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INTRODUCTION

The ministry of health and environment is one among ten ministries in Muhimbili University of health and allied sciences' students organization (MUHASSO). It started to perform its duties under the 3rd MUHASSO President Mr. Yahya Yusuph on April, 2009. With the purpose of ensuring MUHASSO members are provided with quality Health services at a proper functioning system and to make sure that university environment is conducive for daily student's life the ministry had a look on the following.

1. The quality and quantity of cafeteria services and its affordability.
2. Upgrading of MUHAS environment, cleanliness and maintenance of it as a duty of every member of the MUHAS community.
3. Participating in various decision making meetings concerning the Health of MUHASSO members and the University Environment

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We thank God for keeping us alive and helping us to perform our duties up to this moment. Our appreciation also goes to MUHAS management for their cooperation they offered to us during our time as ministry. Also we would like to recognize the contribution of the EXCOM members, student's BUNGE and MUHAS community at all for unity and solidarity that helped us to serve the goals of every student being at MUHAS.

Again special thanks to the President, vice President and Prime minister for the team work assistance they offered to us during hardship and storms we were facing all the way to this moment.

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**ACTIVITIES DONE BY THE MINISTRY FROM
2009-MARCH 2010**

APRIL

1. Address and settle the disputes of medical capitation fee.

As soon as the University was opened , the administration ordered the dean to collect 100,000/= as medical capitation fee for the year 2009/2010. This wasn't in consensus with MUHASSO under the ministry of health and environment as students representative organ and the agreement has to be made which led to the formation of Medical capitation committee under which MUHASSO demanded medical capitation to be Tsh 10,000. Medical capitation committee was interfered by the biasness of its members and raised issue of NHIF imposed by the Central Government. After meetings with NHIF officials, they agreed to review the amount of Tsh 50,400 but meanwhile students were told to pay Tsh 50,400/= per year once or in bunch of Tsh 25,200 twice a year as payment for NHIF with provision of NHIF cards which will be valid anywhere. NHIF service is provided throughout the year under payment. NHIF officials promised to have a special window for students' and staffs at MNH.

2. Sewerage renovation.

Following the blockage of the sewerage system in MUHAS, efforts were made by the ministry in collaboration with MUHAS management to ensure that the problem is combated, by requesting the major renovation during long

vacation and making sure that nuisances are resolved immediately. The major renovation was done and at least the water previously accumulating in front of MPL building and Microbiology building is now drained though in some areas still water is stagnant after it rain probably due to ongoing construction but the MUHAS environmental committee promised to have a look on that.

3. General environmental cleanliness.

The problem of scarcity of workers, overtime payment of worker's and undefined boundaries of cleanliness was resolved after the employment of cleanliness company achieved through MUHAS environmental committee in which the MUHASSO minister for health and environment is a member. The University face lifting is on progress where open spaces are now ever green gardens and pathways are innovated. Our task now is to make sure we students, cares and maintain the cleanliness of our environment the ministry have designed posters to be put in various location to remind ourselves on proper use of the available resources.

At Chole Hostels generally environmental cleanliness is well maintained by the employed cleaning company except at the areas surrounding cafeteria, the open spaces are not levelled and full of rocks and so face uplifting is highly required as it is at main compass. Follow up is highly required.

4. Water supply.

At chole hostels water supply is reliable though rarely there is failure of pumps. At MUHAS hostel it was promised by VC on a meeting on 20th Jan 2010 at MPL lecture hall that management will drill water holes and making sure that pumps and storage tanks are properly working. Also there will be installation of reserve water tanks in each block to be opened in urgent absence of water flow, but generally water supply especially at main compass is still a big headache and something must be done immediately

5. *Cafeteria renovation.*

Our monthly inspection revealed that the situation in cafeteria is worse, follow up was made and soon the cafeteria toilet is going to be repaired. VC's 20th Jan meeting established a committee comprised of DPD, Estate, Dean of Students, minister for accommodation and minister for Health and Environment which has already surveyed the cafeteria for renovation process and now the process is at the estimation stage.

6. *Distribution of fire extinguisher.*

At MUHAS the distribution of fire extinguishers in the halls of residence is still a problem and those which are available are broken and so are functionless the incoming government has to take care of that. Chole hostel dwellers participated in a two days last semester fire fighting training but no such a

thing has been done at MUHAS hostel dwellers and chole first year.

7. Others

The ministry also aimed at making sure there is health education through media by sensitizing students to prepare topics for presentations, MUHAS Environmental day by collaboration between MUHAS management and students' organization for events and AIDS and drug day memorial.

Also; Cafeteria cleanliness and food quality was assured through monthly general inspection including normal surprise inspection.

Proper and timely reporting is important in ensuring that the environment of campus and halls of residence all the time are in the state of sound and satisfactory cleanliness.

CHALLENGES

1. MUHAS community is not well informed in matters pertaining caring and maintenance of environment cleanliness.
2. It requires several day to day follow up for a matter to be resolved by the management sometimes leading into misunderstanding.
3. It is not stated clearly what MUHASSO or management will do if our fellow student get admitted at MNH. It

should at least provide the diet during the admission days.

4. Who is to collect condolence? We think the issue of condolence is better be addressed by the ministry for sports and social affairs.

5. So far students haven't received their NHIF cards which will enable them to get services wherever in Tanzania bearing in mind that students travel and get holydays in which they are supposed to have them just in case they will need anytime

6. The University management involvement in cafeteria contracts without student and leaving supervision under student government which doesn't know what should be done with who should be dealt accordingly to avoid confusion

Conclusion;

The ministry would like to thank God and every one who in one way or another has made our university conducive for training, treating and Research. Leadership is very challenging and full of experience acquiring so people got our service and we got experience i.e nothing has lost but we have gained. Leadership is more of been acquired than born with.

God Bless Tanzania, God Bless Muhimbili, God Bless MUHASSO

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