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Ministry of Finance wants big push on livestock sector

From BEN BAGO in Dodoma

THE MINISTER for Finance and Planning, Dr Mwigulu Nchemba, has appealed to the country's livestock stakeholders to help the government realise its commitment to strengthening meat and dairy products.

The minister call came as the government wants the livestock sector to increase its GDP contribution through enhancing productivity.

Dr Nchemba made the statement in Dodoma when he met

with the Minister for Livestock and Fisheries, Mr Mashimba Ndaki, and experts from both ministries, as well as private producers in the dairy and meat sectors.

Dr Nchemba stressed that the livestock sector will make a significant contribution to the income of the people, especially the youth, but will also increase the country's revenue by producing meat and dairy products for local and foreign markets thus increasing forex earnings.

He challenged the stakeholders to be mentors and to

teach the upcoming producers how to produce better livestock for meat and dairy since they have a marketing network.

Also, he called on investors to capitalise on the opportunities available in the agricultural, livestock, and fisheries sectors to find employment in those key sectors instead of leaving the elderly alone to engage in agricultural and livestock issues.

The minister promised that the government is ready to empower those venturing in livestock keeping areas.

Mr Ndaki assured the stake-

holders who own the companies dealing in meat and dairy processing that the government is ready to work with them to improve the livestock sector.

In addition, Mr Mashimba said the big chunk of the ministry's fund in the coming budget 2022/2023 will be directed to increasing productivity while promoting employments.

The Livestock sector stakeholders who participated in the session advised the government to promote the sector by investing in priority issues including mobilisation, extension

services, veterinary health and building livestock processing infrastructure and finding reliable markets.

Moreover, they called on the government to review the levies and taxes on the livestock sector and reduce them in order to stimulate the production while reduce costs to make the sector competitive in and outside country.

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