

Luxury cultural villages in Uganda set for take off

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A non-governmental organization that works towards global peace and reduction of carbon and greenhouse gases says it has finally signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for a concession to operate, market and construct clusters of luxury cultural Heritage Villages on 300 acres of prime land in the East Buganda just 30 miles north of Kampala where the organization has its Solar Green Tourism project.

Solar Green Tourism says that the project which is a private British initiative will greatly assist the Ministry of Tourism and Uganda Tourism Board in promoting luxury tourism in Uganda.

The organization presented the project during the just concluded World Travel Market exhibition which was held in London and was also disseminated during the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM) in Kampala Uganda as a 'positive project for the people of Uganda, creating employment, educational, new tourism visitors and inflow of hard currency'.

Solar Green Tourism chief executive James Dummer says that the organization will invite Ugandan Kingdoms to participate in the Project without any financial commitment from them and rely on their advice on the layout requirement of their traditional Heritage Village. Each Village he reveals will occupy five acres of land. Other guests who will also be invited in-

clude the Zulu Kingdom among others. The Kingdoms participating he says will benefit through a donation of revenue generated while the local people in the area will also benefit by way of donations for schools and clinic improvements.

The Heritage Villages are ideal for stop overs to and from Murchison Falls National Park and other destinations. "Each Kingdom will be a showcase for journeying visitors to areas such as Jinja, Source of the Nile, Lake Victoria

and Fort Portal in Uganda," he says. The CEO revealed that each village will have seven traditional homesteads with bio-flush toilets and shower.

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