## 'Buy Uganda Build Uganda' - TDB supports local cement production in Uganda

In 2015 Trade and Development Bank (TDB) financed the local cement manufacturer Kampala Cement Company Limited, complementing the Government of Uganda 'Buy Uganda Build Uganda' Policy (BUBU) which seeks to promote consumption of locally produced goods. Local manufacturing of cement is expected to reduce the cement deficit in Uganda hence reducing the country's reliance on imported cement.

TDB financed Kampala Cement Limited for a total of USD 49.3 million to construct and establish three cement grinding plants in Namataba, Mukono District (28km away from Kampala) for a tenor of 7 years. The total capacity is estimated at 950,000 mtpa, and production commenced in 2015.

Kampala Cement supplies cement to major projects such as road works, dams and buildings construction as well as precast manufacturers. The cement is distributed by a dedicated fleet of trucks and through a network of distributors and dealers in Uganda. Kampala Cement's product mix includes four brands, namely:

- 32.5R Nyati Brand, for general application and structural use;
- 42.5R Kifaru Portland Pozzolaba Cement (PPC) for structural and heavy steel works;
- 42.5R Ndovu, Ordinary Portland Cement (OPC), for structural and heavy civil works and
- 52.5N Supercrete Ordinary Portland Cement (OPC), for super strength civil works.

The company strives to manufacture and supply quality cement for the construction industry in Uganda and East Africa through operating Quality Management System (QMS) in accordance with the requirements of ISO 9001.

