



NUDIPU's Allen Tushabe (L) listening to the senior sociologists of WSDP-C Sarah Nyiramugisha and Joan Byaruhanga.

Kagadi District Leaders Hail Ministry's Striking Partnership with Stakeholders

Kagadi District Chairman, Mr. Stephen Byaruhanga, has recognized the existing partnership between Ministry of Water and Environment and various stakeholders as striking and thus critical in the success of government projects being implemented in his district.

Mr. Byaruhanga expressed his opinions during a visit to his district by the African Development Bank and Ministry of Water and Environment officials.

"These Ministry officials have engaged us a lot, on a number of issues, giving us a platform to air out some of the challenges on the talk shows, which has yielded positive impacts from the community," he said.

Mr. Byaruhanga also appreciated the African Development Bank for working well with the NRM

government in implementing its Mission and Vision.

Kagadi District Chief Administrative Officer, Mr. Basanga Basaija, was equally appreciative of the fact local leadership was involved at all levels of the project implementation since its inception.

"We have held a number of discussions which have helped in identifying challenges and agreeing on the possible solutions," he said.

The African Development Bank (ADB) also made observations during a visit to Kagadi.

The Bank's team was led by the Water and Sanitation Specialist, Mr. Andrew Mbiro, during the Supervision Mission of the Water and Sanitation Program.

The objective of the Mission is to assess the implementation of some of the projects ADB funds, discuss and provide remedies to the identified challenges.

Some of the projects ADB supports, include; Water Supply and Sanitation Programs, the Supplementary loan to Kampala Sanitation Program and the Strategic Towns Water Supply and Sanitation Project.

Mr. Mbiro stressed that the Bank, every year, conducts a Supervision Mission to identify projects which it can recommend for additional funding.

“We have got a number of running projects, of which, we can use surpluses to support other projects in dire need; we believe that this project can also have some surpluses which we can use to support Phase 11 of Kagadi Town Water Supply and Sanitation Project. You need to come up with a proposal for funding the Second Phase of this project,” he stated.

Eng. Bernard Pariyo, the Project Engineer, said the project, by the end of September, was standing at 55%, but currently, different components stand at different percentages.

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Officials of MWE, ADB and NUDIPU, pose for a group photo after the inspection of the project

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mechanical equipment are at site, including the material for steel tanks and pumps,” he said.

The Ministry contracted SAMCRETE EGYPT-ENGINEERS AND CONTRACTORS to do the construction works within one year.

The Water Supply and Sanitation System will benefit a projected population of 150,072 by 2040, in Kagadi, Muhoro Town Council, Luteete Town Board and Kyenzige Town Council.

Eng. Pariyo decried the delayed road works coupled with frequent rains in the area, which he said, hinder faster implementation of the project.

He also cited topographic landscape of the area which he said could not allow equitable distribution of water mostly to people on hilly areas.

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