



TOYOTA

Hiace GD

Uganda • 2026 Hagalu Buyer's Guide

2755 cc

ENGINE

185 mm

CLEARANCE

12.5 km/l

FUEL ECON

15 seats

SEATING

UGX 225,000,000

Ex-Showroom Starting Price

<https://www.hagalu.com/uganda/toyota/hiace-gd/>

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Source-backed	No rating inferred	1 Variants	1 Priced
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01 Overview & Quick Facts

For a passenger operator, a van is part of a timetable. It needs to arrive, board people safely, carry their belongings and be ready for the next journey. The Hiace GD should therefore be selected around the service it will perform: staff transport, a hotel shuttle, family travel or another approved passenger duty. The number painted on a quotation is not enough to decide whether the vehicle is right for that work. Toyota Uganda lists the GD model with a 2.8-litre diesel engine and manual transmission. It belongs in a separate comparison from the locally listed 2.5-litre Hiace Van and Hiace Commuter records. Shared branding does not make their engines, bodies or seating arrangements interchangeable. When gathering quotes, write the exact derivative beside each price so that a smaller van or a different passenger body is not mistaken for an equivalent offer. Seating is the first detail to reconcile. The Uganda website's named passenger profile is a 14-seat ACE Commuter, while a quotation describing a 15-seat Hiace GD needs its own confirmed layout and approval. Establish whether the quoted count...



Body Style	Passenger Van
Generation	Uganda 2.8-litre GD passenger-van family, distinct from the separately listed 2.5-litre Hiace variants. Public 14-seat and supplied 15-seat identities require separate build matching.
Fuel Types	Diesel
OEM Website	https://www.toyota.co.ug/en/vehicles/toyota-uganda/Hiace-GD

02 Variant Pricing & On-Road Costs

Ex-Showroom Starting Price	UGX 225,000,000			1 Listed Variants
Variant	Fuel	Transmission	Trim	Ex-Showroom
2.8 GD 15-Seater 6MT	Diesel	6-Speed Manual	Standard	UGX 225,000,000

Estimated On-Road Price — 2.8 GD 15-Seater 6MT (Base Variant)

Kampala	UGX 236,525,000
Jinja	UGX 236,675,000
Mbarara	UGX 236,825,000
Gulu	UGX 237,025,000

* Hagalu planning estimates include the stored registration, licensing, delivery and insurance assumptions; they are not official dealer quotes.

03 Pros, Cons & Buyer Summary

● STRENGTHS ✓ Distinct 2.8-litre GD passenger-van option in Toyota Uganda's range. ✓ Manual diesel format can be evaluated against a defined operating route. ✓ Passenger body provides a dedicated group-transport starting point. ✓ Local fuel-tank and manufacturer warranty information is published. ✓ Named passenger profiles support a build-specific quotation.	● CONSIDERATIONS ✗ 14-seat and 15-seat identities must not share an assumed specification. ✗ Luggage provision may constrain a fully occupied passenger service. ✗ Boarding access needs testing with the intended passengers. ✗ Conversions require clear approval, responsibility and support arrangements. ✗ Tank capacity alone cannot establish operating range or cost per journey.
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Buyer Summary

"Buy the approved passenger layout and operating support, not just the largest seating number."

Hiace GD can be a useful starting point for a Uganda passenger-transport purchase when the larger diesel van's layout matches the service. The critical work is confirming exactly what is supplied. A 14-seat public listing and a 15-seat quotation are not the same record, and their dimensions or equipment should not be mixed. Once the seating, belts, luggage space and loaded approval are clear, compare the delivered cost and maintenance arrangements. A vehicle that boards passengers comfortably and stays ready for its schedule is more valuable than an impressive seat count that does not fit the work.

City Driving	Repeated pickups make boarding time and safe stopping space important. Check the passenger-door side, the step height and the space available when parked alongside a kerb. The driver should try a representative manoeuvre in a suitable controlled location before judging the van's size. In a shared fleet, agree how each driver checks the doors, passenger seating and loose luggage before moving away. These routines matter more than a decorative cabin upgrade.
Highway	A longer transfer tests every seating position, not just the front row. Ask passengers to assess posture, leg space and ventilation with the intended luggage aboard. Plan breaks and refuelling around the route rather than a theoretical maximum range. Ensure the vehicle remains within its approved loaded limits, including any added equipment. A seat-count calculation alone does not establish that a fully occupied van with every passenger's luggage will meet those limits.
Off-Road	Rural passenger work can include uneven access roads, but that does not turn a Hiace GD into a specialised off-road vehicle. Assess the route, the loaded clearance and space needed to turn before committing the van to a service. Ruts, steep entrances and loose edges can create problems beyond simple traction. Confirm the exact drivetrain and tyres; the name of another Toyota 4x4 does not transfer its capabilities to a passenger van. Avoid routes where safe access or recovery is uncertain.
Best For	Hiace GD is relevant to organisations and owners transporting groups who need to balance passenger places with access, luggage and dependable scheduling. The right body is the one that suits the actual route and occupants, not necessarily the one advertising the greatest number of seats.

04 Variant Comparison Matrix

All 1 variants of the Toyota Hiace GD side-by-side. Use this to spot the smallest differences quickly — fuel, power, gearbox and price all in one view.

SPEC	2.8 GD 15-Seater 6MT
Price (ex-showroom)	UGX 225,000,000
Fuel Type	Diesel
Transmission	6-Speed Manual
Trim Level	Standard
Engine	2755 cc (2.8L)
Max Power	Not Officially Disclosed
Max Torque	Not Officially Disclosed
Drivetrain	FWD
Fuel Economy	12.5 km/l
Seating	15
Boot Space	1000 L
Ground Clearance	185 mm
Kerb Weight	2350 kg

→ [Compare these variants on hagalu.com](#) (published prices, on-road estimates, source-backed specifications and buyer guidance)

05 Toyota Hiace GD — 2.8 GD 15-Seater 6MT

UGX 225,000,000

ENGINE 2755 cc	ECONOMY 12.5 km/l	FUEL Diesel 6-Speed Manual
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Standard Trim · Diesel · 6-Speed Manual

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ENGINE & PERFORMANCE

Engine	Not Officially Disclosed	Engine Code	1GD-FTV
Fuel Type	Diesel	Hybrid System	Not Applicable
Engine Displacement	2755 cc	Cylinders	4
Cylinder Layout	Inline	Valves	16
Valves per Cylinder	4	Aspiration	Turbocharged
Fuel System	Direct Injection	Compression Ratio	15.6:1

TRANSMISSION & DRIVETRAIN

Automatic Shift Paddles	Not Applicable	4WD Selector	Not Officially Disclosed
4WD Lo Range	Not Officially Disclosed	4WD Hi Range	Not Officially Disclosed
4WD Engagement	Electronic selectable 4WD	Drivetrain	FWD
Transfer Case	Not Officially Disclosed	Gear Shift Type	Manual
Gear Shift Indicator	Not Officially Disclosed	LSD Available	Not Officially Disclosed
Drivetrain Layout	FWD	Gearbox	6-Speed Manual

DIMENSIONS

Length	5915 mm	Width	1950 mm
Height	2280 mm	Wheelbase	3860 mm
Ground Clearance (Default)	185 mm	Ground Clearance (With Full Seating Load)	170 mm
Fuel Tank Capacity	70 l	Boot/Cargo Space	1000 l
Kerb Weight	2350 kg	Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW)	3500 kg
Payload Capacity	1150 kg	Towing Capacity	750 kg

MILEAGE & EFFICIENCY

Fuel Tank Capacity	70 l	Fuel Tank Litres	70
Claimed Mileage	12.5 km/l	City Mileage	10.5 km/l
Highway Mileage	14.5 km/l	Emission Standard	Not Officially Disclosed
AdBlue Tank Capacity	Not Officially Disclosed l	Auto Start Stop	Not Officially Disclosed
Range Real World Mixed	Not Officially Disclosed km	Range Real World Highway	Not Officially Disclosed km
Electric Consumption	Not Applicable	Combined Driving Range	Not Officially Disclosed

SAFETY

EBD	Yes	Engine Immobiliser	Not Officially Disclosed
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Seatbelt Warning All Seats	Not Officially Disclosed	Front Parking Sensors	Front and rear
Hill Hold	Not Officially Disclosed	Passenger Airbag	Not Officially Disclosed
Knee Airbag	Not Officially Disclosed	Rear Cross Traffic Alert	Not Officially Disclosed
Hill Start Assist	Not Officially Disclosed	Traction Control	Yes
Seatbelt Pretensioners	Not Officially Disclosed	Seatbelt Reminder	Not Officially Disclosed

COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Wireless Charging	No	Push Button Start	Not Officially Disclosed
AC Type	Not Officially Disclosed	Keyless Entry	Not Officially Disclosed
Power Windows	Not Officially Disclosed	Climate Control	Automatic climate control
Rain Sensing Wipers	Not Officially Disclosed	Electric Tailgate	Yes
Sunroof	Yes		—

+ 12 more spec categories (Infotainment & Connectivity, Interior, Exterior, Driver Assistance, ...) available on the live model page.

→ See 2.8 GD 15-Seater 6MT full specs and lifecycle details in Uganda

Compare with rivals →

06 Explore More on Hagalu

Jump to each variant's price and specification record

→ 2.8 GD 15-Seater 6MT — UGX 225,000,000

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