



MINISTERS'S SPEECH ON THE OCCASION OF THE SECOND
GRADUATION CEREMONY OF MUNI UNIVERSITY

1.0 Protocol

H.E. The Vice President

Hon. Speaker of Parliament

Hon. Chief Justice

Hon. Ministers of State for Education

Hon. Ministers present

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Hon. Members of Parliament

Your Excellencies the Ambassadors

Chairman of Council and Council Members

The Chancellor

The Vice Chancellor & Members of Senate

The Vice Chancellors of other Universities
The Deputy Vice Chancellor Academic Affairs
All Civic and Religious dignitaries here present
Members of the University Community
Distinguished Guests
Graduands
Parents
Ladies and Gentlemen,

2. Gratitude

I am greatly privileged to be with you here today to celebrate this important occasion of the second graduation ceremony of the University.

I am grateful for the steady and consistent progress being made at this young University.

I would like to pledge my commitment and that of my Ministry to always support the growth, expansion and development of this young institution.

I very much appreciate the sacrifices and commitment you have exhibited and especially for providing land for expansion and development of a modern university.

I salute you all for this great support to the University and Government of the Republic of Uganda.

3. The Vice Chancellor

In a special way I would like to thank the Vice Chancellor, Professor Christine Dranzoa for ably managing the affairs of the University from its inception and for all the achievements registered up-to-date.

I call upon the staff, students and management of the university to rally behind the Vice Chancellor so that together we can steer the University to greater heights.

I am very grateful for your commitment and hard work.

4. The Chancellor of University

I thank Dr. Eric Tiyo Sekebuga Adriko for his reappointment to perform the duties of the Chancellor of Muni University for the second term.

I wish you good health and urge you to continue serving this university with dedication.

5. Governing Council

I thank the outgoing Chair and members of the University Council for managing the affairs of the University very well and I warmly welcome the chair of Council and his team on board.

I therefore call upon the University Council to remain focused and guide the university to achieve its mission and vision of being a model university for transformation and development and especially of the lives of our people.

I am very grateful to associate with Muni University and I will continue to monitor the progress of the university and support the university in all ways possible.

6. University Senate

I would like to appeal to University Senate that is responsible for development and approval of academic programs to ensure that the programmes developed in this university, equip especially the youth with entrepreneurial skills that enable them create jobs, remain innovative, competitive and get absorbed in the current job market.

The Ministry will always provide funding for demand driven programmes in Technical and Vocational Education, Agriculture, Science Education, Engineering, Health sciences, Information and

Communication Technology, Oil, Gas and Petroleum management, Tourism and Hospitality Management.

7. Students Body

I will remain truly grateful to the students of Muni University, for exhibiting mature and exemplary leadership.

8. Students Loan Board

All of you are aware of the introduction of the Higher Education Students' Financing Board by government to provide loans for those who cannot afford tuition fees.

The introduction of the Higher Education Students Financing Board [HESFB], commonly known as the loan scheme is intended to broaden access to higher education and especially in science and technology.

I would therefore like to call upon those in need of this facility to apply for it.

9. Graduands

To our dear graduands, I congratulate all of you for this great achievement. I urge you to explore more opportunities that open the door for you in the world of work.

Ensure that you remain innovative as this is the only way you will overcome the challenges ahead of you.

Apply the knowledge and skills imparted in you equitably and prepare to be in the forefront to lead the struggle that will transform the lives of our people.

I call upon you the young people to avoid the culture of violence that is slowly eating the moral fabrics of our society.

This culture is dangerous because it will only ruin your life and destroy your future.

10. Conclusion

I want to thank the Awards and Ceremonies Committee for organizing a colorful graduation ceremony.

I am grateful to all of you present and the other partners and collaborators who may not be with us here today. We value your contributions in all ways.

I thank you all for attending this ceremony.

May God bless you all

“Transforming Lives”

FOR GOD AND MY COUNTRY