

PFCC-U's participation in the ongoing UNEA at NAIROBI KENYA

The Parliamentary Forum on Climate Change-Uganda (PFCC-U) is taking part in the ongoing United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA) taking Place at the UN Headquarters in Nairobi from 4th-15th March 2019. The main theme of the Assembly is “Innovative Solutions for Environmental Challenges and Sustainable Production and Consumption”. This is linked to the “Towards a Pollution Free Planet” theme of the previous Assembly.

Some of the important meetings of the Assembly comprised of the;

-The Open-Ended Meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives that started on March 4, 2019.

- The 18th Global Major Groups and Stakeholders Forum which is taking place on 7-8 March 2019.

- The Science-Policy-Business Forum that take place on March 9 – 10, 2019.

-Capacity building for UNEA on 13th March.

-The fourth session of the UN Environment Assembly gathering in Nairobi, Kenya from 11 - 15 March 2019.

PFCC-U recognizes the fact that high reliance on natural resources increases vulnerability of the national economy and people’s livelihoods which situation can only be exacerbated by the effects of climate change when no action is taken. Since there is growing pressure to tackle climate change right from national to international levels owing to its anticipated negative impacts on the livelihood of nations and global economies, PFCC-U has taken part in UNEA in a bid to fulfill its strategic Objectives of;

- ✓ Strengthening oversight of climate change planning, decision making and implementation of relevant interventions in Uganda.
- ✓ Providing an interface for climate change dialogue and a channel through which different stakeholders can have their climate change views voiced to parliament and in different fora, nationally/internationally.

PFCC-U is grateful to Pan African Climate Justice Alliance (PACJA)(Leader of the Major Groups Facilitation Committee) for its financial contribution towards the Forum participation in the Assembly.

The details of PFCC-U's experiences from the Assembly shall be shared in a detailed report.