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MANDATE TO CORRECT DATA ON WATER AND SANITATION SECTOR

The Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Development would like to give mandate to Water and Environmental Sanitation Network (WES NETWORK) to start collecting data from all the NGOs working in the Water and Sanitation.

The Mandate is being given against a background that the Ministry has had challenges in collecting information on what activities/initiatives the NGO's are implementing, where these activities/initiatives are being implemented and the total investments committed in a particular year from the NGOs. Some NGOs have deliberately ignored to provide this information when requested by the Ministry.

It is important to realize that as the Ministry, information regarding investment in the sector is provided for in the national budget which is a public document subject to scrutiny by all stakeholders and the Government is held accountable to the

usage of these resources that are allocated for in the national budget.

This information will assist the Government to re-allocate its limited resources to area of great need and also avoid duplications of effort. The Ministry therefore gives the mandate to WES NETWORK as an umbrella body of all NGO's working in water and sanitation sector to start collecting this information on behalf of the Ministry. The Ministry will expect all the NGOs to abide by to this arrangement and cooperate fully whenever WES NETWORK requests this information from.

Your usual cooperation will be greatly appreciated.



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