

SUA-Mizengo Pinda campus lauds govt for issuing 18bn/- to renovate its infrastructure

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THE Sokoine University (SUA)-Mizengo Pinda campus in Katavi Region has commended the government for issuing 18bn/- through the Higher Education for Economic Transformation (HEET) project so as to renovate and transform infrastructures of the college.

HEET is a five-year project through World Bank support aimed to promote higher education as a catalytic force in the new Tanzanian economy.

Prof Josiah Katani, Principal of the Campus said this recently at the college which is located at Kibaoni ward in Mpimbwe that the implementation of the project will expand and open up the college by constructing hostels, classrooms and modern buildings.

“We are going to construct a huge hostel building with capacity to accommodate 600 students, modern buildings with classrooms and laboratories that have capacity to carry 2500 students, a dining hall and procurement of a new bus for students,” he said.

He said the project is designed to revitalize and expand the capacity of universities to contribute to key areas for innovation, economic development, and labor market relevance, by investing in requisite infrastructure for modern and effective teaching and research, and by training to the highest standard the teachers, researchers and administrators needed by universities to achieve to their full potential.

The Principal said apart from the buildings, the project will also facilitate improvement and establishment of a model farm and a bee farm so as to improve practical learning and produce competent graduates in the courses.

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students will be attracted and join the college as it will be filled with all the required needs to enable them study comfortably and achieve their educational dreams,” he said.

Prof Katani further commended the government for supporting experts to go for further studies and thus improve teaching capacity of tutors.

He said that SUA is working hard to ensure that the project is well implemented to bring positive outcomes in the agriculture and livestock sectors and other areas.

He noted that HEET is a project of its kind which will help increase enrolment and improve the quality and labour market relevance of degree programmes in priority disciplines of various public universities and institutions while improving governance and management of the higher education system.

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