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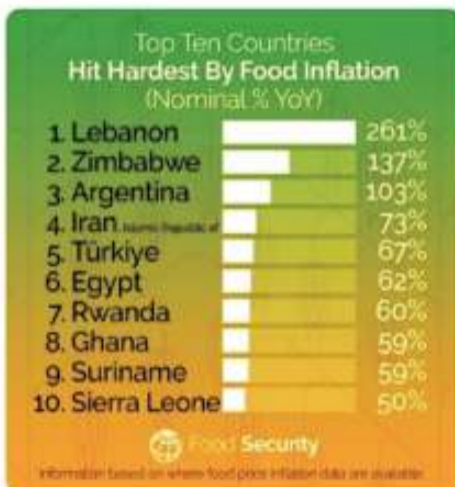
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By Alusine Sesay & Alhaji Haruna Sani



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The race to occupy the highest seat in the Freetown City Council is heating up. Over the past weeks, two names-incumbent Yvonne Aki-Sawayerr of the main opposition All People's Congress (APC) party and Mohamed Gento Kamara of the ruling Sierra Leone Peoples Party (SLPP), have been making the news as who would occupy that enviable seat. But, it seems as if the city will be greeted with surprises. Bjourn Greene, a young businessman, has added up to the list. Within his late 30s, Greene is aspiring to run for the position under the APC party. Optimistic of getting the symbol, Greene will definitely give incumbent Aki-Sawayerr, who many had thought would sail smoothly for a second term having served for five years, a run for his money. On Friday, April 14, a team of Concord Times journalists conducted an exclusive with Greene at his Spur Road Residence in Freetown.



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LOCAL NEWS

By Alfred Koroma

Recent World Bank Data shows food price inflation is hitting the hardest and Sierra Leone is among the top ten countries hit hardest by food inflation.

Sierra Leone is ranked 10th on the list, but it is doing better than other African countries ranked on the list – these include Ghana, Rwanda, Egypt and Zimbabwe. The worst inflation hit country is Lebanon which tops the list followed by Zimbabwe and Argentina, Iran, Türkiye, Egypt, Rwanda, Ghana and Suriname respectively.

World Bank ranked the recent top 10 countries with the highest food price inflation using available data between December 2022 and March 2023.

Food Price Inflation measured as year-on-year change in the food component of a country's Consumer Price Index (CPI) remains high World Bank says.

And information from the latest months for which food price inflation data are available shows high inflation in almost all low- and middle-income countries, with inflation levels above 5 percent in 82.4 percent of low-income countries.

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Food price inflation exceeded overall inflation in 90.7 percent of the 162 countries for which food CPI and overall CPI indexes are both available.

Many countries are experiencing double-digit inflation with the most-affected countries being in Africa, North America, Latin America, South Asia, Europe, and Central Asia, World Bank reports.

The food inflation remains rampant in developing countries in early 2023, contributing to a high cost of living, UNCTAD also highlighted in a new report published last week.

FAO Chief Economist Máximo Torero warned high food prices put food security in peril, particularly in net food importing developing countries, with the situation aggravated by the depreciation of their currencies against the US dollar or the Euro and mounting debt burden, UN News reports.



World Bank Data

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Over 3million die as a result of alcohol consumption

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By Ibrahim Kabba Turay



Executive Director of Sierra Leone Social Linkage for Youth Development and Child Link and Vice president of Alcohol Policy, Habib Taigore

Deputy Chief Medical Officer (CMO) of the Ministry of Health and Sanitation, Dr. Mustapha Kabba, has disclosed that over 3million people die around the world every year as a result of

alcohol consumption.

He made the statement on Friday, April 14, at the official launch of the National Alcohol Policy, Youth Building in Freetown.

He reiterated that, according to

World Health Organization WHO, in 2018, more than three million died as a result of the harmful use of alcohol, noting that 1 in 20 death and more than three-quarters of those deaths were men.

“The Harmful use of alcohol is a causal factor in more than 200 disease and injury conditions. Out of the 5,030,016 population 10 years and over, 3.5 percent took alcohol, 2.6 percent took both tobacco and alcohol and 83.4 percent took either tobacco or alcohol,” he said.

He added that the National Alcohol Policy is aligned with the World Health Organization's Global Strategy to reduce the harmful use of alcohol and the global alcohol action plan adopted by the World Health Assembly in 2010 and 2022 respectively.

The Executive Director of Sierra Leone Social Linkage for Youth

Development and Child Link and Vice President of Alcohol Policy, Habib Taigore Kamara, said alcohol use contributes to more than 300,000 deaths in the sub-region, with more than 80,000 of those deaths would not have occurred if alcohol had not been consumed.

He added that Sierra Leone is among the countries experiencing the highest number of years' lost due to ill-health, disability or early death, adding that around 14,000 deaths of children and youth under 19 were attributed to alcohol, according to a 2010 World Health Organization's report

“Alcohol is the leading risk factor for death and disability among people aged 15 to 49 years in Sierra Leone. This is the age range in which people are typically most productive economically,” he said.



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LOCAL NEWS I am an asset of the APC, I will connect Freetown

From Cover

-FCC mayoral aspirant Bjorn Greene



Confident of getting the symbol, Bjorn Greene says his polyvalence and classless style will help connect people in Freetown

CT: Can you briefly tell us about yourself?

Greene: Yes, I was born in England - my dad was a politician and my grandfather is the only one alive from the original founding fathers of the All People's Congress (APC) Party. I grew up in Freetown where I attended both primary and secondary schools. I later travelled to England where I studied psychology. Afterwards, I did postgraduate and other certificates including canceling psychology, psychological coaching, cognitive behaviour therapy, smoking cessation techniques. All these are helping me to know how to deal with people.

I started business at age 16 in England where I employed so many people including refugees from Somalia and other East-African Countries. Naturally, my business grew so big that I eventually became a successful businessman. Here in Freetown, I own a lot of businesses including a duty-free shop in Lungi and I do supply a lot of NGOs in Freetown.

CT: What informs your decision to run for the Mayoral position in Freetown?

Greene: There has been a lot of complaint about how things are not going well in Freetown. And as a businessman I do bring a lot of business partners to Freetown but we almost always do face a lot of

embarrassment because of the way things operate here in town. So, those are some of the issues that informed my decision to run for the Mayoral position in Freetown. I strongly believe in working with everybody and I have friends across all political parties. The country is becoming very divisive but with my nature as an individual who mix with people from different walks of life and as a grassroots man, I firmly believe I can be the best to create the desired change that Freetonians need.

Q. CT: Why do you choose to run for the position under the APC?

Greene: Hahaha... for me APC is in my root. I was born into APC and I fully understand the ideology of APC, as the party has always been a grassroots party and I have that kind of mindset. Because of my background, I got to understand a lot about the APC politics and the need to help grassroots people. So, naturally my ideology of working with people within the grassroots sector that will impact the life of everyone fell in line with the ideology of the party.

CT: How long have you been in the party and at which level?

Greene: Hmm... well, to put it to you in simple terms, I have been a member of the APC all my life. I was born into an APC family; my father was the youngest minister ever under the APC and my grandfather was one



Greene interacting with grass root women

of the people who started the party. I was the member of the APC Youth League for years I can't remember. I am a senior Honorary Executive of the party since 2015. The APC is what I am known for who I am. In short, I am APC.

I have supported the Western Region financially for the longest time, at least since before 2010- 2011. I have physically and financially supported the party during bye-elections in the West and Northern regions.

CT: How would you convince the party to award you the symbol?

Greene: I do my work, and I will let my people talk. One thing I have learnt in life is that what is meant for you would be for you, that is why I have never been position thirst. If I was position hungry, I would have attained higher positions in the previous government. I have supported the party for all my life. I have not been doing my work because of political position. I have galvanized a lot of people during voter registration process and organize structures. We have done wells, supported communities with water tanks. I have supported the markets, communities, bike riders and more. I have been supporting people throughout my life. Because if you want to work for your people you wouldn't have to wait until you are seeking political position. So for me, I am an asset, I am going to help my people regardless of what happened. I have good relationship with everybody in the party, which is why I don't belong to camps. I only belong to the APC camp.

CT: With already an incumbent mayor under your party, what are some of your credentials you have to serve as an alternative?

Greene: As a psychologist, I believe in creating relationships. My personal way of operating in my businesses and from any kind of situation I am in, is to

build relationships and to create practical solutions to problems. I don't try to create big outlandish solutions that never actually materialised. I have a simple way of operating but very effective. For instance, a lot of politicians have been lamenting about the poor waste management system in Freetown but have never been able to provide a solution to the problem. Majority of our waste is plastic and plastic cause a lot of problem but politicians have failed to provide solution to it. I will solve that problem by using those plastic to make other items.

CT: Many observers would argue that successive mayors have failed to maintain proper sanitation in Freetown: What difference would make if you are elected mayor?

Greene: I will create proper sanitation management by dealing with people in wards and constituencies. I will make sure plastics which are the major waste substances in town become useful by converting them into other items that would make them valuable thereby getting rid of them which will also promote flood mitigation. The genuineness of sanitation is not quite clear, and there is a lot of defunct staff in the council. One thing I will do is a complete evaluation of my workforce. I will create land fields of about 200 hectares outside the city for disposing waste which will last for about twenty-five years. I am here to connect Freetown because I am one of the very few people that can appeal to everybody. From left to right, forward to backward, I can interact with everybody. In terms of tax collection, we will reduce the property tax significantly but enforce payment. In the area of education, we will make sure every school has disability access and we will make sure special disable schools have access to all important books in braille.



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LOCAL NEWS **Wife of First Lady's slain bodyguard testifies in court**

By Jeneba A Conteh

Abigail Kargbo Dumbuya, wife of late Samuel Abubakarr Kargbo, personal bodyguard to First Lady Fatima Bio, on Friday testified before Magistrate Mark Ngegba of Court No 1, on the alleged murder of her husband. Led in evidence by ASP Ibrahim Mansaray, the witness recognised the first accused, Mohamed Samura, as her neighbour and the second accused, Mohamed Lamin through the first accused. She further that the deceased was her husband and recalled on Monday, February 27, 2023. She said prior to the murder of her husband, on Sunday, 26 February 2023, she was at home at night watching movie together with her children when the first accused entered the sitting room and asked about the whereabouts of the deceased. She said the deceased's daughter went inside the room and called on her father who was already asleep, adding that when the deceased came outside the room the first accused asked him to accompany him somewhere to collect money. She said the deceased stepped outside the house and followed him and entered into his car and switched it on.

She testified that the first accused, who was inside his own apartment house, rushed outside and told the deceased not to use his car.

She further that the first accused went inside his house again and stayed there for ten to twenty minutes, adding that the deceased followed him into his residence and enquired as to whether the first accused was ready for them to leave.

She said they used the first accused's vehicle and left.

Madam Dumbuya said around 3 in the morning when she didn't see her husband she started calling him on her cell phone, but he didn't respond.

She said she kept calling him until 7 am and that she decided to take the children to school.

She said on her way by Congo Cross, she saw one Uncle Swizzy, her neighbour, whose name her daughter shouted and said hello to him.

The witness said in the afternoon she was at home taking care of her four-month-old child when a friend of the first accused entered the compound, moved to the first accused's apartment and broke the door.

She said she called the first accused on his

phone and asked him about her husband, and that the accused replied that they were not together.

She said by 2pm, a certain brother and a sister of the first accused went to her residence trying to tell her something, but that they were scared and went away.

She said around 4pm, a friend of the deceased went to her and put her on video asking her to explain how her husband left the house at night, adding that after explaining to him, he informed her that the deceased had passed away.

She said they went to 34 Military hospital where she was shown a document bearing her husband's name and age, and that they later told her that her husband had passed away.

She told the court that she later made statement at the Criminal Investigations Department Headquarters in Freetown.

During cross examination by defense Counsel, Madiue Bah on behalf of the first accused, the witness said they have been peacefully living together with the first accused at the same compound for three years.

She also said that when her husband and the first accused were living the compound that

night it was the first accused's car they used. She said she knew T. Boy as their landlord and that they have good relationship.

She confirmed that she was surprised to know that it was T. Boy who sent the first accused and the deceased to collect money.

She also confirmed that before the incident she had not seen T. Boy neither knew where he was.

Lawyers representing the second and third accused didn't cross examine the witness, saying that their clients names were not mention by the witness during her testimony.

The prosecutor, ASP Ibrahim Mansaray, sought for a date that the exhibit clerk will testify.

They were remanded again and the matter comes up on 18 April, 2023.

The accused Mohamed Samura, Mohamed Lamin and Hardy Momodu Evetyl Jabbie were arraigned before the court on two count charges of conspiracy to commit a felony contrary to a crime contrary to law and murder contrary to law.

The charge sheet indicated that the accused February 27, 2023, at Woodland Estate in Freetown, the accused conspired together and murdered Samuel Abubakarr Kargbo.

Three youth remanded for robbery **Convict gets 10 years for sexual penetration**

By Jeneba A Conteh

Aiah Momodu, Osman Sensei and Ibrahim Sorie Kamara made another appearance before Magistrate Mark Ngeba of Pademba Road Court no.1 and they were remanded again at the Male Correctional Centre.

In his evidence, an okada rider who identified himself as Mayo Bangura recognized the complainant, Baimba Sannoh and also recognised the first accused Aiah, but said he didn't know the second and third accused, Osman and Ibrahim.

He recalled on Friday 11 November, 2022.

Bangura further that on that day, he was in Njaiama Town, Kono when he saw the first accused attacked the complainant, having a gun in his hand.

He said the first accused fired a gun and took a bag and money from the complainant and ran into a nearby bush.

He said he was later called to make statement at the police station.

The witness was cross examined by defense Counsel Roland Bangura on behalf of the accused.

They were refused bail and the matter was adjourned to 26 April 2023.

The accused were standing trial before the court on three count charges ranging from conspiracy, robbery with

aggravation, unlawful possession of arms and ammunition to carrying offensive weapons without lawful authority contrary to the laws of Sierra Leone.

The charge sheet indicated that the first accused Aiah Momodu on Friday 11 November 2022 between Ukraine Mining sites and Njaiama Town, Kono District conspired together with other persons unknown to commit a felony to wit robbery with aggravation.

The charge sheet further states that the first accused also on the same date and place, being armed with gun, robbed Bamba Sesay one Samsung Galaxy note 9 mobile phone valued twenty-one thousand six hundred Leones and a fiscal cash of fifty -five thousand Leones, totaling seventy-six thousand six hundred new Leones, property of Bamba Sesay. The charge sheet continue that the first accused also on the same day and place was also found in possession of a pistol mark S/CIV20-P1005380/77P having eight live rounds of ammunition and he was also found carrying offensive weapons to wit cutlass and electric shocker without lawful authority.

The charge sheet ended that the second and third accused Ibrahim and Osman on the same day and place at Bumpch junction in Kono well known that the first accused Aiah attack and robbed the complainant received, comfort and harbour him.

By Ibrahim Kabba Turay

Justice Alhaji Momoh-Jah Stevens has sentenced 19-year-old Abu Bakarr Sannoh to 10-year imprisonment after he was found guilty of sexually penetrating a 13-year-old pupil.

Sannoh was before the court on two counts indictment of sexual penetration contrary to Section 19 of the Sexual Offences Act 2012, Act No. 12 of 2012, as repealed and replaced by Section 4 (a) (ii) of the Sexual Offences (Amendment) Act 2019, Act No. 8 of 2019.

State Prosecutor, Jane B. Kamara, had

alleged that the accused on the 29th January 2022 in Freetown, in the Western Area of the country, engaged in an act of sexual penetration with a child.

J.B Kamara made an application upon the accused's arraignment for the him to be tried by a judge alone instead of a judge and a jury, which Justice Momoh Jah Stevens granted.

The convict denied the allegation upon his arraignment and the State Prosecutor, Jane B. Kamara, led in evidence a number of witnesses including the victim in support of his case.

Juvenile gets 10-year imprisonment for manslaughter

By Yusufu S. Bangura

After spending eight-year-three month on remand, a fourteen-year-old boy (name withheld) has finally been sentenced to ten years imprisonment by Justice Costmotina Jarrett presiding at the Siaka Stevens Street High Court in Freetown for the offence of manslaughter.

The convict was before the court on one count of manslaughter contrary to the laws of Sierra Leone.

State counsel, Yusuf Kamara alleged that the convict on the 15th October 2015 in Freetown unlawfully killed Abdul Gbassay Kargbo.

When the charge was read and explained to the convict by the court registrar, he pleaded guilty to the offense of manslaughter.

After he pleaded guilty, Justice Jarrett asked the convict if he had anything to say before she sentenced him, the convict pleaded with her to temper him justice with mercy, that he has learnt his lessons while on remand.

Making his plea of mitigation on behalf of the convict, Lawyer Yusuf Kargbo stated that the convict had been in prison since October 2015, adding that the convict is a young man and being in prison has reformed him.



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LOCAL NEWS AFRICELL LAUNCHES ARTIST RESIDENCY IN ANGOLA



Hawa Jane Bangura

A new Artist Residency scheme is launching in Angola, enabling artists from across Africa to pursue research, build networks and bring creative ideas to life in a contemporary African setting. The residency is a collaboration between Africell, the only US-owned mobile operator in Africa, and ANGOLA AIR, an Angolan arts programme.

'Africell x ANGOLA AIR' offers four one-month long residencies per year. Candidates are initially selected from Africell's operating markets of Sierra Leone, Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), The Gambia and Angola. Artists take residence in Luanda, Angola's capital, but have opportunities to travel to other parts of the country. At the end of each annual cycle, a special group exhibition will highlight work produced by participating artists. During their residencies, artists undertake most of their creative work at the ANGOLA AIR studio in Luanda.

"Africell x ANGOLA AIR is exciting because it will spark creative connections in Africa", says Ziad Dalloul, CEO, President and Founder of Africell. "There are plenty of opportunities for African artists to travel elsewhere, but fewer opportunities for them to travel on the continent. By enabling the movement of young artists within and between our operating markets, the residencies will establish new networks, deepen cross-border ties, and enrich Africa's artistic landscape".

The first artist to take residence is Hawa Jane Bangura, an artist from Sierra Leone. A former lawyer, in 2015 Hawa Jane set up 'The Barray', a collective of 15 Sierra Leonean artists which holds biannual exhibitions in Freetown. She specialises in acrylic and oil painting in addition to sculpture and installation art. She believes that spending time in Angola will develop



her practice.

"Angola is known for its experimental creative scene", Hawa Jane Bangura says. "It is a perfect environment for me to explore the questions I find most interesting, focusing on the concept of identity: how we, as African women, depict ourselves and tell our stories in terms of our history, our culture and our place in the world. I am excited to be part of Africell x ANGOLA AIR because it will add new angles to my work".

Artists selected for Africell x ANGOLA AIR must have track records of collaboration with other artists and show intent either to use digital elements in their work or to reflect on digital themes (such as the social impact of digital technology) through their work. Artists are expected to not have party political alignment, and those who have not previously participated in international residency programmes are prioritised.

Commenting on the opportunities available in Angola, Founder of ANGOLA AIR Dominick A Maier Tanner says: "Since 2018, ANGOLA AIR has brought international artists to Angola, immersing them in local culture and encouraging them to absorb Angolan influences. Through this collaboration with Africell, we are enabling even more artists to travel to Angola and establishing fresh connections between Angola and other parts of Africa. Africell x ANGOLA AIR is a major addition to the Angolan contemporary arts scene and will help entrench Angola's reputation as an arts hub".

Africell x ANGOLA AIR is an initiative of the Africell Impact Foundation. Created in 2022, the Africell Impact Foundation streamlines and structures Africell's cultural and community-focused investments, connecting the work the company does across its operating markets and maximising its positive social impact. Promoting contemporary African art is a key focus area, and Africell x ANGOLA AIR advances this objective.

Africell Sierra Leone CEO Shadi Gerjawi says that in Sierra Leone, as in Africell's other operating markets including Angola, developing a corporate presence on the arts landscape is important for differentiating the Africell brand. It also provides valuable support to Sierra Leone's art community.



the work of Hawa Jane Bangura, the inaugural Africell x ANGOLA AIR artist-in-residence, has been exhibited at events hosted by Africell in Sierra Leone and in the US.

"Africell is a popular technology brand in Sierra Leone," he explains. "Our approach has always been to focus on and support what people care about. Sierra Leone has a heritage of creative expression, which manifests in art, food, fashion and music. Africell x ANGOLA AIR relates directly to this side of Sierra Leone's character, and we are delighted to be facilitating artistic exchange between Sierra Leone, Angola and other African countries".

Africell Angola launched services in April 2022. Since then, it has won almost ten million customers and expanded into multiple provinces, including Luanda and Benguela. Africell is the leading mobile operator in Sierra Leone and The Gambia and a major challenger in DRC. Other ongoing Africell Impact Foundation initiatives include sponsorship of the Congo pavilion at the London Design Biennale 2023, in collaboration with the DRC's national museum.

ABOUT AFRICELL X ANGOLA AIR
Africell x ANGOLA AIR helps African artists to pursue research, build networks and bring creative ideas to life in a contemporary African setting. Launched in Luanda in 2023, Africell x ANGOLA AIR broadens visions, improves skills, and develops connections through travel and residency opportunities. Africell x ANGOLA AIR offers four month-long residencies in Angola per year. It is a collaboration between the Africell Impact Foundation and ANGOLA AIR.

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To encourage the adoption of digital elements into artistic practices, or to encourage artists to reflect on the role and impact of digital technology (including telecommunications) in their work

To enable collaboration and partnerships between artists and arts organisations, with a view to broadening the visions, resources and output of all

To develop the skills and knowledge of

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To raise the profile of participating artists and give them opportunities to advance all aspects of their artistic careers

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In addition to the possibility of creating work while inside an atelier, artists resident with ANGOLA AIR attend openings and talks, visit artist spaces and galleries, museums and other institutions, and receive vital feedback from art professionals through one-on-one studio visits and public open houses.

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Invitation for Bids for the Sale of Idle/Obsolete Equipment

Date of First Issue: 5th April, 2023

1. Njala University announces its intention to dispose of used equipment listed below and invites sealed bids from the general public.
2. All bids must be accompanied with a Bank Draft in favour of Njala University at the value of 10% of the bidders' offer. Bank Draft from unsuccessful bidders will be returned while those from the successful bidders will be considered as deposit for their purchase. Successful bidders' draft will be forfeited if they fail to make payment within fifteen working days after notification of award.
3. Njala University would not give warranty or bear any responsibility for items bought and found not to be in good working condition.
4. The Bid Application Form can be obtained from the office of the Procurement Officer, Room 7 Secretariat, Njala Campus upon receipt of a non-refundable fee of NLe250 (Two Hundred and Fifty New Leone) to the below mentioned accounts:

BANK NAME: Union Trust Bank
 ACCOUNT NAME: Revenue from the sale of Bidding Sub Treasury
 ACCOUNT NO.: 210113253-01
 BBAN NO.: 00-4001113253120144

BANK NAME: Sierra Leone Commercial Bank
 ACCOUNT NAME: Revenue from the sale of Bidding Sub Treasury
 ACCOUNT NO.: 003001081791112183
 BBAN NO.:

BANK NAME: Rokel Commercial Bank
 ACCOUNT NAME: Revenue from the sale of Bidding Sub Treasury
 ACCOUNT NO.: 02-011012428
 BBAN NO.: 002001002101242863

5. Bids for each item must be addressed and delivered to the Procurement Unit, Room 7, Secretariat, Njala Campus on or before Tuesday 4th May, 2023 at 12:00 noon.
6. The bids will be opened in the presence of bidders or their representatives who choose to attend at the address below at 12:00 noon on the 4th May, 2023:
 The Senate Room
 University Secretariat
 Njala University
 Moyamba District.

A. MOTOR VEHICLES

SN	REGISTRATION NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION
1	AJL 383	Land Rover Discovery	Njala Campus
2	AEM 039	Nissan Pathfinder	Njala Campus
3	AEQ 742	BMC Water Bowser	Njala Campus
4	AFY 883	Mitsubishi	Njala Campus
5	ANM 985	Toyota Land Cruiser	Njala Campus
6	ANM 379	Land Cruiser	Njala Campus
7	ADF 422	Land Rover	Bo Campus
8	ADF 430	Land Rover	Bo Campus
9	AEF 377	Hyundai Aero Tow Bus	Bo Campus
10	ABS 162	Nissan Patrol	Njala Campus
11	AEK 966	Ford Ranger	Njala Campus
12	AHU 200	Hino Truck	Njala Campus
13	AGD 598	Toyota Land Cruiser V8	Njala Campus

B. MOTOR BIKES

SN	REGISTRATION NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION
1	AHA 737	Kengo Motor Bike	Njala Campus

C. GENERATORS

SN	DESCRIPTION OF ASSETS	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION
1	45 KVA	Perkins	Njala Campus
2	400 KVA	Detroit	Njala Campus
3	175 KVA	Caulmoh	Njala Campus
4	350 KVA	Perkins	Njala Campus
5	350 KVA	Perkins	Njala Campus
	1,200 KVA	Perkins	Bo Campus
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Public Notice

Increase in Advert Pricing for Newspapers

24th March, 2023.

The general public is hereby informed that the Guild of Newspaper Editors – Sierra Leone (GoNE-SL) has reviewed the advert pricing for newspapers as follows:

Black & White

No.	Description	Old Price (NLe)	New Price (NLe)
1	Quarter Page (¼)	700	800
2	Half (½)	800	1,200
3	Full Page	1,000	1,500
4	Centre Spread	2,000	3,000

Coloured

No.	Description	Old Price (NLe)	New Price (NLe)
1	Full Page	2,500	3,000
2	Centre Spread	5,000	6,000

The cover price remains the same.

Please note that the new pricing takes effect on Monday, 3rd April, 2023.

Your cooperation is highly solicited.

Signed:
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PRESS RELEASE INCREASE IN COST OF RADIO COMMERCIALS Mile 91 Town, 25th March 2023

The National Executive and General Membership of the Sierra Leone Broadcasters Association (SiLBA) wish to inform the public that the Association has unanimously resolved to increase the cost of radio commercials.

The decision was reached at a national consultation meeting held at Mile 91 Town, Tonkolili District, on Saturday, 18th March 2023, as part of the efforts to meet the current inflation rates and other statutory obligations in the country.

This decision will enhance quality in service delivery and sustainability in the operations of radio stations across the country.

It should be recalled that this is the only increment in commercials announced by radio stations in 12 years.

The Association therefore craves the understanding and patronage of the public.

The new commercial quotation which will take effect on 1st May 2023 shall be as follow:

FREETOWN

1. Jingle – Jingle slot – NLe 35.00 per minute
2. Public notice – NLe 30.00 per 50 words
3. (a) Cost for 30 minutes airtime, between NLe 750,00 and NLe 1,250 (Depending on the coverage of the Radio station)
(b) Cost for 1hr airtime, between NLe 1, 500, 00.and NLe 2,500.00 (Depending on the coverage of the Radio station)

PROVINCIAL

1. Jingle – Jingle slot – NLe 20.00 per minute
2. Public notice – NLe 20.00 per 50 words
3. (a) Cost for 30 minute airtime: between NLe 500.00 and NLe 750.00 (Depending on the coverage of the particular Radio station)
(b) Cost for 1hr airtime: between NLe 1,000.00 and NLe 1,500.00 (Depending on the coverage of the particular Radio station)

SiLBA regrets any inconvenience this may cause.

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Signed:

Daniel M. Amara
Secretary General

Approved By:

Stanley Bangura Jr
Chairman

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ChildFund.

1. Overview of ChildFund:

ChildFund International is a child-focused international development organization that works throughout Asia, Africa and the Americas to connect children with the people, resources and institutions they need to grow up safe, healthy, educated and skilled, wherever they are. Delivered through over 250 local implementing partner organizations, ChildFund's programs address the underlying conditions that prevent any child or youth from achieving their full potential. We place a special emphasis on child protection throughout our approach because violence, exploitation, abuse and neglect can reverse developmental gains in an instant. Last year, we reached 13.6 million children and family members in 24 countries.

ChildFund has had a presence in Sierra Leone since 1st July 1985. Key program interventions in 1985 were in primary education and school infrastructure. This was later diversified to include health, youth programs, food security and income-generating projects with associated small loans for investment in small business development.

Project Summary:

With funding from Korea International Cooperation Agency and in partnership with ChildFund Korea, ChildFund Sierra Leone will be implementing a project Titled: Increase access to secondary education for Out-of-school girls in the Western area of Sierra Leone from 1st April 2023 – 31st December 2025 in six schools in western urban and rural districts of Sierra Leone.

Project Impact

- Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all (SDGs 4)

Project outcome:

- Increase access to secondary education for out-of-school girls in the Western area of Sierra Leone

Output:

- Out-of-school girls have access to the inclusive and safe learning environment
- Out-of-school girls are supported to continue their education
- Community is meaningfully engaged in the protection of marginalized children and enrolling them in schools

ChildFund Sierra Leone is seeking an expression of interest from suitable service providers for the following services:

1. Contents of construction per school (2 schools in total)
 - Two blocks of three (3) classrooms
 - one (1) Teacher's office
 - store
 - 1 ramp and 1 railing
2. Fabrication of classroom furniture (Table and chair)
 - 70 sets * 6 classrooms
3. Construction of Toilets: Contents of construction per school
 - 2 sets of sex-separated VIP latrines with menstrual hygiene for girls and urinal for boys (3 drop holes per set) i.e. one set of two sex-separated latrines per school
4. Construction of hand wash facilities:
 - 2 Water Tanks: 10,000 litres water tanks (1 per school)
5. Boreholes:
 - Two Mechanized solar-powered boreholes with elevated towers and six taps for each borehole with water piped to the toilets

ChildFund invites prospective service providers to reply to this Expression of Interest (EOI) and submit their offers no later than 21st April 2023.

Interested and qualified service providers are invited to ChildFund Sierra Leone Office at 84 Regent Road, Hill Station, Freetown, Sierra Leone to collect the full bid document. contractors/ service providers can also request further clarifications by email through SierraLeoneProcurement@ChildFund.org

Submission of Bids must be by one of the following methods.

Hard copy submission in the tender box on or before 21st April 2023 by 4:30 pm at ChildFund Sierra Leone office at the above-stated address.

or via email to SierraLeoneProcurement@ChildFund.org on or before 21st April 2023 by 4:30 pm

Please follow the submission instruction as per the bid document.

NOTE: LATE TENDERS WILL BE REJECTED

NEWS AROUND AFRICA COMPILED BY GABRIEL BENJAMIN

IMF calls for help in Sub-saharan Africa to manage a severe financial shortage



International Monetary Fund (IMF) Director of the African Department, Abebe Aemro Selassie (L), and Senior Communications Officer Sub Saharan Africa, Tatiana Mossot, attend a - Copyright © africanews STEFANI REYNOLDS/AFP or licensors

Growth in sub-Saharan Africa is expected to slow to 3.6 percent in 2023, as a "big funding squeeze", tied to the drying up of aid and access to private finance, hits the region, announced the IMF April 13, 2023 in a press briefing.

If no measures are taken, this shortage of funding may force countries to reduce fiscal resources for critical development like health, education, and infrastructure, holding the region back from developing its true potential. "I wish I was bearing better news, but unfortunately, we're expecting growth to decelerate from 3.9 percent to 3.6 percent in 2023. And this to a large extent reflects the big funding squeeze tied to drying up of aid and access to private finance" said Abebe Aemro Selassie, Director of the IMF's African Department.

Sub-Saharan African countries lag significantly in revenue collections, with a median tax ratio of only 13 percent of GDP in 2022, compared with 18 percent in other emerging economies and developing countries and 27 percent in advanced economies.

"So, there are a number of reforms that need to be pursued. I think first and foremost, of course, is policies to strengthen the resilience of economies. So, many countries, for example, there's a big challenge on

mobilizing more domestic revenues. That needs to be addressed wherever that's the main challenge. Second, I think it's also important to consider policies to insulate domestic economies from external environment. So, allowing exchange rates to adjust, interest rates to be recalibrated, to reflect better to reduce inflation are all going to be very important part of the policy response to this adverse external environment," added Selassie.

The IMF has provided the region with around \$50 billion dollar in financing since the start of the pandemic and will continue to work with the region to put in place the right type of policies that are tailor-made to each country's needs.

"We are engaging like never before with the region. Of course, over the last couple of years, we've provided considerable financing to the tune of around \$50 billion to support the region. Whether the very difficult economic environment that was facing and we continue to try and provide as much financing as possible to support countries in the coming months. As important, however, of course, are policies and reforms that needs to be pursued by countries, and we are deeply engaged with working with countries to navigate and to put in place the right types of policies in each individual country," said Selassie.

UN unable to feed refugees in Chad next month



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The United Nations warned Friday that it would no longer be able to feed 600,000 refugees in Chad within weeks unless it receives urgent international funding.

The UN's World Food Programme said Chad was hosting the biggest refugee population in west and central Africa, with the numbers rising due to unrest in neighbouring Sudan.

The WFP said that despite refugees being a priority, it had to reduce its plans to support 455,600 refugees down to only around 270,000 in April.

"We have already done a drastic targeting to ensure that the poorest among the poor will be assisted," WFP's Chad country director Pierre Honnorat told reporters in Geneva via video-link from the capital N'Djamena.

However, "we have absolutely no funding from May onwards for the refugees and displaced people. It's really catastrophic."

WFP wants \$142.7 million for the next six months to feed all crisis-affected populations in Chad, including refugees, the 380,000 internally displaced, and other Chadians who have been hit by extreme weather in recent years.

"If no further funding is received, food assistance will come to a 100 percent halt in May 2023 for both refugees and internally displaced," the agency said in a statement. Chad is facing its fourth consecutive year of very high severe food insecurity.

The country suffered the worst lean season in a decade last year, plus the most devastating floods in 30 years. WFP said there were 1.9 million people in Chad who are food insecure.

Meanwhile, the UN refugee agency said it was looking to raise \$172.5 million to provide protection and relief assistance to one million forcibly displaced people and their hosts in Chad.

"That is just 15 percent funded so we desperately need money for that country," UNHCR spokesman Matthew Saltmarsh told reporters.

He said the agency was encouraging Nigeria and Chad to look at voluntary returns of refugees.

"The numbers envisaged might be relatively modest but we think this is an important signal in terms of finding solutions for the displaced in Chad but also for the region."

Women still occupy "marginal" place in food production- FAO



Farmers pick tea leaves in a tea plantation in Gisakura, southwestern Rwanda, on May 5, 2022. - Copyright © africanews SIMON WOHLFAHRT/AFP or licensors

They own less land, earn less money and are more vulnerable to crises: essential to feed the world, women still occupy a "marginal" place in food production, says the FAO, in a rare report on the glaring inequalities of the sector.

From the fields to the production lines, they have to "deal with working conditions that are often more difficult than those of men, insofar as they are confined to occasional or part-time, informal, low-skilled jobs" and therefore more precarious.

Even if their access to technology or credit has improved since 2010, the date of the last report of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations on the subject, "the reduction of most gender disparities has stalled", and some gaps have widened with the Covid-19 pandemic.

By addressing these inequalities and "empowering women, we will take a big step towards the goals of eradicating poverty" and hunger, FAO Director-General Qu Dongyu said in the report.

According to the study, women make up more than half of the agricultural workforce in many sub-Saharan African countries, and just under half in Southeast Asia.

They "occupy a larger share of agricultural jobs in less economically developed countries, as they have very

few opportunities for non-agricultural employment" due to a lack of education.

Around the world, they lag far behind in access to land, inputs (fertilizers, seeds), financing or technology, while they are often more dependent on agriculture for survival. Due to this lack of resources among women, male-run farms are 24% more productive than theirs of equal size.

In the livestock sector, women tend to own fewer livestock, and smaller animals (sheep, goats).

- Rigid "distribution of roles -

Despite some progress, "the share of men who hold property rights or secured rights to agricultural land is twice as high as that of women", in the 40% or so of countries that provide data on women's land ownership.

Their income is also 18.4% lower in the wage agricultural sector.

Because of their lack of resources and information, "women also have less capacity to adapt and resilience to climate shocks" or economic crises.

During the first year of the Covid-19 pandemic, "22% of women lost their jobs" in the agri-food industries, compared to only 2% of men, and women's food insecurity "worsened faster than men's".

Cameroon's giant frogs threatened with extinction

André Nkoudi is a fisherman who lives in Mangamba, a village on the Cameroon coast.

He's out patrolling the rivers around his village at least once a week.

Nkoudi looks for frogs' nests, tadpoles, frogs caught in the traps of fishermen's nets or footprints that indicate the presence of poachers hunting the Goliath frog, known officially as *Conraua goliath*.

Nkoudi wasn't always so concerned for the welfare of the amphibian, having previously been a hunter. Now he monitors the species for scientists hoping to protect them.

Today, he notices a small frog caught in a net planted in a river. He takes a photo which he sends to the researchers. Then, crucially, he releases the frog.

The Goliath frogs are the world's largest. They're only found only in the tropical rainforest of central Africa, within the southwestern part of Cameroon and north of Equatorial Guinea.

Some of the adult frogs weigh several kilograms and measure more than 33 centimetres in length, when fully grown.

Nkoudi has noticed they've diminished over the years. "In 2003, when I walked in here, as soon as I got there, I was going to catch at least 20 frogs. There were many. We didn't have to go far to hunt frogs. We just had to walk from there to there to catch even 15, and I went home. Now I walk miles and I don't even see one. Because a lot of people hunt now too."

Now Nkoudi is involved in trying to inform other villagers about the importance of protecting the endangered frog.

"We have been informed that this frog is important to the government. So, I decided not to go into the water anymore to hunt frogs, because the government took control. So, I'm no longer involved in the frog hunt. And I explain to people to be careful, to stop hunting frogs because there is now a law that protects frogs. The government, the projects, take care of the frogs. I stopped hunting them. That's how I educate the people in the village," says Nkoudi.

The Conservation Leadership Programme, an NGO, is now trying to improve data collection so the scientific community has more evidence-based information about the frogs' welfare and environment.

The group's Ecological Monitor, Robillard Kouekam, joins Nkoudi to measure and weigh the frogs and detail where they were found.

"These data will, at the end of the investigation help to

map the presence of frogs in the study environment. The measurements will allow us to model the growth parameters, to find the condition factor and the coefficient of allometry (organ measurements), in short to determine whether the location is favourable for them or not. These data will, at the end of the investigation help to map the presence of frogs in the study environment. The measurements will allow us to model the growth parameters, to find the condition factor and the coefficient of allometry (organ measurements), in short to determine whether the location is favourable for them or not," he says.

According to Kouekam, local communities will be offered alternative ways of making an income. But the money which can be earned from hunting the goliath frog means it will be difficult to persuade villagers they should be protected, not hunted. Nkoudi explains: "It depends on the size. The big ones are at 6,000 CFA francs (\$10), the small ones at 5,000 CFA francs (\$8.40). Other smaller ones are at 2,000 CFA francs (\$3.40). That's how we sold these frogs here. It helped us manage our lives. I, for example, have two kids in college. It was the money from those frogs that allowed me to send them to school."

Kouekam says new forms of farming can be introduced.

"We have a snail breeding project. These people who hunted frogs will be introduced to the breeding of snails, which will generate income," he says.

Environmentalist Ghislain Fomou says stricter measures are needed.

"The middle ground will, first, be better regulated access to this type of living species, sampling must be controlled, I think the problem is when going to a high level of sampling that is not in coordination with the degree and the level of reproduction, this is what constitutes a threat in the first place."

The goliath frog has been classified as an 'endangered species' by IUCN and as a protected species of class 'A' according to the Cameroonian wildlife law.

The total population of goliath frogs has dropped by at least 50 percent over the last 15 years, according to the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN).

According to local fishermen, these frogs are caught for local consumption, but they're also believed to be trafficked to neighbouring countries like Nigeria.

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27	4/14/2023 18:25	Serie B	MODENA	10	v	7	PARMA	4.70	15.00	35.00	6.20	4.30	5.40	40.00	15.00	3.90
28	4/14/2023 18:40	Scotland Premier	ROSS COUNTY	11	v	3	ABERDEEN	5.20	15.00	29.00	6.80	4.80	5.00	40.00	15.00	3.35
29	4/14/2023 18:40	Scotland Championship	QUEENS PARK	2	v	9	HAMILTON	2.19	17.00	60.00	4.10	6.40	11.00	23.00	18.00	8.60
30	4/14/2023 18:40	Belgium	STANDARD LIEGE	6	v	8	ROYAL CHARLEROI	2.95	14.00	40.00	4.90	5.20	7.80	26.00	14.00	5.60
31	4/14/2023 18:40	Serie A	SPEZIA	17	v	2	LAZIO	8.40	18.00	29.00	10.00	5.00	4.30	60.00	17.00	2.60
32	4/14/2023 18:40	Ireland	SHAMROCK ROVERS	3	v	5	SHELBOURNE FC	2.26	19.00	80.00	3.80	5.00	12.00	29.00	20.00	10.00
33	4/14/2023 18:40	Wales	AIRBUS UK BROUGHTON	6	v	5	FLINT TOWN UNITED	35.00	40.00	30.00	40.00	11.00	3.35	99.00	40.00	1.40
34	4/14/2023 18:40	Wales	BALA TOWN	1	v	5	THE NEW SAINTS	13.00	21.00	23.00	17.00	7.60	3.80	90.00	21.00	1.78
35	4/14/2023 18:55	France League 1	TOULOUSE	12	v	7	LYON	4.40	14.00	26.00	7.00	6.00	6.00	30.00	14.00	3.55
36	4/14/2023 18:55	Championship	MIDDLESBROUGH	4	v	8	NORWICH	2.90	15.00	40.00	5.00	5.60	8.40	26.00	15.00	6.00
37	4/14/2023 18:55	La Liga	RAYO VALLECANO	9	v	8	OSASUNA	3.40	16.00	50.00	4.80	4.30	7.40	35.00	17.00	6.20
38	4/14/2023 18:55	Segunda	ALBACETE	7	v	1	EIBAR	4.40	15.00	40.00	5.60	3.85	5.80	40.00	15.00	4.60
39	4/14/2023 18:55	Ireland 2	FINN HARPS	7	v	9	TREATY UNITED	3.75	13.00	30.00	5.40	4.40	5.60	29.00	13.00	3.90
40	4/14/2023 19:10	Portugal	FAMALICAO	9	v	6	VITORIA SC GUIMARAES	3.35	14.00	45.00	5.00	4.30	7.20	30.00	15.00	5.60

LAND FOR SALE

A (2 ½) PLOT OF LAND SITUATED AT KINGSTON TOWN, HASTINGS, FREETOWN IS CURRENTLY FOR SALE. INTERESTED PERSONS CAN CONTACT THIS NUMBER +23279355725 FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION

We All Na Wan Family Present

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Public Notice

Increase in Advert Pricing for Newspapers

24th March, 2023.

The general public is hereby informed that the Guild of Newspaper Editors – Sierra Leone (GoNE-SL) has reviewed the advert pricing for newspapers as follows:

Black & White

No.	Description	Old Price (NLe)	New Price (NLe)
1	Quarter Page (¼)	700	800
2	Half (½)	800	1,200
3	Full Page	1,000	1,500
4	Centre Spread	2,000	3,000

Coloured

No.	Description	Old Price (NLe)	New Price (NLe)
1	Full Page	2,500	3,000
2	Centre Spread	5,000	6,000

The cover price remains the same.

Please note that the new pricing takes effect on Monday, 3rd April, 2023.

Your cooperation is highly solicited.

Signed:
 Donald Theo-Harding
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PRESS RELEASE
INCREASE IN COST OF RADIO COMMERCIALS
 Mile 91 Town, 25th March 2023

The National Executive and General Membership of the Sierra Leone Broadcasters Association (SiLBA) wish to inform the public that the Association has unanimously resolved to increase the cost of radio commercials.

The decision was reached at a national consultation meeting held at Mile 91 Town, Tonkolili District, on Saturday, 18th March 2023, as part of the efforts to meet the current inflation rates and other statutory obligations in the country.

This decision will enhance quality in service delivery and sustainability in the operations of radio stations across the country.

It should be recalled that this is the only increment in commercials announced by radio stations in 12 years.

The Association therefore craves the understanding and patronage of the public.

The new commercial quotation which will take effect on 1st May 2023 shall be as follow:

FREETOWN


- Jingle – Jingle slot – NLe 35.00 per minute
- Public notice – NLe 30.00 per 50 words
- (a) Cost for 30 minutes airtime, between NLe 750,00 and NLe 1,250 (Depending on the coverage of the Radio station)
- (b) Cost for 1hr airtime, between NLe 1, 500, 00.and NLe 2,500.00 (Depending on the coverage of the Radio station)


PROVINCIAL

- Jingle – Jingle slot – NLe 20.00 per minute
- Public notice – NLe 20.00 per 50 words
- (a) Cost for 30 minute airtime: between NLe 500.00 and NLe 750.00 (Depending on the coverage of the particular Radio station)
- (b) Cost for 1hr airtime: between NLe 1,000.00 and NLe 1,500.00 (Depending on the coverage of the particular Radio station)

SILBA regrets any inconvenience this may cause.

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Signed: 
 Daniel M. Amara
 Secretary General

Approved By: 
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