



### THE REPUBLIC OF UGANDA

# **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)**

### **BETWEEN**

# **MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SPORTS (MoES)**

**AND** 

FEDERATION OF FISHERIES ORGANIZATIONS UGANDA (FFOU) on behalf

of FISHERIES VOCATIONAL TRAINING AND INNOVATION CENTRE

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In bid to provide relevant and reliable vocational training skills in Fisheries Sector, the Federation of Fisheries Organizations Uganda (FFOU) and the Ministry of Education and Sports (MoES) agreed to collaborate and work together to equip fishing community with skills and also develop a database for government planning purposes to ensure the economic growth of the sector and improve on fisheries business management skills.

The main objective of this MOU is to develop a comprehensive database of skilled fishers at all levels and facilitate subsequent data collection efforts for the future censuses and surveys for the education and sports sector.

### **PREAMBLE**

This Memorandum of Understanding is made between MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SPORTS P.O Box 7063, Kampala-Uganda, King George 1V Way Embassy House. According to the Education Sector as means of implementing the TVET policy, the government is exploring options for revitalization and strengthening Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) among others to provide demand-driven skills under the encapsulating term of 'Skilling Uganda and the FEDERATION OF FISHERIES ORGANIZATIONS UGANDA (FFOU) a Non-Profit Making Organization registered under Non-governmental Organizations Act, 2016 Reg No - 6521 (INDR160045220NB). FFOU serves as a National Umbrella body of all non-state actors in the Fisheries Subsector and the implementers of Fisheries Vocational Training and Innovation Centre which is committed to train and skilling the Fishing Communities across the great Lakes of Uganda (Victoria, Kyoga, Albert, Bunyonyi, Wamala, George, Edward. FFOU Strategic objective areas contributes significantly to realize the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the National Development Plan - (NDP III).

### **Governing Laws**

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) shall be construed in accordance with the law as follows;

THE BUSINESS, TECHNICAL, VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING ACT, 2008. An Act to provide for the promotion and coordination of business, technical, vocational education and training; to provide for the principles and; Non-governmental Organizations Act, 2016. The Federation of Fisheries Organizations Uganda is registered under the Ministry of Internal Affairs.

WHEREAS Ministry of Education and Sports (MoES) and Federation of Fis heries Organizations Uganda (FFOU) desire to enter into an agreement in which the two entities will work together to promote vocational training in terms of skilling the fishing community in the areas of business and ot her fishing skills to fight against illegal fishing, the Ministry of Education has always taught of skilling the same.

### Purpose

WHEREAS MOES and FFOU are desirous to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding between the two parties, setting out the working arrangements and that each of the parties agree to work towards the promotion of Fisheries Vocation Training and Innovational Centre and provide business skills, ICT and tax education programs to ensure tax compliance and expand tax base in the fisheries sector.

The purpose of this MOU is to provide the framework for any future binding contract regarding promoting **Fisheries Vocation Training and Innovational Centre** to ensure business skills, tax compliance and strengthening the sector.

It is the intention and purpose of the MoES and FFOU herein to set forth the principles and procedures to be observed by fishing community and on the other hand in matter of Recognition of **ABAVUBI FISHER** Mobile Software Application as a Course Unity.

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Further the intention and purpose of this agreement is to provide procedures for use of government owned and funded schools as evening training venues for the continuity and stability of the training.

### Recognition

The MoES recognizes FFOU as the only legitimate representative of all the fisheries association/cooperatives and individual fishers by law and have all rights on **Fisheries Vocation Training and Innovational Centre** and that FFOU will be always sharing data with MoES with tis data regarding trained fishermen, Associations, Cooperatives and Companies dealing in fisheries business directly.

### Obligations of the Two Parties

The two parties acknowledge that MoES and FFOU shall work together in the true spirit of partnership to ensure that there are united and visible activities and progress in the training of fisheries sector and also to demonstrate administrative and managerial commitment to the program of promoting **Fisheries Vocation Training and Innovational Centre**;

# MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SPORTS (MoES)

- Providing Training venues countrywide through all Government owned or aided schools.
- 2. Support trainings and providing vocational experts.
- Promote the Fisheries
   Vocation Training and
   Innovational Centre in any of
   its development activity.
- Inform all Heads of selected government aided schools for weekend programs regarding Fisheries Vocational Trainings

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- 1. Provide quality business training skills, identifying and fund the Instructors/Trainers.
- 5. Provide MoES direct access to its database and reports all the time.
- 2. Organize and Register all fisher folk and the entire fishing community into the Vocational Centre
- Promote public awareness of the Fisheries Vocational Training
- Always share training programs with the MoES office concerned

#### Resources

The **FFOU** shall endeavor to secure financing necessary to fulfill financing contributions at the start of the planning for the development during and throughout the operation of this program. However, **MoES** may contribute where necessary.

# **Communication Strategy**

Marketing and any media or other public relations shall always be consistent with the aims of the program and only undertaken with the express agreement of both parties where it does not breach any confidentiality protocols; a spirit of open and transparent communication shall be adhered to. Coordinated communications shall be made with external organizations to elicit their support and further the aims of this

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No liability will arise or be assumed between the parties as a result of this MOU.

### **Notice**

Any notice or communication required or permitted under this MOU shall be sufficiently given if delivered in person or by a certified mail, and a return receipt requested to the address set forth in the opening paragraph or to such other address as one party may have furnished to the other in writing.

### Assignment

Neither party may assign or transfer the responsibilities or agreement made here in without the prior written consent of the non-assigning part which approval shall be unreasonably withheld.

### Amendment

This memorandum may be amended or supplemented in writing and signed by the party obligated.

## Severability

If any provision of this MOU is found to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the remaining provisions shall continue to be valid and enforceable.

# **Prior MOU Superseded**

This MOU constitutes the entire understanding between the parties relating to this subject matter and supersedes all prior or simultaneous representation, discussions, negotiations and Memorandums whether written or oral.

The parties to this MOU shall support the goals and objectives of this program of promoting Fisheries Vocational Training and Innovation Centre which will help fishermen to properly be skilled and account for

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