



Winning Essays

Essay #89- Category #1

Essay topic for the current and former military and police personnel.

Narrate with specific examples the atrocities the military torture brigades, sanctioned by the corrupt military dictator Museveni, have contributed to the wrecking of havoc on innocent Ugandans

In his own words on air, Museveni condemns the torture, killings and other atrocities committed by the military, brigadiers, and other security organs. But behind the curtains, the person who claimed to have brought peace is the same person who orders, supports, and empowers the different security organs to kill, torture, abduct the innocent people making them peaceless, miserable, sick depressed and all kind of bad thing you can ever think about. The security organs responsible for atrocities, violations killings and torturing include CMI, SFC, UPDF and UPF. During 1986, Museveni under the NRA killed, tortured and displaced thousands and thousands of people all in the name of taking power pretending to bring peace in the country but instead just took it away from the nationals over 200000 people were massacred in Luwero and today still the person under UPDF and other security organs he has commanded the different atrocities to various innocent people which include; the ongoing atrocities in Karamoja where the military police, under the orders of LT COL Muhoozi who doubles as Museveni's son is killing, torturing and forcing the civilians to confess that they guns.

The military generals have engaged in different land grabbing by either providing security and demolishing of people's property or by claiming it themselves. This has led to displacement of people, destruction of property and loss of lives for example the UPDF army was summoned over land grabbing in katabi Entebbe, general Aronda's widow evicted people thousands of people in kyakwanzi days after Museveni's directives about land grabbing, this left people's crops, houses and other property down and it was under the supervision of over 30 UPDF soldiers other land grabbing include

the lusanje land, katakwi land which was grabbed for multination companies investment and this left many landless.

The UPDF soldiers have sexually assaulted and harassed many people in and outside the country and they are left untouched and defended, in 2019 the residents of Ilera central Kileleshwa district accused these soldiers which were deployed there of assault intimidation and sexual harassment but instead of helping the residents, the UPDF just claimed the land and it established a detachment in the area to enforce eviction process. In central Africa republic during a tour, UPDF soldiers namely Robert Masiko and Casiano Anguzu sexually abused over 13 women in 2015 and 3 girls in 2017 but there was nothing done to them.

In 2019, Makerere students were protesting against a 15% fees increment, and the military police used excessive force on students which installed fear, caused trauma, depression amongst students as the police raided and tortured students out of their halls and hostels of residence. This strike also affected the business in areas around the university as their property and other things were destructed as the police ran over them while chasing the students.

Museveni through his rule and divide policy of ruling he has costed lots of innocent lives, destruction of property and violation of people's rights. This is done by creating political tension and unrest among regions religions and cultures. He has done this mostly in the central region and the Rwenzori regions for example in 2009, he tried to deny the Kabaka of Buganda access to one of his districts [Kayunga] claiming that didn't belong to the Buganda kingdom but rather belong to banyara tribe. This riot left over thousands of people killed, tortured, and violated as their business' were burnt, destroyed, and destructed. The Rwenzururu Kingdom was attacked in 2016 by UPDF and over 200 guards were killed, other people were massacred the king Omusinga Charles was imprisoned till date. In 2016 Bobiwine's driver was shot to death and Bobi Wine was tortured and being asked why he was a Muganda!

The most current and ongoing atrocities, torture and violence is the one where security organs under Museveni's directives against HE Kyagulanyi Bobi Wine, other opposition members and innocent citizens this became more serious as Bobi Wine expressed interest in being president of Uganda. This has been followed by rampant and numerous killings, abduction, torturing, displacement and arresting of numerous innocent people from different regions most especially central, eastern, and northern regions. Different people have lost their lives, lost their beloved ones and others are into unknown places. The abductions and different atrocities are done by SFC personnel mostly in casual clothes without IDs and without reasons or right documented for arresting anyone. Thousands of civilians mostly those who are from opposition and close to Kyagulanyi have been the target and many are taken to unknown destinations and the government denies their arrests, many are tortured by removing their nails by nails, burnt part by part hit with hot iron bars, some killed and thrown in known places and others are arrested without any trails, for example Hon. Zaake and Namboze were tortured, beaten to nearly death by the CMI, ISO and SFC officials, recently Kakwenza was tortured,

burnt and beaten because he wrote about Museveni and his son. Ritah and Frank were run over by UPDF and police cars during the presidential campaign to death leaving their families miserable. Over 200 people were detained during the political protest and many more were killed. Hon Ssewanyana and Ssengirinya are still in prison over false cases.

The impunity and human rights abuse in northern Uganda by UPDF has led to the killing of many innocent civilians.

Essay #124-Category #2

Essay topic for women only. Violence against women is encouraged and promoted by Museveni's brutal dictatorship.

Violence against women is any act of gender-based violence that results into physical, sexual, or mental harm or suffering to women. It includes threats and torture of any kinds, coercion or arbitrary deprivation of liberty whether occurring in public or private life. Violence against women and girls is one of the world's most prevalent human right violations. In Uganda over 22% women have ever been violated sexually in their lifetime and about 51% of women aged 15-19 have ever experienced physical violence which have serious short- and long-term physical, economic, social, and psychological consequences on women and girls, preventing their full and equal participation in society. The magnitude of its impact both in the lives of individuals, families and society is immeasurable.

The rise in violence against in women in being promoted and encouraged by Museveni because instead of him accelerating steps towards fulfilling his commitments to end abuses/ violations against women in Uganda which are basically done by government officials, security forces he just encourages, promote, and defend them. We hold high level officials accountable and responsible for the various violations where women and girls regardless of their age, positions, and responsibilities such as MPs, politicians, activists, students, casual workers, journalists, and children have been victims. You can't imagine what happens to unpopular/unknown people in the absence of camera if known people can terribly be violated in broad daylight in the presence of the camera for example one Sauuda Madada a political activist was tortured ,beaten burnt and harassed to the extent that she can't give birth because her womb/uterus was removed as she was trying to advocate for change in governance and trying to campaign for Kyagulanyi. Stella Nyanzi a poet, feminist and political activist was also forced to seek for asylum with her children after being tortured, imprisoned, and traumatized as she tried to challenge Museveni about the injustices perpetrated by his government. Recently a re-known music artist Sheba survived being sexually harassed and raped by general Muhoozi Museveni's son as he invited her to perform on his private party. Nothing was done to offer Sheba justice by instead they were stopping her from talking about it to protect the general's name. You can imagine this impunity!

Different reports indicate the unlawful violence cases inform of enforced disappearances of women, arbitrary, detentions, torture, rape, extorting forced labour and sex exploitation among others are mostly done by people holding bigger offices like MPs ministers, police, military, army, and intelligence agencies of which all these are being

commanded by Museveni who keeps mute about their violations against women. E.g. Kayihura raped and sexually harassed women in the name of IGP and offering jobs to women and of all the cases that were risen none was given justice because he worked for Museveni and they were in the system.

Insufficient implementation of law, lack of support from concerned organs such as ministry of justice, ministry of gender and others. The Ugandan criminal justice system doesn't provide adequate protection and support to victims of violence and there are no stiff rules and laws for humiliation and violation against women due to failure of law makers, judiciary and police to exercise due diligence in preventing, investigating and prosecuting of violence cases. These all happen because Museveni doesn't empower the responsible organs.

Violence against women in Uganda is so rampant because of the weak legal sanctions for the violence and the head of state and government and as a final decision maker since he is the chief executive and legislator has failed to approve and enforce the laws that are strict and against violence. The Ugandan constitution and other domestic laws prohibit any forms of violations, arbitrary, detention, torture, enforced disappearances and any ill treatments of any Ugandan but due to absence of legal aid, victims are forced to undertake exorbitant costs of legal action as they must transport investigating officers, pay for medical and any other costs involved in the process of getting justice.

Justice rarely prevails in court because witnesses fail to testify, and the burden of proof imposed on the victims is very high thus making cases being withdrawn before judgment is given. This is because the witnesses are intimidated and threatened e.g. journalists such as Faridah Bikober and Lillian Luwedde were beaten, arbitrarily detained, and tortured as they tried to cover up H.E Kyagulanyi's election campaigns and protests by his supporters. This was after Martin Okoth offered a direct threat to journalists who were covering the campaigns.

Museveni has full rights and the opportunity to ensure justice for the many violence victims, but his plight has been ignored for years. Anything less than real security sector reforms, alongside the prosecutions of government officials implicated in serious abuses would signify not only his tolerance of the abuse but also his complicity.

Museveni has brutally fought and stopped NGOs and other bodies that were raising to fight against violence yet there are no government funded projects that are aiming at planning on strengthening the role of the legal and health systems within the country's multisectoral response to address interpersonal violence against women.

Essay #55-Category #3

Essay topic for any other Ugandan not included in the above two categories.
Museveni has tortured and killed more Ugandans than both Obote and Amin combined.

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MUSEVEN HAS TORTURED AND KILLED MORE UGANDANS THAN OBOTE AND AMIN COMBINED.

I fully justify the above statement as follows.

What history now tells us is that Western interests in Uganda have always determined existing government.

The January 1971 military coup that brought Idi Amin after the British opposition to President Obote who in May 1970 had partially nationalised several British-owned companies operating in Uganda since their commercial interests had been threatened. Other reasons like the raid on the Kabaka's Lubiri in May 1966 were not enough for their intervention.

In 1971 after Amin took power and so much welcomed by British but when Asians holding British passports were expelled in 1972 and also opened up important relations with the Arab world hence started to show this defiant, coincidentally he started to be vilified in the Western media as a mass murderer.

Museveni, trained in intelligence gathering, having learnt this trick, his priority starting about 1982 was to ally with any external and internal power that would help bring and stay him to power so that he could do whatever he likes, for instance domestic politics, repression of the media, the abuse of human rights, corruption and so on that do not directly or even indirectly affect Western interests did not feature as reasons for western political and military intervention in Ugandan affairs.

Museven was aware that other parties were interested in power and, therefore, looked for ways of including them in government where he killed them later.

The leader of UFM, Dr Andrew Kayiira, was given the position of Minister of Energy in the new NRM government- then after was killed plus all figures which were close to him such as Capt. George Nkwanga, the commander of the FDA/Fedemu, Capt. Kamyia Nkima , Capt. Paul Kavuma, Major Nsubuga, and Lt. Nansera Lubega, were former UFM commanders, who were absorbed in the NRA's 19th Battalion.

Museven also killed Ugandans to discredit the former presidents like Obote, Amin, and Godfrey Binaisa. He did massive killings and torture, using his positions like Security Operative in office of Obote and Minister of Defence of Binaisa. Some professional personnel like Makerere Lecturers and doctors of Mulago hospital were shot dead in 1979, the likes of Frank Kalimuzo and Dr. Joseph Kamulegeya respectively.

Furthermore, he stirred up hostilities between countries to make them fight back by hiding or funding any one opposing the regime, hence killing innocent Ugandans like he did to Kenya in 1976 by ordering his troops to kidnap a Kenyan student Sally Githere.

To add on the above, Museveni has been deploying rebels like Al-Shabaab in Somalia, ADF and M23 in Congo, at the same time fighting them back leading to death of many UPDF soldiers, like the 59 Ugandan soldiers whom Al-Shabaab claim to have killed in Bulomarer district. He always does this to seek funds from US and also steal natural resources in those countries.

To make matters worse, simple matters can make Museveni to kill you. For example, George Bamutaraki a UPC member of parliament 1983 was shot dead because of knowing the origin Museveni that he was not a Ugandan but a Rwandese.

To add on the above, James Matovu the cousin to Kabaka Ronald Mutebi and others were killed on orders of Museveni to show people that Binaisa had failed to rule Uganda and that there was an atmosphere of instability in Uganda.

Furthermore, Robert Kagata, a UNLA army officer, was murdered because he knew who killed NRA Commander Lt. Sam Katarwa

Through covering up assassination of big people many ended up losing their lives, the likes of Major Peter Bainyana of RPA to cover up Fred Rwegyema, first commander of RPA.

Ugandan Generals and Afandes who had public influence have been shot dead or poisoned thinking that they might intervene with the mission of his son "Muhoozi project". The likes of Afande Kirumira, Kaweesi, General Kasirye Gwanga.

Other planned Genocides and Mass murders include:-

The Luwero triangle genocide, from 1980-1986, during the bush war, Museveni massacred 2 million Ugandans. Mostly in Luwero, Gulu, Lira, and Teso.

Even in the bush, he used child soldiers by killing people, mainly parents of kids. He would come back to the homes during the day and use propaganda that the current government is killing their parents.

Similarly, twenty years atrocities on Acholi, for many years Museveni lied that Joseph Kony was a rebel torturing and killing people in Northern Uganda but he and his brother Salim Saleh did so to achieve the objectives of irreparably harming the Acholi society and also finishing up UFM soldiers by sending them to be killed from there, and to also get funds from the US and the rest of the western world

In the same way, the Kasese massacre in 2016, were at least 100 people lost their lives. Museveni claimed that the raid was in response to militant attacks on police posts in the region, allegedly perpetrated by the royal guards but if that were the case, why would they torture and kill even innocent children and women?

The Kanungu Massacre, in 2000 were Museveni planned and murdered 778 opposition members and burnt the remains under the disguise of Joseph Kibweteere.

Last but not least, once upon a time, there came another opposition leader called Robert Kyagulanyi known as Bobi Wine and if you mention his name you can't fail to talk about the November 18th and 19th Massacre where the world and human rights desk recorded 112 deaths of NUP protestors, and these are people who died in Kampala and Wakiso, but not in Kayunga, Buikwe and other places .

There have been other indirect ways Museveni has been using to murder Ugandans like denying them health care, denying them food like the Karamojong, locking people in their houses during Covid-19 pandemic without food, food poisoning, direct and indirect road accidents, burning of schools and markets, human trafficking, selling of human organ for money etc.

With all the above, it really implies that Museveni has killed more Ugandans compared to Obote and Amin Combined.

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