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KASESE MUNICIPALITY MP GIVES AN ACCOUNT OF HIS EXPERIENCE IN POWER

By Sheila and Gilbert, RWECO CU

Commenting on the construction of roads, the Member of Parliament stressed that Kasese district is remaining with two major roads to tarmac; the road connecting from Kisanyarazi to Ibanda and the road connecting from Kasenyi Junction to Katwe

“Since I assumed the office of Kasese Municipality MP, I have been able to do a number of things, in particular I’ve been able to advocate for; a firefighting equipment for Kasese municipality, 70 million shillings for the Adventist church to procure a band and a radio system, 70 million shillings for Muslims to start a school for basic education, 50 million shillings for mosque construction, 25 million shillings for the youth revolving fund, 3 billion shillings and 600 million shillings for the construction of 9 classroom blocks, a laboratory and a library at Kasese Secondary School”. Hon. James Mbahimba noted

Kabatooro Town Council. The question is if all these resources have been extended to the community then why is poor service delivery still evident in the community? We guess there is still need to mainstream our management to ensure effective service delivery. Hon. James shared this during a meeting organized by RWECO on 8th October 2013 at RWECO office in Kasese Municipality.

The meeting was organized to get the MP advice RWECO on how it can present its monitoring findings to the relevant committees of the 9th Parliament. The Honorable MP thanked RWECO members for their

efforts in improving service delivery and especially in enhancing civic competence in the region. Hon. James however appealed to RWECO and other CSOs in the region to educate the masses on the roles and responsibilities of the different political leaders especially MPS, decrying that the lack of this information has got the community/electorate on the wrong side with the leaders.

“Our people do not know the role of an MP, most of them think it is all about attending burial and fundraising ceremonies. Whereas this is expected of us, it doesn’t have to be routine or even a big deal if one doesn’t attend. We are committed to serving our people but these frequent church fundraising functions have left us so poor, it is no wonder that some leaders have found themselves stuck and unable to come to the people as often as possible”, he remarked.



Photo showing: Hon. Mbahimba addressing the RWECO team at the RWECO offices in Kasese town

Hon. James further gave an example of Kasese municipality with 219 churches, 42 secondary schools, more than 50 bars, and several groups of women, youths, farmers and motor cycle cyclists; urging that if all these categories had fundraisings and expected him to contribute how much would it amount to vi-za-vi their resource envelope? There is need to sensitize the masses to stop making politicians their daily sources of income.

When asked about non participation in some activities he emphasized sometimes the organizers do not follow protocol for example an event where the Chairperson LC3 is the Chief guest and the MP is just a guest. Although he apologized for his non participation in some public or CSO functions attributing it to lack of information, late or misinformation and at times conflict in schedules.

Hon. James Mbahimba emphasized that members of parliament are not delegates but representatives of the people and as thus people need to trust them because they represent their interests. He noted the three key roles of MPs as;

1. Appropriation; this includes budgeting and allocation of money.
2. Making and reviewing laws/Acts.
3. Representation; in other words no one should know the constituency better than the Member of Parliament.

In other news, the MP informed the meeting that he is also focusing his energies on boosting agriculture productivity through the rehabilitation

of Mubuku irrigation scheme, revival of Kilembe mines limited and consolidating the extension of UBC and NTV television networks in the Municipality and the district at large. On a sad note however, the MP decried the challenge of poor accountability asserting that it is a pity that when money is swindled by some selfish leaders the same item will continue to be budgeted for and funded. He said this is very common in NAADS.

“Kasese gets 2 billion shillings for NAADS per year unfortunately there are less tangible/ visible results to show value for this money, actually 70% of this money is spent on administration and only 30% is spent on inputs” Hon. James remarked.

Summing up the meeting, Hon. James Mbahimba pledged to mobilize fellow MPs to participate in the live debates organized by RWECO members in Kasese as well as support RWECO in its petition to parliament on the natural resource policy.

DISTRICT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TASKED TO SUSTAIN THE ICT INNOVATIONS

By Kyomuhendo Joselyne - RIC-NET

Seven districts in the Rwenzori region Kyenjojo, Kasese, Bundibugyo, Ntoroko, Kamwenge, Kabarole and Kyegegwa have been tasked to sustain the E-society resource Centres that RWECO through RIC-NET with support from HIVOS established and has been running in these respective districts. Apparently each district has served over 1000 ICT users through computer trainings, social media, and typesetting, E-electronic library and website services among others.

The users include District staff, CSOs,



Photo showing: RIC-NET Program manager presenting the sustainability concept at the meeting in Kyenjojo District.

Researchers, internship students and community members. In the bid to continue the achievements of the project, meetings were held in the respective districts between October and December to discuss sustainability of these initiatives. This comes in ahead of the end of the RI-CNET/HIVOS

support/project phasing out in December 2013.

Important to note is that, most district officials re-affirmed their commitment to sustain the E-centres by contributing to the monthly internet, web hosting and computer maintenance and repair. In Kasese for example the district lobbied Public Service to create a permanent post for the ICT Officer; in response to this, advertisement and recruitment of the officer were done. Thankfully, the RIC-NET staff Mumbere Samuel that had been running the Centre sat for the same interviews excelled and was officially appointed as the district ICT Officer on government payroll. This is good because he is familiar with the operations of the Centre and will ensure that it runs as expected. Whereas other districts admired and wished to copy the Kasese experience, they indicated that their districts were still challenged by several things and that could only be a long term plan.

On the whole however, it can be said that the meetings were good, promising to keep the E-society Centre candles burning.

E- society centre	Users
Ntoroko	793
Kyenjojo	1547
Kyegegwa	415
Kamwenge	2352
Bundibugyo	1282
Kabarole	1129
Kasese	5215

CITIZENS BENEFIT FROM ROUTINE ENGAGEMENT WITH LEADERS

By Sinamakosa Isaac - GoodHope Foundation

This year 2013 the Residents of Kisinga sub county, Kasese District continuously engaged their political and civil leaders in joint monitoring of projects and dialogues to ascertain the level of



Photo showing: A youth highlights the key service delivery challenges in Kisinga at the dialogue meeting

quality implementation of public projects as well as finding out the gaps that could hinder delivery of quality services to citizens. Several action points were developed and the following among others have been realized so far;

- The sub county authority now gives termly zonal exams to all primary schools in the sub county as a way of improving performance. This was suggested in the dialogue by local residents on Feb 2nd 2013 in Kisinga Market.
- Nyabirongo HCIII that had taken long without admitting patients now admits. Since April, 28 beds have been received and staff-

ing increased from Nine (9) to Fifteen (15).

- Kiburara HCII increased staff members from two(2) to Five(5)
- Ngolerande Bridge where five people had lost their lives has been reconstructed.
- Most community roads are now routinely maintained. A case in point is; Kisanga-Kagando road, Kirembo-Rwembio road.
- More rural electrification connections have been made, Fifteen (15) in Kirembo and Kiburara and atleast five in Kagando. A lot of complaints were registered in the dialogue about delayed connectivity of residents who had paid on the first phase to Kilembe investment limited for electricity connectivity.

These monitoring exercises and dialogues were organized by both Good Hope and the Kisinga Sub County District Councilor Hon. Mutanaba and were officiated over by District LCV Chairperson Hon. Col Dula Mawa. Other participants in these activities included; the area members of parliament, health workers, staff of Kilembe Electricity Company limited, community members and the

local leaders in the sub county. Over 300 people participated in these activities.

Photo showing: The Kasese District LCV Chairperson responding to the raised issues at the dialogue meeting



COMMUNITY MONITORS TASK LEADERS TO ACCOUNT

By Ms. Mbabazi Edna, Community Monitor



Photo showing: Mr. Amanyata Latif Ibrahim, District Vice Chairperson LCV, responding to concerns of citizens during the district dialogue meeting held on 17th Oct. 2013 at Kyanyambali primary school in Hapuuyo Sub County

“As district leaders of Kyegegwa, we have noted with concern the level of misuse of public funds and how defilement has affected the implementation of the UPE Policy” remarked the Vice LCV District Chairperson Kyegegwa, Mr. Amanyata Latif Ibrahim, during a district dialogue meeting held on 17th October 2013 at Kyanyambali Primary School in Hapuuyo Sub County. The dialogue was held to address several service delivery challenges discovered by the monitors during their monitoring exercise in the community.

At the dialogue Ms. Mbabazi Edna on behalf of the community monitors presented a report of their findings. It

highlighted issues in the Education, NAADS, Water and Sanitation Sectors. These included;

1. Non display of UPE funds by Head teachers; the monitors visited 12 schools in Kyegegwa and learnt that the government had released approximately Ugx. 20,000,000 to the schools in the Sub County but unfortunately, just a few schools had bothered to display their releases as required by the UPE policy. Similarly the monitoring revealed inadequate service delivery inspite of the fact that the schools in the sub county had received funds. Ineffectiveness of teachers, and child learning were still evident at the schools. Limited parents' participation in school programs was also cited, as parents had continuously failed to pack or even contribute lunch for their children.
2. In the NAADS sector, the community monitors established that the beneficiaries were not aware of the funds released under the NAADS program at the Sub County or even at the district level. The beneficiaries only cared to do as they are told, that is, to budget for what they are told to budget for only. Besides this the monitors learnt that only a handful of farmers received their enterprises in.....2013 while the rest were told to wait. The monitors also observed non display of the NAADS releases at the Sub County by the officials.
3. On Governance, it was learnt that Police had not assisted in handling defilement and other capital cases in the district. In Hapuuyo Sub County alone about 5 aggravated cases of defilement and incest were

reported to police but no action was being taken. On the other hand, the report noted that the LCI Chairpersons were non functional and yet they had received bicycles to support their work. Similarly the NRM flag bearers had assumed LCI leadership without legal permission and were even using the LCI stamps. Ms. Mbabazi Edna, community Monitor Hapuuyo presenting the monitoring report at the dialogue.

4. Engineering and Works; the report noted that most of the construction works had not been done satisfactorily. For example at Kyanyambali primary school, the monitors observed that the contractor had



Photo showing: Ms. Mbabazi Edna, community Monitor Hapuuyo presenting the monitoring report at the dialogue.

not included the anti termite proof course (APC) on a class room block building. Related to this, most bridges had broken down during rainy season and had not been repaired, while most community access roads had also become impassible.

Responding to the raised issues, the District Vice Chairperson LCV Hon. Amanyata noted that, Kyegegwa district is faced with many challenges and it was a responsibility of all stakeholders to monitor and protect public resources. He directed the responsible NAADS officers to display the NAADS release with immediate effect. About the UPE releases, Hon. Amanyata pledged to meet the District Education Officer and task him to write a circular clarifying on the UPE funds display in all offices.

Other resolutions made were;

The District NAADS Coordinator to also display all funds disbursed to sub counties by end of November 2013.

A special meeting with the District Chairperson, RDC, Heads of Departments, Head teachers, SMCs, PTAs and parents be organized to educate the parents on the their roles and responsibilities in the learning of their children with particular focus to the issue of Lunch.

Hon. Amanyata appealed to everyone to make service delivery in the district a priority instead of spending time politicking and discussing who will and who will not contest or win in 2016.

“Youths need to engage in more productive work” he asserted.

STUDENTS APPRECIATE ICT INNOVATIONS IN TEACHING

By Kaliba Charles -RIC-NET

Students of St. Theresa Girls Secondary School Nsenyi in Kasese District have appreciated ICT innovations in the learning process. This was revealed during a two days visit conducted on 8th and 9th August 2013 by RIC-NET staff. The staff visited four schools benefiting from the ICT for education (ICT4E) project in Kasese District. ICT4E project aims at improving the teaching of the English language in schools. This ICT innovation involves integrating the use of ICT tools in the teaching-learning process. Six (6) teachers of English at St. Theresa SS have been trained together with 18 other teachers from St. Charles, Kilembe SS, and Bwera Teachers College schools on how to use the computer to prepare their lessons and also project them during the lessons. While at the school the visiting staff spoke to the students about the innovation and this is what the students said;

"Role play has helped to understand certain poems better"-
Mackline Mbabazi

"Audio visual tools have helped me to get the correct pronunciation of words thus helping me to perfect my speech"
Mary Kabugho S.5

"Teacher s no longer bore in class"-
Jovia Biira

"Lessons are now more attractive and these days I like English more than other subjects"- Sylvia Muhindo S.3

While according to Biira Janet teachers have been able to explain the concepts much better and at least they now talk less in class. Biira adds that she previously used to find difficulty with the way the teacher pronounced some words, but with this innovation they have been made to hear and understand different pronunciations better. She appeals that this innovation should be sustained even after the project phases out. In addition to this, Masika Gorret S.1 asserted, **"With this new teaching method i have been able to understand the nouns through the use of the different animations in class. I think we would even understand better if we can act the plays in the literature books during our literature lessons"**. According to the students role-play and use of short videos is more important and relevant in the learning process.



Photo showing: A teacher of English delivering a lesson using the innovation at school.

Speaking to one teacher of English at the school Ms. Mbambu Peninah, she said that the integration of ICT tools in the teaching process has helped them to cater for: **Visual learners** who prefer to read silently and make good use of any illustrations that go with the text. And the **Tactile learners** who often are students who just don't get what you're trying to teach in a traditional teaching or worksheet based lesson. The same applies to the **Audio learners**; these she said learn best by listening. Explaining further Ms. Peninah noted that students who get a lot out of lectures, verbal explanations, tapes and oral instruction are generally classed as auditory learners. Language activities for this type of learner are mainly listening based. They include activities that involve repetition, dictation, and listening for clues.

The visiting team advised the teachers of English to always put much more emphasis on content development in lesson preparations so as to cater for the different categories of learners. Clearly the innovation is already living up to its intended objectives and purpose.

This project is implemented by RICNET and Computers for Schools with support from Connect for Change.

MONITORING PROVES NAADS A RELEVANT SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY IN THE BUNDIBUGYO AND KASESE DISTRICTS

By Sinamakosa Isaac -Good Hope

Regardless of the hiccups the service has faced across the country, and the various complaints some beneficiaries have raised, findings indicate that the service has nevertheless impacted and transformed the lives of some of the beneficiaries. This was learnt during the routine monitoring activities of Good Hope Foundation for Rural development (GHRFD) in Kasese, and Bundibugyo districts. The purpose of which is to establish the impact and relevance of NAADS amongst the beneficiaries. In Bwesumbu Sub County, Kasese District for example Good hope realized that one Eria Baluku who got a cow worth 1m from NAADS in the FY 2011/2012 has been able to rear it and see it birth two calves. The cow too gives him 5 litres of milk everyday which he sells and gets 5000 shillings daily.

"This is a good thing, I never thought I could have a daily source of income but with this my NAADS cow I've been made to understand that everything is possible, my life is now better" Eria notes.

In a related development Mr. Byasalya Edson of Bwesumbu sub-county too, revealed that he received 10 goats in 2010, although 5 died he has made use of the other five that survived. Edson says these have produced twice a total of 15 kids from which he has passed on four kids to one group member and also sold 3 to pay fees for his children.

LUNCH CAMPAIGN YIELDS IN KASESE DISTRICT

By Muhesi Nicholas -KALI

Many children in UPE schools in Kasese district have for a long time been challenged with hunger since most schools do not provide lunch at schools, while most parents deem it an inconvenience to pack lunch for their children. Whereas some think it is an inconvenience, some do not even have what to pack because of the biting poverty in the villages. Early this year, a touching story was run in the New vision about a primary child in Kyegegwa district who spent a whole year packing a brick but yet stayed hungry the whole day- she did this so as not to be sent back home or be beaten for not packing lunch. This follows government recommendation that all parents should pack food for their children or else they risk being sent back home.

However even with this government directive, most children have continued to go hungry in schools. According to the DEO Kasese many children go hungry in UPE schools out of the total ...in school. And this of course has continued to be among the several causes of poor academic performance in schools, school drop outs and pupils engaging in unhealthy relationships for survival leading to early pregnancies and marriages. In the bid to address this challenge KALI embarked on a lunch campaign in schools where it has been meeting parents and the different stakeholders educating them on their roles and responsibilities in the learning of their children and the importance of their support towards their children's

“ I am so grateful for this program and I pray it continues to support other low income earners like myself”.

On the other hand the team learnt that one Isebahira Julius of Kaswa farmers group in Kaswa parish had in 2011/2012 received 10 goats which he reared tirelessly till they birthed and multiplied to 21 goats and has so far already been able to give back 10 goats to two of his group members in fulfillment of the guidelines that govern the group. He is proud of being a NAADS beneficiary and more so a member in this group. Similar in Ngamba sub-county Bundibugyo district Mrs. Kakuhi Joselyn of Ngamba Women's group in Ngamba village who received 5 goats has been able to witness 3 of them give birth to 6 kids. She is excited and plans to give another member in her group while she looks for market for the rest of the other goats to raise fees for her children.

Conclusively, despite the continued complaints from some members in the community about the irregularities in the NAADS programs, some people are cherishing it and can testify to its positive contribution in their lives and also wish it can continue to support farmer groups in the country.

education. Thirty three schools were revisited and thirty three sensitization meetings held in the various schools. This has been backed with routine follow up on these stakeholders about the same. From this vigorous campaign a lot has been realized especially change in attitude of the parents about packing lunch for their children. Apparently a good number of schools have taken up the initiative to provide mid day meals to the pupils. These Mirami, Mpondwe, Kitobira, Kanyatsi, Kyabikere, Kyabayenze, Muruseghe, Kibirigha and Karambi Primary schools. This initiative has been made possible by the parents contribution of 15000 shillings per parent per term.

Since this initiative kicked off, the following have been realized; reduced pupil absenteeism, increased concentration of the pupils in class, healthier looking pupils, enhanced participation of pupils in co-curricular activities, improved teacher-parents and teacher – pupil relationships. I am certain this is going to contribute to improved academic performance in lower and upper classes. KALI still intends to work with the district education and other development partners in it's lunch campaign until we realize the objectives of UPE in the district.

TIME TO KICK OUT POOR ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE AND LOW HOUSEHOLD INCOMES, RESIDENTS VOW

By Kahunde Erina- RIDE Africa

On 25th October 2013, a team of elders under the chairmanship of MSGR Mayombo together with Kyenjojo District officials and RIDE Africa organized a district education conference at Tooro Cottages in Kyenjojo District. The conference was convened to discuss strategies of improving performance of UPE and USE programs in the District. Participants at the conference also discussed ways of boosting household income. Over 120 people from all the 14 sub counties of Kyenjojo District participated in this conference. They included; the District Education Officer- Ms Tibakanya Gertrude, the District Councilor-Hon. Kasangata Paulius, the RDC Mr. Aachilla Alex, the District NAADS Coordinator, the District Planner, Sub County Chiefs, Sub County LCIII Chair persons, Head teachers, CDOs, the Clergy, Opinion leaders, CSO representatives from; Caritas Fort Portal, KRC, and Toro Development Network.



Photo showing: Kahunde Erina speaking at the Conference.

At the Conference Erina Kahunda of Ride Africa took the participants through a recap of the assessment that was carried out in the education sector between March – July 2013. She pointed out that although many schools have been built, teachers recruited and are in class teaching, the outcome has been quite disappointing as evidenced in the quality of UPE graduates. Findings reveal limited reading and writing abilities coupled with the failure to speak basic English and with inadequate basic community development skills.

On the other hand, the poverty situation is also worrying; whereas national levels reduced from 56% to 24% between 1990 and 2012, this is not visible in the households of Kyenjojo. More so at National level, Kyenjojo District is ranked as one of the key agricultural producing areas but the actual agricultural output is not visible. As a result, households that are economically empowered have taken their children to study in other districts, while others take their children to private schools. Government schools have been left to those who are economically weak and as result their standards of living have remained poor. Precisely there are poor levels of education in the District and general economic deterioration. Giving her communication, the DEO Ms. Tibakanya Gertrude thanked Ride Africa for its continued support towards boosting academic standards in Kyenjojo district. Gertrude noted that although teach-

ing and learning, school leadership, supervision of teaching and learning, school governance, school sanitation and health had improved; teachers still need to be encouraged to continue using child friendly/participatory methods of teaching with active involvement of pupils in lesson activities.

Speaking at the conference, the RDC Mr. Aachilla Alex pledged to strengthen monitoring and supervision in schools and other government programs. He said if a country is to develop, education must be given priority. **“All stakeholders must play their roles as stipulated in the Education Act 2008” the RDC remarked.** He appreciated the work of NGOs in the District and called for more support in the education and agricultural sectors.

Closing the conference several action points were made and the responsible persons were tasked to implement them come January 2014.

1. Fighting household poverty and improving the quality of education must be everyone's priority and all development partners in Kyenjojo District.
2. The sub county leadership with support from the district should organize decentralized education conferences at sub county levels by mid 2014.
3. Conduct community meetings in villages, schools and churches to sensitize parents and other stakeholders on the importance of education, the need to utilize household land and ensure sustainable

household food production and income.

4. The district and sub county leadership should develop a road map that will clearly show the targets, milestones and actions for better quality of education, household production and income.
5. This kind of conference be conducted annually to assess the commitments from this conference.
6. The office of the district planner should produce a database for all households in the district, size of available land, existing vacant land, performance of all farming enterprises in the district, household production capacities and income levels.
7. The office of the production/NAADS coordinator should produce a database of all households that have benefitted from agricultural in-puts, advisory and other services with evidence on milestones each household has made with the support from NAADS.
8. All leaders should work together to ensure that each households have fully utilized the available land, has sufficient food for home consumption and marketing for income generation.
9. The office of the RDC and the organizing team should assume the responsibility to monitor and follow-up on all the commitments made in this conference.
10. All elected leaders should take political responsibility for the quality of education and production at household level since they were voted into office to ensure better service delivery.

By Nicholas Muhesi -KALI

“Religious leaders, teachers and health workers could do more to promote awareness on why and how to promote food security in the district,”

this was said by the Kasese district LCV Chairperson Rtd Lt. Col Muhindo Mawa during a district NAADS dialogue meeting organized by KALI at Teacher's Resource Centre – Rukoki on 19th November 2013.

The LCV Chairperson said that human behavior is guided by norms and values, which are often linked to religion. Without a doubt, religious leaders should get involved and participate in the sensitization of farmers who are always in churches and mosques to worship. So religious leaders more especially the priests should give a moment of time to talk about food security as a component under the NAADS programme.

Several resolutions were made during this dialogue. For example stakeholders resolved that school gardening should be supported by NAADS whereby a pilot of four (4) satellite schools per parish should benefit from NAADS programme by next financial year. It was also resolved that RWECO and Kasese District Local Government should spear head a campaign on construction of mini water irrigation from the major rivers of Nyamugasani, Lhubiriha, Kyazi and Kanyampara so as NAADS farmers utilize it during the dry season.

Participants further agreed to formulate by-laws to govern the NAADS

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Programme to regulate diseases, recovery process and adoption of enterprises. The meeting tasked the subcounty Chiefs, LCIII's and SNCs to take the lead by 2014. A joint monitoring committee including all stakeholders was instituted to be led by the LCV Chairperson and the RDC to visit the Sub counties of Kitholhu and Kyondo for fish farming, Muhokya for mini irrigation with support from RWECO and the District by the first week of December 2013. Fish farmers shall be funded by NAAADS Programme starting this financial year 2013/14. NAAADS programme campaigns will be mainstreamed in health, water, Natural resources and education departments so as to be successful.

Summing up the dialogue, the Chairperson LCV Rtd Lt Col. Muhindo Mawa committed himself to convene a strategic engagement meeting with all LCV Chairpersons and MPs of the frontline districts adjacent to protected areas to come up with a lasting solution for the problem animals destroying crops and the lives of people by June 2014. He named installing electric fences around the parks as one of the long lasting solutions to the problem animals.

The Chairperson appealed to all the development partners and NAAADS Coordinators to work with all religious leaders and farmers to ensure that they tap and or utilize their untapped knowledge and expertise in this area, saying they have a lot they can offer to improve service delivery in this sub sector.

The meeting attracted 26 participants (20M, 6F). They included the RDC- Mr Minadabo Muhindo, LCV Chair Person - Rtd Mawa Muhindo, Vice LCV Hon Tadeo Muhindo, Secretary for Production-Hon Businge John, ACAO- Mr. Mutungwanda Johnson, DEO-Mr. George Mayinja, District Natural Resource- Mr. Katswera, Joseph, Agricultural Officer- Munyatsukuye, District CDO- Queen Gonda, DHI-Musoka Erickan, Sub County NAAADS Coordinators and Sub county chiefs among others.



Photo showing: KALI staff and Kamwenge District leaders share with a NAAADS beneficiary during a joint monitoring exercise of the NAAADS sub sector in Kamwenge district



Photo showing: members of the community share their concerns during a community meeting organized by KALI in Kamwenge district.



Photo showing: A stakeholder sharing his view about provision of lunch for children during one of KALI's lunch campaigns.



Photo showing: Kisinga sub county leaders lead the way for the District LCV Chairperson (in black coat) and the community members during a joint monitoring of the bridges and road network in the sub county.



Photo showing: Kamwenge district speaker Hon. Gerald Tumwebaze addressing a stakeholders' meeting on the monitoring findings established with KALI during the joint monitoring exercise



Photo showing: A student in Kisinga presents a poem on service delivery at the dialogue meeting



Photo showing: The LCV Chairperson Hon. Mawa speaks to a community member that got disabled following an accident at one of the faulty bridges in the subcounty.



Photo showing: Hon. Mbahimba addressing the RWECO team at the RWECO offices in Kasese town



Photo showing: KALI staff and Kamwenge District leaders share with a NAADS beneficiary during a joint monitoring exercise of the NAADS sub sector in Kamwenge district

RWECO PROFILE

RWECO Mission

RWECO exists to enhance civic competence to demand for voice and accountability in governance and service delivery through meaningful and principled engagement between citizens and the state

RWECO Vision

RWECO envisages a peaceful democratic state with prosperous citizenry

RWECO Objectives

1. To strengthen the capacity of citizens, particularly the poor women and men, and the local governments in the rwenzori region, to effectively and sustainably utilise and conserve abundant environmental and natural resources to create wealth and ensure household food and income security
2. To strengthen the capacity of citizens, local governments and community institutions to peacefully resolve conflicts and put in place mechanisms for sustainable peace and reconciliation
3. To enhance civic competence of ordinary citizens to engage in governance and democratic processes to ensure that government policies result in improved socio-economic well being
4. To create, strengthen and facilitate forums and platforms for citizens and leaders to engage in planning and feedback processes
5. To strengthen the institutional capacity of RWECO, its member organisations and their community based civic groups to mobilise citizens and facilitate processes that result into socio-economic transformation of the lives of the poor women and men

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