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## IS UGANDA STILL \"THE PEARL OF AFRICA?\"

Posted by fikema - 2008/09/15 18:53

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Mbalamusiiza nnyo bakiise banange mwena. Munansonyiwa olwa kabuliliro naye mbadde nkyabinonya. Sijja kulwa mu nnyama kuba suupu ajja kuwoola. Ensonga yiyo eri mu ddiro. Simanyi oba abaamu ku bakise mwaaliwo ku lunaku lwa sabiiti ewedde bwetwali ku pulogulamu yaffe nga bulijjo FSS. Abataliwo kambatangazeemu, twakuba ebiwozo oba Uganda Nyaffe ekitibwa takyakilina. Abakuuba amassimu twabawuliira kyebali balwooza nange kamwa kogera nali omu ku abo era nga nsigala ku ndwooza yange. UGANDA IS THE PEARL OF AFRICA  
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## Re: IS UGANDA STILL \"THE PEARL OF AFRICA?\"

Posted by JeenaJulia - 2008/09/15 18:59

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Mhhhh As long as the National Anthem still holds this verse:

OH UGANDA THE LAND THAT FEEDS US BY SUN AND FERTILE SOILS GROWN.....WE SHALL ALWAYS STAND THE PEARL OF AFRICA'S CROWN.

Mother Uganda shall always be the "PEARL OF AFRICA" other factors remaining constant.

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## Re: IS UGANDA STILL \"THE PEARL OF AFRICA?\"

Posted by jameerah - 2008/09/16 11:46

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:) :) :)  
Omuwereza wa pulogulaamu ya FSS we yabuuza ekibuuzo ekyo nassooka nenziramu mu bwangu ennyo nti \*absolut inte\* nedda Uganda is no longer a pearl of Africa naye laba we nafumitiriza ne nesigama kunsonga zino wammanga;-

Abazungu oba abantu bonna abatuuma Uganda the pearl of Africa basinzira ku climatic and social conditions, not politically! (embeera yobudde, ebyobutonde, nembera yabantu abali mu nsi) omunabudu kyayita freindly people (hospitality of people)

kubanga laba gwe emigga, ensozi, enyanja, ebibira nga byona biri naturally not man made! Naye kale olwokubeera mbu ensi eri mu political and economic crisis ekyo tekigijjaako kubeera the pearl of Africa, bwonawulira enkya mbu lake victoria and mtn rwenzori shifted to sudan, then you will say uganda is no longer the pearl of Africa! :P :) :)

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## Re: IS UGANDA STILL \"THE PEARL OF AFRICA?\"

Posted by mike - 2008/09/16 14:47

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Hmmmm let the debate rage on.

The "Pearl of Africa" - was how Winston Churchill, moved by Uganda's great beauty, declared it when he visited in 1907. Later in 1908, in his book 'My African Journey', Churchill made it official and thus the nickname the "Pearl of Africa" was adopted.

My argument here focusses on the fact that this was a nickname based on Uganda's alluring features which included shimmering lakes, grand mountain ranges and impenetrable forests where chimpanzees and mountain gorillas roamed wild and free, and most importantly her people.

For nicknames to hold true, they have to be descriptive. Examples here. 'Kaami Katono' is by description a small sometimes short man. 'Nagagga' is by any means a stinking rich person.

But also nicknames are subjective. Just as one society's 'nagagga' could be another's 'muwejere.' It is this subjectivity and the change of circumstances over time that my argument is based on.

Uganda then was, in Churchill's eyes, the 'Pearl of Africa' especially in reference to the neighbouring countries. 100

years and more have not been without their toll. Wars, disease and other mostly man made factors have impacted on the country and her people at large.

We all remember the Mabira saga. Take a trip to the shores of Lake Nalubaale today. Acres of it are the perfect example of a neglected resource. Our capital city doesn't have a single conserved green space.

Now many people have said that Churchill did not base his nickname on the political and economic climate of the country. Whereas this is so true, we have to understand that people's welfare and general standards of living are directly controlled by these factors. Examples? Trees will be felled for charcoal if electricity is not running. Water will be contaminated if sewage systems are not treated. Opportunistic diseases will claim lives if people can not afford the medicines etc.

And to appreciate this even further, we have to look at the country holistically. Our brothers and sisters in the North of the country have spent more than a decade ravaging in wars of sorts. Whole generations do not know what it means to have a decent education or even a good night's sleep.

During the Family Sunday Show of 14/09/08 here on Connect when this issues was first raised, as one of the hosts of the show the question I had to answer a few times was whether a name is not for life. A name certainly is for life. But a nickname is not.

And I'd like to finish by saying that we do not qualify to have the nickname any more. But we can work towards having it again. I love my country and it is out of such love that I go out on a quest for where things went wrong.

This is only my opinion and God knows I could be wrong.

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## Re:IS UGANDA STILL \"THE PEARL OF AFRICA?\"

Posted by rambuka - 2008/09/16 23:27

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1907-----1908----there was no dream for africans to have independece--from the colonial masters---then this great leader said his heart here is the best-----UGANDA-----after controlling his matwale--that was good beacause uganda is so special-----due to its location on the equator---we dont have so much earthquakes--everything--is too nice-----a song of jimmy katumba(R.I.P)---describes best our motherland--of today with president Yoweri Museveni----Uganda should be indusrilized----destroy..mabira,banana plantations,coffee plantations- tea plantations---to sell the land to investors---then uganda looses its title as the pearl of africa.OF TODAY THE MOTHERLAND IS NOT THE PEARL OF AFRICA---GOD SAVE UGANDA.

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## Re:IS UGANDA STILL \"THE PEARL OF AFRICA?\"

Posted by JeenaJulia - 2008/09/18 13:31

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PEARL OF AFRICA EZE KULEEMAAAAAAA.KIKAAAAAAA

Amataba gazinzeeko ekisaawe ky'e Ntebe

Abasajja nga bafungizza empale basaabala amazzi ku kisaawe e Ntebe.

ABAGANDA bagamba nti, bya mpuna. Naye n'ebiri ku kisaawe ky'eggwanga eky'ennyonyi bifuuse bya mpuna ate nga byennyamiza.

Enkuba eyatonnye ku Lwokutaano oluwedde yalese ng'amataba gafuuse ekizibu ku kisaawe kyaffe era obwedda abantu engoye bafungiza nfungize okusobola okusaabala amazzi agaabadde ganjadde wonna.

Gye buvuddeko, gavumenti yateeka obutitimbe bw'ensimbi mu kulongoosa ekisaawe kino nga twetegekera abagenyi ba CHOGM.

Naye ndwooza abaakola omulimu gw'okulongoosa, tebaateeka ssira ku mifulujje egiyinza okutambuza amazzi gano.

Ekitundu ekisinga okwanjaalamu amazzi kye ky'abantu abava mu nnyonyi we bafulumira.

<http://www.connectuganda.com/images/fbfiles/images/ebb.jpg>

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## Re:IS UGANDA STILL \"THE PEARL OF AFRICA?\"

Posted by kamikatono - 2008/09/18 17:12

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Pearl of Africa? Today? What a joke!! Gendako mu Kampala mu biseera byenkuba, oja kufuna answer yo. Singa kati Mwamu Churchill azukuka nagendako mu Kampala, amanya bumanya nti agenze ku wrong address.

But what happened to the once Pearl of Africa? Was it sold? Can it be recreated? How was it like when it was a pearl of africa? Did it really shine?

I was in Kampala in the 60s. At that time, Kampala was considered the fastest developing City in Africa south of the Sahara, apart from the South Africa. Kampala was known as Africa's London. Kampala was the shopping centre of East, West, and Central Africa. To come to Kampala was like going to London of today. Uganda's currency was the strongest in these regions.

To hear of a murdered person would send the whole village to silent mourning.

Bodaboda

Wano mu 80s, Spear Motors yatandika okuleeta bu pikipiki ssi kubutunda, wabula nga ebuwa bakozi baayo batambulireko. Abantu bwebatundanga emwanyi, naddala e Masaka, nga bagula bupikipiki ssi kubukolerako business naye kutambulirako. Tewaali bodaboda, lwakuba buli muntu ng'alina kyakola ekiyingiza sente. Kati bodaboda yafuuka investment.

Okukola omulimu gwa bodaboda kibi?

Ssi kibi. Ne mu India babukozesa.

Buyindi ebalibwa nga fouth world (ssi third world), newankubadde yensi esingayo okuba ennungi ennyo and cheapest, mu computer technology. Abanoonya outsourcing bekwaata India. Software gwolaba asinga obungi mu Kampala ku CDs ava India. Yemu kuni ezisinga okuba ne cheapest labor nga mwotwalidde ne Poland.

What caused the end of all this? I know that all of us know the answer.

Can it be recreated? Yes.

Who is responsible for this terrible situation? Is there anyone who does not know the answer to this question? We all know who is responsible for this situation but we would rather not talk about it.

Can the situation be worse? Twali tulwooza, and rightly so, nti Idi Amin's time was the worst ever. He was comperatively an amateur in destroying the pearl of Africa. Uganda today is in the hands of professionals, doctors, professors, lawyers, you name it. They are doing their best.

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## Re:IS UGANDA STILL \"THE PEARL OF AFRICA?\"

Posted by rambuka - 2008/09/18 20:54

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seebo---kamikatono--sometimes media said---president Robert Mugabe----of ZIMBABWE IS really disaster of his country--sanctions where placed to grade five---a man to love or hate--southern rhodesia--becomes ZIMBABWE SALISBURY--BECOMES----HARARE---good names of such a beautiful african nation----Uganda the motherland let it go we have to fight back our demoratic rights--seperate---our colonial masters--from our day to day politics why should our former rulers debate about our internal affairs---Zimbabwe will prevail-----UGANDA-----NO MORE depence on donors--God gave us the resourses----we are hard working people----it is time to know our enemies we have seen the best dictators but still Uganda previalled---GOD BLEES UGANDA THE MOTHERLAND.

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## Re:IS UGANDA STILL \"THE PEARL OF AFRICA?\"

Posted by rambuka - 2008/09/18 22:02

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kamikatono-----born at entebbe----basi kabandore----za clasingga ne miti----around katabi quarters---kamikatono--i like

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you sir.

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**Re:IS UGANDA STILL \"THE PEARL OF AFRICA?\"**

Posted by rambuka - 2008/09/18 22:13

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pride can be predjuice-----no the motherland UGANDA IS NOT THE PEARL OF AFRICA--OF TODAY---YOU WE SAY  
IDDI AMIN DADA(R.I.P)WAS A KILLER-----HOW WE CAN PAINT OUR FORMER LEADERS SO BAD AND WE  
STILL HAVE OUR BEST PICTURE AS A NATION.

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**Re:IS UGANDA STILL \"THE PEARL OF AFRICA?\"**

Posted by Astartois - 2008/09/25 22:20

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But of course Uganda is still the Pearl of Africa. Despite all the destruction in the name of democracy. With all the wildest  
and most outrageous dreams, that God given endowment is inexhaustible. They too will get exhausted and leave, it  
takes a lot of energy to steal and lie to us.

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