

## THE MINISTRY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND HOUSING

## MINISTERIAL STATEMENT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF KEEP ZAMBIA CLEAN CAMPAIGN PRESENTED BY HON. STEVEN KAMPYONGO, MP, MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND HOUSING

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## Mr. Speaker,

I wish to submit progress report regarding the implementation of the **Keep Zambia Clean Campaign** and the challenges that have been faced.

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I will first deal with progress on remedial measures in the **Keep Zambia Clean Campaign.** The progress on various refuse collection and clean-up activities being undertaken as part of the **Keep Zambia Clean Campaign** in the immediate term are as follows:

- My Ministry has directed all Local Authorities to enforce the Statutory Instrument No. 100 of 2011 which compels residents and institutions to take responsibility of the waste they produce.
- In addition, my Ministry has directed all Local Authorities and Provincial Administrations to identify the cleanest premises such as households, schools, markets, health facilities, bus stations and business trading areas which His Excellency, the President, will personally award certificate of excellence every year.
- My Ministry is also working with other line Ministries and the private sector to observe and ensure that every first Saturday of every month is reserved for community work of cleaning our premises and surroundings.
- My Ministry, with the Councils, is institutionalizing the programme by working with key stakeholders such as the United

Street Vendors Foundation, Marketeers and Community structures in garbage collection and general cleanliness of their surroundings. In supporting the Vendors Association, the Ministry provided a total of **150 wheelie bins** for their refuse collection services.

- The Ministry is encouraging Local Authorities to outsource municipal waste collection services to private waste companies.
- My Ministry is developing Pubic Media Awareness Campaign to sensitize the Zambian citizenry in cleaning premises and surrounding areas at workplaces and communities. The programme will commence airing on the National broadcaster in the second quarter of 2016.
- My Ministry is formulating a National Water Supply, Sanitation and Solid Waste Policy to elaborate and strengthen the policy, legal, regulatory and institutional frameworks for efficient and effective provision of water supply, sanitation and solid waste management in Zambia. The development of the Policy has now reached an advanced stage and will be submitted to Cabinet by end of first quarter 2016.
- My Ministry working with Lusaka City Council is seeking to establish a waste-to-energy plant under a public private partnership to address the management of solid waste in Lusaka and contribute to minimizing the energy deficit. This will later be scaled up to other major cities. To this effect, the private sector were invited to express interest to establish the Facility, and the engagement of a developer is at procurement stage.