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KIGOMA JOINT PROGRAMME MONITORING MISSION - JUNE 2019

In June, regional government authorities in Kigoma Region hosted the Kigoma Joint Programme (KJP) Steering Committee. They welcomed officials from the Royal Norwegian Embassy, the Embassy of Ireland, the United Nations and other government officials including from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and East African Cooperation and the President's Office, Regional Administration and Local Government (PO-RALG) to Kigoma Town where the meeting took place.

After the meeting concluded, members of the delegation visited multiple sites where activities are being implemented by the government, UN agencies and other partners as part of the KJP and other initiatives and they also made a stop at Nyarugusu Refugee camp to commemorate World Refugee Day.

This E-Journal takes you through the mission in pictures! Enjoy!

DAY ONE

The first day of the mission consisted of the Kigoma Joint Programme (KJP) Steering Committee Meeting which was chaired by Kigoma Regional Commissioner, Retired Brigadier General Emmanuel Maganga. The meeting was also attended by the Royal Norwegian Embassy, the Embassy of Ireland and UN and government officials including from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and East African Cooperation and the President's Office - Regional Administration and Local Government (PO-RALG).



Kigoma Regional Commissioner, Retired Brigadier General Emmanuel Maganga (left), officially opens the Kigoma Joint Programme (KJP) Steering Committee Meeting. Mr. Maganga, who is the chair of the committee, noted that the KJP is already demonstrating tangible results after almost two years of implementation.

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"The UN in Tanzania, thinking, speaking and acting to support implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals, is an accountable and trusted broker and partner to the government and People of Tanzania and their elopment Partners"

Head of Cooperation & Deputy Head of Mission at the Royal Norwegian Embassy, Mr. Trgvye Bendiksby (right), makes remarks at the meeting. Mr. Bendiksby said that Norway's way of acknowledging the hospitality that Kigoma region has shown in hosting hundreds of thousands of refugees from neighbouring countries has been through supporting the Kigoma Joint Programme.



Foreign Service Officer (I), Ministry of Foreign Affairs and East African Cooperation, Ms. Ramla Khamisi (left), commended the UN in Tanzania, the Kigoma Regional Authorities and Development Partners for their efforts in implementing the KJP which contributes to the government's regional development priorities which aim at improving the resilience of the host communities.



UN Women Representative in Tanzania, Ms. Hodan Addou (left), introduces herself during the meeting. UN Women plays an important role in several themes of the KJP that are helping promote Gender Equality and Women's empowerment in the region such as the theme on Youth and Women's Economic Empowerment as well as the theme on Ending Violence Against Women and Children.



Programme Manager Reproductive Health and Nutrition, Embassy of Ireland, Ms. Kim Mwamelo (centre), said that the KJP is an excellent example of the government, development partners and United Nations agencies working together to achieve a common goal. Ireland has committed to contributing \$20 million for the Health+ theme of the Kigoma Joint programme which is comprised of integrated interventions in the areas of Health, HIV and Nutrition.



UN Area Coordinator for Kigoma Region, Mr. Evance Siangicha, presents the status of implementation of agreed actions of the second KJP Steering Committee Meeting which took place in January 2019.



During the meeting, the leads for each of the seven themes of the KJP provided an update on the implementation status for their respective themes. The themes are: Sustainable energy and environment; Youth and women's economic empowerment; Ending violence against women and children; Education with a focus on adolescent girls and young women; WASH (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene); Agriculture with a focus on developing local markets; and an Integrated Programme on Health, HIV and Nutrition.



Councillor for Political Affairs, Royal Norwegian Embassy, Mr. Hans Corneliussen, gives some inputs on the implementation status of the programme on behalf of his embassy.

DAY TWO

On the second day, the delegation visited several KJP and other projects in Kigoma and Kasulu Districts. They were joined by regional and district government authorities including the Kigoma Regional Commissioner, Retired Brigadier General Emmanuel Maganga and the District Commissioners for Kigoma and Kasulu Districts.



UN Resident Coordinator a.i., Mr. Alvaro Rodriguez (left), greets Kigoma District Commissioner, Mr. Samson Anga (left), before the delegation's courtesy call to Mr. Anga.



The delegation meets with Kigoma District Commissioner, Mr. Samson Anga. Mr. Anga welcomed the delegation to Kigoma and highlighted some of the different ways in which the KJP is impacting communities in his district.



This building behind the delegation was constructed by UN Women in partnership with the government and is one of four Gender Desks that have now been established in Kigoma since the start of the KJP. Gender desks provide a safe space for women and children to report incidents of violence.



UN Women Representative, Ms. Hodan Addou (centre) and Assistant Director, President's Office - Regional Administration and Local Government (PO-RALG), Mr. Emmanuel Nyingi (right), plant a tree in front of the Gender Desk which is expected to be operational in the coming months.



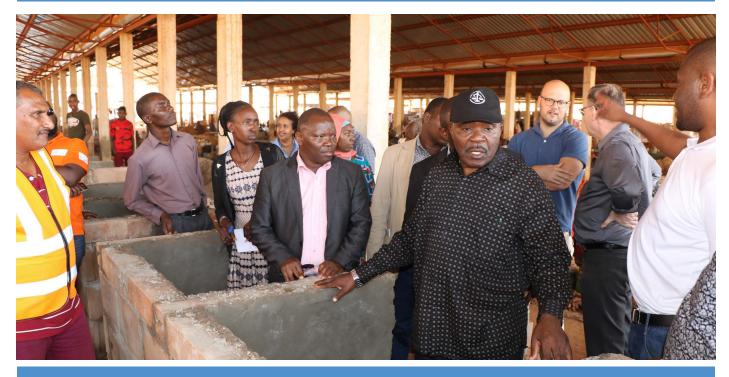
The delegation met these women who are part of 'Kazi Women Group' and have been supported by the United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF) through the KJP. The group are 30 percent owners of Petro and Sons Industries, a company that's processing sardines (dagga) & other products through support from.



With support from UNCDF through the KJP, the company is rehabilitating its factory and expand operations to increase productivity and improve the quality of their products. It is currently buying raw materials from 40 women and is identifying and registering more women as its suppliers. This has provided reliable market for these women and significantly contributed in reducing post-harvest losses of the fish.



The delegation travelled to Kasulu where they visited Sofya market which is used by over 1,000 traders, many of whom are women. Here Kigoma Regional Commissioner, Retired Brigadier General Emmanuel Maganga is sharing a light moment with one of the women traders.



Here the Regional Commissioner is inspecting the new stalls for the traders which are being constructed by the International Trade Centre (ITC). These will be built for the entire indoor section of the market and will feature storage space so that traders have somewhere secure to keep their goods when they close shop for the day.



While in Kasulu, the delegation made a stop at 'Blessing Afri Design Group' (above) who have been supported by the International Labour Organization (ILO) and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) to access grants for small investment in sewing machines as well capacity development. This support is under the Youth and Women's Economic Empowerment component of the KJP.



Through support from ILO and UNDP, the group has been able to improve their skills in areas such as recordkeeping, costing and marketing amongst others. They have also received roughly USD 7,000 in grants which they've used to purchase new sewing machines, materials and cover other operations costs amongst others. Thanks to this support they're improving their productivity and profitability and the income generated is helping them cater for household needs related to education and other areas.



Here the delegation is being given a tour of the International Organization for Migration (IOM) Refugee Processing Centre in Kasulu District. The centre has Interview, Medical, Cultural Orientation, & other units & is set up to relocate 50,000 refugees to America, Canada & Australia by 2027. After this ten-year period, it will be handed over to the government.



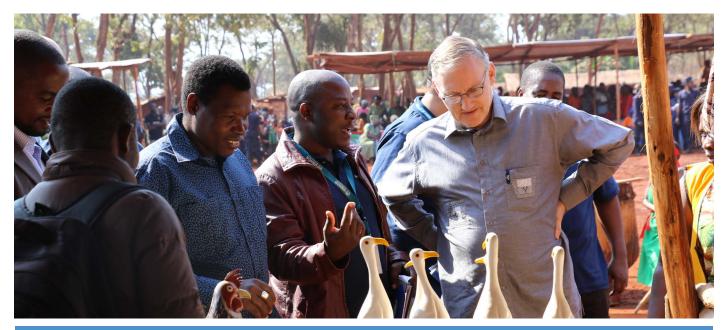
UN Resident Coordinator, Alvaro Rodriguez (left), meets with some of the refugees that are being relocated to Australia. Before the refugees are located, they visit the centre multiple times to undergo various procedures such as medical examinations, interviews, cultural orientation and others.

DAY THREE

Day three started off with World Refugee Day commemorations at Nyarugusu Refugee Camp where Kakonko District Commissioner, Col. Hosea Maloda was the guest of honor on behalf of the Kigoma Regional Commissioner. Following the commemorations, the delegation visited UNHCR, UNESCO & FAO activities that are part of the KJP.



The delegation meets with Kakonko District Commissioner, Col. Hosea Maloda (centre) at Nyarugusu Refugee Camp before proceeding to World Refugee Day commemorations.



Kakonko District Commissioner, Col. Hosea Maloda (third from left) and UN Resident Coordinator, Mr. Alvaro Rodriguez (right), are shown some products that we made by refugees before commencing World Refugee Day commemorations. Hundreds people including refugees, UN and government officials and officials from other humanitarian organizations working at the refugee camps attended the commemorations.



Assistant Director, President's Office - Regional Administration and Local Government (PO-RALG), Mr. Emmanuel Nyingi (right) receives a briefing on the Multipurpose Community Centre (MCC) which was constructed by the UN Refugee Agency (UNHCR) with funding from the Norwegian Government and the Korean International Cooperation Agency (KOICA). These are new computers that will enable students at the community centre to learn ICT skills.



The Multipurpose Community Centre (MCC) is located just within the refugee camp and provides youth and women from both the host communities and the refugee population classes in baking, hairdressing, soap-making and other areas. There are two other MCCs in the region that are located at Mtendeli and Nduta refugee camps.



These are women from Kasulu District who are being taught tailoring through the Framework of Integrated Programme for Out of School Adolescents (IPOSA) which is currently being under taken by UNICEF under the Kigoma Joint Programme (KJP). The delegation got the opportunity to observe one of their classes and also tasted some juice, and baked goods they had learnt to make through cookery classes offered as part of the same programme.



Graduates from a carpentry and masonry classes offered by UNICEF's IPOSA programme working on renovating a government school building. As part of the renovation, they're making the school more easily accessible by persons living with disabilities. IPOSA seeks to benefits youth aged between 14-19 who are out of the formal schooling system through on classes on carpentry, mansory, cookery, decorating, tailoring.



The final visit was to a group of beekeepers in Kasulu district who have been supported by FAO Tanzania through the Agriculture theme of the KJP. The group has been trained on better methods of beekeeping to improve the quantity and quality of their products.



On the left is one of the old beehives and on the right are the new beehives that the women have been able to make through KJP support. The beehives they've been able to make thanks to the training last longer & now when they harvest honey the bees don't die in the process.



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