



PRESS RELEASE

DEPOSIT PROTECTION FUND DONATES MEDICAL EQUIPMENT TO MILD MAY UGANDA HOSPITAL TO SUPPORT THEIR COVID-19 RESPONSE

Wakiso, July 16, 2021: As part of its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiatives, the Deposit Protection Fund of Uganda (DPF) has today handed over medical supplies and equipment worth UGX 46,945,000 as a donation to Mildmay Uganda Hospital to support its efforts towards stemming the COVID-19 pandemic. The medical supplies/equipment include hospital beds, mattresses and filled oxygen cylinders with delivery systems to support the hospital's capacity which has been constrained by the surging number of patients with COVID-19.

Considering the increase in COVID-19 infections in Uganda, Mildmay Uganda Hospital; a private Not-for-Profit hospital, scaled up its healthcare services to include services for COVID-19 response. This entailed scaling up outpatient services, setting up tents and using other spaces to cater for patients with COVID-19. The hospital has gone further to provide outpatient services like testing for COVID-19, supporting public vaccination and inpatient care. In its efforts of scaling up the inpatient care services however, Mildmay Uganda Hospital's capacity has been constrained in terms of medical supplies and yet it is receiving an increasing number of referrals of patients with COVID-19. At the start of the second wave in May 2021, the hospital only had 4 beds in its isolation ward. It is upon this background that the Deposit Protection Fund of Uganda (DPF) has since offered support to the hospital through this donation.

While handing over the medical supplies to the Management of Mildmay Uganda Hospital, DPF's Board Chairman Mr. Patrick Kagoro noted that it is the firm conviction of DPF that the donation will translate into immeasurable good for our nation and her citizenry. In his remarks, Kagoro said, "The vulnerable communities in our society are the primary stakeholders of DPF's Corporate Social Responsibility interventions. The tenacity, commitment and zeal with which Mildmay Hospital has remained steadfast in rendering quality and affordable medical services to the ordinary Ugandan especially in the arena of HIV/AIDS, was a compelling rationale to support the Institution. It is, therefore, my honor and that of the DPF fraternity to officially commission all the items acquired by the hospital from the donation."

"Today's event heralds our cordial relationship going forward and may it stand the test of time. I urge all stakeholders of Mildmay Uganda Hospital to stay the course of

unwavering commitment to service delivery,” said Mr. Kagoro in his concluding remarks.

Ms. Julia Clare Olima Oyet, the Chief Executive Officer of DPF accompanied the Board chair alongside Ms. Angela Kiryabwire, Head Legal Affairs/Board Secretary and Mr. Patrick Ezaga, Head Communications. In the post-event media brief, Mrs. Oyet emphasized that annually, the DPF identifies and supports interventions targeting the vulnerable and under-privileged with emphasis on children, youth and women in the thematic areas of education and skills development, health and environment, water and sanitation, financial sector and professional institutions. “It is because of this that Mildmay Uganda Hospital, being a not-for-profit hospital, was identified as a suitable recipient of **UGX 46,945,000** to support its emergency medical response and cater for more patients with COVID-19,” said Mrs. Oyet. She reiterated that the DPF, through its corporate governance structure, will continue supporting vulnerable Ugandans through its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) drive.

The Board Chairman of Mildmay hospital Prof. Samuel Luboga, appreciated DPF for responding to the hospital’s emergency request noting that the donation will enable them scale up capacity for the inpatient care services of patients with COVID-19. Prof. Luboga also appreciated the Rotary Club of Lubowa for holding Mildmay’s hand and leading them to DPF, a gesture without which the donation would not have materialized. The event was witnessed by the top Management of Mildmay Uganda Hospital and a team representing the Rotary Club of Lubowa under the stewardship of the new President Rtn. Peter Ssamula.

Julia Clare Olima Oyet
Chief Executive Officer

ABOUT THE DEPOSIT PROTECTION FUND OF UGANDA (DPF)

The Deposit Protection Fund of Uganda (DPF) is a legal entity created by the Government of Uganda to ensure that depositors are paid their protected deposits in the event of failure of a contributing institution. The process of operationalizing the DPF commenced in April 2017, with the inauguration of the Board of Directors by Honourable Minister of Finance Planning and Economic Development.

The Deposit Protection Fund of Uganda (DPF) joins the financial landscape to contribute to financial sector stability and ensuring that protected deposits are paid in time in the event of failure of a contributing institution, hence building public confidence in the financial sector.

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