On 15 - 19 November 2021, Honourable Thobias Andengenye, Kigoma Regional Commissioner accompanied by other Government officials, and the UN Kigoma Joint Programme (KJP) Coordination Team conducted a monitoring visit to KJP sites in the Districts of Kibondo, Kasulu, and Kakonko.

The mission started with a courtesy call to Col. Isaac Mwakisu, Kasulu District Commissioner, then proceeded to visit various interventions under Elimination of Violence Against Women and Children (VAWC), Education, WASH, Agriculture, Youth and Women Economic Empowerment, and Health+ themes of the KJP.

This E-Journal takes you through these activities in pictures!

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Kalema Integrated Programme for Out of School Adolescents (IPOSA)

IPOSA is a comprehensive education programme that aims to educate out-of-school children between the age of 14 to 19, to help them acquire new knowledge, skills, and attitude to be self-reliant in the future.

Mr. Felison Kuleya, Kasulu Town Council (TC) Community Development Officer (second from right), briefing the Regional Commissioner (furthest left) on IPOSA. IPOSA offers lessons to develop reading, technical, entrepreneurial, and life skills. The four (4) Centers in Kasulu District have produced 631 qualified graduates: 248 females and 383 males between 2018 and 2021.

Mr. Filbert Nyakimwe (center), Kalema Centre Coordinator, giving a tour on the activities that are being implemented at the center. Here, he is showing a table saw machine used to craft tables, chairs, and beds.
Youth who are enrolled in the programme have been able to craft market standard products and assist in crafting school desks, tables, doors, and drawers for the primary education department within the district. The photograph shows a table being prepared for polishing.

Youth at the IPOSA center undertaking sewing and cooking lessons. As of November 2021, that are 32 youth enrolled in these classes of which 30 are female and 2 are male. The Regional Commissioner commended the Centre for taking initiative to support out-of-school children and directing them towards a brighter future that leads to others returning to school. The Regional Commissioner concluded his visit with a personal donation of Tsh. 500,000 to support the Centre.
Mr. Godfrey Kapaya, District Social Welfare Officer, explaining the synergies between activities of the Safe House and the government. Only cases reported and approved by social welfare officials are admitted to the safe house as well as their discharge, including VAWC survivors and victims of human trafficking. Since September 2017 to June 2021, a total of 164 victims and survivors have been identified and accommodated: 106 females (21 adult females) and 58 males.

Ms. Jackline Ngalo, Manager of IOM Safe House, giving a tour of services provided to the victims and survivors at the safe house which includes educational support and vocational trainings, enrolment to formal education, tailoring, kitchen gardening, and soap making skills. All of these services are implemented to empower the survivors.
The Regional Commissioner (second left) commended the efforts made by the Social Workers and the Safe House for supporting survivors of VAWC.

WATER SANITATION AND HYGIENE (WASH) THEME

Kabanga Water Project

Kabanga water supply system improves water supply and increases clean water availability in nursing colleges, hospitals, and primary schools in the Kabanga community.

The newly rehabilitated water supply system provides clean water to a community with over 25,000 residents. Also, five (5) new water points have been constructed to bring water supply closer to the community.
Mr. Idrisa Hussein, Community Based Water Services Organization (CBWSO) Manager (third from left), addressing the challenge of farmers deviating water that flows to the treatment chambers for farming purposes. As a result, water arriving to the chambers is polluted. In response, the Regional Commissioner suggested creating a different water route away from the farmers.

Regional Commissioner emphasizing on a sustainability plan for the newly constructed water system as maintenance costs are unavoidable. He advocated for community awareness of paying for water systems to ensure timely maintenance.
Mr. Stanslaus Nyembea, Assistant Programme Management Officer for UN Habitat (right), briefing the Regional Commissioner (left) on the breakdown of funds used for rehabilitation of water supply projects within Kasulu Town Council.

Honourable Thobias Andengenye, Regional Commissioner, addressing the local community on the importance of using the dispensary for medical treatment and maternal health. He also emphasized the need to continue taking preventative measures against COVID-19 and advocated for the community to get vaccinated against the virus.
Honourable Thobias Andengenye, Regional Commissioner, having a dialogue with the women at the facility to listen to their testimonies on the benefits of the newly constructed maternity ward.

The delegation touring the construction site at Kigondo Dispensary and examining the drawing of the maternity ward to be constructed. The maternity ward will be one of seventeen medical facilities that will be constructed through the KJP of which nine have already been completed.

Maternity Ward at Nyarugusu Dispensary

Honourable Thobias Andengenye, Regional Commissioner, having a dialogue with the women at the facility to listen to their testimonies on the benefits of the newly constructed maternity ward.
Newly constructed Nyarugusu Maternity ward.

EDUCATION THEME

Mabamba Integrated Programme for Out of School Adolescents (IPOSA)

Ms. Enna Lutengano, UNICEF, briefing the delegation on the synergies between UNICEF and President’s Office Regional Administrative and Local Government (PO-RALG) in the implementation of IPOSA. Mabamba IPOSA offers vocational skills such as making of batiki clothes, soaps, and candles.
Youth at Mabamba center demonstrating their work, while expressing benefits and experiences gained from joining the center.

Kigogo Water Project

Kigogo water project has been established to increase provision of safe and adequate water supply to the Kigogo village in Kibondo District.

The rehabilitated water storage tank has the storage capacity of 100 cubic meters. The tank supplies water to the Kigogo community of 4,232 residents.
Kigoma Regional Commissioner (center) commended the Kigoma Joint Programme for its support to Kigogo village. “Apart from providing safe and clean water, the Kigogo project also improves protection of women and children against violence by bringing water supply near their houses,” he said.

**YOUTH AND WOMEN ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT (YWEE) & AGRICULTURE THEMES**

**Mukarazi Cross - Border Market**

Mukarazi Cross Border Market is constructed at the border of Tanzania and Burundi. The market is strategically positioned to improve trade and cohesion between the two countries.

Selling and Storage facilities (stalls) have been installed to reduce product transportation costs incurred between market days. The stalls are allocated to youth and women to sell and store goods and products.
Mr. Festo Tindwa, District Manager for TANESCO, explaining the process and status of connecting Mukarazi market with electricity. Power connection to the market will improve security and facilitate services and goods flow 24/7.

Ms. Asteria Msonge, government KJP Focal Person from Kakonko District, explaining the benefits of the Border Market to the district after its completion. The Market has increased district income by 27 per cent, and individual income by ten per cent.

**Muhange Cross – Border Market**

Muhange Market is located in Kakonko border to Burundi. The Market was constructed to empower women entrepreneurs by providing them with a clean environment and enhancing business and promote cordial relations between Tanzania and Burundi.

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The Kabingo Aggregation center is a one-stop shop for buyers and sellers (farmers). The center has been strategically placed due its accessibility to the main roads to Burundi and Nyakanazi, Biharamulo district of Kagera Region. The modern storage facility has the capacity of storing 600MT of crops.
Assistant Regional Administrative Secretary for Economy and Production, Mr. Ntime Mwalyambi inspecting the warehouse at the Aggregation center.

**YOUTH AND WOMEN ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT (YWEE) THEME**

**Kasanda Multipurpose Community Center (MPCC)**

Kasanda Multipurpose Community Center (MPCC) is constructed to offer vocational training to women and youths both from Mtendeli refugee camp and local communities from Kasanda Village, Kakonko district.

The center offers various courses, including sewing, hairdressing, and computer classes to the refugees and local communities.