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## RWANDA MILITARY ACADEMY



### VISION

To be a centre of excellence for educating and training cadets to become leaders of character, broadly educated and professionally skilled to serve in the defence forces



### MISSION

To train and educate cadets in the values of military profession and academic excellence in order to meet operational requirements



### CORE VALUES

- Knowledge
- Duty
- Honour
- Integrity
- Loyalty
- Patriotism
- Respect
- Personal Courage
- Service

# Transformation of Rwanda Military Academy



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## Transformation of Rwanda Military Academy- Gako.

The facility that hosts the Academy was established in the early 1960's for "National Guards" and transformed into a basic training Centre for army recruits in 1974. In 1999, Rwanda Military Academy admitted the first intake of officer cadets for a training duration of one year.

From mid-2000 the Academy hosted various military career courses including; Company Commanders Course, Grade 3 Staff Officer Course, Instructional Technology Course, Regimental Administration Course, Platoon Commanders & post mission training and bi-lateral cooperations Course, Methods of Instruction, Platoon Sergeant and Drill and Duties.

Due to high training demands at the Academy, by early 2002 most of the courses were relocated with the

exception of Company and Platoon Commanders Courses that were also relocated in 2014 at Combat Training Centre- Gabiro.

This development provided the required infrastructure to launch Officer Basic Training offering a Bachelor's Degree level of formal education in addition to professional military training.

In collaboration with the University of Rwanda, ten programs are offered by the Academy. These are; General Medicine, Mechanical and Energy Engineering, Computer Science, Physics, Mathematics, Chemistry, Biology, Nursing, Social and Military Sciences and Law.

Apart from Officer Basic Training, the Academy since 2006 conducts Peace Support Operations pre and post deployment training for contingents earmarked for United Nations and African Union Missions.



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I want to first focus on how we understand our profession as RDF.

We are not an Army that only protects the country; we participated in building it,

We are still building it, and we will continue to play our part.

Discipline is the key to succeeding in our job.

Discipline enables us to use our limited means efficiently, allocating the little we have where it is most needed.

Discipline is not enough on its own, but it is what we build on.

There is knowledge and understanding which helps build our capabilities.

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H.E President Paul Kagame and Commander in Chief of RDF addressing officers and men at the closing of Hard Punch Field Exercise, CTC Gabiro, 17 August 2023

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# Foreword by the Deputy Commandant



**Brig Gen F RUTAGENGWA**  
Deputy Commandant RMA

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For Cadets, we strive to equip them with excellence in both the academic and tactical realms to attain the desired professionalism and capabilities to deal with the contemporary security threats.

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It is with great pleasure and honor to welcome our esteemed readers to this edition of Rwanda Military Academy (RMA) Cadet magazine -The Source; and at the commissioning ceremony of the Officer Basic Training (OBT) intakes 11/23 (OBT Long) and 05/19 (OBT One year) respectively.

Eight years ago, we launched a degree program in collaboration with the University of Rwanda, with the admission of young men and women committed to undergoing a very demanding and challenging experience geared to develop their mental, physical and combat readiness to deal with contemporary security challenges. We are thankful to the RDF leadership and UR administration for the continued support to the academy to smoothly run the academic and military training programs.



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With the new infrastructure development in place, the academy will continue to expand the academic fields to address specific skills gaps both in RDF and the nation at large. A case in point is the new mechanical and medicine laboratories, accommodation facilities for both Senior and Junior officers as well as other ranks, staff mess, just to mention but a few.

Over the years, time and again, RMA Cadet magazine captures an array of cross-cutting activities and experiences. The Cadet training and learning experience is very critical and vital in formulating leaders of character with the highest caliber endowed with resilience, excellence, and extreme dedication to the service of our great nation. It highlights their experiences as trainees, class and fieldwork activities, the importance of technology in modern warfare and other inciting articles on various subject matter. Modern warfare has continuously exhibited the timely need to use science and technology; therefore, cadets are trained and well-aligned with this new trend.

As trained competent commanders and true leaders with combined harmony of intellect and

strength, the celebration of formal education and military training is not attained on a silver plate, the Cadets go through rigorous military training and formal education to enhance their intellectual capabilities.

For Cadets, we strive to equip them with excellence in both the academic and tactical realms to attain the desired professionalism and capabilities to deal with the contemporary security threats.

Profoundly, I place my sincere gratitude towards the efforts exhumed by the teaching staff and Cadets throughout the year in the production of this magazine. The Source magazine is one of the platforms for the Academy teaching staff and cadets to showcase and express personal views and experiences on various security-related issues, cadet training and challenges.

We immensely extend our deep gratitude to His Excellency, the President and the Commander-in-Chief of the Rwanda Defence Force and the entire RDF leadership for their unwavering support without which RMA would not have celebrated this milestone. And so are the families here today who trusted us with their sons and daughters to transform them into leaders of character, broadly educated and professionally skilled to serve in the Defence Forces. We strongly appreciate and acknowledge your support.

In a nutshell, we would like to thank all those who participated in the training of Cadets, University of Rwanda lecturers, Academy Instructors, and those who delivered lecturers of opportunity from various institutions.

Let us all together, applaud the Cadet graduates who made it today and wish them all the best of luck on their journeys ahead. Carry on with dedicated discipline and firm commitment as you walk into the new calling.

Forward, with pride and purpose!

# Editorial note by the Chief Editor



Col E MUNYANGABE

“The magazine covers various aspects in regard to cadets’ experience during training, their expectations, the transformation they have gained from the training, what is expected of them to successfully complete the course and the role of their instructors towards the trainees’ smooth running of the training.”

This magazine "The Source", was written by the editorial team of Rwanda Military Academy-Gako for cadet intakes graduating in 2024. It serves as an edition of officer cadets training as well as peace support operations pre-deployment training. There are two Officer Basic Training (OBT) courses, OBT- One Year and OBT Long.

OBT- Long encompasses military training and bachelor’s degree programs which include General Medicine and Surgery, Mechanical and Energy Engineering, Social and Military Sciences, Physical Sciences (Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Mathematics), Law, General Nursing and Computer Science while OBT One Year entirely runs military training for university graduates who train for one year to become officers.

The magazine covers various aspects in regard to cadets’ experience during training, their expectations, the transformation they have gained from the training, what is expected of them to successfully complete the course and the role of their instructors towards the trainees’ smooth running of the training. This edition consists of cadets and instructors’ articles which makes it more interesting for reading. It is further accompanied by pictorial images that show the nature of training both in the field and classroom.

The editorial team would like to extend a word of appreciation to the Deputy Commandant for his support in preparation and publication of this interesting magazine and would also like to wish the graduates all the best in their future responsibilities as officers and leaders in RDF.

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Maj J NKUSI

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## Formal education and Training: Going Beyond the Obvious in the Military Force

**“Higher institutions of learning ought to generate new knowledge rather than producing established knowledge”. There is a need to train people to think instead of memorizing events”.**

**At RMA-GAKO, mental preparedness in Military Training and Education is geared towards generating new knowledge through critical thinking.**

**M**ilitary training goes beyond the traditional classroom, exceeding what philosopher and educationist John Dewey advocated: “Let the children play as they learn.” Experiences in military service, for both seasoned soldiers and recruits, go beyond traditional learning environments. Military

education emphasizes hands-on learning, developing proficiency in equipment usage, weapon handling, tactics, and procedures. This empowers individuals to cultivate essential tactical skills, preparing for unforeseen challenges in high-pressure environments.

Globally, military training’s significance is paramount, especially amid uncertainties. Swift responses to surprise attacks, natural disasters, and perilous missions are crucial. Military training extends beyond physical drills, encompassing disciplines like leadership, advocacy, problem-solving, and adaptability. Realistic scenarios and intense challenges foster teamwork, unity, and trust, essential for effective communication and quick decision-making in unexpected situations.

In the military, mental preparation is crucial, instilling discipline and mental resilience. This equips sol-

diers with the skills and mindset to face and overcome unforeseen challenges. They are trained to maintain composure under pressure, think critically, and make rapid decisions in high-stress environments. This mental fortitude is vital when confronting the unexpected, enabling soldiers to stay focused and adapt to rapidly changing circumstances.

Comprehensive knowledge of military theory, strategy, history, and principles fosters critical thinking, problem-solving, and decision-making. Formal education enhances cadets’ ability to analyze situations and make informed choices. Combined with military training, this cultivates leaders resembling Plato’s philosopher King—guided by reason, morals, and emotional control. Continuous learning is upheld as a cultural norm to keep mental horizons aligned with the evolving digital landscape.

Military education and training complement each other, with education providing the intellectual foundation and training translating knowledge into practice. Emphasis on challenging tasks is fundamental, playing a pivotal role in preparing for the unexpected. Prioritizing teamwork, disci-

pline, and continuous learning ensures personnel are ready for any situation. Striking a balance between education and training is crucial, as an overemphasis on one can lead to inefficiencies. The synergy between these elements is vital for maintaining a highly capable and adaptable military force.

**“...military training is not just to prepare men for battle, but make them long for it.”**

Louis Simpson



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Lt Col I MUHIGIRWA,  
OBT Coordinator

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A physically fit service member is better equipped to carry out duties, endure long missions, and maintain optimal performance. Personal development plans often include fitness routines tailored to individual needs, fostering camaraderie and teamwork among military personnel.

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## Importance of personality development in military

**P**ersonality development is a continual process, enabling individuals to assess skills, ponder life goals and set objectives to maximize potential. In the military, it's not a luxury but a necessity. Military service demands resilience, adaptability and leadership, achievable only through ongoing growth and self-improvement.

Developing crucial skills not only benefits individuals but also enhances the armed forces' overall effectiveness. This article delves into the significance of personal development in the military and its profound impact on service members' lives.

Central to personal development in the military is the adoption of a growth mindset. This mindset believes that abilities and intelligence can be developed through dedication and hard work. Encouraging military personnel to view challenges as opportunities for growth, rather than insurmountable obstacles, fosters openness to learning, embracing constructive feedback and continuous efforts to improve skills and performance.

Personal development in the military entails a commitment to continuous learning and education. Military personnel are encouraged to seek new knowledge and skills relevant to their roles, taking various forms such as attending

workshops, pursuing advanced degrees, participating in training programs, and engaging in professional development courses.

Effective leadership is crucial in military operations, and personal development plays a pivotal role in cultivating leadership abilities. As service members progress in their careers, they must become proficient not only in technical skills but also in developing strong leadership qualities. Leadership development programs focus on communication, decision-making, empathy, and motivating and inspiring others.



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Military service often places personnel in demanding and stressful situations. Personal development programs emphasize building resilience and mental strength. Through mindfulness training, stress management techniques, and counseling support, military personnel can develop coping mechanisms that help them thrive in adversity, crucial not only in military engagements but also for overall well-being.

Physical fitness is a cornerstone of personal development in the military. A physically fit service member is better equipped to carry out duties, endure long missions, and maintain optimal performance. Personal development plans often include fitness routines tailored to individual needs, fostering camaraderie and teamwork among military personnel.

Innovation and creativity are essential in modern military operations. Personal development encourages military personnel to think critically and creatively, enabling them to devise new solutions to complex problems.

Personal development in the military is not an option but a fundamental aspect of enhancing individual and collective capabilities. Embracing a growth mindset, emphasizing continuous learning, enhancing leadership abilities, building resilience, maintaining physical fitness, and encouraging innovation unlock the full potential of military personnel. The collective impact extends beyond the battlefield, as service members grow both personally and professionally, setting the stage for a successful and rewarding military career.

In conclusion, personality development is an ongoing process of refining oneself to enhance confidence, improve relationships, and achieve personal and professional success. It involves self-awareness, self-improvement, and effective communication skills, encompassing inner growth and positivity.



Maj D MUGEMANA

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Cadets at RMA learn discipline through respect for authority, punctuality, adherence to academy rules, maintaining proper appearance, being accountable, adapting to diverse situations, and fostering teamwork.

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## Military Discipline

**D**iscipline stands out as a crucial personality quality, embodying adherence to rules and regulations during any task. It involves honesty, hard work, motivation, and encouragement. This quality implies controlled behavior, following specific rules or standards, aiming to safeguard subordinates, instill self-control, nurture responsibility, and impart values. Discipline guides subordinates in goal-setting, task prioritization, and taking accountability for their actions.

Contrary to some beliefs, discipline isn't just about doing the right thing; it involves overcoming inner voices that urge quitting and persisting despite challenges. Discipline entails self-control and self-belief, asserting that goals can be achieved even when seemingly impossible.

While some associate discipline with rigidity, it, in fact, results in orderliness and adherence to predetermined plans. Disciplined individuals make sacrifices to attain goals, recognizing its importance in liberating them from desires' control. Discipline minimizes irrational decision-making, breaks unhealthy habits, pre-

vents procrastination, and boosts productivity.

At Rwanda Military Academy (RMA), discipline is a central fo-



PHOTO: RDF MEDIA

cus, akin to military academies worldwide. Cadets at RMA learn discipline through respect for authority, punctuality, adherence to academy rules, maintaining proper appearance, being accountable, adapting to diverse situations, and fostering teamwork. Continuous training and education at the academy prepare cadets not only for military service demands but also for leadership roles in contributing to national security and defense.

In the military, discipline is instilled through a system of rewards and consequences. Positive behaviors are acknowledged, while violations can lead to disciplinary actions. This system is vital for maintaining order, effectiveness, safety, and success in military missions. Military discipline goes beyond following orders or training programs; it involves doing the right thing for the right reason, at the right time, and with the right attitude.



Maj E UWINTIJE

## The role of a commander in National Security beyond war fighting

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Commanders at all levels actively participate in various activities through the RDF Citizen Outreach program (COP) to support government socio-economic development. These activities encompass infrastructure development, house and school construction, agriculture, environmental protection, and healthcare.

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National security encompasses the government's capacity to employ military force for safeguarding citizens' safety, economic interests, and social institutions from both external and internal threats. It involves physical, psychological, and economic protection, with a focus on the well-being of individuals and national growth.

The intricate relationship between development and security implies that a country's ability to develop is influenced by its security, and unstable nations hinder development initiatives, despite growth benefiting the population. Therefore, ensuring economic growth and strengthening the interconnection between prosperity and security are pivotal for stabilizing a country.

The mission of the Rwanda Defence Force (RDF) is the protection of national territorial integrity and the preservation of sovereignty. The military's involvement in national development sparks debates globally however, the RDF deems this as a pertinent responsibility. Given the context of extensive poverty and a lack of economic development, supporting socio-economic prosperity and human security become imperative to fulfill its constitutional mandate.

Commanders at all levels actively participate in various activities through the RDF Citizen Out-

reach program (COP) to support government socio-economic development. These activities encompass infrastructure development, house and school construction, agriculture, environmental protection, and healthcare. Additionally, Rwandan involvement in Peace Support Operations (PSO) contributes to peace in operational areas. PSO involves constructing schools, clinics, energy-saving stoves, healthcare delivery, and promoting community work (umuganda), leading to a significant improvement in the social well-being of the protected people.



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Capt J BUSOGI

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Effective leadership transcends mere theoretical principles; it involves adhering to RDF core values—integrity, patriotism, and valor.

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## What makes a good Military Leader

Effective leadership is deeply embedded in various facets of Rwanda Defense Force training and doctrine. The qualities instilled in army leaders encompass competency, mental and physical toughness, flexibility, agility, and, above all, character. These attributes are particularly emphasized for those entrusted with leading officers and men on the battlefield.

The alignment of RDF leaders' behaviors, responses, and interpersonal interactions with Rwandan culture is a crucial aspect. Leadership skills are honed over time through intensive practice, professional

learning, and unwavering dedication to excel in all aspects of responsibilities. Leadership training commences at the basic level and continues through career courses, combat training centers, and advanced levels, making the development of leadership traits a vital mission for the RDF.

Effective leadership transcends mere theoretical principles; it involves adhering to RDF core values—integrity, patriotism, and valor. Practicing these values enables a leader to execute tasks at the standard expected by RDF leadership. Leaders are expected to set an example, make timely decisions, communicate effectively, adapt easily to any environment, show empathy, build cohesive teams, be accountable, exhibit physical and mental resilience, stay focused on the mission, and act professionally.

The amalgamation of these qualities forms effective and respected military leaders capable of inspiring, guiding, and leading their troops to success in challenging and high-pressure situations.



# CADETS' ARTICLES

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UNLEASHING MY POTENTIAL THROUGH SOCIAL AND MILITARY SCIENCES <<



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Establishing a strong academic foundation is of utmost importance for the Rwanda Defence Force (RDF) to build a solid professional career.  
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## Breeding ground for future military leaders

Rwanda Military Academy (RMA) serves as a Centre of Excellence, contributing significantly to national and regional security development through its high-quality training program. The academy imparts essential knowledge, skills, values, and a leadership mindset to officer cadets, aligning with its core values, mission, and vision. With experienced instructors serving as role models and mentors, RMA ensures cadets receive top-notch training, inspiring them to become exemplary future commanders and leaders.

Rwanda Military Academy prepares officer cadets phys-

ically and mentally, equips them tactically to meet the demanding challenges of military service, and helps them grow into competent future officers through its rigorous training. The practice of having trainees lead others during cadet command provides them with an opportunity to enhance their leadership abilities, improve their communication skills, make correct and timely decisions even under pressure, and, above all, improve their teamwork and synergy.

The introduction of more academic faculties within the academy has provided a structured, comprehensive approach to education, leadership development, and military training. Establishing a strong academic foundation is of utmost importance for the Rwanda Defence Force (RDF) to build a solid professional career. These academic programs offer cadets opportunities to be professionally upright through internships, research projects, and exposure to various fields and specialties. The knowledge gained from diverse engagements in different activities acts as a crucial contributor to Rwandan security and extends beyond its borders.



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## A Dream Journey that rewards



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My transformative journey at the Rwanda Military Academy symbolises the profound challenges, sacrifices, and ultimate rewards that accompany military training. Throughout this path, my unwavering commitment and resilience have shone brightly, underlining the deep sense of pride I carry for my chosen vo-

cation—a narrative that provides motivation to overcome adversity. It also highlights the critical importance of camaraderie and teamwork in creating strong bonds and overcoming shared hardships.

The mention of the Rwanda Patriotic Army (RPA) and its pivotal role in the liberation struggle and the halting of the Genocide against Tutsi serves as a potent

reminder of the sacrifices and the staunch sense of duty that characterise military service. These sacrifices act as a testament to the strength of character and resolute determination demanded by the military profession. My journey through Officer Basic Training paints a vivid picture of the demanding nature of a military career, both in terms of physical and psychological challenges. However, it also emphasises the qualities instilled, including resilience and inflexibility, which portray a clear message that “giving up is not an option.”

This story is proof of the rewarding nature of pursuing one’s dreams, even in the face of formidable challenges. My dedication and passion to serve my beloved nation shine throughout this journey, shaping me into a devoted and firm officer. My acknowledgment of the debt owed to

the RPA is a powerful tribute to those who have selflessly sacrificed for the greater good.

Indeed, my narrative articulately captures the essence of a dream journey that is marked by perseverance and dedication, ultimately leading to rewarding accomplishments. It serves as an authentication of the steady spirit of fortitude and duty that defines the path of a military officer. My commitment to my chosen vocation and the values instilled through military training shine through, reinforcing the idea that it’s the journey and the firm pursuit of one’s goals that bring the most significant rewards. My story is an inspiring example of how dedication and resilience can lead to the fulfilment of one’s dreams and aspirations, regardless of the challenges faced along the way.



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## Balancing military and academic studies at Rwanda Military Academy



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Field training exercises put theoretical knowledge into practice, improving teamwork, a sense of duty, honor, and patriotism.

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Life as a cadet at Rwanda Military Academy is a supreme journey, merging academic rigor and military training to forge leaders prepared for the world’s most demanding challenges. Reflecting on my experience, I am awed by the transformative impact it has had on my life.

The day at the academy commences with early morning physical training, setting the tone for a day filled with intense activities. These activities, including runs, exercises, and drills, test our physical endurance while instilling discipline and camaraderie among officer cadets. These formal procedures serve as a powerful reminder of the dedication required to succeed in a military environment.

The academic phase plays a vital role in our daily routine, covering a wide range of faculties in different fields. Despite the challenging coursework and assignments, it enables us to excel in intellectual and analytical capabilities.

Military training is the heartbeat of life at Rwanda Military Academy. From learning the art of warfare to mastering weapons and tactics, every trainee is immersed in a world where precision and discipline are paramount. Field training exercises put theoretical knowledge into practice, improving teamwork, a sense of duty, honor, and patriotism. As the program progresses, trainees gradually assume more responsibilities and leadership roles, reflecting the military’s hierarchical structure and preparing us for future leadership tasks.

Life as a cadet in a military academy is intense, demanding, and transformative, pushing us beyond our limits, both physically and mentally, to mould us into leaders ready to serve our nation. The bond formed and values instilled during training are irreplaceable and extend far beyond the course’s completion. Continuing my journey of service, I carry with me the lessons and experiences gained during my time as an officer cadet, forever grateful for the opportunity to shape myself into a leader of character and purpose.



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As a medical professional, my primary duty is to heal and provide care to those in need. The combination of medical education and cadet training has equipped me with a unique perspective on taking care of the patients. The military training has taught me the importance of quick decision-making, adaptability, and resourcefulness in emergency situations.

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## A perfect Combination

**M**y four-year dual pursuit of an officer cadetship and a medical degree has been a transformative experience. This article explores my unique journey, revealing how the blend of medical studies and intensive cadet training shaped me into a dedicated Rwandan Officer and skilled medical professional. Reflecting on growth, discipline, and healing, I will discuss the challenges, lessons, and profound impact this journey had on my capacity to serve my country.

The decision to study medicine while undergoing cadet training was a daunting one. Balancing the demands of a rigorous academic curriculum and intense military training required immense dedication and time management skills. However, this dual challenge served as a catalyst for my personal growth. The diverse experiences I encountered, both in the classroom and on the field, expanded my knowledge, sharpened my critical thinking abilities, and nurtured my problem-solving skills. This growth not only fortified my medical expertise but also enhanced my ability to contribute effec-

tively to the military and serve my country.

Discipline lies at the core of both military training and the practice of medicine. The demanding schedules, physical training sessions, and strict adherence to

protocols cultivated a sense of discipline within me that is essential for success in both realms. The military training instilled in me a strong work ethic, resilience, and the ability to remain focused under pressure. Similarly, the study of medicine required unwavering attention to detail, dedication to continuous learning, and the ability to prioritize patient care. The combination of these disciplines has honed my character as a Rwandan officer and a medical professional, ensuring that I approach both roles with unwavering commitment and professionalism.

As a medical professional, my primary duty is to heal and provide care to those in need. The com-

bination of medical education and cadet training has equipped me with a unique perspective on taking care of the patients. The military training has taught me the importance of quick decision-making, adaptability, and resourcefulness in emergency situations. These skills are invaluable in providing immediate medical assistance during times of crisis or conflict. Furthermore, studying medicine has allowed me to understand the intricacies of the human body, diagnose ailments, and administer appropriate treatment. This comprehensive skill set enables me to serve my country not only as an officer but also as a medical professional, contributing to the healthcare and well-being of fellow Rwandans.



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## A throwback on Officer Basic Training

Officer Basic Training alongside Social and Military Sciences studies at the prestigious Rwanda Military Academy has been a transformative experience, shaping my understanding of leadership, resilience, and the true meaning of service. The demanding training has imparted valuable lessons that will guide me throughout my military career.

A profound lesson learned during the training highlighted the importance of effective communication. Clear conveyance of instructions, expectations, and intentions is crucial for mission success and maintaining the trust of those under my command. Fostering open lines of communication allows for stronger relationships with both superiors and subordinates.

Furthermore, the training underscored the significance of adaptability and flexibility in the face of unforeseen challenges. Military operations being dynamic, the ability to adjust plans quickly and make decisions under pressure is essential. Field training exer-

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adaptability not only enhances mission effectiveness but also transforms individuals into competent officers.

The training pushed me beyond my comfort zone, testing my physical and mental endurance through sleep deprivation and intense exercises. This experience affirmed that resilience is not merely about enduring difficult situations but also about bouncing back stronger. Embracing failure as an opportunity for growth, persevering in adversity, and maintaining a positive mindset were crucial lessons.

Emphasis was placed on leading by example. As an officer, setting high standards of disci-

pline, professionalism, and integrity is expected. Leadership, as understood through the training, involves not only giving orders but also inspiring and motivating others to reach their full potential. By embodying RDF values and principles, I aim to earn the respect and trust of my subordinates, fostering cohesion and high performance as a team.

The Officer Basic Training course at Rwanda Military Academy has provided invaluable lessons that will shape my military career and personal life. It has not only prepared me for the challenges of military life but also instilled a deep sense of purpose and commitment to the ideals of duty, honour, and country.



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So, let me honour these heroes, who selflessly gave,

Their lives, their hearts, so that Rwandans may live.

For their noble choice, in the face of doom,

Was a beacon of valour, a testament to life.

For there's a calling, a duty to fulfil,

To serve with honour, with unwavering will.

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## A tough but noble choice

**W**e are born for the nation; we choose to serve,  
We thrive for valour; we crave for its safety,  
We defend its borders for it to stay,  
We train so hard to sustain its peace.

A tough choice it is, to face the threat,  
To stay in mud for the nation to move on,  
To leave behind loved ones, to stand alone.  
But in the face of danger, in the depths of strife,



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A noble choice emerges, to defend our motherland.

In the days of doom, we face our fears,  
In the midst of chaos, where chaos may reign,  
Our nobility blasts, like a beacon of gain.  
To stand for righteousness, to vanquish the dark,  
To protect the weak and leave a lasting mark.

We choose to serve, to be the fortress,  
To shed our blood for Rwandans to live,  
To bring peace in the entire world,  
To protect peace, whatever the cost,  
To raise our flag for Rwanda to prevail.

We choose to serve, to step into elders' shoes,  
Who donned the armours and wielded guns,

Who marched in unity towards the threats.  
Who stopped Genocide and unified Rwandans,  
For a nation to flourish again.

With valour and courage, they liberated the country,  
Through treacherous battles, they pressed on,  
They saved a country that was already dead,  
They exhumed it up; now Rwanda is alive,  
A tough choice they made, and noble it was.

In the face of threat, they remained steadfast,  
Protecting Rwandan lives, their purpose is unwavering.  
Through blood-soaked fields, they forced their way,  
Their courage was immense, their hearts were invincible,  
A noble choice, even in the darkest days!

So, let me honour these heroes, who selflessly gave,  
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For there's a calling, a duty to fulfil,  
To serve with honour, with unwavering will.  
To defend our people, for development and peace,  
To make sacrifices that shall never cease.

So, Soldier first is our choice, the path of the brave,  
May strength be our armours; in battles, we crave.  
For our choice is noble, and our sacrifice grand,  
In the annals of history, forever Rwanda will stand.

**“Dulce et decorum Est pro patria mori”** Wilfred Owen.

Means **“It is sweet and proper to die for one's country”**.



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## Character and Leadership: The cornerstones of success in the military

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Information Technology has impacted positively on military operations and will continue being essential in future warfare. It has made command and control easier, gathering information on enemy activities, data processing, faster and effective orders and it is the sector that keeps on evolving.

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In the military, character and leadership play a crucial role. A robust character, based on values like integrity, discipline, and teamwork, is vital for earning trust and respect. Effective leadership is essential for unit cohesion, mission success, and soldier well-being. Success in the military hinges on demonstrating both character and leadership, closely connected to mission accomplishment and personnel safety.

Character development is indeed the prerequisite of effective leadership, an insight that has been reinforced during my time at the Rwanda Military Academy Gako. The qualities of integrity, empathy, and resilience form the cornerstone upon which exceptional leaders are constructed. These values prove indispensable in guiding and motivating teams, espe-

cially in the demanding and unpredictable environments often faced by military officers.

Integrity, as I've discovered, is the bedrock of leadership. It demands a steady commitment to moral and ethical principles, manifesting in actions that are consistently honest, transparent, and fair. A leader's integrity is the keystone for earning trust and respect, fostering open communication, and cultivating loyalty within their team. In moments of crisis, this trust becomes invaluable, enabling leaders to make difficult decisions and steer their teams towards a shared objective.

Empathy is another essential trait that enables leaders to connect with their team on a personal level. High emotional intelligence, cultivated through training and experience, equips

leaders to manage conflicts effectively, provide support, and motivate their subordinates. By demonstrating empathy, leaders create a sense of belonging, foster a positive work environment, and uplift morale and confidence among their teams.

Resilience is an absolute necessity for leaders, given their frequent exposure to pressure and adversity. It is the ability to bounce back from setbacks while maintaining composure in challenging circumstances. Resilient leaders inspire confidence and encourage their teams to per-

sist, even in the face of overwhelming obstacles. Furthermore, adaptability and informed decision-making are critical components of resilience, contributing significantly to effective leadership.

Character, leadership, and success are often intertwined. Building a strong character can be a foundation for effective leadership, which in turn can lead to success in various aspects of life. Developing these qualities takes time and effort, but they can be cultivated and nurtured to help you achieve your goals.



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## Cyber security and Information warfare

In today's interconnected world, dominated by technology, the importance of robust cybersecurity measures cannot be overstated. The internet has provided unprecedented convenience and opportunity, but it has also given rise to a new battleground: information warfare.

Cybersecurity encompasses a range of measures and technologies aimed at protecting computers, networks, and data from unauthorized access, damage, or theft. This involves implementing firewalls, encryption, anti-virus software, and other defensive measures. The ultimate goal is to establish a secure digital en-



vironment where individuals, organisations, and governments can operate without fear of cyber threats.

Information warfare involves the deliberate use of information technology to achieve military, political, or ideological goals. Unlike traditional warfare, which involves physical confrontation, information warfare unfolds in the virtual world, posing significant risks to national security and privacy. This includes activities such as hacking, spreading misinformation, and conducting cyber espionage.

To counter the ever-changing landscape of information warfare, the field of cyber defense has become pivotal. Cyber defense experts develop advanced techniques and tools to effectively detect, prevent, and respond to cyber threats. This

involves continuous monitoring of networks for suspicious activity, analyzing potential vulnerabilities, and implementing robust security measures.

Effectively combating information warfare necessitates cooperation among various stakeholders. Governments, organizations, and individuals must collaborate to establish international standards, share threat intelligence, and formulate policies to prevent cybercrime. Furthermore, public awareness campaigns can play a crucial role in educating individuals about the significance of cybersecurity, fostering a culture of digital vigilance.

As threats become more complex, the development and adoption of advanced technologies are essential to protect against information warfare. Artificial intelligence (AI) and Machine Learning (ML) are employed to enhance threat detection and automate security processes. While technology is pivotal in network security, the human factor cannot be overlooked.

Cybersecurity awareness training is increasingly essential to equip individuals with the knowledge and skills to detect and mitigate threats. Building a robust cybersecurity culture within organizations and promoting responsible online behavior are crucial for successfully preventing cyberattacks.

The future of cybersecurity lies in proactive defense strategies and the continual evolution of technologies. It is imperative for governments, businesses, and individuals to remain vigilant, adapt to emerging threats, and invest in innovative solutions to safeguard our digital frontier.

In an era where every aspect of our lives is interconnected through technology, the threat of information warfare looms large. Cybersecurity is no longer a choice but a necessity for individuals and organizations alike. By comprehending the dynamics of information warfare, collaborating across sectors, and embracing innovative technologies, we can forge a safer digital future.



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Discipline is the key for succeeding in our career, but it is not enough on its own, it is what we build on. Discipline without knowledge, skills, and education, that discipline will not get you anywhere without building on it.

H.E. Paul Kagame

## Discipline, training, & skills in a delightful military career

Embarking on a military career path is often considered both challenging and rewarding. It demands individuals to possess a distinctive set of qualities – discipline and honed skills acquired through training. These attributes contribute not only to a successful career but also to personal growth and development.

Discipline stands as a cornerstone in the military. It plays a pivotal role in shaping the lives of soldiers, influencing their behavior, actions, and mindset. This adherence instills a sense of order, obedience, and self-control. Without discipline, chaos would prevail, compromising the effectiveness and efficiency of military operations.

Training is another critical facet of a military career. The military dedicates substantial resources to train its personnel, ensuring preparedness for any conceivable situation. Training encompasses various activities, including physical fitness, weapon mastery, tactical manoeuvre, leadership development, and

specialized skills. It not only enhances individual capabilities but also fosters camaraderie among soldiers, fostering collaboration towards common goals.

Skills, practical abilities acquired through training and experience, form a crucial aspect of military service. These skills vary across military branches and specific roles. For example, infantry soldiers require combat skills such as marksmanship and hand-to-hand combat, while officers need leadership skills to guide and inspire subordinates. Effective communication skills are vital for seamless coordination within a team. Acquiring and mastering these skills enables soldiers to execute their duties with precision and confidence.

A successful military career unfolds numerous opportunities for personal growth and development. The discipline, training, and skills acquired are transferable to various facets of life. These attributes empower soldiers to excel in any endeavor, be it in military or civilian life. They constitute an integral component of personal maturity and professional excellence.



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## ‘Youths’; The future heroes and stronghold of RDF

Who wouldn't live a dream? The question is, are you ready for it?

As children, we all dream of being superheroes and saving the world. As we grow up and become realistic, we understand that superheroes are fiction, but heroes are real. Perhaps being a superhero is something for children, but you can always be a hero by joining the defence service and safeguarding the nation from dangerous enemies, both internal and external.

During the liberation war, a significant number of young men and women left their families to join the conflict. Their sacrifice and heroic deeds in liberating our country and preventing the

genocide against Tutsi became an inspiration for the youth of this generation.

The best heritage for the current and future generations is a peaceful and developed country, achievable only through our collective efforts as youth. Patriotism, ownership, commitment, discipline, effective presence, and cohesion are essential requirements that we should never neglect to carry on that legacy.

Serving the nation as a youth is idealistic, giving our lives a greater meaning beyond catering to our individual interests and survival. Joining the armed forces offers youth the unique opportunity to serve the nation like no other job option. Dedication to the country elevates an individual to the status of a hero.

The Rwandan youth, as the future and pillars of our country, should draw inspiration from the liberators who sacrificed everything, including their lives, to free Rwanda and build the beautiful and peaceful nation we have today. For those passionate and honest youths, there can be no better career option than joining RDF!



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## Gender equality in Rwanda Military Career

**G**ender equality within the Rwanda Defence Force (RDF) signifies a transformative shift in the country's military landscape, dismantling longstanding barriers and challenging traditional norms. This commitment to gender equality is not just a reflection of societal progress but also a strategic move to leverage the full potential of the RDF's human resources.

Historically, military careers were predominantly perceived as male-dominated in many countries, offering limited opportunities for women. However, Rwanda has made substantial strides in promoting gender equality within its military, recognising the inherent value of diversity and inclusivity. This shift in perspective has led to noteworthy developments:

The RDF has actively dismantled discriminatory policies and biases, allowing women to pursue various military roles. Combat roles, once exclusively reserved for men, have gradually opened up to women,

broadening the talent pool and diversifying military skills. Gender equality in the RDF has culti-

vated a culture of inclusivity and respect, fostering a supportive environment where all service members, irrespective of gender, can thrive.

The presence of women at all levels of command and leadership contributes to a more comprehensive and holistic perspective, enhancing decision-making. Women in leadership and combat roles serve as powerful symbols, inspiring future generations of women to pursue their aspirations without limitations.

Witnessing women in these roles provides young girls with role models embodying courage, resilience, and dedication, challenging gender ste-

reotypes and encouraging them to view military service as a viable and rewarding career option. This, in turn, contributes to creating a more diverse and representative military that mirrors the societies it serves.

Despite significant progress, challenges persist. Overcoming cultural biases, ensuring equal opportunities for advancement, and establishing robust support systems are ongoing endeavours. Addressing the unique needs of women in the military, including family support, gender-sensitive healthcare, and mitigating the impact of unconscious biases, requires sustained efforts.



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## Forged in fire: The toughness of military training

Rwanda Military Academy-Gako provides a compelling insight into the profound transformation that military training can evoke in an individual's life. I share a personal account of the trials and growth experienced during the challenging journey towards becoming a leader, steeled in the crucible of military training.

Discipline serves as the bedrock upon which this transformation is constructed. It is the cornerstone of military training, highlighting self-control, meticulous attention to detail, and an unwavering commitment to adhering to rules and regulations. This robust discipline lays the groundwork for effective leadership and professionalism.

Physical fitness is paramount for trainees and significantly influ-

ences the successful completion of the course. Rigorous exercises, demanding obstacle crossings, sleepless nights, and field training exercises become standard measures of cadets' ability to perform successfully under physical and emotional stress. Through these challenges, cadets not only develop physical strength but also acquire the invaluable skill of embracing discomfort and persevering in the face of adversity.

Military training serves as a crucible for mental fortitude, testing a soldier's mental strength and resilience. This mental toughness is cultivated through various means, including rigorous discipline, teamwork, problem-solving exercises, and exposure to adversity. It equips soldiers to stay focused under pressure, make quick and sound decisions, and push through uneasiness and fear.

Teamwork assumes a central role within military training. Military operations often require seamless coordination and cooperation among unit members. Training exercises are designed to instil a strong sense of camaraderie and loyalty

among soldiers, as their lives and mission success depend on it.

Character development, as a moral and ethical reflection, shapes soldiers into individuals of self-discipline, responsive to orders, and capable of making the right decisions. It not only influences the behaviour and mindset of soldiers but also strengthens their ability to lead by example and make sound moral judgments, crucial in the complex and high-pressure environments they may encounter during their military career. This instils a profound sense of honour, integrity, and a robust commitment to the bedrock values of the military profession.

Similar to how metal is strengthened and made more durable through the forging process, individuals undergoing military training emerge as resilient and resourceful soldiers ready to face the rigours and uncertainties of their service with a strong sense of duty and unwavering commitment.



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## Military Doctors enhance RDF's operational effectiveness

The Rwanda Military Academy (RMA) is responsible for training military doctors who play a crucial role in addressing the distinct healthcare needs of military personnel. Their primary responsibilities encompass providing medical care, preventive medicine, emergency response, and mental health support.

This article delves into the valuable contributions of doctors within the Rwanda Defence Force (RDF) and how they enhance the operational effectiveness of military personnel.

Military doctors within the RDF are tasked with ensuring the readiness of personnel. They fulfil this duty by delivering comprehensive medical assistance, including check-ups, treatments, preventive care, and immediate emergency response. Their services extend to training, deployments, and combat scenarios, fortifying the physical and

psychological well-being of military personnel. Notably, doctors participating in peacekeeping missions in countries like the Central African Republic, Mozambique, South Sudan, or through bilateral agreements play a pivotal role in mission accomplishment.

Collaboration and integration between military doctors and personnel are pivotal for maximising medical support. Effective communication and coordination ensure that medical concerns are factored into military planning and decision-making processes. Drawing on their military training, doctors collaborate closely with

commanders in the field, aiming to minimise casualties and secure victories.

In summary, military doctors in the RDF are indispensable in enhancing the operational effectiveness of military personnel. Through their specialised medical expertise, collaboration with field commanders, and integration into military planning, they contribute significantly to the physical and mental resilience of the armed forces. The RDF maintains a commitment to prioritising the health and performance of its military personnel, paving the way for advancements in military medicine.



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The first salute, a first command.

It all begins when we raise our hand.

A long standing tradition of mutual respect.

Where each party knows just what to expect.

Many salutes are rendered, knowing they won't be returned.

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## Military

I left my home, to join the army.

The day I left, my momma cried...

Because she thought I would surely die,

But left my home for a good cause.

A cause to be different.

An urge to serve, not myself, but my country.

A country I so dearly love,  
A God given gift, not God given right.

I remember seeing the worry in mum's eyes as I left.

Feeling the fear in myself of what awaited me.

A lot had been said and heard.

The myths and fairy tales.

Joining the army is signing up for death, they concluded.

Well that's pretty weird because I'm still breathing.

Folks said I am not tough enough to deal the blow.

It's a rough ride; they added. But I like the hard.

Walking the path least taken.

A path of sacrifice, endurance and determination.

A path so narrow for the squeamish.

The training, the early mornings, the cold nights, the

long runs, made a soldier.

The bravely to face it all, made a real commander.

But listen to this.

Unless you've been a soldier, you just won't understand.

The things we see and do, In the service of our land.

We've trained to live in combat.

To cope with awful sights.

They shouldn't be seen by anyone,



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lest they keep you awake at night.

We don't discuss the wounds we have, to the body or the mind.

We just put our hurts behind us, and turn our memories to blind.

We carry the pride to serve our country, and remember those we lost.

The first salute, a first command.

It all begins when we raise our hand.

A long standing tradition of mutual respect.

Where each party knows just what to expect.

Many salutes are rendered, knowing they won't be returned.

A simple sign of honor,

To those it was earned.

It is this highest honor we hope,

One day to receive.

A salute that we cannot return.

When we leave this world.

You may encounter many defeats, but you must not be defeated.

In fact, it may be necessary to encounter the defeats,

so you can know you are what you can rise from.

But there's one thing about the army, they give voice to the voiceless.

They're light when darkness falls.

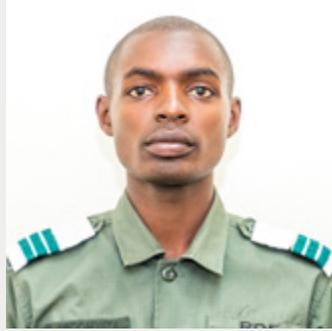
When death comes knocking, it is them;

Nameless soldiers who answer the call.

Some said that freedom sings.

Truth is freedom shines, brightly shining.

Freedom stings and bleeds red as heroes fall.

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## Rwanda Defence Force at the helm of Unity and Reconciliation

The Rwanda Defence Force (RDF) has played a significant role in the journey of unity and reconciliation in Rwanda following the tragic genocide against the Tutsi in 1994. The country, deeply divided and scarred, witnessed the RDF, under the leadership of the Rwandan government, undertaking a path of national healing and reconciliation. Here are a few ways in which the RDF has contributed to this process:

The presence and steadfast efforts of the RDF in stabilising the country were instrumental in creating a profound sense of safety and security among the population—a fundamental aspect of the healing and reconciliation process. In the aftermath of the horrific event, the fear of violence and instability could impede recovery and rebuilding efforts. The RDF's dedication to safeguarding the nation played a crucial role in

providing the necessary stability for Rwanda to heal and move forward.

Additionally, the RDF's professionalism and discipline have been crucial in upholding the rule of law. Adhering to the highest standards, the RDF has engaged in community development projects, spanning infrastructure, healthcare, and education, benefiting all Rwandans. This contributes to bridging the divides created by the genocide.

The collaboration between the RDF and the judicial system has been a cornerstone in addressing the aftermath of the genocide against the Tutsi. The RDF's active support in arresting and prosecuting individuals responsible for genocide-related crimes demonstrates Rwanda's commitment to justice and accountability. This commitment not only brings closure to victims and survivors but also sends a strong message that impunity will not be tolerated—a crucial step in the healing and reconciliation process.

By maintaining peace and security, the RDF has created an environment conducive to the healing and reconciliation process. The sense of security provided allows Rwandans to come together, rebuild their lives, and work towards the common goal of rebuilding their nation. It is within this atmosphere of safety that the wounds of the past can begin to mend, and communities can reconcile.

The RDF's commitment to bringing perpetrators of genocide-related crimes to justice significantly contributes to national unity. Moreover, the RDF has succeeded in promoting integration and diversity by elevating soldiers and officers in its ranks regardless of their backgrounds. This sends a powerful message of unity and helps break down ethnic barriers.



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## Rwanda Defence Force role in Global Security

In a world beset by conflicts and instability, a force distinguished by unwavering commitment and dedication

has earned its place among the unsung heroes of regional security. The Rwanda Defence Force (RDF) has emerged as a signif-

icant player in regional security operations, extending its reach beyond the borders of Rwanda. Through proactive engagement and a commitment to stability, the RDF has played a crucial role in fostering peace, combating terrorism, and promoting regional cooperation.

The RDF's involvement in security operations beyond Rwanda's borders has been instrumental in enhancing regional stability. Actively contributing to peacekeeping missions under the United Nations, the African Union, and bilateral agreements, RDF peacekeepers have been deployed in conflict zones, including South Sudan, Central

African Republic, Darfur, and Mozambique. In these areas, they have facilitated the protection of civilians, supported peace processes, and helped restore stability in post-conflict environments.

Recognising the trans-national nature of terrorism, the RDF has been at the forefront of countering this threat in the Great Lakes region. Collaborating closely with neighboring countries, sharing intelligence, and conducting joint operations to disrupt terrorist networks, the RDF's expertise in counter-terrorism has gained international recognition. Its contribution to regional security efforts has proven invaluable in reducing the influence of extremist groups and fostering a secure environment for both Rwanda and its neighbors.

For instance, since 2017, Mozambique has faced an insurgency in the northern province of Cabo Delgado, primarily led by a militant group known as Ahlu Sunnah Wa-Jama, commonly referred to as Al-Shabaab (although it has no direct connection to the Somali-based Al-Shabaab). The insurgency has resulted in significant violence, displacement of civilians, and a humanitarian crisis. The RDF has expressed concern about the situation in Mozambique and has intervened to support the Mozambican government in the fight against the terrorists.

The RDF's involvement in security operations beyond Rwanda's borders has fostered regional cooperation. Actively participating in joint military exercises and training programs with neighboring countries, the RDF has strengthened regional partnerships. This collaboration has not only enhanced security but also facilitated the exchange of knowledge and best practices, leading to a more integrated and coordinated response to common security challenges.

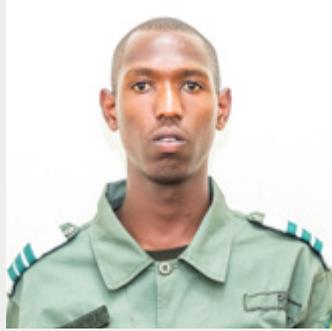
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## Safeguarding RDF Operations against cyber attack

In today's interconnected world, the Rwanda Defence Forces (RDF) recognises the critical need to protect their operations from cyber threats. Safeguarding sensitive military information and infrastructure is paramount to ensuring operational readiness and national security. This article highlights key strategies for effectively safeguarding RDF operations against cyber-attacks.

Establishing a robust cybersecurity infrastructure is vital for protecting RDF operations. This involves implementing advanced firewalls, intrusion detection and prevention systems, and secure network protocols. Regular security assessments and penetration testing should be conducted to identify vulnerabilities and proactively address any weaknesses.

Another measure is implementing Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA), which strengthens access controls and mitigates the risk of unauthorised access. By requiring multiple



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verification factors such as passwords, biometrics, or security tokens, MFA adds an extra layer of security to RDF systems, making it significantly more challenging for cyber attackers to breach.

Ensuring that RDF personnel are well-informed and aware of cybersecurity threats is crucial. Regular security awareness train-

ing programs should be conducted to educate personnel about phishing attacks, social engineering tactics, and best practices for secure online behaviour. By fostering a culture of cybersecurity awareness, the RDF can empower its personnel to detect and respond effectively to potential cyber threats.

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ing to cyber threats in real-time. Implementing advanced Security Information and Event Management (SIEM) systems enables the RDF to collect, analyse, and correlate security events to identify anomalies or potential breaches. Additionally, leveraging threat intelligence from external sources enhances the RDF's ability to anticipate and mitigate emerging cyber threats.

Securing sensitive data is critical to protecting RDF operations. Encryption should be applied to

sensitive information both at rest and in transit. This ensures that even if data is intercepted or compromised, it remains unreadable and unusable to unauthorised individuals. Proper data classification and access controls should also be implemented to restrict access based on the principle of least privilege.

Keeping all software, operating systems, and applications up to date with the latest security patches is essential. Regular patching and vulnerability management processes help address known vulnerabilities and protect RDF systems from exploitation by cyber attackers. Timely patch management minimises the risk of successful attacks targeting outdated software.

The RDF should foster collaboration and information sharing with domestic and international cybersecurity organisations, intelligence agencies, and industry partners. These partnerships provide valuable insights into emerging threats, best practices, and technological advancements in cybersecurity. Collaborative efforts can enhance the RDF's cybersecurity capabilities and ensure a prompt response to evolving cyber threats.

Protecting RDF operations from cyber attacks is a critical and ongoing endeavour. By establishing a robust cybersecurity infrastructure, implementing multi-factor authentication, conducting comprehensive security awareness training, enabling continuous monitoring and threat intelligence, employing encryption and data protection measures, prioritising regular patching, and fostering collaboration with cybersecurity partners, the RDF can significantly strengthen its cyber defences. A proactive and multi-layered approach to cybersecurity is essential to safeguard sensitive military information, maintain operational readiness, and preserve national security in the face of evolving cyber threats.



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Actively contributing to peacekeeping missions under the United Nations, the African Union, and bilateral agreements, RDF peacekeepers have been deployed in conflict zones, including South Sudan, Central African Republic, Darfur, and Mozambique.

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## Soldier first, Engineer second

Throughout my four-year journey as an officer cadet, I have faced the unique challenge of balancing military training with the pursuit of a Mechanical Engineering Bachelor's degree. This article aims to shed light on the priority of being a soldier, while also emphasising the significance of being an engineer within the framework of the RDF Engineering Command's motto "Soldier First, Engineer Second".

From the moment I joined Rwanda Military Academy, the primary focus became clear – developing the character of an officer. Rigorous military training instilled physical fitness, discipline, leadership, and teamwork, forming the bedrock of my journey and preparing me to confront challenges.

Balancing the demands of military training and the academic rigour of a Mechanical Engineering degree proved challenging. The military hierarchy demanded our full commitment, while engineering courses required dedicated study time. Time management and prioritisation became crucial skills to excel in both areas.

While my primary role was to become a professional officer as per RDF standards, the engineering aspect of my training was equally vital. The problem-solving, critical thinking, and attention to detail principles that engineering instils are invaluable on the battlefield. The ability to adapt, innovate, and apply engineering knowledge to real-life scenarios enhanced my effectiveness as an officer.

The motto of "Soldier First, Engineer Second" deeply resonates with the Engineering Command characteristics. It underscores the necessity for soldiers to possess engineering skills, enabling them

to provide technical support and contribute to tactical decision-making. This principle highlights the importance of a comprehensive approach, where being an engineer complements and enhances one's capabilities as a soldier.

My four years as an officer cadet, simultaneously pursuing military training and a Mechanical

Engineering degree, have taught me the true meaning of being a soldier first and an engineer second. It is the seamless integration of these two roles that allows us to excel in both domains, serving our country with dedication and technical expertise.



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During our phase 2 program, cadets are assigned highly demanding operations that necessitate maximum effort in minimal time. Success is ensured by dividing tasks, simplifying the complex, and achieving successful outcomes when reassembled.

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## Teamwork triumphs

While concrete itself possesses strength, it cannot construct an entire house independently; it requires sand, stones, cement, and water to be truly useful. This underscores the profound importance of human interdependence and the establishment of robust bonds to achieve more.

In the RDF, the concept goes beyond mere teamwork; it is a profound cooperation that permeates everyone's heart to the extent that individuals are willing to give their lives if necessary. The foundation of this ethos is laid in our basic training, where we learn that teamwork is the cornerstone for building a better defense.

As the saying goes, “It may be considered as a failure to reach far and fast alone than to be delayed and reach a great distance together as a team.” These words encapsulate the very essence of teamwork. In the crucible of Officer Basic Training, success is not measured solely by personal accomplishments but by the collective effort of a team working in unison. Each



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officer cadet and soldier in the RDF is a vital piece of the puzzle that forms a meaningful whole when combined.

Another saying states, “Teamwork divides the task and multiplies the success.” This becomes vividly apparent during our training, where individuals are assigned specific tasks, and, in the end, all efforts are combined to create a strong and cohesive whole. For example, during our phase 2 program, cadets are assigned highly demanding operations that necessitate maximum effort in minimal time. Success is ensured by dividing tasks, simplifying the complex, and achieving successful outcomes when reassembled.

As cadets being moulded into Officers in the RDF, we are always taught to never leave anyone behind, regardless of their perceived weaknesses. We are instilled with the belief that with steadfast determination, patriotism, and teamwork, every impossibility becomes possible for us.

The importance of teamwork is reiterated during our Lecturers of Opportunity delivered by RDF commanders, both retired and active in service. They emphasise this by sharing profound testimonies about life before and after the liberation struggle. For instance, during that time, if you didn't have firearms in battle, you could be useful in transporting ammunition or beating drums and shouting loudly during the assault to end up winning those battles. They consistently emphasize the power of unity, which becomes indomitable regardless of the circumstances.



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As we embark on our journey as commissioned officers, we carry with us the valuable lessons and experiences gained from our training. Our unwavering fortitude and courage will enable us to face the constantly shifting and challenging landscape of military service.

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## The arduous path to commissioning for an officer cadet

Be-coming a commissioned officer requires significant perseverance and sacrifice. Our training, both rigorous and demanding, aimed to prepare us for the challenges of military service. It equipped us with essential skills through intense physical tests, obstacle courses, and combat simulations, ensuring we could effectively perform our duties in tough conditions.

During our training as officer cadets, the focus extended beyond physical fitness. We also underwent rigorous mental training to develop our critical thinking, problem-solving, and decision-making skills. Throughout the program, we were constantly exposed to high-pressure situations, participating in simulated combat and tactical challenges that demanded inner strength and mental courage. This training enabled us to remain level-headed and composed even in the most serious circumstances, equipping us to become effective leaders capable of making wide-ranging judgments and adapting quickly to altering situations on the battlefield.

Our training journey involved encountering a variety of physical, mental, and emotional obstacles that played a pivotal role in our pursuit of excel-

lence within our profession. The challenges we faced contributed to cultivating our resilience and leadership abilities. It was through our unwavering determination and perseverance that we overcame these obstacles, emerging as successful officers.

As we embark on our journey as commissioned officers, we carry with us the valuable lessons

and experiences gained from our training. Our unwavering fortitude and courage will enable us to face the constantly shifting and challenging landscape of military service. Prepared to lead with integrity, make timely decisions, and adapt to any situation that may arise, our training has instilled in us the qualities necessary to excel as commissioned officers. We stand ready to serve our country Rwanda with honour and distinction.



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From intelligence gathering and precision targeting to communication networks and cybersecurity, technology has transformed the modern battlefield. As technology continues to advance, armed forces must adapt to maintain their competitive edge.

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# The evolution of technology in military operations

**“The mastery of technology is the foundation of economic and military power.”**

**John Boyd (US Military Strategist)**

The evolution of technology has always been instrumental in shaping the landscape of military operations, from ancient warfare to modern combat. Technological advancements have revolutionized how armed forces plan, execute, and achieve objectives. This article delves into the significant progress in military technology, examining its impact on enhancing operational efficiency, situational awareness, and overall effectiveness on the battlefield.

## INTELLIGENCE GATHERING AND SURVEILLANCE:

One profound impact of technology in military operations is evident in intelligence gathering and surveillance. Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) or drones enable real-time intelligence gathering and surveillance

over enemy territories without risking human lives. These advanced systems, equipped with powerful cameras, sensors, and communication devices, provide critical information to decision-makers. Drones have been utilised for precision strikes, target acquisition, and logistical support, significantly enhancing military capabilities.

## PRECISION TARGETING AND WEAPON SYSTEMS:

Technological advancements have greatly improved the accuracy and precision of military weapon systems. Smart bombs, guided missiles, and precision-guided munitions have revolutionized precision targeting. Advanced guidance systems enable these weapons to hit specific targets with pinpoint accuracy, reducing collateral damage and civilian casualties. This precision has transformed military operations, allowing forces to neutralize threats more effectively while minimizing risks to friendly forces and civilians.

## COMMUNICATION AND NETWORKING:

Effective communication is crucial in military operations, and technology has significantly enhanced this aspect. The development of secure and robust communication networks, satellite systems, and encrypted communication devices has revolutionized how armed forces coordinate and execute missions. Immediate communication between units, commanders, and headquarters facilitates rapid decision-making, seamless coordination, and real-time adjustments, improving overall situational awareness and response capabilities.

The evolution of technology has profoundly impacted military operations, enhancing efficiency

and effectiveness across various domains. From intelligence gathering and precision targeting to communication networks and cybersecurity, technology has transformed the modern battlefield. As technology continues to advance, armed forces must adapt to maintain their competitive edge.

Striking a balance between technological advancements and ethical considerations is crucial to align the use of technology in military operations with international norms and humanitarian principles. With responsible and strategic implementation, technology will continue to play a pivotal role in shaping the future of military operations.



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KOBUSINGYE

# A tribute to our guardians of freedom

Joining the ranks of the brave has opened my eyes to the true depth of their selfless dedication and unwavering commitment, making me appreciate their greatness in ways I never imagined before. However, I found out that,

In lands afar, where shadows crawl,  
They guard our dreams while others sleep.  
With hearts of courage, they march ahead,  
For liberty's cause, they've always bled.

Through uncomfortable hot

deserts and high mountains,  
They march with determination beneath the sky.  
In dense jungles and oceans deep,  
Their sacrifice, our hearts shall keep.

Through hardships faced, they bear the weight,  
Our flag's freedom, they set it straight.  
With sweat and tears, they build the road,  
To pave a path where hope is granted.

In trenches deep, in the darkest night,  
They stand as guardians, a guiding light.  
Through thunderous roars of battle's might,  
They fight for what's just and what's right.

Their families wait, with anxious hearts,  
As they depart for foreign parts.  
But in their absence, they find their strength,  
For love and duty have no boundaries.

The honour of troops, it shines so bright,  
In their selflessness, in their endless fight.  
For a nation's safety, they give their all,  
To answer their country's resounding call.

They sacrifice comfort, they sacrifice ease,  
To protect the values that make us seize,  
The chance to live in a land so free,  
A place where dreams can truly be.

So let us remember, with deep gratitude,  
The honour of troops, their promises to keep.  
For their sacrifices, both seen and unseen,  
Make our world safer, and our hearts untroubled.

To the troops, we send our cheer,  
For your bravery, we hold you dear.  
In your honour, we stand tall,  
Thank you for giving your all.

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## The intricacies of military intelligence

At the crossroads of warfare and statecraft, Military Intelligence (MI) serves as the linchpin for ensuring national security. While the term may conjure up images of spies in noir settings or technocrats

surveilling screens, its essence is more profound and pivotal to military strategy. Military intelligence, in simple terms, is the collection, analysis, and application of information related to adversarial or potential threats.

Military intelligence is as ancient as warfare itself. Leaders from the times of Sun Tzu, in his seminal work “The Art of War,” have underscored the value of knowing the enemy. Empires like the Romans and Byzantines institutionalized espionage for both military and political advantage.

Fast forward to the 20th and 21st centuries, MI has metamorphosed due to technological leaps, intelligence has shifted from mere human espionage to intercepts, satellite imagery, and cyber intelligence.

Military intelligence relies on methods such as Human Intelligence (HUMINT), gathering information through interpersonal contact; Signal

Intelligence (SIGINT), tapping into electronic signals; Geospatial Intelligence (GEOINT), using imagery and geospatial data; and Cyber Intelligence, penetrating enemy networks for information or misinformation. HUMINT, the oldest method, remains vital today, while Cyber Intelligence is the newest, focusing on digital infiltration for data or disinformation.

The intelligence gathered is not valuable unless it is actionable. Decision-makers rely on MI to make informed choices about military strategies and manoeuvre. A timely piece of intelligence can divert armies from ambushes, steer naval fleets clear of mines, or prevent aerial assets from being shot down.

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However, MI is not without its challenges. Disinformation, or the deliberate planting of false information, has historically been used to mislead adversaries. Ensuring the accuracy of gathered intelligence, therefore, is paramount. In the digital age, with the ubiquity of information, filtering noise from actual intelligence is another challenge, with cyber warfare becoming common place, protecting one's own intelligence assets and infrastructure has become crucial.

Military Intelligence is the bedrock upon which nations build their defense and foreign policies. It is an ever-evolving domain, shaped by technological advancements and geopolitical shifts. As warfare becomes more complex and multifaceted, the role of MI in shaping the destinies of nations will only grow in importance.



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NZAMBAZA

## The profession like no other

Joining the military is not merely a career change; it is a transformative experience that makes it unique from any other profession. Having engaged in various professions before joining the Rwanda Military Academy, I have come to realize the striking differences that make the military a unique and unparalleled endeavor.

One fundamental aspect that sets the military apart is its unwavering sense of purpose and service with pride. While other professions may focus on personal advancement or financial gain, the military is driven by a higher cause - the protection and defense of one's country. The military demands a high level of training and discipline that surpasses most other professions. The physical, mental, and emotional demands placed on military personnel are unparalleled.

The military operates under a strict hierarchical structure with clear chains of command. This structure is unlike many other professions that may have more flexible organizational hierarchies. The hierarchical nature of the military ensures efficient

decision-making, accountability, and clearly defined roles and responsibilities.

Military operations often involve high-pressure environments like combat operations, peacekeeping missions, or disaster re-

sponse efforts. Military personnel are frequently exposed to situations that require quick thinking, adaptability, and the ability to perform under extreme stress. The gravity of these circumstances is unlike anything experienced in most other professions, where the consequences of decisions are typically less severe.

The military fosters a strong sense of camaraderie and brotherhood among its members. The shared experiences, hardships, and reliance on one another create deep bonds within the military community. The unique camaraderie formed in the military is distinct from the relationships typically found in other professions. The unwav-

ering support and unity among military personnel create a sense of belonging that is unmatched in other professional settings.

The military often provides opportunities to work with individuals from diverse backgrounds, cultures, and experiences. Military personnel may have the chance to serve in different countries, work alongside international partners, and gain a unique perspective on global affairs. This exposure to diverse cultures and experiences broadens one's worldview in ways not typically encountered in other professions.



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## Unleashing my potential through Social and Military Sciences

A journey begins with a dream, carefully considered before embarking on an adventure. In the book “Rwan-

da’s Rebirth and the Man Who Dreamed It,” the struggle for our country’s liberation commenced with our President, the Commander-In-Chief, H.E Paul

Kagame; dreaming of returning home from exile and discussing it with his friends. Similarly, I came to comprehend the significance and impact of the Rwanda Defense Force in every part of the country.

I chose to major in Social and Military Sciences, a field that merges my passion for social justice and commitment to serving my country. Opting for a less-traveled path, I embraced the challenges and opportunities that awaited me, with passion, deep determination, resilience, unwavering discipline, and character continually under formation. Over the four-year training program, I immersed myself in the interdisciplinary study of the social aspects of the military, exploring the complex relationship between the armed forces and society.

Throughout training, I delved into diverse subjects such as civil-military relations, military sociology, psychology, military ethics, and leadership. Through rigorous coursework, engaging discussions, and hands-on experiences, I developed a profound understanding of the social dynamics within the military and its impact on society. For instance, a crucial aspect of social dynamics in the military is the study of leadership styles and team dynamics.

Understanding how different leadership approaches affect the morale, cohesion, and effectiveness of military units is vital in optimizing operational outcomes. Analyzing the impact of leadership on group dynamics provided insights into how effective leadership can foster teamwork, enhance communication, and improve overall mission success. This knowledge equipped me with the analytical tools and critical thinking abilities necessary to address complex social and military issues.

Unleashing my potential extends beyond the confines of the military institution. My education in Social and Military Sciences has provided me with a broader perspective and a deep appreciation for the interconnectedness between the military and society. Actively seeking opportunities to collaborate with civilian organizations, governmental bodies, and community groups, I aim to bridge gaps and foster understanding between different segments of society.

As an officer armed with knowledge, skills, and passion, I serve as a beacon of inspiration for others. My unwavering dedication, intellectual curiosity, and commitment to social justice inspire those around me. Through my actions and achievements, I challenge societal norms, break barriers, and encourage others to embrace their passion and unleash their potential.

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## The role of professional Instructors in RDF trainings

Professional instructors within the Rwanda Defence Force (RDF) training programs serve as the cornerstone of developing professional soldiers, playing a pivotal and multifaceted role. Their contributions encompass a diverse range of essential functions and responsibilities, vital for both the individual growth of the trainees and the overall effectiveness of the military institution.

Foremost, these instructors are entrusted with the task of transforming raw, untrained civilian recruits into proficient, capable soldiers. This hard process involves the dissemination of critical knowledge and the development of practical skills pertinent to various military occupations. The comprehensive curriculum includes instruction in tactics, strategy, weaponry, physical fitness, and more, ensuring that soldiers are well-prepared for the demands of their roles.

Instructors also bear the responsibility of shaping future leaders within the military. They

provide comprehensive training and guidance to equip soldiers with the leadership skills necessary to command troops effectively. Leadership abilities are not merely instrumental in maintaining discipline but are also indispensable for coordinating operations and ensuring mission success, which ultimately contributes to the safety and security of the nation.

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In addition to these functions, instructors also extend their role to include guidance and counselling. They offer support for overcoming a variety of psychological obstacles, includ-

ing issues such as depression, anxiety, stress, and post-traumatic stress disorder. This mental health support is essential to safeguard the well-being of soldiers, particularly considering the high-stress and traumatic nature of military service.

Instructors are pivotal in cultivating responsibility, accountability, and moral agency in trainees, stressing dedication to duties for uphold-

ing discipline, integrity, and ethical conduct in the armed forces. RDF instructors significantly contribute to shaping professional soldiers, imparting essential knowledge, skills, leadership qualities, and positive character traits. Their efforts bolster the military's overall effectiveness and readiness, ensuring soldiers are well-trained and morally prepared to serve their country effectively and with integrity.



# Training Activities Review

## IN PICTURES

TRAINING ACTIVITIES REVIEW <<

VIP VISITORS <<

LECTURES OF OPPORTUNITY <<

SPORTS & RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES <<



### CAPTIONS

1  
Route march

2-3  
Field combat exercise

4  
Live firing exercise

# Training Activities Review



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## CAPTIONS

5  
Issuing of orders

6  
Weapon training

# VIP visitors



1



2



3



4



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## CAPTIONS

1  
Burkina Faso CGS  
visit

2  
Prince and CDS of  
Eswatini Kingdom  
visit

3  
Lt Gen (Rtd) Romeo  
Dallaire visit

4  
Officers from Chinese  
People's Liberation  
Army led by Snr Col  
You Jian visit

5  
UR Vice Chancelor  
visit

# Sports & Recreational Activities



1



2



3

### CAPTIONS

- 1 Swimming training
- 2 Recreational Volleyball
- 3 Recreational Basketball
- 4 Collective training



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# Lectures of Opportunity



1



2



3



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### CAPTIONS

- 1 Hon. J Marizamunda - MINADEF
- 2 Hon G Twagirayezu - MINEDUC
- 3 Hon A Utumatwishima - Ministry of Youth & Arts
- 4 Hon Dr JD Bizimana - MINUBUMWE
- 5 Hon I Musafiri - MINAGRI

# Lectures of Opportunity



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## CAPTIONS

6  
Gen MK Mubarakh - CDS

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Maj Gen J Nzabamwita - SG NISS

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CG E Murenzi - RCS

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Col (Rtd) J Ruhunga - SG RIB

# Lectures of Opportunity



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## CAPTIONS

10  
Maj Gen V Nyakarundi - ACOS

11  
Maj Gen A Kagame - Deputy RFCOS

12  
Brig Gen G Gasana - Deputy AFCOS

13  
Maj Gen R Karusisi - SOF COMDR

14  
Brig Gen C Kanyamahanga - PS MOD

15  
D Nkusi - ES CHENO

# OFFICER CADETS IN PICTURES



## INTAKE 05/19 LONG

General Medicine  
Mechanical & Energy Engineering  
Social and Military Sciences



## INTAKE 11/23 ONE YEAR

# Officer Cadets Intake 05/19 Long

## GENERAL MEDICINE



O/CDT A I  
SANGWA



O/CDT A  
UBARIJORO



O/CDT C  
BAZIGA



O/CDT C  
NIYINGIZE



O/CDT C  
NSENGIYUMVA



O/CDT C  
NSHIZIRUNGU



O/CDT D  
MUVUNYI



O/CDT D  
NTWALI



O/CDT E  
KUBWIMANA



O/CDT E  
MUGWANEZA



O/CDT E  
NDAHIRIWE



O/CDT E  
NIYONSHUTI



O/CDT E  
NTIHEMUKA



O/CDT F  
MANIRIHO



O/CDT F  
NIYONSHUTI



O/CDT F  
NSHIMIYIMANA



O/CDT G  
BAHATI



O/CDT H  
RUREMESA



O/CDT J  
GAKWAYA



O/CDT S  
MWIRABURA

### GENERAL MEDICINE



O/CDT V  
TUYISHIME



O/CDT W  
NIRAGIRE

### MECHANICAL AND ENERGY ENGINEERING



O/CDT O  
MUGISHA



O/CDT P  
TUYISHIME



O/CDT S  
HATUNGIMANA



O/CDT S W  
MUSABYIMANA

### MECHANICAL AND ENERGY ENGINEERING



O/CDT E  
MICOMYIZA



O/CDT E  
MUVUNYI



O/CDT E  
NSHIMIYIMANA



O/CDT G  
NYAMINANI



O/CDT H  
HAKIZIMANA



O/CDT H  
NDICUNGUYE



O/CDT I  
MUTIMUTUJE



O/CDT I  
SEBYENDA



O/CDT J  
BANTEGEYE



O/CDT J  
BYIRINGIRO



O/CDT J  
IRAKIZA



O/CDT J  
NIYIGENA



O/CDT JM  
ISHIMWE



O/CDT L  
IGIRANEZA



O/CDT MM  
NZAMBAZA

## Officer Cadets Intake 05/19 Long

### SOCIAL AND MILITARY SCIENCES



O/CDT A  
MUCYO



O/CDT A  
MUREKATETE



O/CDT A  
SHYAKA



O/CDT AW  
UWIMANA



O/CDT B  
KWIZERA



O/CDT B  
MUVUNYI



O/CDT C  
IZERE



O/CDT D  
CYUZUZO



O/CDT D  
MANIRAFASHA



O/CDT D  
MUSONI

# Officer Cadets Intake 05/19 Long

## SOCIAL AND MILITARY SCIENCES



O/CDT D  
NINSIIMA



O/CDT D  
NSENGIYUMVA



O/CDT D  
SHEMA



O/CDT E M  
NKURANGA



O/CDT E  
MUHIRE



O/CDT E  
UWAYEZU



O/CDT F  
KWIZERA



O/CDT F  
MAZIMPAKA



O/CDT F  
MITARI



O/CDT F  
MUGABO



O/CDT G  
BYIRINGIRO



O/CDT G  
INGABIRE



O/CDT G  
SHUKURU



O/CDT G  
TUYISHIMIRE



O/CDT H  
NGABO



O/CDT I C  
NGENDAHAYO



O/CDT I  
GASHUMBA



O/CDT I  
KWIZERA



O/CDT I  
MAYOMBO



O/CDT I  
NGORORANO

# Officer Cadets Intake 05/19 Long

## SOCIAL AND MILITARY SCIENCES



O/CDT I  
RUTABOBA



O/CDT I  
SHEMA



O/CDT I  
TUMUSHUKURU



O/CDT J  
KIIZA



O/CDT J  
MUGABO



O/CDT J  
MUTAMBA



O/CDT JC  
HAKIZIMANA



O/CDT JDD  
DUKUZUMUREMYI



O/CDT K E  
DUSINGIZE



O/CDT L  
ISHIMWE



O/CDT L  
MUKANSANGA



O/CDT M  
IRAFASHA



O/CDT M  
KOBUSINGE



O/CDT M  
NSABIMANA



O/CDT P K  
IDUFASHE



O/CDT P  
MANISHIMWE



O/CDT P  
MUTAGOMA



O/CDT P  
NDAHIRIWE



O/CDT P  
NIYIGABA



O/CDT P  
UWERA

# Officer Cadets Intake 05/19 Long

## SOCIAL AND MILITARY SCIENCES



O/CDT PJ  
ISHIMWE



O/CDT R  
HIGIRO



O/CDT R  
RUKUTANA



O/CDT S  
MWEREKANDE



O/CDT S  
RUKUNDO



O/CDT S  
TORERO



O/CDT T  
HABINEZA



O/CDT T  
KAREMERA



O/CDT TP  
SHEMA



O/CDT W  
KABENDEGERI



O/CDT Y  
KAMANZI

# Officer Cadets Intake 11/23 One Year

## ALPHA COMPANY



O/CDT A  
AKAZABE



O/CDT A  
BYIRINGIRO



O/CDT A  
DUSHIMIMANA



O/CDT A  
IRAFASHA



O/CDT A  
KAGAME



O/CDT A  
KARENGERA



O/CDT A  
KWIZERA



O/CDT A  
MUNEZERO



O/CDT A  
MUTESI



O/CDT AC  
MURIGANDE



O/CDT B  
IGIHOZO



O/CDT B  
MASENGO



O/CDT B  
MUSIIME



O/CDT B  
MWESIGYE



O/CDT B  
NIYIKIZA



O/CDT B  
NIYONZIMA



O/CDT C  
INGABIRE



O/CDT C  
IRADUKUNDA



O/CDT C  
SHYAKA



O/CDT C  
SIBOMANA

# Officer Cadets Intake 11/23 One Year

## ALPHA COMPANY



O/CDT D  
BAYIRINGIRE



O/CDT D  
DUKUNDANE



O/CDT D  
GIHOZO



O/CDT D  
MARARAMANZI



O/CDT D  
MUSARE



O/CDT D  
NIYIGENA



O/CDT D  
NIYONSHUTI



O/CDT D  
NIYONZIMA



O/CDT D  
NSHIMIYIMANA



O/CDT D  
RUKUNDO



O/CDT D  
TUYISHIME



O/CDT D  
MAKUZA



O/CDT DB  
MASHIRO



O/CDT E  
BIKORIMANA



O/CDT E  
BITSE



O/CDT E  
DUSHIMIMANA



O/CDT E  
GATSINZI



O/CDT E  
KAYIRANGA



O/CDT E  
MUKUNDIYUKURI



O/CDT E  
NDAHAYO

# Officer Cadets Intake 11/23 One Year

## ALPHA COMPANY



O/CDT E  
NGENDAHIMANA



O/CDT E  
NIYITEGEKA



O/CDT E  
NIYORUGERO



O/CDT E  
NSANZUMUHIRE



O/CDT E  
NTEZIRYIMANA



O/CDT E  
SHEMA



O/CDT E  
TWAGIRIMANA



O/CDT F  
IRADUKUNDA



O/CDT F  
KARANGWA



O/CDT F  
MUPENZI



O/CDT F  
MURENZI



O/CDT F  
MUSENGIMANA



O/CDT F  
NSANZABANDI



O/CDT F  
NSANZIMFURA



O/CDT F  
NSHIMIYIMANA



O/CDT F  
NSHUTI



O/CDT FM  
UWITONZE



O/CDT G  
GASORE



O/CDT G  
HAKIZIMANA



O/CDT G  
NDAUJE

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## ALPHA COMPANY



O/CDT G  
NSENGIYUMVA



O/CDT G  
NSHIMIYIMANA



O/CDT G  
SIBOMANA



O/CDT GJ  
NIYOMURENGEZI



O/CDT H  
MUHIRE



O/CDT H  
MURAGE



O/CDT H  
NYIRISHEMA



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ITURINDE



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BYIRINGIRO



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MUGIRE



O/CDT I  
NZABIHIMANA



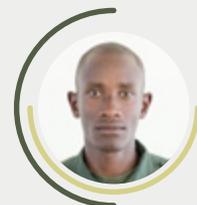
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KAMPAYANA



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MUHAWENIMANA



O/CDT J  
MUHIRE



O/CDT J  
MUKANKUSI



O/CDT J  
NDAYISHIMIYE



O/CDT J  
NSENGIYUMVA

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## ALPHA COMPANY



O/CDT JB  
KWIZERA



O/CDT JC  
NZEYIMANA



O/CDT JD  
UWIRAGIYE



O/CDT JDD  
HABANABASHAKA



O/CDT JDD  
NSENGIYUMVA



O/CDT JP  
NGENDAHIMANA



O/CDT JP  
NIYOMUGABO



O/CDT K  
NSHIMIYIMANA



O/CDT L  
NSHUTI



O/CDT L  
UWIZEYE



O/CDT M  
BYIRINGIRO



O/CDT M  
MUGABO



O/CDT M  
NGENDAKUMANA



O/CDT N  
IKUZE



O/CDT O  
DUKUZUMUREMYI



O/CDT O  
KUBWIMANA



O/CDT O  
KWIZERA



O/CDT O  
NIYONZIMA



O/CDT P  
BERWA



O/CDT P  
BYIRINGIRO

# Officer Cadets Intake 11/23 One Year

## ALPHA COMPANY



O/CDT P  
DUSENGE



O/CDT P  
KWIZERA



O/CDT P  
MAZIMPAKA



O/CDT P  
SHEMA



O/CDT P  
SINDAYIGAYA



O/CDT P  
UFITINEMA



O/CDT P  
UHIRIWE



O/CDT P  
UWIMANA



O/CDT PC  
IZABAYO



O/CDT PK  
IRADUKUNDA



O/CDT P  
UMURUTASATE



O/CDT R  
GUMISIRIZA



O/CDT R  
INGABIRE



O/CDT R  
MUTAMBARUNGU



O/CDT RL  
IHIRWE



O/CDT S  
KARANGWA



O/CDT S  
KIMENYI



O/CDT S  
NGIRUWONSANGA



O/CDT S  
NIRERE



O/CDT S  
NIYONGABO

# Officer Cadets Intake 11/23 One Year

## ALPHA COMPANY



O/CDT S  
NYIRANEZA



O/CDT S  
TUYISHIME



O/CDT S  
VITA



O/CDT SS  
MVANO



O/CDT T  
DUKUZUMUREMYI



O/CDT T  
NAMBAJIMANA



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KUBWIMANA



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NGABIRINDA



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IBUKAMANA



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KAYITABA

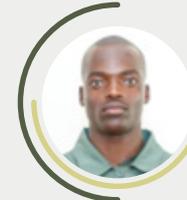
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## BRAVO COMPANY

 O/CDT A KAMUGISHA	 O/CDT A KANYANGE	 O/CDT A MUNYEMANA	 O/CDT A MWAFURIKA	 O/CDT A NGABO
 O/CDT A UWAMUGIRA	 O/CDT AF TUYISHIME	 O/CDT AN ISHIMWE	 O/CDT B MUNYANDAMUTSA	 O/CDT B NKURUNZIZA
 O/CDT C BAGIRAYABO	 O/CDT C MUCYO	 O/CDT C MUHORAKEYE	 O/CDT C MUNYAWERA	 O/CDT C N MUTWARE
 O/CDT C NISUNZIMANA	 O/CDT C UWITIJE	 O/CDT D HABIYAREMYE	 O/CDT D KWIZERA	 O/CDT D MFITUMUKIZA

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## BRAVO COMPANY

 O/CDT D MUDAHERANWA	 O/CDT D NIMUGIRE	 O/CDT D NIYIGABA	 O/CDT D NIYITANGA	 O/CDT D TWIZERIMANA
 O/CDT D UGIRIWABO	 O/CDT E BYIRINGIRO	 O/CDT E HABIYAREMYE	 O/CDT E HAKIZIMANA	 O/CDT E HIRWA GIHOZO
 O/CDT E IRADUKUNDA	 O/CDT E ISHEMARYUMBYEYI	 O/CDT E MUKESHIMANA	 O/CDT E MUNYAZIKWIYE	 O/CDT E MUSHIMIYIMANA
 O/CDT E MUTIMURA	 O/CDT E NDAMYUMUGABE	 O/CDT E NDANYUZWE	 O/CDT E NDAYAMBAJE	 O/CDT E NDAYISENGA

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## BRAVO COMPANY

 O/CDT E NGOBOKA	 O/CDT E NIYOKWIZERWA	 O/CDT E NIYOMUGABO	 O/CDT E TUYIZERE	 O/CDT F BUGINGO
 O/CDT F DUKUNDIMANA	 O/CDT F MAWOMBE	 O/CDT F MUGABO	 O/CDT F MUGISHA	 O/CDT F MUTABARUKA
 O/CDT F NDAHIRO	 O/CDT F NDAYAMBAJE	 O/CDT F NDAYISHIMIYE	 O/CDT F NSENGIYUMVA	 O/CDT F TWIZEYIMANA
 O/CDT G MAHORU	 O/CDT G MUGABO	 O/CDT G MUROMBAMUNGU	 O/CDT G NIYOTWIRINGIYE	 O/CDT G RUBIMBURA

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## BRAVO COMPANY

 O/CDT G RWAMUHIZI	 O/CDT G SERUGENDO	 O/CDT G GANIMANA	 O/CDT H KAMANA	 O/CDT I BAMPORIKI
 O/CDT J BIZIMUNGU	 O/CDT J KAYITESI	 O/CDT J KWIZERA	 O/CDT J MUKAMUSONI	 O/CDT J NIYONZIMA
 O/CDT J RUTAZIBWA	 O/CDT J TURATSINZE	 O/CDT J UNOGEYIMFURA	 O/CDT JC GATETE	 O/CDT JC HAGENIMANA
 O/CDT JC HITAYEZU	 O/CDT JC MATABARO	 O/CDT JD MUVUNYI	 O/CDT JDD SANGANO	 O/CDT JDD TUGIZWENAYO

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## BRAVO COMPANY



O/CDT JDD  
TURATSINZE



O/CDT JDD  
TUZAMBAZIMANA



O/CDT JDD  
TWIRINGIYUMUKIZA



O/CDT JMV  
NIYITEGEKA



O/CDT JP  
DUSHIMIRIMANA



O/CDT JP  
HAKIZIMANA



O/CDT JP  
MANIRAGUHA



O/CDT JP  
MUSABYEYEZU



O/CDT JP  
NIYIGENA



O/CDT JP  
NTWALI



O/CDT M  
MANIZABAYO



O/CDT M  
MANZI



O/CDT M  
MUNYEMANA



O/CDT M  
MWIZA



O/CDT M  
RUTAGENGWA



O/CDT O  
INGABIRE



O/CDT O  
ISHIMWE



O/CDT O  
NSHIMIYIMANA



O/CDT P  
BAMENYA



O/CDT P  
BUGINGO

# Officer Cadets Intake 11/23 One Year

## BRAVO COMPANY



O/CDT P  
KIMENYI



O/CDT P  
MWITIREHE



O/CDT P  
NKURUNZIZA



O/CDT P  
NSHIMIYIMANA



O/CDT P  
NTAWUYIRUSHINTEGE



O/CDT P  
NYIRIMBABAZI



O/CDT P  
NZAYISENGA



O/CDT R  
BAGWANEZA



O/CDT R  
DUFITIMANA



O/CDT R  
IKO



O/CDT S  
BAJUGURI



O/CDT S  
BYINSHI



O/CDT B  
MUGABO



O/CDT S  
MUNYENGABE



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MUVUNYI



O/CDT S  
NDAYAMBAJE



O/CDT S  
NKUNDIMANA



O/CDT S  
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NIYONIRINGIYE



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NTAKIRUTIMANA

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## BRAVO COMPANY



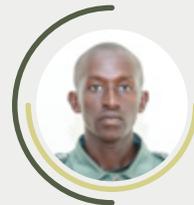
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O/CDT Y  
ISHIMWE



O/CDT Y  
KAYIRANGA



O/CDT Y  
RUKIMBIRA

# Officer Cadets Intake 11/23 One Year

## CHARLIE COMPANY



O/CDT A  
GASANABANDI



O/CDT A  
IMANIZABAYO



O/CDT A  
MPANO



O/CDT A  
NIYOMURENGEZI



O/CDT A  
RUGAJU



O/CDT A  
RWIGEMA



O/CDT AF  
MUHIRE



O/CDT B  
HAKUZIYAREMYE



O/CDT B  
KWIZERA



O/CDT B  
MBYAYINGABO



O/CDT B  
NYIRAMANA



O/CDT C I  
VUGUZIGA



O/CDT C  
ISHIMWE



O/CDT C  
MANARIYO



O/CDT C  
NDIKUMUKIZA



O/CDT C  
NKURIKIYUMUKIZA



O/CDT C  
NZAMUYE



O/CDT C  
TUYISABE



O/CDT C  
UMUKUNZI



O/CDT C  
UWIMANA

# Officer Cadets Intake 11/23 One Year

## CHARLIE COMPANY

 O/CDT D BYIRINGIRO	 O/CDT D GATESI	 O/CDT D GATETE	 O/CDT D HAKIZIMANA	 O/CDT D HITIMANA
 O/CDT D IRADUKUNDA	 O/CDT D KANEZA	 O/CDT D MANIRIHO	 O/CDT D NDAGIJIMANA	 O/CDT D NDAYAMBAJE
 O/CDT D SHIMIMANA	 O/CDT D TUYISENGE	 O/CDT D UWIRINGIYIMANA	 O/CDT D UWIZEYIMANA	 O/CDT DD NDAGIJIMANA
 O/CDT E AHISHAKIYE	 O/CDT E BAGWANEZA	 O/CDT E BAZATSINDA	 O/CDT E BIKORIMANA	 O/CDT E BYIRINGIRO

# Officer Cadets Intake 11/23 One Year

## CHARLIE COMPANY

 O/CDT E HABINGABWA	 O/CDT E HABINSHUTI	 O/CDT E HAGENIMANA	 O/CDT E HAKIZIMANA	 O/CDT E MANISHIMWE
 O/CDT E MUGABE	 O/CDT E MUSHINZIMANA	 O/CDT E MUSONERA	 O/CDT E MUTABAZI	 O/CDT E NDAYISHIMIYE
 O/CDT E NKUNDABERA	 O/CDT E NKUNZIMANA	 O/CDT E NSHIMIYIMANA	 O/CDT E NSHIMYUMUKIZA	 O/CDT E RUTAYISIRE
 O/CDT E SHYAKA	 O/CDT E TUYISHIME	 O/CDT E TUYIZERE	 O/CDT E TWIZEYIMANA	 O/CDT F MUSHIMIYIMANA

# Officer Cadets Intake 11/23 One Year

## CHARLIE COMPANY

 O/CDT F NDAHIMANA	 O/CDT F NIYIGENA	 O/CDT F RUGAMBA	 O/CDT F RWAMUCYO	 O/CDT G MUGISHA
 O/CDT H BUTOYI	 O/CDT H KWIZERA	 O/CDT HC IBAHO	 O/CDT I NIYITEGEKA	 O/CDT J GAKURU
 O/CDT J HARINDIMANA	 O/CDT J IRAGENA	 O/CDT J ISHIMWE	 O/CDT J KIMENYI	 O/CDT J MBONIMPA
 O/CDT J MUGISHA	 O/CDT J MUNYANEZA	 O/CDT J MUSHABE	 O/CDT J NDAYISABA	 O/CDT J NSENGIMANA

# Officer Cadets Intake 11/23 One Year

## CHARLIE COMPANY

 O/CDT J NTIGURIRWA	 O/CDT JB BITWAYIKI	 O/CDT JC NDAGIJIMANA	 O/CDT JDC NSABIMANA	 O/CDT JDD NZAJYIBWAMI
 O/CDT JDF MBONIGABA	 O/CDT JL YAMFASHIJE	 O/CDT JM NKURIKIYIMANA	 O/CDT JP UWIMANA	 O/CDT JS DUSENGE
 O/CDT K HABIMANA	 O/CDT K MASENGESHO	 O/CDT L HATEGEKIMANA	 O/CDT L MUKAMUCYO	 O/CDT L T MUGUNGA
 O/CDT L MWAMBUTSA	 O/CDT M IRANKUNDA	 O/CDT M MUSONI	 O/CDT M NSHIMIYIMANA	 O/CDT M SUMBA

# Officer Cadets Intake 11/23 One Year

## CHARLIE COMPANY



O/CDT M  
NSHIMIYIMANA



O/CDT N  
MUNYURANGABO



O/CDT O  
HAKIZIMANA



O/CDT O  
NTIGERERWA



O/CDT P  
BAGAZA



O/CDT P  
BYIRINGIRO



O/CDT P  
IRADUKUNDA



O/CDT P  
KWIZERA



O/CDT P  
MPUNGA CYIZA



O/CDT P  
MUGABE



O/CDT P  
MUTABAZI



O/CDT P  
MWESIGYE



O/CDT P  
NGABITSINZE



O/CDT P  
NIYIKIZA



O/CDT P  
SIBOMANA



O/CDT R  
IRADUKUNDA



O/CDT R  
IRAKIZA



O/CDT R  
KAMIRI



O/CDT R M  
MFURANZIMA



O/CDT R  
NIYONSENGA

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## CHARLIE COMPANY



O/CDT S  
GATO



O/CDT S  
IRIBAGIZA



O/CDT S  
KWIZERA



O/CDT S  
NDATIMANA



O/CDT S  
NIYONKURU



O/CDT S  
RULINDA



O/CDT T  
UMUHOZA



O/CDT V  
HABIMANA



O/CDT V  
IRAKOZE



O/CDT V  
NDAYISHIMIYE



O/CDT V  
UZABAKIRIHO



O/CDT Y  
MUTSINZI

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## DELTA COMPANY



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## DELTA COMPANY



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## DELTA COMPANY

 O/CDT E NDAHIMANA	 O/CDT E NIYONGABO	 O/CDT E NSABIMANA	 O/CDT E TURIKUMWE	 O/CDT E TWAGIRAYEZU
 O/CDT E UFITEYEZU	 O/CDT E UFITUBUGINGO	 O/CDT F G KAZE	 O/CDT F MWUMVANEZA	 O/CDT F NDATIMANA
 O/CDT F NSANZIMANA	 O/CDT F NYIRIMBABAZI	 O/CDT F REBERO	 O/CDT F TURATSINZE	 O/CDT G BYIRINGIRO
 O/CDT G HAPPY	 O/CDT G IRADUKUNDA	 O/CDT G MUGUME	 O/CDT G NIYIGENA	 O/CDT HAKIZAMUNGU

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## DELTA COMPANY

 O/CDT I GATO	 O/CDT I IRADUKUNDA	 O/CDT I MUTABAZI	 O/CDT I NDARUTASHYE	 O/CDT I NDAYISENGA
 O/CDT I NKURUNZIZA	 O/CDT J ATARIRA	 O/CDT J HAFASHIMANA	 O/CDT J MBARUSHIMANA	 O/CDT J MUKAMURENZI
 O/CDT J MUTAKOSA	 O/CDT J NDANGA	 O/CDT J NDIZEYE	 O/CDT J RUHUMURIZA	 O/CDT J TUYISHIME
 O/CDT J TUYIZERE	 O/CDT JB HIRWA	 O/CDT JB MUTUYEYESU	 O/CDT JB NIYOYITA	 O/CDT JC BIKORIMANA

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## DELTA COMPANY



O/CDT JC  
DUFATANYE



O/CDT JC  
MANIRUMVA



O/CDT JC  
NAMAHUNGU



O/CDT JC  
NIYOMUFASHA



O/CDT JC  
TWIZERIMANA



O/CDT JD  
HABINSHUTI



O/CDT JDD  
BIZIYAREMYE



O/CDT JDD  
DUKUZIMANA



O/CDT JDD  
MJUNYANEZA



O/CDT JDD  
NYITURIKI



O/CDT JF  
HABUMUREMYI



O/CDT JN  
MUREGO



O/CDT JP  
NIYONSENGA



O/CDT JP  
SIMUGOMWA



O/CDT P  
ZIHAKWINSHI



O/CDT L  
NIYONIZEYE



O/CDT M  
MUPENZI



O/CDT M  
MUTUYIMANA



O/CDT N  
ISHIMWE



O/CDT O  
GASINE

# Officer Cadets Intake 11/23 One Year

## DELTA COMPANY



O/CDT O  
NSENGIYUMVA



O/CDT O  
NSHIMYUMUKIZA



O/CDT O  
RUDASINGWA



O/CDT O  
RUTABAGISHA



O/CDT O  
TWIZERIMANA



O/CDT P  
IRADUKUNDA



O/CDT P  
MUDAHABA



O/CDT P  
NDACYAYISENGA



O/CDT P  
NKURUNZIZA



O/CDT P  
NSABIMANA



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NSHIMIYIMANA



O/CDT R  
AKISHEMA



O/CDT R  
HAGABIMANA



O/CDT R  
NAHAYO



O/CDT R  
NDAYISENGA



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RWEGO



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FURAHA



O/CDT S  
MUNTUNDI



O/CDT S  
NTEZIMANA



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IMANIGIRUKWAYO

# Officer Cadets Intake 11/23 One Year

## DELTA COMPANY



O/CDT T  
ITANGISHAKA



O/CDT T  
MANIRAHARI



O/CDT T  
NIZEYIMANA



O/CDT V  
HAKIZIMANA



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SEMUCYO



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TWAHIRWA



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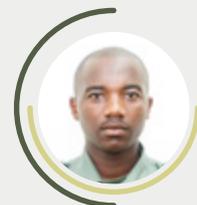
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UWANYUZE



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NIYONSABA

# The Academy Infrastructure



### CAPTIONS

- 1 Officers' Accommodation
- 2 NCO Hostel
- 3 Med Laboratory
- 4 Staff Mess Facility
- 5 Officer Cadet Hostels
- 6 Mech Eng Workshop



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