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WASH component of The Support Programme to the Refugee Settlements and Host Communities in Northern Uganda (SPRS-NU) funded by the European Union (EU) under the European Union Trust Fund (EU-TF)



WASH Project team and other stakeholders handing over to the Contractor the construction site of Ranch 1 Refugee Settlement Water Supply System, in Kiryandongo district.

European Union established the 'Emergency Trust Fund' for stability and addressing the root causes of irregular migration and displaced persons in Africa. The Support Programme to the Refugee Settlements and Host Communities in Northern Uganda (SPRS-NU) targets the refugee settlements and host communities in the refugee hosting districts of Northern Uganda including Adjumani, Arua, Yumbe and Kiryandongo.

The Support Programme to the Refugee Settlements and Host Communities in Northern Uganda (SPRS-NU) has three components which are WASH, Skilling and Livelihood. A total of EUR 4.9 million was earmarked to implement the WASH project.

The "WASH" Component project contributes to a larger project aiming to improve food security, nutrition and livelihoods of the refugee population in Northern Uganda as well as their host communities. At the same time, it is fully harmonised with Uganda's Joint Water and Environment Sector Support Programme and all relevant national sector policies and development plans.

The specific outcome of the WASH component is to ensure sustainable access to safe water and improve the environmental sanitation conditions in the targeted communities. This will contribute to creating a more stable socio-economic environment and hence conflict prevention in Refugee Settlements and Host Communities.

Austrian Development Agency was contracted (as a fund manager) by the EUTF through a delegation agreement to implement the WASH component of the programme. The implementation of the 4-year WASH Project started on December 1st 2016

The Project is being implemented by the Ministry of Water and Environment through its deconcentrated unit - the Water and Sanitation Development Facility-North (WSDF-N) based in Lira District.

Coordination among key stakeholders is of paramount importance to avoid duplication, ensure ownership and sustainability of the interventions.

The project is being implemented in close coordination with the institutions in charge of settlement management (Office of the Prime Minister, UNHCR and Emergency Relief Agencies).

Expected Results:

The project outcomes will be achieved by the combined effect of the following outputs:

1. Construction of 8 piped water supply systems (4 new systems, 4 to be rehabilitated/expanded);
2. Setting up sustainable operation and maintenance structures for these systems;
3. Improving environmental sanitation by constructing one Faecal Sludge Treatment Plant (FSTP) including the necessary equipment and O&M structures;
4. Conducting sanitation awareness campaigns and implementing water source protection measures;
5. Preparing the Water for Production concept paper to identify opportunities & constraints for the development of Water for Production infrastructure under the specific target region circumstances.

Targeted Number of Beneficiaries and group/region:

The direct project beneficiaries are 145,852 people, including both inhabitants of refugee settlements and their host communities. It is being implemented in 8 settlements located in four districts of Northern Uganda as below:

1. Ranch I Settlement in Kiryandongo District,
2. 3 settlements of Ofua III, Omugo and Olujobo/Tika in Rhino camp, Arua District,
3. 3 settlements of Ayilo II, Nyumanzi and Alere, in Adjumani District and lastly
4. Bidibidi Zone (V) refugee settlement in Yumbe District.



Long Queues of Jerrycans in Ranch 1 Refugee Settlement justifying the urgent need for the Water Supply System