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KAMPALA. The Minister of Education will formally release 2025 O-Level results tomorrow at State House Nakaseero in Kampala.

This follows a meeting between the minister, Ms Janet Museveni and Uganda National Examinations Board (Uneb), yesterday.

In a departure from past practice, the ministry will unveil Ugance Certificate of Education (UCE) results, while Senior One placement is underway.

The two-day Senior One placement exercise is set to start in Lugogo today

S4 results to be released tomorrow

and conclude tomorrow afternoon. The O-Level results release will be held tomorrow morning.

The exams were conducted from October 13, 2025, to November 7, 2025, with a total of 432,159 candidates registered, marking a 12.1 percent increase from the previous year.

This was the second UCE cycle assessed under the New Lower Secondary Competency-Based Curriculum.

Under the new curriculum, Contin-

uous Assessment (CA) scores from schools contribute 20 percent to the final grade, while the Uneb end-of-cycle exam accounts for 80 percent.

Background

Last year, Uneb said a total of 432,159 candidates registered to sit for the 2025 UCE examinations, compared to 379,748 in 2024, an increase of 12.1 percent. Of these, 52.7 percent are females, while 47.3 percent are males.

The examinations took place in 4,308 centres across the country.

Uneb attributed the rise in numbers to increased enrolment in both government and private schools, as well as the impact of the Universal Secondary Education (USE) programme.

Out of the total candidature, 154,637 candidates (36 percent) are beneficiaries of the USE programme, while 241,246 are privately sponsored.

Additionally, Uneb has registered 679

Special Needs Education (SNE) candidates who require additional support, with 190 specialised personnel deployed to assist them throughout the examination period.

The UCE exams started at a time when teachers under the Uganda National Teachers' Union (Unatu) were on an industrial strike demanding improved pay and better working conditions.

The strike raised concerns about the possible disruption of the supervision process. Uneb acknowledged the teachers' concerns but appealed to them not to link the industrial action to the conduct of the national examinations.