CIDI is implementing a water & sanitation project in Buliisa District of Uganda in partnership with Total E&P Uganda and GIZ. The selected sub counties of Kigwera and Ngwedo in Buliisa district are water stressed during the dry seasons with some water sources serving more than the 300 individuals. Most of the water sources are not properly fenced off hence resulting in both animals and humans sharing the water. In Buliisa district, efforts to promote household sanitation and hygiene are hampered by poor sanitation and hygiene practices and the loose soils and high water table, which make it nearly impossible for households to sink traditional pit latrines.

The project overall objective is to contribute to the improvement of the water and sanitation situations in Ngwedo and Kigwera Sub Counties in Buliisa District. The project has two specific objectives with four outputs. The first objective is to increase the functionality of community managed water supply points in the 2 Sub-counties and the second one is to provide 1 selected school in Kigwera Sub County with sanitation facilities and create awareness on good sanitation and hygiene practices to the school community. 

The 04 Outputs include: Output 1: Have 8 water sources in the 2 selected Sub Counties functional and managed by the beneficiary communities. Output 2: Have existing hand pump mechanic association in Buliisa strengthened and functional. Output 3: Protecting the above 8 water sources fully from animal and vector intrusion. Output 4: Provided 1 selected school in Kigwera Sub County with sanitation facilities and awareness created on best WASH practices at the school.

CIDI has conducted a total of eight community sensitization meetings in Kigwera and Ngwedo Sub Counties. A total of 266 participants (163 men and 103) women have attended the meetings. The purpose of these meetings was to orient/sensitize community members on their roles and responsibilities in managing water sources, the importance of contributing money for operation and maintenance of the water source.