What is exactly askyourgov.ug?

Askyourgov.ug is a web portal where citizens can make information requests to Information officers from the different ministries, departments and agencies.

The main objective of this platform is to bridge the gap between government and citizens and facilitate the public to ask for information. At the same time, Askyourgov.ug incorporates ICT in the work of government.

Why a platform?

The Government of Uganda is committed to constitutional governance and citizen participation and has since 2005 been implementing article 41 of the constitution regarding the right to information. Following the adoption of the Access to Information Act, 2005 (ATIA), Government issued Access to Information Regulations 2011 No.17 and has been creating awareness of information officers and the public. In 2013 Government adopted a Communication’s Policy to further strengthen citizens’ right to information.

The Government of Uganda in collaboration with Africa Freedom of Information Centre and Coalition on Freedom of Information is implementing an initiative to facilitate citizens’ access to information through use of the Internet. Through this collaboration Ask Your Government, a web-based platform for receiving and responding to ATI requests has been developed for use by Ministries, Departments and Agencies.

How it works?

1. A requester files a request with a public body via this askyourgov.ug and the request is sent as an email to the respective public body

2. The Information officer at the public body replies to the email

3. The reply is delivered to the requester via email and at the same time published on askyourgov.ug
Benefits of the portal

1. A more accessible, transparent and effective Government

2. Saves money, time and public officers work of answering repeated requests

3. Provides statistics about submitted and answered requests

4. Incorporates the use of ICT and its benefits in the work of Government MDAs

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AND WHAT IS NEXT?

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