

CIDI Newsletter

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Picture right: Hand over ceremony in Kawempe, where CIDI Executive Director have handed commissioned sanitation facilities to Kampala's Deputy Major Kamihanda Ibrahim Mirembe

KUPSIP Project—Commissioning of sanitation facilities in Kawempe

On 25th of November 2015 CIDI handed over 5 public sanitary facilities in the communities of Kawempe I , Bwaise I, Mulago III, Kawempe I, Kanyanya and Mpererwe .The facilities were established under the KUPSIP project funded by the African Water Facility through the African Development Bank. Each facility of the 05 facilities has a provision for a a water system with a hand washing facility and water reservoir for flushing the toilets, ladies wing, gents wing, separate washrooms for gents and ladies, and an attendants room. All these provisions are as per the KCCA approved design for public facilities in Kampala. The hand over / commissioning ceremony was attended among others by the beneficiaries, officials from KCCA, Netwas Uganda, local leaders , CIDI Executive Director as well as the project implementing team., The chief guest at the event was the Deputy Major of Kawempe, Mr. Kemihanda Mirembe . Beneficiaries of respective beneficiary parishes like landlords, community member's, school children and administration also attended the ceremony. The sanitation facilities for 5 schools in Kawempe Urban Council are still under construction and will be finalized by April 2016. Before the hand over ceremony a march through the operating area's was organized by CIDI to create awareness amongst the public for the project implementation by CIDI.

Water and Sanitation project for draught mitigation in Karamoja

By William Obore, Projectmanager

With Funding from Misereor, CIDI implementing the above project in the districts of Amuria, Napak and Katakwi The project commenced in June 2015. The main objective of the project is to increase the access to water for domestic and production purposes. One of the approaches that the project team is employing to promote sanitation in the target areas is the Community Led total Sanitation approach CLTS., which focuses at communities and tackles the issue of open defecation. Communities are triggered to construct their



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to construct their own pit latrines. The goal is to reduce water borne diseases for the people in this area's. To date, the project has constructed—2 VIPs Latrine's, 1 Incinerators, 1 placenta pits, desilted 1 valley dams, established 2 rainwater harvesting tanks, besides the soft ware initiatives that have been undertaken. All facilities have been constructed according to the needs and requirements of the communities in coordination with the local authorities.



Picture left; William Obore explains community members in Napak how the new valley dam will be constructed and change the water supply for production.

Picture below: Community members in Soroti District are using a borehole implemented by CIDI

The Soroti Integrated Development Program (SIDPIII) - Key achievements

The SIDP III program is a five year agriculture program implemented by CIDI in Soroti district, Eastern Uganda. At a national level, the program is implemented in a consortium of four partners, and these include; Central Archdiocesan Province Caritas Associations (CAPCA), Eastern Archdiocesan Development Network (EADEN), Caritas Kampala, and CIDI. At the level of four partners, the program is known as the Uganda Governance and Poverty Alleviation Program (UGOPAP)The entire program is is funded by Caritas Denmark. In 2015 the project team headed by Sam Lukanga was able to register commendable results for its beneficiaries. For example 1200 households have access to operational value addition equipment through their respective associations. Other successes include; over 420 association members have received training

in sustainable agriculture practices, A total of 2400 families are members of 80 farmer groups . CIDI Soroti has 5 Associations representing 60 groups established and registered. The turnover of processed agriculture produce for the year 2015 for the 5 associations is 311 tons sold atan average price of 550 per kilo. This results into 171,050,000 Uganda Shillings . One farmer association for CIDI Soroti has finally secured her registration certificate and is now a fully registered primary cooperative society under the name "Asuret Community Integrated Farmers Cooperative Society".





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Delegation of Caritas Denmark visited CIDI

A group of 15 people from Denmark who are working for Caritas Denmark and are engaged in various Danish church parishes have visited CIDI in December 2015. The visitors have been informed about CIDI's activities in Kampala and up-country and were introduced to management and staff. After visiting the Head Office in Kampala, the delegation traveled together with the Executive Director and selected manager's to field office in Soroti, where they had the opportunity to visit beneficiaries of agriculture and advocacy intervention in the district.

Caritas Denmark is a long time partner of CIDI and supports the agriculture project in Soroti and Rakai district to improve the knowledge and the livelihood of small holder farmer's. Many of the delegation member's had never been to Uganda before. They enjoyed their journey and were very impressed about CIDI's engagement.

Developing of a new strategic plan 2015–2020

CIDI has developed a new strategic plan for the coming 5 years with the support of the M&E department. All staff were engaged to develop objectives, strategies and indicators for their departments and agreed upon budgets and timelines. In a 3 day workshop all this information was discussed intensively and inserted in the main document. The new strategic plan for the period of 2016 to 2020 shall provide guidance



and direction for the management. The focus will remain in providing services for disadvantage and marginalized people in Uganda through Advocacy initiatives, Water & Sanitation projects, sustainable agriculture and to improve the national health services.

CIDI has launched a new website

In January 2016 CIDI has launched his new website to improve our visibility and performance presentation. Our IT Manager Mr. Sekamate and our M&E team Mr. Kizito and Dr. Nadjafi have published many new articles and pictures of CIDI's intervention area. The website is still work in progress and growing everyday. We thank the team for this achievement. Our new website is still available at www.cidiuganda.org





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Advocacy for Better Health - Creating Dialogues for relationships

The USAID Advocacy for Better Health is a five-year project implemented by CIDI in Kayunga, Luwero and Nakasongola with funding from USAid through PATH in collaboration with Initiatives whose goal is to improve the quality, accessibility, and availability of health services in Uganda by fostering citizen demand and enhancing the capacity of CSOs

According to a project beneficiary Mr. Kayemba Abbas Said of Bbale in Kayunga District: "CIDI has done immensely to help in bridging the gap between the duty bearers and the patients at Bbale Health Centre IV. " They community has been in position to engage in constructive dialogue with the local authorities. "This kind of advocacy we are involved in has created some challenges for us; the duty bearers look at us as enemies who want to make their work challenging", said Mr. Kayemba. The existing policies and guidelines create delayed processes when it comes to reporting and addressing missing services. To find a peaceful and constructive solution CIDI has started several dialogues.

The ABH project creates avenues of solving the key health concerns through peaceful means of dialogue, the project team have been able to translate/apply this knowledge across other service delivery areas to engage duty bearers on issues of SOVC (Sub County Orphans and Vulnerable Children). Previously the community ask for information and would get negative response. This has since changed due to the cordial working relationship that has been created courtesy of CIDI through ABH.





ABH Interventions Picture left: Dialogue meeting in Nakasangola district with advocacy groups. Picture right: Dr. Jjuuko at Dialogue meeting in Luweero

Staff news

Mr. Simon Dembe has left CIDI for a new challenge. We thank him for many years of collaboration

Mr. Dan Kigula who worked as an agriculture expert in Kyotera, Rakai Office, has retired. We thank him for his long partnership with CIDI

Mrs. Evelyn Zalwango has introduced to CIDIs Website Mr. Conrad Miyingo, we send them our best wishes. Mr. Edison Turyamuhika has married in Kampala.

Mr. Obore William wife gave birth to a baby girl

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