to take up prostitution in order to buy clothes, after she questioned his failure to provide for her.

Edinah Kalibuta, 34, was testifying in a divorce case against her husband Anthony Mulowa, 31, whom she accused of infidelity and neglect. The couple married in 2008 and have five children together.

Kalibuta said their marriage was stable until 2018 when Mulowa allegedly began cheating. She recounted catching him with a girlfriend, whom she assaulted after a fight broke out. Despite involving church elders, she

said her husband continued his affairs and stopped supporting the family.

“My husband has never bought me clothes and when I ask why, he advises me to start prostitution,” she testified.

Kalibuta further complained that Mulowa sold three of the four plots they had bought in Mufuchani Township without her knowledge, as well as household goods. She said he deserted the family in 2024 and only returned in 2025.

Mulowa, in his defence, claimed their marital problems only began in 2025 over trivial disagreements. He opposed the divorce and asked the court to reconcile them.

Delivering judgment, Senior Local Court Magistrate Austin Banji dismissed the divorce petition after both parties agreed to reconciliation.

# NIPA WORKER ADMITS BREAKING INTO EXAM STRONG ROOM

An office assistant at the National Institute of Public Administration (NIPA) has admitted breaking into the university's examination strong room with intent to steal.

Evans Kamwengo, 46, who also works as a general worker, is charged with breaking into a building with intent to commit a felony—namely to steal.

The offence is alleged to have occurred between November 24 and 29, 2025, when Kamwengo broke into the NIPA examination strong room.

When the charge was read out before Lusaka Principal Resident Magistrate Idah Phiri, Kamwengo admitted in Bemba, saying: “Ndesumima umulandu” [I admit the

charge].

The case has now entered the stage of sentencing considerations, with the court

expected to determine the

appropriate punishment for the offence.



# I'M LOSING MY JOB DUE TO DRIVING TEST BACKLOG



A man who faces losing his job because he cannot book a driving test in time has said he is "gutted".

Patrick Pinfield from Redditch has been learning to drive for 18 months and first started trying to book a test in January, with the earliest available slot in June.

The 31-year-old is a refuse collector at Redditch Borough Council, but his contract will end next month because he has been unable to pass his test within 12 months of his employment starting.

The Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency (DVSA) said it was taking steps to make more

tests available to tackle the backlog, adding: "We know there's still more to be done."

In December, the National Audit Office warned that learner drivers faced months of delays in booking practical tests because of a longstanding backlog that was unlikely to be cleared before 2027.

Redditch MP Chris Bloore said it had become a particular problem in the town, with the DVSA telling him part of the issue was down to bots booking tests to sell them on at inflated prices.

Pinfield said: "It was a year-and-a-half ago when I started learning to drive - I had my theory test done in January.

"I've been ready for a long time, but I've not been able to get a test booked. So now my work contract will terminate at the start of May.

"It's really going to impact my family. I've just had my first child, and I feel like it's taking

food from her mouth, purely because the online system wouldn't let me book a test in time."

He said it was a requirement of his employer that all crew members had to be able to drive.

The BBC has been contacted by other learner drivers in the town expressing similar frustration.

Rich Lewis, a youth worker, said: "Every Monday morning I'm up at 5am trying to book a test online. I end up sat in a queue of 20,000 people and by the time I get to the front all the slots are gone.

"I go through this process every week. Actually, getting a slot seems as rare as a unicorn."

Bloore said he had spoken to the DVSA chief executive Beverley Warmington to express his concerns.

"I've heard from many people who are trying to get on with their lives but just can't get a test booked," he said.

# I MIGHT AS WELL JUST THROW MY CV INTO A SHREDDER

A man who says he has applied for about 1,500 jobs in 18 months has called for more support to help people find employment.

Elliot Bastiani, 31, told BBC Your Voice he had moved back to Chelmsford in Essex having gained experience in manufacturing through work in Europe, but had been unable to secure any permanent positions in retail.

He said: "I've applied for some of these places 10 times. I might as well just throw my CV

into a shredder."

A Department for Work and Pensions spokesperson said the government was investing £80m in boosting employment and "overhauling Jobcentres".

"You build up a resilience to it," Bastiani explained. "Obviously, sometimes it can get a bit much."

He spent some of his 20s in the Netherlands doing zero-hours contract jobs, having struggled with the employment market in France.

Speaking to Sonia Watson on BBC Essex, he said: "France was

then what it is here now... even to work in your local supermarket, they want GCSEs, A-levels and five years' experience.

"How am I meant to get five years' experience as a 20-year-old? I'm meant to be working straight out of the womb, am I?"

The latest figures showed the UK's unemployment rate remained unchanged at a near five-year high of 5.2%, with young people bearing the brunt.

Official estimates suggested 957,000 people aged 16 to 24 in the UK - 12.8% of that age group - were not in education,

employment or training between October and December 2025.

Bastiani said he believed the decline began after the Covid pandemic and was worried the hike in National Insurance rates and minimum wage were discouraging firms from hiring.

Ian Banks owns a recruitment agency in Southend and advises people to customise their CVs for each job application to help themselves stand out.

He feared the job application process had become "transactional" and said old-fashioned methods had dwindled, such as picking up the phone or connecting with people who are already working at a company.

# LIFTING NIGHT TRAVEL BAN SPARKS SAFETY CONCERNS IN NATIONAL PARKS



BY STAFF REPORTER

As Government prepares to roll out the first phase of its 24-hour economy by lifting the night travel ban on buses and trucks effective 1st April 2026, conservationists and transport experts have raised concerns about the potential rise in accidents within national parks.

The policy shift, announced by Minister of Commerce, Trade and Industry Chipoka Mulenga, is aimed at enhancing the movement of goods and services, reducing congestion, and

stimulating economic activity around the clock.

However, roads such as the Lusaka–Mongu route, which passes through the Kafue National Park, present unique risks to both wildlife and human safety.

Experts warn that night travel through ecologically sensitive areas creates “ghost traffic” hazards. Reduced visibility makes it difficult to spot large mammals such as elephants and buffalo until it is too late to brake, Blinding headlights can freeze animals in place, leading to direct collisions and Speeding

temptations at night reduce reaction times, increasing the likelihood of accidents.

Stakeholders have suggested compromises to balance economic efficiency with environmental preservation. Sector-specific bans on night travel within park boundaries, Convoy systems requiring heavy vehicles to move in monitored groups with escort vehicles, Variable speed limits of 40–60 km/h enforced by cameras or checkpoints and Infrastructure investment in wildlife underpasses, overpasses, and fencing at known crossing

hotspots.

Transporters argue that night travel improves turnaround times and reduces engine wear due to cooler temperatures. Yet, conservationists stress that the cost of a single accident involving a heavy truck and an elephant is astronomical not only in terms of biodiversity loss but also vehicle damage and potential human fatalities.

Civil society groups are urging Petitions to the Road Transport and Safety Agency (RTSA) for Environmental Impact Assessments on park-based routes.

Engagement with the Department of National Parks and Wildlife (DNPW) to lobby for exceptions based on animal migration patterns.

Tourism board support, highlighting how high roadkill rates could damage Zambia's “green” image and tourism appeal.

As Zambia embraces the 24-hour economy, the debate underscores the delicate balance between economic growth and environmental stewardship. The coming months will reveal whether policy adjustments can safeguard both livelihoods and wildlife.





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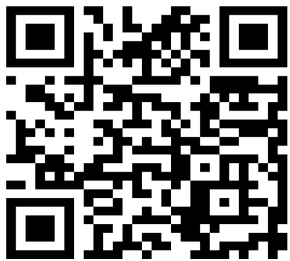
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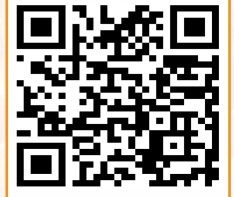
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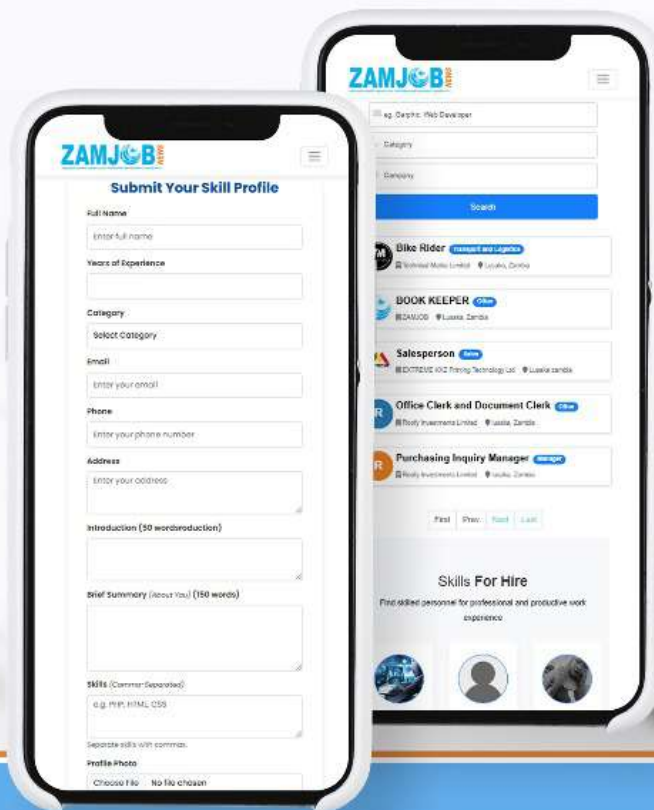
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# 2 TEACHERS AND 49 PUPILS INJURED IN GWEMBE ROAD ACCIDENT

pupils were rushed to Munyumbwe Level One Hospital for treatment.

Chikuni explained that the accident happened after the driver of a canter truck, reportedly owned by Kebby Nakaloba of Kkoma area, lost control of the vehicle.

He revealed that the truck had initially been arranged to carry 33 pupils, but additional pupils allegedly boarded without the teachers' knowledge.

Out of the 49 pupils, four sustained serious injuries (three boys and one girl), while the rest suffered minor injuries.

By press time, 45 pupils had been treated and discharged, with the four seriously injured pupils remaining admitted for further medical care.

Chikuni expressed hope that all the injured pupils will recover, while police are yet to issue an official statement regarding the accident.



## Ministry of Education

### BY STAFF REPORTER

Forty-nine pupils and two teachers from Sinafala Zone in Gwembe District were involved in

a road traffic accident on Monday evening while returning from inter-zone games held at Gwembe Day Secondary School.

Sinafala Zonal Head Teacher

Entwell Chikuni confirmed the incident, saying it occurred between 17:00 and 18:00 hours at 17 Corners along the Gwembe-Chipepo Road. The

# UNIP ENDORSES BISHOP DR. TREVOR MWAMBA AS PRESIDENT AHEAD OF GENERAL CONFERENCE

### BY STAFF REPORTER

The United National Independence Party (UNIP) has formally endorsed Bishop Dr. Trevor Selwyn Mwamba as its president, following a resolution by Members of the Central Committee (MCCs). The endorsement comes ahead of the party's General Conference scheduled for 17–19 April 2026, marking the end of a five-year internal squabble over leadership and resource distribution.

UNIP Vice President Mike Kaira confirmed the resolution during a meeting at Zani Muone Motel in Lusaka, declaring Mwamba the legitimate leader of Zambia's oldest political party.

Born in 1958, Mwamba is an Anglican bishop who was consecrated in Botswana in 2005 and later resigned in 2012. He first won the UNIP presidency in April 2021, defeating Tilyenji Kaunda and Njekwa Anamela, with Kaira as his deputy.

Kaira said UNIP is now united

and ready to provide effective economic checks and balances on the ruling United Party for National Development (UPND).

He recalled UNIP's historic Leadership Code, which prevented corruption among leaders, and argued that corruption has worsened under successive governments since UNIP lost power in 1991.

"UNIP is coming this time around to fight corruption head-on now that we are united," Kaira stressed.

Flanked by Acting Secretary General Francis Mwape, Kaira highlighted UNIP's legacy of building hospitals, schools, and

roads that supported free education.

He said Zambia's growing population has outstripped the infrastructure built by UNIP's founding leaders and pledged to revive the party's developmental spirit.

Kaira also praised UNIP's tradition of tribal balancing and inclusive governance, contrasting it with current frameworks.

He urged young leaders in UNIP to abandon a "sleeping giant" approach and rise to meet Zambia's unfulfilled electoral promises.

# DID YOU KNOW?

The job market today is more dynamic than ever. Technology, globalization, and shifting economic priorities mean that careers are less linear and more adaptive. Employers are not only looking for technical skills but also adaptability, creativity, and resilience. Recognizing this reality is the first step toward positioning yourself effectively.

**Flexibility matters:** Many industries are evolving rapidly; being open to change increases your chances of staying relevant.

**Transferable skills:** Communication, problem-solving, and digital literacy are valued across sectors.

**Networking:** Opportunities often come through connections rather than formal applications.

**Crafting a Strong Professional Identity**

Your professional identity is how you present yourself to employers, colleagues, and the wider world. It's more than a CV—it's the narrative of who you are, what you stand for, and where you're going.

**Personal brand:** Define what makes you unique. Are you a problem-solver, a creative thinker, or a reliable executor?

**Consistency:** Align your CV, LinkedIn profile, and portfolio so they tell the same story.

**Visibility:** Share insights, articles, or projects online to demonstrate expertise.

Think of yourself as both a professional and a storyteller. Employers want to see not just what you've done, but how you think and what you aspire to achieve.

**Building an Effective CV and Cover Letter**

Your CV and cover letter are often the first impression you make. They should be clear,

concise, and tailored to each role.

**CV tips:**

Keep it to 1–2 pages.

Use action verbs (e.g., “led,” “designed,” “implemented”).

Quantify achievements (e.g., “increased sales by 20%”).

**Cover letter tips:**

Address the hiring manager directly if possible.

Show enthusiasm for the role and company.

Highlight how your skills solve their problems.

Remember: a CV shows what you've done, while a cover letter explains why you're the right fit.

**Preparing for Interviews**

Interviews are not just about answering questions—they're about demonstrating confidence, curiosity, and alignment with the company's values.

**Research:** Know the company's mission, recent projects, and challenges.

**Practice:** Rehearse common questions like “Tell me about yourself” or “What's your greatest strength?”

**STAR method:** Structure answers with Situation, Task, Action, Result.

**Ask questions:** Show interest by asking about team culture, growth opportunities, or upcoming projects.

Employers often remember candidates who ask thoughtful questions—it signals genuine engagement.

**Networking and Relationship Building**

Networking is not about collecting contacts; it's about building meaningful relationships.

**Attend events:** Industry

conferences, workshops, or webinars are great places to meet professionals.

**Leverage LinkedIn:** Connect with peers, share content, and engage with discussions.

**Mentorship:** Seek mentors who can guide you, and offer mentorship to others when possible.

Strong networks often lead to opportunities that never make it to job boards.

**Lifelong Learning and Upskilling**

Employers value candidates who invest in their own growth. Continuous learning keeps you competitive.

**Online courses:** Platforms like Coursera, Udemy, or LinkedIn Learning offer affordable skill-building.

**Certifications:** Industry-recognized credentials can boost credibility.

**Soft skills:** Emotional intelligence, leadership, and adaptability are increasingly important.

Think of learning as a career-long habit, not a short-term fix.

**Navigating Career Transitions**

Changing jobs or industries can feel daunting, but it's often necessary for growth.

**Identify transferable skills:** For example, project management applies across industries.

**Start small:** Freelance, volunteer, or take side projects to gain experience in a new field.

**Be patient:** Transitions take time; persistence is key.

Career shifts are not failures—they're opportunities to realign with your passions

and strengths.

**Balancing Passion and Practicality**

While following your passion is important, balancing it with financial stability and market demand is crucial.

**Passion projects:** Pursue them alongside your main job until they're sustainable.

**Market realities:** Research industries with growth potential before committing.

**Hybrid approach:** Combine passion with practicality—for example, a creative professional who also learns digital marketing.

This balance ensures both fulfilment and security.

**Resilience in Rejection**

Rejection is part of the job search process. What matters is how you respond.

**Seek feedback:** If possible, ask why you weren't selected.

**Reflect:** Use rejection as a chance to improve your CV, interview skills, or networking.

**Stay positive:** Every “no” brings you closer to the right “yes.”

Resilience is often the difference between those who succeed and those who give up.

**Long-Term Career Strategy**

Think beyond the next job—consider where you want to be in 5–10 years.

**Set goals:** Define short-term (skills to learn), medium-term (roles to aim for), and long-term (career vision).

**Adapt strategy:** Revisit goals regularly as industries and personal interests evolve.

**Invest in relationships:** Long-term success often depends on the people you know and trust.

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## ZESCO UNITED CLEARED TO RESUME ZPL PARTICIPATION

BY STAFF REPORTER

Zesco United Football Club has been cleared to resume participation in the Zambian Premier League (ZPL) after its suspension was lifted with immediate effect.

The Ndola giants were suspended for taking football-related disputes to the public courts of law, in violation of Football Association of Zambia (FAZ) and FIFA regulations against third-party interference. The legal action stemmed from a dispute over Zesco's ABSA Cup qualification.

The ZPL's decision to lift the suspension comes after both

parties agreed to withdraw the court case that had led to the club's suspension, paving the way for a return to normal football operations.

In a statement issued by ZPL Head of Communications Christina Zulu, the league confirmed that Zesco United is now free to continue competing. "Zesco United's suspension has been lifted with immediate effect following a mutual agreement to withdraw the court matter," Zulu stated.

Following the development, Zesco United's week 20 fixture against Green Eagles will go ahead as scheduled, much to the relief of fans. The suspension had cast



uncertainty over the club's season, but the latest move signals a breakthrough in resolving the impasse between the two sides.

The league body expressed optimism that all remaining issues

will be handled amicably to ensure the smooth running of the competition. Fans will now turn their attention to the much-anticipated clash as Zesco United returns to action.

## KATEMA EYES VICTORY OVER MALAWIAN OPPONENT

BY BBC REPORTER

Zambia Army boxer Corporal Katema Emmanuel has declared his readiness to defeat Malawian fighter Elias Bonzo in the 60–65kg welterweight category bout of the International Boxing Tournament scheduled for Lusaka.

The championship will be hosted at the Zambia Air Force Banquet Hall at Force Headquarters from 5–6 April 2026, serving as a key

preparatory event for Katema's bid to qualify for the 2026 Commonwealth Games in Glasgow, Scotland.

Unlike Katema, who is making his maiden Commonwealth Games qualification attempt, Bonzo already boasts a bronze medal from the 2022 Birmingham Commonwealth Games in the light-welterweight category.

Despite acknowledging his opponent's prowess, Katema—coached by Wisdom Mudenda—remains confident. "I am preparing well and not underestimating Bonzo in this friendly, knowing well that he is equally shaping up for the contest. This bout means a lot to

me because it is part of my preparations for the 2026 Glasgow Commonwealth Games. However, one thing is for sure; I will take him down," Katema assured.

This will be Katema's first bout since winning bronze at the 2025 IBA Men's World Championships in Dubai, where he narrowly lost a semi-final against Kazakhstan's Livaza Omar. He emphasized the importance of local fan support, urging Zambians to turn up in numbers to boost his confidence in the ring.

Katema is one of Zambia's top four national team boxers, alongside Staff Sergeant

Chinyemba Patrick, Mwengo Mwale, and Catherine Mwale, all from the Zambia National Service.

Zambia Boxing Federation General Secretary Humphrey Kasosolwa described the championship as an eye-opener for athletes ahead of the global showpiece, which runs from 23 July to 2 August 2026 in Glasgow. He noted that four Malawian boxers will participate under the auspices of the World Boxing Federation, adding that the tournament will also attract at least 50 boxers from across Zambia's provinces, underscoring the sport's growing momentum.