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# **POLITICAL**:

MPs quiz govt officials over faulty city, municipal solar streetlights; in Soroti City, 60 percent of the solar streetlights are not working while about 40 percent remain non-functional in Mbale, with similar problems across several other cities and municipalities. Story

## **ENERGY IN THE NEWS:**

<u>Govt seeks to push up usage of electricity for cooking</u>; government will, through regular adjustment of tariffs, seek to woo Ugandans towards using electricity for cooking, according to ERA. <u>Story</u>

## **NATIONAL:**

<u>US pushes for tougher action on human rights violators;</u> less than a fortnight after it sanctioned the CMI, Maj Gen Abel Kandiho, the US government has expressed readiness to take further action against all those accused of human rights violations and acts that impede the growth of democracy. <u>Story</u>

## **REGIONAL**:

<u>Push to change Kenya's constitution still on</u>; the push to salvage Kenya's stalled constitutional referendum has found its way to the 2022 election campaign platform ahead of the Supreme Court hearing of suits seeking to revive it next month. **Story** 

#### COURT:

<u>PPP orders immediate trail of Basajabalaba brothers over Shs 20bn tax evasion;</u>
DPP Jane Frances Abodo directed the head of the anti-corruption department in her office to immediately handle a December 7 complaint filed by Legal Brains Trust's Isaac Ssemakadde over the delayed trial of the brothers despite court rulings. <u>Story</u>

## **HEALTH**;

**10,000 laboratory technicians announce strike on Tuesday**; nearly 10,000 medical laboratory technicians in the country have announced a strike beginning next Tuesday because of low pay and failure to absorb their degree, masters, and PhD holders in public service, among other reasons. **Story** 

### **BUSINESS**;

Contribution of mining to GDP grows to 2.3 percent; at least or more than 90 percent of Uganda's mineral sector is composed of artisanal miners, majority of whom are involved in mining metallic, industrial, and building minerals components. Story

# SPORTS;

Villa rise to KCCA level in Njeru stalemate, Police win; the results leaves Villa 12th with 10 points while KCCA stays top on 27 points, four ahead of second placed Vipers. Matches between SC Villa and KCCA go beyond formbook and table positions. Story

And finally; 17 suspects break out of Jinja police station cells; an unidentified number of suspects broke out and escaped from Jinja Central police station cells on Sunday. Eyewitnesses say that some of the suspects fled through the main police entrance and exit points, whereas, others jumped over the wall and escaped. Story

Today's scripture; Romans 15:13

ESKOMorning quote; "Christmas is most truly Christmas when we celebrate it by giving the light of love to those who need it most."

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