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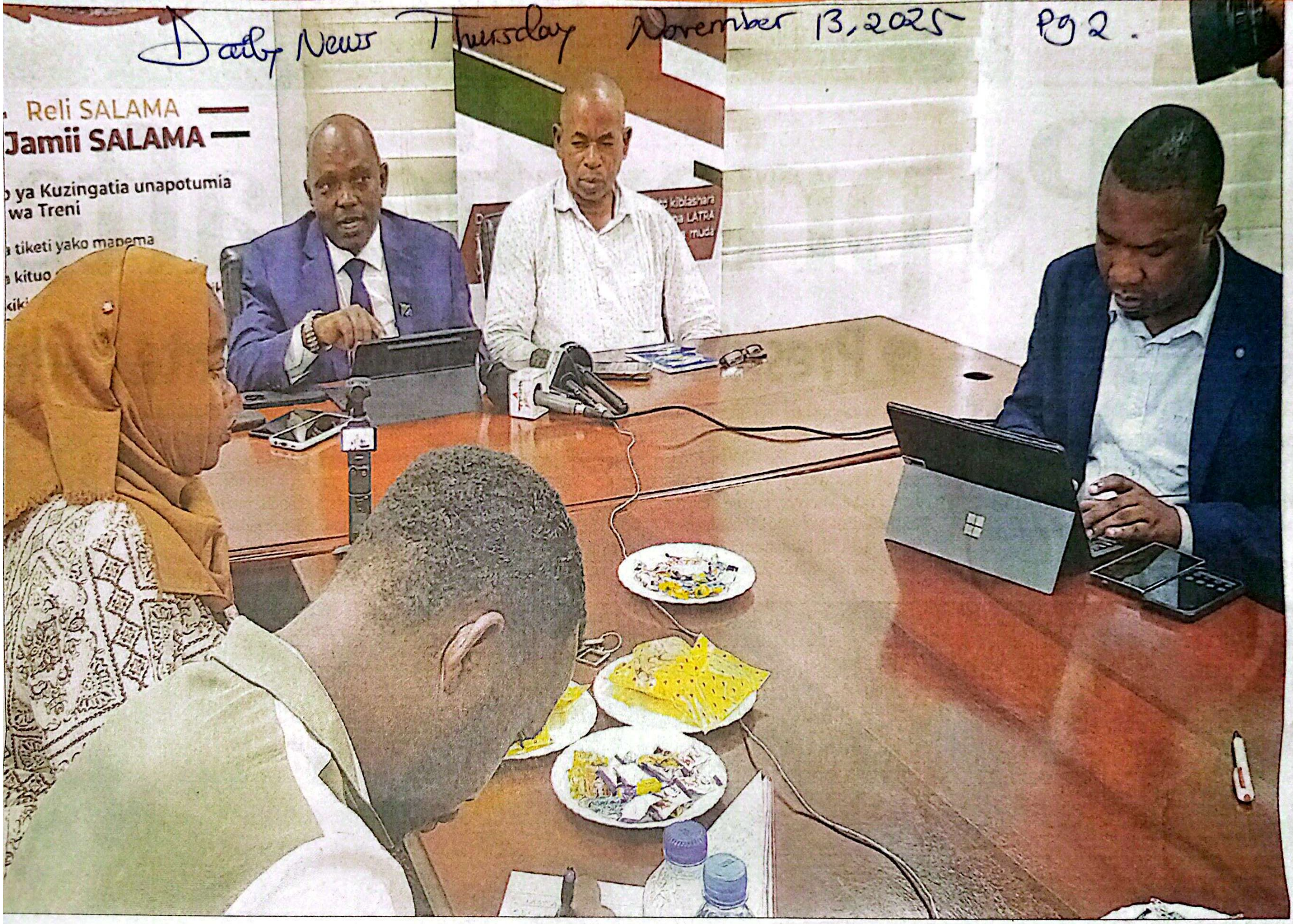

LAND Transport Regulatory Authority (LATRA) Director Habibu Suluo speaks to journalists in Dar es Salaam yesterday about preparations for the Best Service Provider Award, to be presented during the inaugural Sustainable Land Transport Week from November 24 to 29. Beside him is Tanzania Logistics and Transport Associations President Alphone Mwingira. (Photo by a Correspondent)

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LATRA: Usafiri wa usiku umevutia wasafiri wengi

Na Elizabeth Zaya

MAMLAKA ya Udhibiti wa Usafiri Ardhini (LATRA), imesema usafiri wa mabasi usiku umechangia kuvutia wasafiri wengi waliokuwa wanalazimika kutumia ndege kuwahi shughuli zao kutoka mkoa mmoja kwenda mkoa mwingine.

Kauli hiyo ilitolewa jana na Mtendaji Mkuu wa LATRA, CPA, Habibu Suluo, wakati akizungumza na waandishi wa habari kuhusu mafanikio ya mamlaka hiyo kuelekea wiki ya usalama barabarani.

"Zamani ilikuwa kwamba kama mtu akipata dharura ya kutakiwa kuwa mkoa mwingine kesho yake kwa ajili ya kutekeleza majukumu ya haraka alikuwa analazimika kusafiri kwa ndege ili awahi, lakini ujio wa safari za usiku umerahisisha kila kitu, badala ya kusafiri na ndege wengi wanasafiri usiku na anawahi vizuri tu.

"Mbali na kusaidia kupunguza gharama kwa kundi kubwa la watu, lakini umesaidia wengi kuwahi kwenye utekelezaji wa majukumu yao bila kukwama," alisema Suluo.

Kwa mujibu wa Suluo, wiki ya usalama barabarani inatarajia kuanza Novemba 24 mpaka 29, mwaka huu.

Alisema zaidi ya watoa huduma 800 wanatarajia kushiriki katika wiki hiyo inayotarajiwa kufanyika Dar es Salaam.

Kadhalika, alisema mamlaka hiyo inatarajia kutoa tuzo kwa watoa huduma bora wa mwaka huu na kwamba wamekuwa wakitoa tuzo hizo kwa ajili ya kutoa motisha na kuhamasisba utoaji bora wa huduma katika sekta hiyo.

Pia, alisema utoaji wa tuzo hizo unachangia watoe huduma bora pamoja na kuchochea ushindani na kuboresha mfumo bora na imara kwenye sekta hiyo.

Aliwataka Watanzania kutumia wiki hiyo ya usalama barabarani kwenda kupata elimu kuhusu mambo mbalimbali kwenye sekta hiyo.

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Night bus service attracts fliers to land transport, announces LATRA

By Guardian Reporter

THE Land Transport Regulatory Authority (LATRA) has announced that the introduction of night bus service has attracted passengers who previously relied on air travel for quick inter-regional journeys.

LATRA Chief Executive Officer Habibu Suluo made the announcement yesterday while addressing journalists about recent achievements in the land transport sector ahead of the upcoming Road Safety Week campaign.

Suluo noted the impact of night bus travel on passenger behaviour and economic activity. Previously, travellers with urgent early-morning commitments often had to fly to reach their destinations on time.

"That reliance has changed," Suluo stated. "With night travel, many people now travel by bus overnight and arrive just fine."

He highlighted the dual benefits of this development: reduced travel costs and the ability to meet obligations without delay. The convenience of departing in the evening and arriving refreshed in the morning has made inter-regional travel more accessible for professionals, business owners and civil servants.

Suluo also shared details about the upcoming Road Safety Week, scheduled for November 24-29 in Dar es Salaam. The event is expected to attract over 800 service providers in land transport subsector.

During the week, LATRA will host an awards ceremony to recognize the best service providers of the year. According to Suluo, the awards aim to motivate providers, encourage high-quality services and promote safer, more efficient operations.

"These awards foster healthy competition and adoption of stronger operational systems, helping to maintain high service standards that keep passengers choosing land transport over air travel," he said.