



REPORT ON ABUSE OF FUNDS AT THE UGANDA TOURISM BOARD

The Inspectorate of Government received a complaint alleging that:

- i. The Uganda Tourism Board paid **Shs. 440,000** (Four Hundred Fourty Thousand Shillings) in Perdiem to each of the **20** members of its staff. The funds were for the staff to travel to **Kidepo National Valley Park** for a familiarization tour.
- ii. However, none of the staff travelled to the said destination.

During the course of our investigations, it has been established that:

- a.) All the twenty staff members of UTB enlisted to attend the Kidepo trip were each paid **Shs. 440,000** by **EFT** on the **25th/02/2015**.
- b.) A total of **8 (eight)** staff members of **UTB** received the Perdiem but did not attend the trip due to various reasons. These include: Adong Sylvia, Oyille Bobby, Asiimwe Innocent, Ssekitoleko Solomon, Safia Ali, George Mbidde, Betty Atieno and Molly Mpiriirwe.
- c.) The staff members, who did not travel, have not refunded the Perdiem to the office.

In view of the above findings, it is ordered that:

1. Each of the staff members of UTB who did not travel to Kidepo National Valley Park after receiving Perdiem, should to refund **Shs. 440,000** and deposit it to the Inspectorate of Government Assets Recovery **Account No.003030088000007** or to the Cashier's office at **Jubilee Insurance Building Center**, 6th, floor, Parliamentary Avenue, within 30 days from the date of issue of this report.
2. The Chief Executive Officer of UTB should ensure compliance with the recommendations in (1) above and confirm to the Inspectorate of Government within **45 days** from the date of this letter that appropriate action has been taken.