



President Ndayishimiye is meeting with members of the Burundian diaspora



On Wednesday, August 5, 2026, the President of the Republic of Burundi and current Chairman of the African Union, met at the Presidential Palace in Kiriri with members of the Burundian diaspora involved in investment projects in Burundi.

The discussions, characterized by openness and candor, provided an opportunity to examine the challenges faced by diaspora investors in carrying out their projects. Participants also identified potential solutions to improve the investment climate and strengthen the diaspora's contribution to national development. Discussions also focused on ways to improve sectors in which the diaspora is involved, to strengthen the quality of public services and to promote a more dynamic public-private partnership, for the benefit of all stakeholders.

Recalling that Burundi's development is a collective responsibility, the Burundian Head of State highlighted the numerous investment opportunities the country offers. He urged the Burundian diaspora to demonstrate patriotism by becoming true ambassadors for Burundi, promoting its image and potential internationally.

At the end of the meeting, the participants agreed to strengthen their collaboration and work together to make the diaspora a strategic stakeholder in national development. The Burundian President invited them to continue their efforts to attract investors, highlighting the numerous opportunities Burundi offers, particu-

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larly in the tourism sector, whose potential remains

largely untapped. **(Presidency)**

Launch of a project aimed at improving reproductive health and well-being



On Monday, August 3, 2026, in Bujumbura, the First Lady of Burundi, Her Excellency Angeline Ndayishimiye, officially launched a project aimed at improving access to family planning services and modern contraceptive methods for young married couples. In her presentation, the Executive Secretary of the Office of the First Lady for Development in Burundi (OPDD-Burundi), Dr. Liliane Nkengurutse, indicated that this project, funded by the OPDD and scheduled to run for six months, from March to September 2026, primarily targets young married couples aged 18 to 35, as well as young mothers living in disadvantaged neighborhoods of the economic capital.

According to Dr. Nkengurutse, many young married couples still face difficulties accessing adequate information and quality family planning services. This situation limits their ability to space or plan births, impacting their health, well-being, and living conditions. She explained that the project's overall objective is to contribute to improving the reproductive health, well-being, and socioeconomic conditions of young married couples and young mothers in Bujumbura. She also emphasized that young mothers living in disadvantaged neighborhoods are among the most vulnerable groups. Due to their limited economic independence, some face challenges that expose them to various forms of hardship.

Regarding the expected results, Dr. Nkengurutse explained that the project aims at training 100 young married couples and raise their awareness of family planning and modern contraceptive methods. It will

also improve the living conditions of 200 young mothers through economic empowerment initiatives. Twenty groups or cooperatives of young mothers will be created or strengthened and will receive financial and technical support.

She noted that the project's implementation will involve several stages, including beneficiary identification, awareness-raising among young married couples, the provision of interest-free loans, support for small-scale livestock farming, and the monitoring and evaluation of activities.



In her address at the official launch of the project, the First Lady of Burundi stated that she hopes to see the Burundian population thrive in a context of good health and well-being. She indicated that uncontrolled population growth poses numerous challenges in all sectors of national life.

According to her, when the population increases while land and resources remain unchanged, this situation fosters land conflicts, puts pressure on basic social services, and increases the frequency of disasters linked to high population density.

Her Excellency Angeline Ndayishimiye urged parents to adopt responsible parenting practices by having only as many children as they can raise, care for, and meet their basic needs until they reach independence.

She also called on young women who have experienced early motherhood to engage in income-generating activities and development projects.

She encouraged them to avoid any behavior that could lead to another early pregnancy. **(ABP)**

The Speaker of the National Assembly returns from South Africa



The Speaker of the National Assembly of Burundi, the Right Honourable Gélase Daniel Ndabirabe, returned to Burundi on Monday, August 3, 2026, from Midrand, South Africa. He had participated in the Pan-African Parliament (PAP) sessions, where the main activities focused on evaluating achievements and establishing an action plan within the framework of the Continental Vision 2063.

Upon his arrival at Melchior Ndadaye International Airport, the Right Honourable Ndabirabe stated that the Pan-African Parliament meeting provided an

opportunity to review achievements and future prospects up to 2063. The role of parliamentary diplomacy was central to the discussions, and given its importance, participants pledged to redouble their efforts to achieve the Pan-African Parliament's objectives.

Regarding future projections, the participants at the Midrand meeting in South Africa committed to developing a package to strengthen partnerships between African parliaments and to build capacity in various fields. The issue of equity and addressing youth and women's unemployment were also discussed.

The Speaker of the National Assembly of Burundi also addressed the issue of unity among the member states of the Pan-African Parliament, a topic discussed during the meeting.

He noted that achieving unity will be difficult as long as conflicts and wars persist between states, suggesting that current efforts to achieve the African Union's Vision 2063 could be jeopardized. However, he remains optimistic that these challenges can be overcome, thus enabling the Pan-African Parliament to achieve its objectives. (*Le Renouveau*)

Opening of the ordinary parliamentary session for August 2026



On Monday, August 3, 2026, the Speaker of the Senate, the Right Honourable Gervais Ndirakobuca, presided over the formal opening of the August ordinary parliamentary session in the Gitega chamber. The ceremonies were attended by several authorities, including the Governor of Gitega Province, Mr. Liboire Bigirimana, the Administrator of Gitega Commune, Dr. Jacques Nduwimana, the Secretary of the CNDD-FDD party in Gitega Province, Mr. Georges Nshimirimana, rep-

resentatives of the defense and security forces, and other guests.



The Speaker of the Senate indicated that during this session, the Senators will examine several bills, continue monitoring the implementation of the decentralization policy, and conduct visits to all municipalities across the country to assess the achievements of local administrations and gather public concerns. He

specified that the Senators will notably analyze three bills already submitted by the Government. These are the draft law on access to public information, the draft law amending Decree-Law No. 1/06 of February 23, 1993 establishing an offense relating to fraud, examinations and educational assessments organized for the purpose of passing a class or cycle or obtaining certificates and diplomas, as well as the draft law ratifying by the Republic of Burundi the cooperation agreement between Burundi and Angola relating to visa exemption for holders of diplomatic and service passports, signed in Addis Ababa on February 12, 2026.

Beyond the review of legislative texts, the Right Honourable Ndirakobuca emphasized that this session will also be dedicated to finding solutions to the population's concerns. The Senators will take this opportunity to encourage citizens to preserve peace and security, while continuing development initiatives to contribute to the country's prosperity. He also indicated that, as part of their oversight of public action, the Senators will conduct site visits to all communes in Burundi during this session. These visits, he explained, will allow them to assess the progress of implementing the new municipal organization resulting from the decentralization policy, to verify the application of recommendations made during previous site visits, and to evaluate the achievements recorded after one year of operation of the new administrative entities.

The Speaker of the Senate presided over the formal

opening of the August 2026 ordinary parliamentary session. He reminded elected officials that they must remain attentive to the needs of the population and actively participate in community development efforts. He emphasized that the Senate's mission is not limited to passing laws, but also includes ensuring the well-being of the population and supporting grassroots development initiatives. During this session, the Senate will continue to organize field visits and meetings throughout the country to strengthen the decentralization policy. It will monitor the functioning of municipalities, develop the skills of senators and Senate staff, and consolidate cooperation with foreign parliaments through participation in various international parliamentary meetings.

The Right Honourable Ndirakobuca took this opportunity to express his condolences to the victims of the recent fires, particularly those at the Ngozi market. He called on citizens to be vigilant, to strengthen fire prevention measures, and to protect their property by taking out approved insurance policies. He also congratulated the senators for their work during the intersession, which included field visits to support the population in various development projects and to gather their concerns.

The Right Honourable Ndirakobuca urged them to resume their work with determination and a sense of responsibility in order to meet the population's expectations and contribute effectively to achieving Burundi's vision of "an emerging country by 2040 and a developed country by 2060." (ABP)

The Burundian Prime Minister launches provincial workshops on the execution and reporting of the general state budget and the role of FONIC



On Tuesday, August 4, 2026, Buhumuza Province hosted a major event for public governance in Burundi: the official launch of provincial workshops on the execution and reporting of the general state budget, as well as on the role of the

National Communal Investment Fund (FONIC). Placed under the high patronage of the Burundian Prime Minister, Mr. Nestor Ntahontuye, this initiative is part of the ongoing reforms undertaken for more efficient, transparent and responsible management of public finances.



In his opening remarks, Mr. Ntahontuye emphasized the importance of these workshops, which aim at ensuring

that provincial and municipal stakeholders effectively adopt the guidelines of the 2026-2027 Finance Law. The objective of these workshops was to bring budget management closer to local realities, accelerate decision-making, and improve the quality of public services. The flagship reform of this fiscal year is the deconcentration and decentralization of budget execution. Provinces and municipalities are now becoming hubs of territorial development, fully involved in achieving national objectives. For example, Buhumuza Province benefits from a total budget of over 127 billion Burundian francs, distributed between the municipal and provincial levels.

The speech highlighted the increased role of the National Municipal Investment Fund, now the primary authorizing officer for investment funds allocated to municipalities. This increased responsibility is accompanied by the appointment of principal and secondary public accountants in each municipality, thus ensuring rigorous and transparent management of funds allocated to local development. Several institutional innovations were introduced by Decree No. 100/093 of July 22, 2026: Provincial Directors became secondary authorizing officers for budget appropriations for provincial ministerial departments. Provincial Governors manage the operating budgets

of their offices. A specific mechanism for managing operating budgets was established for provincial and municipal administrations. These measures aim at improving the speed of execution, strengthen the accountability of managers, and ensure greater efficiency in the use of public resources.

The Burundian Prime Minister emphasized the responsibility of each stakeholder-governor, provincial director, municipal administrator, department head, and public accountant in the success of this reform. He called for unwavering commitment, collaboration, and transparency to ensure the smooth execution of the budget and the achievement of national goals.

The opening of these provincial workshops in Buhumuza marks a decisive turning point in Burundi's budgetary governance. By emphasizing decentralization, the empowerment of local stakeholders, and the central role of FONIC (National Fund for Independent Local Government), the Government is laying the foundations for modern, efficient, and results-oriented public management.

This collective momentum is essential to achieving Burundi's vision: "an emerging country by 2040 and a developed country by 2060." **(Prime Minister's Office)**

Burundi and the AfCFTA: Towards effective continental integration



On August 3, 2026, His Excellency Ambassador Édouard Bizimana, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and Development Cooperation of Burundi, received in audience a delegation from the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA), led by its Secretary General, Mr. Wamkele Mene, as part of a working visit. The discussions focused on topics of common interest, in particular the effective implementation of the AfCFTA in Burundi, one of the priority areas of the

African Union during the period when Burundi holds the presidency of the continental organization.

Secretary-General Wamkele Mene welcomed Burundi's ratification of the AfCFTA legal instruments in 2025, paving the way for the exploitation of the opportunities offered by this platform. He noted that Burundi's membership in COMESA and the East African Community (EAC) is a major asset for regional economic integration. He also indicated that his institution is working with African commercial banks to identify promising sectors for investment, with the aim of enabling Burundi to acquire shares in these financial institutions. Furthermore, the AfCFTA aims at strengthening the connection between the Burundian private sector and those of other countries in the region.

Taking the floor at the event, Minister Édouard Bizimana expressed his gratitude for the visit, which he described as important for Burundi. He commended the projects supported by the AfCFTA, particularly the development of strategic infrastructure such as the

railway linking Burundi to neighboring countries and improved access to regional ports-initiatives that will facilitate trade connectivity and economic integration. The Minister also highlighted Burundi's efforts in the field of e-commerce, with an ongoing project scheduled for completion in October 2026, a project to which the Secretary-General has agreed to lend his support.

Minister Bizimana welcomed the fact that Burundi had already ratified the instruments of the AfCFTA, unlike some member states which have not yet done so, thus demonstrating the country's commitment to continental

integration. He stressed, however, that the security situation in the East of the Democratic Republic of Congo remains a major obstacle to the effective implementation of the AfCFTA, recalling that without security, peace and stability, the projects of this pan-African initiative cannot fully progress.

In conclusion, the Minister assured the delegation that Burundi would spare no effort to move forward in concert with other member states, in the spirit of solidarity and cooperation that underpins the AfCFTA. **(MFARIDC)**

Handover ceremony between the outgoing and incoming Assistant to the Minister at the MFARIDC



A handover ceremony between the incoming Assistant to the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and Development Cooperation, Ambassador Else NIZIGAMA, and the outgoing Assistant to the Minister, Mr. Adolphe BUKURU, was held on Monday, August 3, 2026.



The ceremony was presided over by His Excellency Ambassador Edouard BIZIMANA, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and Development Cooperation, in the presence of the Ministry's executives and

senior officials.

In his address, the Minister offered valuable advice to the new Assistant to the Minister to support her in her new role. He briefed her on the main ongoing projects, including the renovation of the Ministry headquarters, the various joint commissions being prepared, the project to construct the Ministry's future building in Gitega, and the major continental and international meetings that Burundi is currently preparing for.

The Minister also invited the managers and senior officials present to provide the new Assistant with all the necessary collaboration and support to enable her to effectively carry out her mission. He reiterated his call to strengthen the spirit of collaboration within the Ministry, reminding them that teamwork is the key to success. Furthermore, he urged all staff to reject any form of wrongdoing, to demonstrate integrity, and to dedicate themselves fully to their work in the best interests of the country.

Taking the floor at the event, Ambassador Else Nizigama, the new Assistant to the Minister, expressed her deep gratitude to the authorities for placing their trust in her by appointing her to this position. She emphasized that the success of her assigned missions would depend on collective commitment and the contribution of each individual. To this end, she called upon all colleagues to work in a spirit of synergy, solidarity, and responsibility. For his part, the outgoing Assistant to the Minister, Mr. Adolphe Bukuru, thanked the authorities for the trust placed in him during his tenure. He wished his successor every success in fulfilling his new responsibilities. **(MFARIDC)**

Burundi-Netherlands bilateral relations: continuity and prospects



On August 3, 2026, His Excellency Ambassador Édouard Bizimana, Burundian Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and Development Cooperation, received in audience Mrs. Lianne HWS Huben, Ambassador of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to Burundi, who came to bid farewell at the end of her diplomatic mission.



In her remarks, Mrs. Lianne Huben expressed her deep appreciation for the excellent relations of friendship and cooperation that have united Burundi and the Netherlands for over six decades. She commended the

Ministry's constant collaboration and support throughout her tenure, recalling that her country has supported Burundi in essential areas such as food security, health, human rights, and youth employment. She informed the audience that, for budgetary reasons, some diplomatic missions have been closed, and that the Embassy of the Netherlands in Burundi will cease operations on July 31, 2027. From that date, bilateral relations will be handled by the Embassy of the Netherlands in Dar es Salaam. She reassured everyone, however, that ongoing projects will continue to be implemented through Dutch funding provided to the European Union, the World Bank, the United Nations, and other partners and local organizations such as the Red Cross and UNICEF. She also highlighted her country's regular contribution of 4 million euros to the International Conference on the Great Lakes Region (ICGLR) in the context of consolidating regional peace.

Speaking at the event, His Excellency Minister Édouard Bizimana warmly thanked Mrs. Lianne Huben for her commitment, courage, and exemplary collaboration during her time in Burundi. He wished her every success in her future career, while reaffirming the importance of the cooperative relationship between the two countries, which will continue through the Embassy of the Netherlands in Dar es Salaam.

The Minister particularly emphasized the relevance of ongoing projects, especially those related to youth employment and security, which he described as initiatives of vital importance for the development of Burundi and the region as a whole. **(MFARIDC)**

Working visit of a US delegation to Burundi



On August 4, 2026, His Excellency Ambassador Édouard Bizimana, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration, and

Development Cooperation, received in audience an American delegation led by Mr. Mike McCabe, a member of the Professional Staff of the House Foreign Affairs Committee (HFAC), on a working visit to Burundi. After the customary greetings, His Excellency the Minister presented an overview of the geopolitical situation in Burundi and the region. He emphasized that Burundi enjoys political and security stability throughout its territory and remains committed to implementing its strategic vision of becoming an emerging state by 2040 and a developed state by 2060.

The Minister reiterated that national institutions work in

close synergy to implement public policies within the framework of this vision. He also highlighted the excellent relations of friendship and bilateral cooperation between Burundi and the United States. Addressing the regional situation, His Excellency Édouard Bizimana expressed his concern regarding the recurring conflicts in eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo, attributed to rebel movements such as the M23, supported by the Rwandan army. He deplored the lack of respect for peace initiatives undertaken thus far and called for greater involvement from the United States in the effective implementation of the Washington and Doha Agreements, emphasizing that without peace and security, no development project can succeed.

In response, Mr. Mike McCabe expressed his gratitude for the warm welcome extended to his delegation and explained that the objective of their mission was to ascertain the political, security, and economic situation in

the countries of the sub-Saharan region, in order to report back to the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives. He commended the efforts of the Government of Burundi in restoring peace and security, under the enlightened leadership of His Excellency the President of Burundi and current Chairperson of the African Union, H.E. Evariste Ndayishimiye. He also appreciated the country's commitment to combating poverty and indicated that the delegation wished to explore practical modalities for economic partnerships, particularly in the area of trade, for the benefit of Burundi and the region.

His Excellency Minister Édouard Bizimana welcomed this initiative, believing that such regional projects would foster interconnectedness and help prevent recurring confrontations. He reaffirmed that Burundi will continue to play a positive role in all humanitarian, security, and economic initiatives, and that it remains ready to cooperate in building a better, conflict-free world. **(MFARIDC)**

Diplomatic dialogue between Burundi and the Holy See



On August 4, 2026, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and Development Cooperation, His Excellency Ambassador Édouard Bizimana, received in audience His Excellency Archbishop Dieudonné Datonou, Apostolic Nuncio to the Republic of Burundi. Discussions focused on matters of common interest as well as

strengthening the relations of friendship and cooperation between the Holy See and the Republic of Burundi.

During the meeting, His Excellency Archbishop Dieudonné Datonou thanked the Minister for his availability and warm welcome. He also expressed his gratitude to the Republic of Burundi for opening its diplomatic mission to the Holy See, emphasizing that this initiative represents an important step in strengthening the relations of friendship and cooperation between the Holy See and Burundi.

For his part, His Excellency Ambassador Édouard Bizimana reaffirmed that relations between Burundi and the Holy See are excellent and deserve to be further strengthened. He indicated that the opening of Burundi's diplomatic mission to the Holy See reflects this shared desire to reinforce bilateral ties. The Minister concluded by specifying that the next step will be appointment of an Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Ambassador of the Republic of Burundi to the Holy See. **(MFARIDC)**

Presentation of the copies of the credentials of the German Ambassador to Burundi



On August 5, 2026, in Bujumbura, His Excellency Mr. Ambassador Édouard Bizimana, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration

and Development Cooperation, received in audience His Excellency Mr. Hubertus Klink, Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany to Burundi, who came to present the copies of his credentials.

The discussions focused on topics of common interest,

notably strengthening bilateral relations between Burundi and Germany. Minister Édouard Bizimana presented the geopolitical situation of Burundi and the region, emphasizing that the country enjoys lasting stability and peace, with security assured throughout its national territory. He expressed regret over Germany's classification of Burundi as a non-priority country for German cooperation, urging the new Head of Mission to work towards restoring trust and revitalizing bilateral relations. He further suggested reviving projects previously implemented by Germany in Burundi, such as twinning programs and other cooperation initiatives.

Speaking at the event, His Excellency Mr. Hubertus

Klink assured the audience that he was aware of the situation in Burundi and the region. He reaffirmed his commitment to working tirelessly to improve bilateral and diplomatic relations between the two countries. He added that Germany would continue to support Burundi in its peacebuilding efforts and contribute to finding lasting solutions to the conflicts in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

In conclusion, Minister Édouard Bizimana reaffirmed Burundi's commitment, through his Ministry, to collaborate closely with Germany in order to achieve the expected progress within the framework of their partnership. **(MFARIDC)**

Food security and the blue economy at the heart of the discussions



Bujumbura, August 6, 2006, His Excellency Ambassador Édouard Bizimana, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and Development Cooperation, received in audience a delegation led by Mr. Moses Vilakati, Commissioner of the Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Blue Economy and Sustainable Environment (ARBE) of the African Union, as part of a working visit.

During this meeting, discussions focused on topics of common interest, including those related to agriculture, fertilizer use, harvesting/production, food security, sustainable environmental management, and the prospects offered by the blue economy. Speaking at the event, Mr. Moses Vilakati began by expressing his gratitude for the warm welcome extended to his delegation. He noted that his mission was part of the implementation of the African Union's theme for the current year: "Ensuring sustainable availability of safe water and sanitation systems to achieve the goals of Agenda 2063." He emphasized that the Afri-

can Union's statutory and technical meetings focus on industrialization, natural resource management, and mobilizing financing for African integration, perfectly aligned with his department's mission.

The Commissioner commended the leadership of His Excellency the President of Burundi, who has placed agriculture at the heart of his national policy, recognizing that it forms the basis of food security and, consequently, national stability. He emphasized the crucial role of fertilizers in increasing harvests and ensuring food self-sufficiency, noting that a nation lacking fertilizers and crops is vulnerable to insecurity. He also announced that an Ordinary Summit of Heads of State and Government dedicated to fertilizers is planned for the near future. He stated that adopting an ambitious regional fertilizer policy would strengthen food security, ensure greater food availability for the population, and stimulate rural development.

In response, His Excellency Minister Édouard Bizimana highlighted Burundi's efforts in this area, noting that national institutions produce high-quality fertilizers, which also benefit neighboring countries. He emphasized that the issue of water and food security would be discussed at upcoming regional meetings and assured that the Burundian government is working to guarantee universal access to drinking water, including in the most remote areas. The Minister concluded by stating that the Ministry of Agriculture and the Ministry of Energy are working closely together to promote the agri-food sector and develop the blue economy, considered a strategic lever for the country's sustainable growth and economic resilience. **(MFARIDC)**

Meeting between the Minister of Foreign Affairs and the delegation from the Economic Community of Central African States



On Thursday, August 6, 2026, His Excellency Ambassador Édouard Bizimana, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration, and Development Cooperation of the Republic of Burundi, received in audience a delegation from the Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS), led by Her Excellency Rosario Mbasogo Kung, Minister of Integration of the Republic of Equatorial Guinea and Chairperson of the ECCAS Council of Ministers. The delegation also included Ambassador Dr. Ezéchiel Nibigira, President of the ECCAS Commission, as well as other senior officials of this sub-regional organization.

During this audience, Her Excellency Mrs. Rosario MBASOGO KUNG indicated that this mission is part of a tour of the ECCAS member states. Its aims include

introducing the Commission's new leadership team, discussing the implementation of decisions concerning the financing of the Community's integration projects, and reviewing the payment of statutory contributions from member states.

Minister Édouard Bizimana welcomed the delegation and reaffirmed Burundi's commitment to strengthening the ECCAS. He emphasized that Burundi will continue to honor its obligations to the Community and actively contribute to achieving its objectives. He also stressed the need for member states to ensure their own financial security for their organization in order to strengthen its autonomy and effectiveness. Speaking at the event, His Excellency Ambassador Dr. Ezéchiel NIBIGIRA outlined the main priorities of the new ECCAS Commission. He indicated that the delegation had already visited six member states, where it observed a shared commitment to strengthening the Community, particularly through the regular payment of statutory contributions and the implementation of ongoing reforms.

In conclusion, Minister Édouard Bizimana thanked the delegation and indicated that they would be received on Friday, August 7, 2026, by His Excellency Mr. Évariste Ndayishimiye, President of the Republic of Burundi, to present the objectives of their mission and the main priorities of the new ECCAS Commission. **(MFARIDC)**

Diplomatic visit to the new Burundian Chancery in Cairo



On August 3, 2026, His Excellency Omar NTEZIMBERE, Ambassador of Burundi to Egypt, had the honor of welcoming to the

new Chancery His Excellency Willy NYAMITWE, Ambassador of Burundi to Ethiopia and Permanent Representative of Burundi to the African Union.

This visit was part of consultations with the bodies of the African Union and the Arab League, demonstrating Burundi's commitment to strengthening its regional and multilateral cooperation.

On this occasion, His Excellency Willy Nyamitwe congratulated his counterpart on the now guaranteed access to modern and suitable workspaces, marking an important step in Burundi's diplomatic presence in Cairo. **(Embassy of Burundi in Cairo)**

Courtesy visit to the Embassy of Burundi in New Delhi



As part of strengthening diplomatic cooperation and coordination between Burundi's representations abroad, His Excellency Ambassador Zéphyrin MANIRATANGA, Permanent

Representative of the Republic of Burundi to the United Nations in New York, paid a visit to the Embassy of the Republic of Burundi in New Delhi on Tuesday, August 4, 2026.

On this occasion, he was received by His Excellency Major General Aloys Bizindavyi, Ambassador of the Republic of Burundi to India, as well as by the diplomatic and local staff of the Embassy. This visit facilitated fruitful discussions on Burundi's diplomatic priorities, the strengthening of cooperation between diplomatic missions, and prospects for promoting Burundi's interests on the bilateral and multilateral stages. It demonstrates a shared commitment to an active and coordinated diplomacy that serves the country's development.

On behalf of all the staff of the Embassy of Burundi in New Delhi, Ambassador Aloys Bizindavyi warmly thanked his colleague for his significant contribution as the first Burundian diplomat to open this diplomatic mission in 2009. In turn, Ambassador Zéphyrin Maniratanga expressed his joy and emotion at being warmly welcomed by the Embassy staff, including some who had accompanied him during the establishment of the diplomatic mission. **(Embassy of Burundi in New Delhi)**

Celebrating Africa Day 2026



On Wednesday, August 5, 2026, the staff of the Embassy of Burundi in India participated in the celebration of Africa Day. The ceremonies were graced by the presence of His Excellency Dr. Subrahmanyan Jaishankar, Minister of External Affairs of the Government of India.

On Wednesday, August 5, 2026, the staff of the

Embassy of Burundi in India participated in the celebration of Africa Day. The ceremonies were graced

by the presence of His Excellency Dr. Subrahmanyan Jaishankar, Minister of External Affairs of the Government of India.



In his speech, the Minister of External Affairs of the Government of India

reiterated the Indian Government's support for assisting the African continent in its economic development and in achieving Agenda 2063 for the transformation of the continent into a global power.

This celebration of Africa Day saw the participation of all African diplomatic missions residing in New Delhi, strategic partners of the African continent, and friends from around the world. The festivities were enlivened by dances performed by various groups from African countries and India.

During this event, African diplomatic missions in New Delhi once again demonstrated their dynamism, creativity, and ability to work together to promote the image of Africa as a land of rich culture and opportunity. **(Embassy of Burundi in New Delhi)**

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