On June 28 and 29, 2021, Her Excellency Mary O’Neill, the Ambassador of Ireland to the United Republic of Tanzania accompanied by Irish Embassy Programme staff and Ms. Jacqueline Mahon, UNFPA Country Representative conducted a field-monitoring visit to Kigoma region to check on the progress of implementation of the Irish-funded Kigoma Joint Programme (KJP) activities. The delegation visited various project sites located in Kasulu Town Council, Kasulu District Council and Kigoma Town.

This E-Journal will take you through the Monitoring Mission by the Ambassador of Ireland in pictures!

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Mr. Evance Siangicha, UN Area Coordinator for Kigoma, briefing the delegation on the Kigoma Joint Programme and its current implementation status and impact in the region.

H.E. Mary O'Neill, Ambassador of Ireland to the United Republic of Tanzania (second from left), commenting on the refugee operations following a presentation made by Mr. Innocent Sangara, UNHCR Assistant Representative – Operations (far right) during the briefing session.
The delegation paid a courtesy call to Mr. Rashid Mchatta, Kigoma Regional Administrative Secretary, before proceeding to the field visits. Mr. Mchatta appreciated the visit and commended the Ambassador O’Neill for the support provided to the region through the Kigoma Joint Programme (KJP).

The delegation in a group photograph after the meeting.
The delegation met with Hon. Col. Isaac Mwakisu, Kasulu District Commissioner. The DC thanked Embassy of Ireland for their support in the district and for being the first guests that he has received in his newly appointed position as DC.

Parents, students, and teachers at Kumkata Primary School participating in the inauguration and handover of Menstrual Health Management facilities in Kasulu District.
H.E. Mary O’Neill, the Ambassador of Ireland unveiling the foundation stone that recognizes the contribution of UNFPA with the support of Irish Aid in constructing the facility.

The newly constructed Menstrual Health Management facility at Kumkata Primary School in Kasulu.
The Community Health Worker showing the delegation a map of the district and proposed plans to construct Mwanga Dispensary in Kasulu Town Council.

H.E. Mary O’Neill, Ambassador of Ireland planting a tree next to the facilities.
A newly renovated labor ward at the Mwanga dispensary.

The delegation looking at the patients’ beds at the newly renovated labor ward.
The delegation visiting Mlimani One Stop Centre which links the police, social welfare officers, fit persons and shelter officers for the purpose of attending the needs of the gender-based violence victims.
Mr. Siasa Manjenje, Nyarugusu Camp Commandant welcoming Ambassador O’Neill and the delegation while commending the Embassy for their support to Nyarugusu Refugee Camp.

H.E. Mary O’Neill, Ambassador of Ireland, unveiling the foundation stone that recognizes the contribution of UNFPA with the support of Irish Aid to construct Mlimani One Stop Centre.
Ambassador O’Neill visiting the WFP Extended Delivery Point in the Nyarugusu Refugee Camp. WFP is responsible for providing food for over 127,814 refugees that reside in the camp.

Ambassador O’Neill with some of the staff members at the Extended Delivery Point storage facility.
A woman being assessed to determine her nutrition status.

The delegation visiting the stabilization centre for children with severe acute malnutrition and moderate acute malnutrition at the Nyarugusu Refugee Camp.
Ambassador O’Neill tasting some of the food made by the women at the Nkundutsi village in Kasulu District.

H.E. Mary O’Neill (right), Ambassador of Ireland, and Dr. Simon Chacha (left), Regional Medical Officer during the handing over of two ambulances at the Maweni Hospital.
Ambassador O’Neill in one of the two ambulances that was handed over to Maweni Hospital.