

NAPE (National Association of Professional Environmentalists) wishing Ugandans a happy independence

" Reflections on Environmental Freedom"

October 9th marks a significant milestone in Uganda's history - Independence Day. As we commemorate 62 years of self-rule, NAPE joins all Ugandans in celebrating this achievement.

However, as we observe the joy of independence, we must also reflect on the state of our environment. Uganda's natural resources, including Lake Victoria, the Nile, and our forests, are the backbone of our economy and livelihoods.

Uganda faces pressing environmental concerns like climate change threatens agricultural productivity and water security, deforestation and land degradation endanger biodiversity, pollution from industrial activities and waste management issues harm human health.

NAPE remains dedicated to promoting sustainable development and environmental conservation. Our work focuses on advocating for climate justice and renewable energy, protecting Uganda's water resources and forests, empowering communities to manage natural resources sustainably.

As we celebrate independence, NAPE urges all Ugandans to recognize the potential value of our natural resources, adopt environmentally conscious practices and demand policy changes that prioritize environmental protection.

Uganda's independence is a reminder of our collective responsibility to protect our country's rich heritage. NAPE commits to continuing its efforts towards a sustainable, environmentally conscious Uganda.

Happy Independence, Uganda!

May this milestone inspire us to strive for a brighter and greener future.

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