In early February 2020, the Kigoma Joint Programme held its 4th Steering Committee meeting in Kigoma. The Steering Committee Meeting was Co-Chaired by Honorable Brigadier General (Rtd), Emmanuel Maganga and Mr. Michael Dunford, UN Resident Coordinator ai. and was attended by representatives from Kigoma Regional Secretariat and Local Authorities, UN Agencies, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and East African Cooperation and Development Partners (Norway, Ireland and Sweden).

At the Steering Committee meeting, Royal Norwegian Embassy, represented by Mr. Hans Corneliusen – Counsellor of Political Affairs, handed-over USD 4.3 million (Sh. 9.9 Billion TZS) to support implementation of the Kigoma Joint Programme (KJP).

The Steering Committee meeting was preceded and followed by field visits to ongoing KJP (WASH and Health+) interventions in Kasulu, Kibondo and Kakonko Districts.

This E-Journal takes you through the steering committee meeting and monitoring missions in pictures! Enjoy!
DAY ONE

Ms Yasinta Petro Kasunzu (In Orange and white), Village Executive Officer (VEO) and Mr. Ezekiel Moses Msumi (second left), the newly recruited Community Health Worker (CHW) for Kwitanga hamlet in Muzye village briefs H.E Paul Sherlock, Irish Ambassador to Tanzania about Community Health interventions in the village. The programme has supported recruitment of 618 CHWs and built the capacities of 210 CHW supervisors (VEOs & HCWs) in Kigoma Region.

H.E Paul Sherlock, Irish Ambassador to Tanzania (Second right), Mr. Hans Cornelissen, Representative from Norwegian Embassy, Ms. Jacqueline Mahon, UNFPA Country Representative and the delegation paid a courtesy call to Honourable Emmanuel Maganga, Brigadier General (RTD) (First Right). Honourable Maganga commended on the continued partnership of the Development Partners and other stakeholders to KJP.
Ms. Hilda Kwezi (second left), a staff from Tanzania Midwives Association (TAMA) – implementing partner of the programme, briefing the delegation on how they are benefiting from the programme. TAMA works with groups of first-time young mothers (FTYMs) in the project districts whereby they train them on life skills, parenting, breastfeeding, nutrition and family planning.

Ms. Subira Swai (In yellow), Cash Plus Training of Trainer (TOT) from Kasulu DC briefing the Irish Embassy delegation during a focus group discussion among cash plus mentors and peers. The intervention aims at increasing the proportion of adolescent girls and boys (14 to 19 years) from poor households to transit safely into a productive and healthy adulthood. Through cash plus, 40 Training of Trainers (TOTs), 272 mentors and 272 peer educators from have been trained in four Districts Councils (Kasulu DC, Kibondo, Kasulu TC & Kakonko DC) to support 1,520 adolescents training in their respective villages.
Ms. Jacqueline Mahon (left), UNFPA Country Representative and H.E Paul Sherlock, Irish Ambassador to Tanzania at a newly constructed maternity ward at Muzye village in Kasulu District. The building, which is among 9 wards constructed under the programme will enhance the delivery of quality emergency obstetric and newborn care, both basic and comprehensive in the project districts, including capacity strengthening of healthcare providers.

(From left to right) Ms. Jacqueline Mahon, UNFPA Country Representative and H.E Paul Sherlock, Irish Ambassador to Tanzania sharing a light moment after receiving traditional pot and garment during inauguration of the maternity ward at Muzye Dispensary.
The fourth Steering Committee meeting took place on the second day; the meeting concluded with the Royal Norwegian Embassy, represented by Mr. Hans Corneliusen – Counsellor of Political Affairs, handing-over USD 4.3 million (approximately Sh. 9.9 billion) to the UN to support implementation of the Kigoma Joint Programme (KJP).
Mr. Hans Corneliussen, Political Affairs Counselor, Embassy of Norway (left), handing-over to Mr. Michael Dunford (right), UN Resident Coordinator, a USD 4.3 million (approximately Sh. 9.9 billion) cheque from the Royal Norwegian Embassy to support implementation of the Kigoma Joint Programme (KJP). The ceremony was witnessed by Kigoma Regional Commissioner, Hon. Brig. Gen (RTD) Emmanuel Maganga (second left) and Kigoma Regional Administrative Secretary, Mr. Rashid Mchatta (second right).

A group photo of the delegation (Officials from Irish, Norwegian and Swedish Embassy, government, and United Nations) during the Steering Committee which took place in Lake Tanganyika Hotel, in Kigoma Town.
One of the equipment, an anesthesia machine, donated under the Health + theme to the Kasulu District Hospital.

Honorable Emmanuel Maganga, Kigoma Regional Commissioner (second left) and H.E. Paul Sherlock (left), Irish Ambassador to Tanzania laying a foundation stone at the Ruhita dispensary.
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Mr. Hans Corneliussen, Political Affairs Counselor, Embassy of Norway (second left) Hon. Emmanuel Maganga, Kigoma Regional Commissioner (third left) and other mission members listening to the description of Nyange Village Water Supply system which was rehabilitated by the project. The intervention has allowed the entire village (about 3,000) to be supplied with clean water. Before the intervention more than 90% of the village population experienced huge water scarcity problem.

A rehabilitated water tank at Kigogo village through WASH intervention of the Kigoma Joint Programme to improve water supply at the village.
Mr. Emmanuel Busanya (Left), TCRS WASH Engineer, elaborating Kigogo Water Supply System rehabilitation project at the Kigogo Primary School. The intervention has benefited the entire population (about 4,200 people) of Kigogo village including Two primary Schools and One Health Care Facility.

Mr. Evance Siangicha, UN Area Coordinator - Kigoma, briefs the delegation on the ongoing construction of WASH and Health + projects at Kasongati village in Kakonko District.
Ongoing construction of the Kabingo aggregation centre, under the agriculture theme of the Kigoma Joint Programme.

Mr. Rashid Mchatta, Kigoma Regional Administrative Secretary, accompanied by Honorable Hosea Ndagala, Kakonko District Commissioner, and officials from Kakonko district being briefed, by Mr. Emmanuel Busanya TCRS WASH Engineer, on ongoing construction of water intake at Kasongati village. The Project when completed will provide more than 3,075 people with access to improved water service.