



ADB Gives Shs24b Grant for Water

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UGANDA is set to benefit from the newly endorsed 1 million Euros (over Shs2.4 billion) African Development Bank water project, meant to improve the quality and access to water facilities in the country.

Two projects will be funded by ADB as part of its development strategy to help Uganda overcome the huddles affecting its plan to meet the Millennium Developmental Goals ahead of the 2015 deadline.

"We are concerned about the current poor water facilities in the country, and as ADB we thought there is need to help Uganda stand up to the challenge through our two projects available," Mr Mukaila A Ojelade, ADB's Resident Representative to Uganda told Daily Monitor on September 22.

The first project would empower the National Water and Sewerage Cooperation to improve water supply and Sanitation in all the informal settlements in Kampala.

Particular emphasis will be put on appropriate sanitation, proper treatment and environmentally sound disposal of the human waste.

According to Mr K. Beddumra, the Director African Water Facility (AWF), the second project will be an NGO project under Network for Water and Sanitation Uganda (NETWAS-U) meant to bolster rain water harvesting in various districts.

"We call upon all NGOs concerned to present their proposals for funding," he said. "We hope by December to have disposed off this facility." AWF mobilises financial resources for water resource development in Africa.

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