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SWEDISH & UN OFFICIALS VISIT UN PROJECTS IN KIGOMA

In early December 2019, H.E. Anders Sjöberg, Swedish Ambassador to Tanzania, accompanied by Swedish Embassy and UN officials visited Kigoma Joint Programme (KJP) interventions and other UN activities in Kigoma region.

The mission started off in Kibondo where they visited Azimia Women Group which has received capacity-building training and small grants through the KJP. The delegation then went to Kibondo Community Centre where women entrepreneurs exhibited some of the products that they've been able to make through support from the KJP.

On the second day, the delegation started off by visiting Maloregwa Multipurpose Community Center which offers vocational training to refugees from Nduta camp and the host community residents. The mission then visited a UN Food Distribution Point and received a briefing from refugees on their day-to-day lives. This was followed by a meeting with members of Tembea Uone Savings group (VICOBA) who have received support from the KJP.

The delegation then proceeded to Kasulu, making a brief stop at the ongoing construction of an aggregation center in Mvugwe. In Kasulu, the mission paid a courtesy call to the Kasulu District Commissioner who then joined them on a visit to market stalls at Sofya Market which are currently being constructed as part of the KJP.

On the last of the visit, H.E. Anders Sjöberg and his delegation paid a courtesy call to Kigoma Regional Commissioner in Kigoma Town before concluding the mission with a visit to Small Industries Development Organization (SIDO).

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

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DAY ONE

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H.E. Anders Sjoberg, Swedish Ambassador to Tanzania and the delegation started the day with a courtesy call to Mr. Julius Mduma (third from left), Acting Kibondo District Executive Director. Mr. Mduma thanked Sweden and the UN for their support to host communities in Kibondo.



The delegation being briefed by Ms. Agripina Abel (left), Azimia Women Group Secretary during the visit.



Ms. Agripina Abel, Azimia Group Secretary showing a freshly caught catfish to the Swedish Ambassador.



Ms. Anna Feracuti, UN Financial Inclusion Programme Coordinator, briefs Ambassador Sjoberg on savings group facilitation, access to finance, and digital and financial literacy support that is being given to Azimia Women Group in Kibondo.



Ms. Sawia Damas (left), member of Mwendokasi Women Group explains the process that the group uses to package honey. Mwendokasi Women Group is one of about 200 groups that have been supported by the UN through the Kigoma Joint Programme.



H.E. Anders Sjöberg, Swedish Ambassador to Tanzania, addressing beneficiaries of Youth and Women's Economic Empowerment theme of the KJP during the visit at Kibondo Community center. The Ambassador congratulated the groups, who were exhibiting their products during the visit, for their achievements.

DAY TWO

On the day two, the delegation started off at Nduta Refugee Camp where they visited both KJP and humanitarian activities taking place in and around the camp. They then went to Kasulu District where they visited two projects, an aggregation centre and a market, that have been supported by the UN through the KJP.



H.E. Anders Sjoberg, Swedish Ambassador to Tanzania meets with carpentry students at Maloregwa Multi-purpose Community Center (MPCC).



Mission members interacting with sewing class students at Maloregwa MPCC. The centre offers vocational training to both refugees and host community residents.



Mission members paying a courtesy call to Mr. Barnabas Kipii, Nduta Refugee Camp Commandant before meeting with refugees and visiting several activities taking place at the camps.



H.E. Anders Sjoberg, Swedish Ambassador to Tanzania sharing a light moment with refugees at a UN Food Distribution Point at Nduta Refugee Camp.



The delegation have a discussion with members of a savings group at Nduta Refugee Camp. The savings groups help refugees to improve their financial skills, networking and lending among members.



A Refugee Zone Leader gives the delegation insight into daily life at Nduta Refugee Camp. The camp currently hosts about 75,000 refugees from Burundi.



Ambassador Sjoberg reviews a map of Mvugwe Aggregation Center. The centre will support farmers from Kasulu District and other neighboring areas.



Mvugwe Aggregation Center is currently under construction in Kasulu. Upon completion, the center will provide farmers in the area with proper storage facilities to prevent post-harvest losses and provide market linkages to smallholder farmers.



Mission members sharing a light moment with Kasulu District Commissioner, Simon Anage after a courtesy call. Mr. Anage expressed gratitude to the Swedish Government for their generous developmental support to the district.



Ambassador Sjöberg and Kasulu District Commissioner Simon Anage are shown market stalls that have been constructed by the UN through the Kigoma Joint Programme (KJP) at Sofya Market.



Ambassador Sjoberg speaks to traders during the visit to Sofya Market. Over 1,000 traders operate at the market – the majority of whom are women.



A woman trader shows Ambassador Sjoberg and other members of the delegation some of her products. Once the stalls are complete, the traders will be able to use them to display and store their products.

DAY THREE

On the last day of the visit, the delegation paid a courtesy call to the Kigoma Regional Commissioner in Kigoma Town before concluding the mission with a visit to Small Industries Development Organization (SIDO).



The take a group photo with Honorable Brigadier General Emmanuel Maganga, Kigoma Regional Commissioner (centre), after paying him a courtesy call at the Regional Commissioner's Office in Kigoma Town.



Eng. Mabamba Majogoro (second from left), Technical Development Center Manager at Small Industries Development Organization (SIDO), briefs the delegation ongoing activities at the SIDO office in Kigoma town.



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