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**IPCC-46 IN CANADA**

The 46<sup>th</sup> session of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC-46) is scheduled to be held in Montreal, Canada from 6-10 September 2017.

According to Mr. James Magezi who will represent UNMA this session will focus on various issues such as; communication and outreach activities. This is one of UNMA's greatest targets for attaining visibility in the public.

The Panel will also discuss the IPCC scholarship program. This will be of great to UNMA staff. The panel is also expected to have a significant output on global warming of 1.5<sup>o</sup>C. These decisions may help Uganda, and indeed the rest of the world in handling climate change effects and deterrent measures.

**NEW AWS INSTALLATION ON**

The Directorate of Station Network and Observations is in an exercise where UNMA is getting an addition 35 Automatic Weather Stations (AWS) across the country making a total 26% coverage compared to the required 40% in the NDII.

These stations were specifically installed in the Districts of Serere, Kaberemaido, Amolatar, Dokolo, Apac and Oyam. At the end of the activity, the number increased from 32 to 41 AWSs across the country, increasing the coverage from 27 to 32 Districts.

According to the Director, Mr. Paul Isabirye, during the week ending 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2017, DSNO increased the coverage of Automatic Weather stations (AWSs) by nine additional stations to the north of the Lake Kyoga Basin. More updates will come in the next issues.

**SOND 2017 OUTLOOK RELEASED**



*The ED Releases SOND Out look at media center as journalists record proceedings.*

The UNMA ED, Dr. Festus Luboyera on Tuesday this week released the SOND Seasonal outlook at the Media Center in Kampala.

The Outlook shows that a large part of the normal to above normal rain. The areas of Karamoja region and western Uganda Isingiro will have normal to below normal rains. (refer to the outlook electronically sent to you).

The Director, Applied Meteorology, Data and Climate Services, Mr. Deus Bamanya, gave the advisories and the systems that are expected to affect the weather patterns during this season.

The population was about possible against land slides on the slopes of Mt. Elgon and Rwenzori. Possibilities of lightning were also mentioned and Parents and teachers were advised to guide children during thunder. Lightning conductors should be installed on all communal places and homes.



*An Automatic Weather Station in Kaberemaido*

**STRATEGIC PLAN**

UNMA This week held a Stakeholders workshop to discuss the zero Draft of the Strategic Investment plan (SIP).

The Draft was presented to Management for review by the consultant, UPIMAC, led by the senior consultant, Dr. R. Kalibwani,



*Staff deliberate on the SIP at OPM Boardroom.*

Senior Management and other staff reviewed chapters 1,2,3,4 and 6 of draft plan for two days at the Headquarters.

The two day workshop involved discussions and group work to enrich the draft and to be recommended.