



Improve sanitation facilities and incomes of urban poor of Kampala through innovative approaches

CIDI has implemented an innovative WASH project in Kampala. The Kawempe Urban Poor Sanitation Improvement Project (KUPSIP) has intended to improve the general health and incomes of 200,000 Kawempe urban poor residents through improved access to adequate sanitation, promote hygienic and sanitation practices, create awareness and link the urban poor to sewerage treatment plants and markets for sanitation products. Realization of these goals has contributed to the Government of Uganda and NDP's goals and objectives as well as meeting the MDG goals related to sanitation in urban areas.

The project used innovative ideas such as radio broadcasting, community meetings, comics and pupils/community sanitation clubs/Operation & Management /User clubs and committees to teach pupils and the community in proper toilet use, hygiene and sanitation practices. Sanitation clubs have provided the children and communities to take part in a forum where they can discuss issues amongst themselves what they cannot discuss at home or with others.

The project included 500 sanitation demonstration units and 1,500 household sanitation units to improve access to sanitation, 500 user/O&M/sanitation clubs, 200 community masons trained and linkages to sewerage treatment plants and market for sanitation manure as well as establishing linkages with existing cesspool emptiers over a period of 36 months. The primary beneficiaries of the project were landlords and their tenants who will access the 1,500 sanitation facilities. Schools and school children who will be able to access the 500 demonstration facilities, i.e. churches, mosques, public markets, trading centers and community members who have been selected and trained as masons. In addition to the facilities, sanitation clubs, O&M committees and user committees at public facilities and schools and the general community will receive awareness and sensitization about sanitation and hygiene during and after the project.

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