





Environment & Energy Dashboard

Uganda Refugee Response Plan (RRP) 2019-2020

January - June 2019

ENVIRONMENT OVERVIEW

Objective 1: Environment and natural resources protected and restored and green livelihoods promoted using a catchment-based approach

The Office of the Prime Minister and partners have declared environmental protection and restoration a major priority and key humanitarian-development nexus issue in the Uganda Refugee Response. Partners including each refugee-hosting District Local Government, are supporting implementation and joint monitoring of environment sensitisation campaigns, catchment management, wetland demarcation and restoration, tree-marking, tree nursery operations, tree growing and maintenance and green livelihoods such as beekeeping, farmer-managed natural regeneration, agroforestry, value-addition of non-wood forest products such as shea nuts and fruits among other activities.

In 2019, the Ministry of Water and Environment formed a Refugee Response Sub-Group to steer the development of a sector-wide response plan that will guide a longer term development approach to the response. The National Forestry Authority also joined the response and is currently restoring 700 hectares of Central Forest Reserves adjacent to refugee settlements including 3 new bamboo nurseries and plantations while supporting scale-up of local and regional nurseries to produce over 8 million assorted species of seedlings to refugee and host communities by next year. A strong emphasis is being placed on tree survival after planting by using a community demand driven approach to species selection and cash for work for planting and maintenance.

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS AND ACTIVITY OUTPUTS

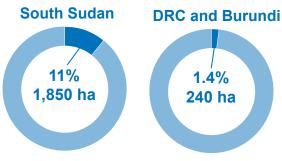
Extent environmental risks associated with the operation are mitigated



Over 100 environment awareness sessions & 10 Radio Shows

- 3 District Forest Resource Management Plans in development
- 5 Settlements with Environment and Social Impact Assessments
- 4 Settlements with active Environment Protection Committees
- 3 Commemorations: Uganda Water & Environment Week, World Environment Day, World Refugee Day Environment Protection Theme

Hectares of forests, wetlands, shorelines protected and restored



Total Target: 30,804 ha (0.1ha/HH)

- 2.3 Million assorted seedlings planted (~1,111 trees per hectare)
- **1.940** Refugees and hosts engaged through cash for work
 - 3 Community-Based Organizations supported
 - 25 Tree nurseries supported 24 nursery operators trained
 - 2 New solar irrigation systems installed for nurseries
- **40.000** Trees marked for protection

Multi-year Humanitarian-Development Projects & Relevant Strategies:

- National REDD+ Strategy, National Bamboo Development Strategy, NDP III
- World Bank DRDIP, IWRM, Albertine-Graben Forest Landscapes Project
- FAO/SIDA Climate Resilient Livelihoods for Women Economic Empowerment in West Nile and Karamoja Regions of Uganda
- SIDA Mutual and Inter-related Resilience Programme (Kyangwali)

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ENERGY OVERVIEW

Objective 2: Access to sufficient and sustainable basic energy services for lighting, power and cooking increased and carbon emissions abated

Insufficient safe access to sustainable energy is a major protection risk for refugees and host communities leading to health issues from smoke inhalation, malnutrition, exposure to sexual and gender-based violence while collecting firewood, forest degradation from over-harvesting biomass and threats to peaceful co-existence.

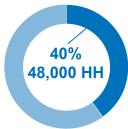
Efforts are being made to increase access for rural and urban refugees especially through skills training for construction of energy-saving stoves, heat-retaining cooking baskets and briquette production as income generating activities. All reception centres now have access to energy-efficient institutional stoves to reduce demand for firewood in cooking hot meals for thousands of new arrivals each year. In schools, bio-digesters and institutional stoves are being installed and over 100 eco-clubs are being supported across the response. As of mid-year reporting in 2019, over 10000 energy-saving stoves were accessed by refugee and host community households in addition to the 40% of refugee households already using these stoves.

The WorkGrEEn has drafted a Guiding Principles for partners to engage in household energy interventions that promote 1) Self-Reliance and Empowerment 2) Access to Quality Products 3) Ensure Coordination and Coherence. The Ministry of Energy and Mineral Development with support from GIZ will undertake the development of a Sustainable Energy Response Plan.

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS AND ACTIVITY OUTPUTS

Access to Energy-Saving Equipment

45% 82,000 HH **DRC and Burundi**



11,000 additional HH accessed energy-saving stoves (15 biogas)

200 HH accessed to cooking bags/baskets

50 groups trained in energy tech

135,000 kg briquettes accessed

7 urban refugee groups engaged in establishing energy kiosks

67 urban refugee women trained in fabricating cooking baskets

Institutions Using Sustainable Energy

Institutions fit-up with stoves

41

Solar street lights installed

160

There is ongoing mapping of street lighting needs

SCC/USADF Start-up Grants Awarded

Solar Today (Kamwenge)

Solar Products Business

Power Trust Uganda (Kiryandongo)

Solar Products Business Hub

AGA Great Works (Yumbe)

Solar Mini-Grid

Raising Gabdho Foundation (Yumbe)

- Solar Mini-Grid
- Sustainable HH Energy

Humanitarian & Development Nexus Projects

- Power Africa/USAID Smart Communities Coalition
- GIZ Energy Solutions for Displacement Settings (ESDS)
- GIZ Energising Development (EnDev)
- World Bank Energy Access Scale-Up



E&E Funding required (2019) \$ 59M

E&E Funding received (2019) \$ 5M









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INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING OVERVIEW

Objective 3: Energy, environment and climate action programming and coordination strengthened and mainstreamed across all sectors.



- 1 MWE SWG Refugee Sub-Group established and response plan drafted
- 7 National Working Group for E&E Meetings & 11 District-level E&E working groups
- 1 Mid-Year Review Workshop E&E Issues included in upcoming assessments: FSNA, VENA, PSN Verification



31% Water pumped (6,061,000 L/d) through renewable energy

• Ongoing solarisation and grid densification ongoing at 4 sites

4 New Waste Management Facilities established

• Waste management strategies to be developed for all settlements



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954 Individuals trained and engaged in sustainable construction

Settlement site plans updated with protected areas and woodlots

8,616 Solar lanterns with phone charging provided

• Number of poles provided per HH to new arrivals increased



104 Eco-clubs supported

32 Institutional Stoves installed in schools (including 2 biogas systems)

35 Schools supported with woodlots



33% of Health Facilities have no incinerator for medical waste management

30% of Health Facilities have no source of power (4% HC III and 26% HC II)

6% of Health Facilities are connected to the grid

60% of Health Facilities have access to solar power (36% are solar only)

30% of Health Facilities use diesel generators (7% are generator only)



Promotion of Green Livelihoods (Individuals trained)

1,003 Farmer-managed natural generation

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54 Agroforestry

24 Tree nursery operators Abi Zonal Agricultural Research and Development Institute



- 3 Settlements mainstreaming energy in SGBV Awareness sessions
- 31 Solarisation of registration sites (ongoing)

