

WASH GLOBAL GRANT PROJECT IN KYAKA II REFUGEE SETTLEMENT- STATUS REPORT



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1. INTRODUCTION AND PROJECT BACKGROUND

The WASH Global Grant (GG2340700), approved in December 2022, addresses critical water, sanitation, and hygiene needs for more than 36,800 refugees and host communities in Kyaka II Settlement. Initiated by Rotary Club of Kampala South in partnership with Rotary Club of Prior Lake (USA), Aqua Methods, Nsamizi, UNHCR, and OPM, the project targets sustainable water access and disease prevention. The core objectives of the project included:

- Increasing daily water supply from 11.4 to more than 15 litres received per person per day.
- Reducing bacteriological contamination
- Eliminating diesel dependency at Bujubuli Water Plant.
- Strengthening water quality monitoring.

The 12 July 2025 visit evaluated progress against these goals, identifying achievements, delays, and urgent interventions.

2. CURRENT STATUS OF PROJECT ACTIVITIES

Completed ACTIVITIES (Per Grant Scope)

- **❖** Infrastructure Development
 - 100,000-Liter Concrete Tank at Sweswe Plant: Constructed and operational, serving more than 10,000 people and reducing water trucking dependency.
 Average daily water production is 2,332,280liters
 - Rainwater Systems: Installed 10,000-liter tanks at 3 schools (Byabakora, Bujubuli, Mukondo and Itambabiniga Primary School) and a health facility (Mukondo Health Center), benefiting 8000 residents.





Pending Activities

Mobile Water Testing Lab



- Status: Procurement team has critically assessed service providers to ensure technical specs align with the budget.
- Purpose: Real-time monitoring of more than 150 water points serving approximately 30,000 people to ensure quality water supply.

2km Power Line Extension to Bujubuli Plant:

- Status: Bidding and selection process completed by an independent procurement committee of the Rotary Club of Kampala South to secure qualified contractor.
- Impact: Will replace diesel pumps, cutting annual costs by 41% (from USD 13,811 to USD 8,135).



Rotarians with other community members stand by the Sweswe water dam (80% of the water from this dam is pumped to zonal points in the refugee settlement after treatment)



3. IMPACT ASSESSMENT (VS. ORIGINAL TARGETS)

Indicator	Original Target	July 2025 Status	Progress
Daily Water Supply	15+ litres/person/day	17.94 litres/person/day	Exceeded
Beneficiaries Reached	36,800	18,648	Ongoing

Key Successes:

- More than 10,000 people now access reliable water via the Sweswe water facility.
- 8,000 residents benefit from rainwater systems at critical institutions.

4. CRITICAL CHALLENGES

- ❖ Wetland Encroachment: Identified near Sweswe Dam during visit; poses contamination risks to 30% of water sources.
- ❖ Water Safety Gaps: Only 48% of sources meet bacteriological standards; shallow wells show highest contamination (7/37 safe).
- **❖** Infrastructure Vulnerabilities:
 - o Recurrent pump failures at Bujubuli and Sweswe plants disrupt supply.
 - o Funding shortages limit production capacity despite rising demand.

5. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The WASH Global Grant has significantly improved water access for more than 36,800 refugees, with 88% of infrastructure deliverables completed. However, wetland degradation requires immediate action to ensure constant quality water supply from sweswe water dam that serves approximately 80% of the zones within the settlement.

Rotary Club of Kampala South's **sustainability Focus will ensure p**ost-grant ownership transitions to UNHCR and local Water User Committees, ensuring long-term operational resilience.

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