

RITA, LOAN BOARD SIGNED AN AGREEMENT

Registration Insolvency and Trusteeship Agency (RITA) and the Higher Education Student Loan Board (HELSEB) have signed a memorandum of understanding to formalize the partnership of the two Government institutions to enable Loan Applicants to access quality and timely services.

The event took place today in Dar es Salaam where the documents were signed by the Acting Administrator General / Chief Executive Officer of RITA Ms. Emmy Hudson and HELSEB CEO Dr. Abdulrazak Badru.

The key elements of the agreement including, the students who applying for HELSEB loans must attach a Birth Certificate and RITA Certified Parent Death Certificate, other area of cooperation is to strengthening the current relationship in providing various experience and technical matters in Information and Communication Technology ICT and exchange verified information through electronic systems.

Speaking during opening remarks, Dr. Badru said that RITA and HELSEB have been working together to ensure that only qualified students are eligible for loans including verification of the necessary documents and that the existing relationship continues to improve every year due to increased use of ICT, he added that the government has promised to set aside the budget of 500 billion shillings for loans in the next financial year and this is proof enough of how much the government cares for its citizens.

" I urge all students who are applying for higher education loans to start preparing their important information, including verifying birth and death certificates, we hope to open a window to receive applications on 25 June 2021 ". Said Dr. Badru.

On the other hand, the Acting Chief Executive Officer Ms. Emmy Hudson said that the verification guide has already been issued and the electronic verification exercise is on progress and so far 13938 applications have been received and out of which 7434 births and 449 deaths have been fully answered, so I urge parents, guardians and students to ensure the documents are verified in advance so as to prepare for Loan application.

“Here today what we are doing is strengthening our relationship and collective power as public Institutions we have seen the need to work together and this we have been doing for a long time through paperwork except for three years, the old system has changed and now all verification is done electronically through the e- Huduma (e- Service) available on the Agency Website www.rita.go.tz, therefore, all students should be ensured all documents attached are well-readable copies especially the entry number and put in PDF format ". Said Ms. Hudson.