

# Ministry of Water and Environment Joint Technical Review 2017

# Feedback from the Field Visit to Manafwa District Local Government

# Group composition

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DLG



# What was seen-Manafwa DLG

- Water coverage increased from less than 30% to 64% by February 2017 after the construction of Lirima-Manafwa-Tororo-Magale-Lwakhaka scheme
- Sanitation improvement up to 79%.
- Sanitation grant -used for CLTS, no ODF village
- Timely release of conditional grant from the general fund account to the operational expenses (2 days)
- Outputs for FY 16/17- 6 Boreholes and 2 piped system extensions



# What was seen-Nabuloosi Wetland

## **Restored wetland**



### **Fast Mvule**



# What was seen-Busumbo Forest Reserve



Integration of wetland conservation and livelihood

# What was seen-Lirima GFS

## Intake

# **Treatment system**





# What was seen-Ruhuna Irrigation scheme

# **Epulu Fred-Beneficiary farmer**







# What was seen-Butiru subcounty

# **Community meeting**





# What was learnt

#### **Sanitation**

- Performance Indicators for Sanitation grant-need to look beyond ODF
- Community action against their leaders without toilets is possible and can be supported with the Public health act

#### **Wetlands management**

- River Bank demarcation as a wetland management plan- Water friendly trees can be planted e.g. False Mvule, Terminalia
- Recognizing landlords in the wetland is risky. Best way to conserve is to get away and leave the wetland to re-generate on its own.

#### **Irrigation scheme**

- Community ownership-benefits were high- Viable business
- Lack of on-farm support to the beneficiaries

# What was learnt

#### Water

- Large WSS with different treatment stages
- Pro-poor strategy waived connection fees at 12 stand posts, costs per m3 is 1593 shs
- Importance of regular community feedback meetings to solve operational issues
- Absence of abstraction and waste water discharge permit
- Absence of gauging station on River Lirima

#### **Forestry**

Non adherence to Environmental laws on forests

# What was seen as the main challenges for the sector

- Limited knowledge on cost of provision of water services by all stakeholders at different levels and the relationship with tariffs.
- Exemplary leaders- Sanitation, poor agricultural practices
- Faulty meters on the market for new piped water systems
- Encroachment on Wetlands, Deforestation, cultivation up to river banks and far fetched intervention
- Limited investment in software activities

# Policy recommendations

- Develop Policies that will promote payment for water services
- Fast track tariff policy for rural areas for yard taps Integrate irrigation projects as part of water service
  - provision together with line Ministries
- Strengthen regulatory role of MWE to conduct water quality monitoring, standardize EM products e.g meters and public hearing for water systems

# Thank you