

PRESS RELEASE

French Ambassador, H.E. Mrs. Virginie Leroy visits Nalubaale-Kiira Power stations

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Today 8th April 2026, Uganda Electricity Generation Company Limited (UEGCL) is honored to host a high-level delegation comprising Her Excellency, Mrs. Virginie Leroy, the Ambassador of France to Uganda, representatives from Agence Française de Développement (AFD), the European Union, and their respective technical teams.

The visit underscores the strong and longstanding partnership between Uganda, France, and the European Union in advancing sustainable energy infrastructure. We are deeply grateful for the continued support towards the ongoing rehabilitation of the Nalubaale and Kiira Hydropower Complex, which remains critical for preserving Uganda's installed generation capacity and ensuring reliable power supply.

This project will be enabled through financing arrangements totaling approximately EUR 170 from French Development Agency (AFD), European Investment Bank (EIB) and the European Union.

In his remarks George Tusingwire, Acting CEO UEGCL, observed "In light of increasing climate variability, particularly the rising levels of Lake Victoria, this rehabilitation effort is not only about restoring aging infrastructure but also about strengthening resilience".

The French Ambassador said she was happy to visit Uganda's first Hydro power plant.

“The Nalubaale -Kiira rehabilitation project demonstrates the strength of the partnership between France, Uganda and all the other countries in the European Union, built on shared priorities; inclusive and sustainable growth, energy access and climate action”, she said

Key interventions in this project include modernization of electromechanical systems, enhanced dam safety measures, and the strategic need to increase spilling capacity to safely manage extreme hydrological conditions.

This partnership positions Uganda to better respond to climate change while maximizing clean energy generation and safeguarding communities downstream.

UEGCL reaffirms its commitment to delivering this project efficiently, transparently, and in alignment with international environmental and social standards.

We once again extend our sincere appreciation to the Government of France, AFD, and the European Union for their invaluable support in powering Uganda’s sustainable energy future.

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