

## **THE government has dismissed recent reports of an outbreak of the deadly Ebola virus in the country with two patients being quarantined in a Dar es Salaam hospital.**

The Permanent Secretary (PS) in the Ministry of Health and Social Welfare, Dr Shaban Mwinjaka has dismissed reports circulating in social media, cautioning that the stories will only cause public fear.

Dr Mwinjaka also stressed that the fabricated stories will only do damage to the national economy as visitors, including tourists, will be afraid to enter the country for fear of being infected.

He said the government has already taken preventive measures and will ensure that any case associated with the disease will be put under control.

He called on journalists to adhere to ethical and responsible conduct, noting that anyone wanting to report on the matter should seek clarification from relevant authorities before publishing the story.

He asked the media to ensure that they work on information they receive and have the interest of the nation at heart and not take the issue of Ebola lightly.

The PS said this in Dar es Salaam yesterday when clarifying

