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The Forum for Democratic Change (FDC) presidential candidate, Nathan Nandala Mafabi, has outlined a comprehensive master plan to rebuild Kampala into a clean, organised, economically vibrant and people-centred capital city.

Speaking on Friday during his campaigns across Makindye division in Kampala — where he traversed areas such as Kiruddu, Salaama Road, Nsambya, Kabalagala and Kulekaana — Nandala said Kampala had deteriorated significantly, arguing that the problems are a result of poor leadership and neglected infrastructure.

“Kampala faces a waste management crisis, with thousands of tonnes of garbage every day and drainage channels blocked by rubbish. But we are not going to borrow from the World Bank to clean our city. Our city must be cleaned by its own leadership,” he said.

Nandala said his government will prioritise waste collection and turn it into fertiliser.

“I have seen it work in many countries. We shall make garbage collection efficient, and then turn

# Nandala vows to sort out Kampala's planning problems



**Nandala (third-left) interacts with his supporters in Makindye division, Kampala on Friday**

it into fertiliser, and even roads,” Nandala said.

Beyond sanitation, Nandala used

the Kampala campaign event to present his economic vision for Uganda. He said high taxes were

crushing small businesses and leaving ordinary Ugandans with very little disposable income.

With Kampala's population increasing every day, Nandala argued that the city must be decongested to function effectively. He said his administration would establish industries in all 21 sub-regions of Uganda, reducing pressure on the capital.

“Kampala will remain an industrial hub, but this will be expanded in Wakiso where there is land. Why do we want everyone in the centre? If businesses operate outside, people will go outside,” Nandala said.

He said industrialising other areas would allow Kampala to breathe.

On health, Nandala criticised the state of public facilities where patients are often told to buy their own medicines or pay for essential services.

For the small businesses who dominate the city's informal markets, Nandala promised refrigerators and cheap credit.

He said poverty in Kampala is partly driven by the predatory moneylenders who trap struggling workers and traders in cycles of debt.

The candidate vowed to regulate money-lending, improve access to formal credit, and protect vulnerable households.

He promised the rehabilitation of roads and drainage channels.