



**Strengthen capacity of poor and marginalized in Teso and Karamoja Region and improve better service delivery**

CIDI has implemented a 2 year project code named Teso – Karamoja Social Service Accountability Project (TEKASSAP) with funding from the Democratic Governance Facility in 5 Districts and 10 Sub Counties within 47 parishes in Karamoja region (Amuria, Katakwi, Napak, Moroto and Nakapiripirit). The project area is compared to the rest of Uganda disadvantage with missing road networks, weak communication network like internet and insufficient health and education facilities.

The goal of the project was to improve accountability, responsiveness and effectiveness of Government and Service providers to Social Services delivery in Teso and Karamoja regions. The project aimed to enhance the capacity of selected Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) to advocate and hold accountable Government and other service providers for better service delivery. And to strengthen the capacity of the poor and marginalized communities to lobby, monitor and advocate for better service delivery by both Government and other service providers. In implementing this project CIDI worked with local partner CSOs from the Teso – Karamoja region.

CIDI has seen tremendous progress made towards realization of the key outcomes. Increasingly the target group (women, men ,youth , PWDS, PLWHIV among others) demand for their rights and entitlements from the Teso – Karamoja. The community has stepped up monitoring of service delivery across the sectors of health, education, WASH and roads by utilizing the monitoring tools developed by CIDI. Reports are compiled and shared with the respective duty bearers and accountability agencies. Corruption and accountability cases have been identified and followed and action on some like with contractors who are not completing works have been handled and redress got.

The level of responsiveness from the duty bearers has greatly improved, display of budget releases is made in sub counties where it was not happening before like in Rupa, Moruita and Nadunget in Karamoja. During the planning phase 2015/2016 community priorities generated from the parish levels engagements organized by CIDI and her partners were picked and incorporated in the Sub County and District plans and budgets. During this period, CIDI has stepped up efforts to work with the media by establishing a network of journalists from Teso – Karamoja region and went ahead to establish a face book page for the Teso - Karamoja Social Accountability Platform where accountability cases are posted to generate debate and tap into the elite section of people from this region inclusive the leadership at different levels.