



## Ministry of Water and Environment

# Water and Environment Sector Response for Refugees and Hosting Communities in Uganda

Status and progress towards costed Response Plan  
Updates to WorkGrEEEn meeting – MoEMD

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Ministry of Water and Environment

# Interventions

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- MWE presented at 4<sup>th</sup> CRRF SG meeting (3<sup>rd</sup> July)
- Developed TOR for consultancy service for the MWE response plan to refugees and host communities
- Costed the process to the development of the MWE response plan
- UNDP and UNICEF expressed willingness to partially fund the consultancy services for the plan
- MWE formerly requested willing partners for budget approval for hiring the consultancy services

# Strategic Priorities

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1. Actors to refugee responses should cater for the host communities
2. The MWE plan shall be a rolling-work plan for annual reviews to ensure interventions are needs driven per settlement situation (in line with wider sector plan & NDPII/III)
3. Emergency, short/medium and long term planning interventions
4. Implementation of the plan

# Key principles

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- Catchment based approach to response plan and implementation
- Stakeholders engagement with effective coordination
- Integration of livelihoods and self reliance in refugee establishments
- Balance between emergency and long term development Interventions
- Information management – common GIS database
- Operation and maintenance interventions

# **Objectives of the water and environment sector response plan**

# 1. Institutional Strengthening

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- To strengthen institutions for effective management and provision of water and sanitation
- Women representation in Environment services at the national, regional and lower levels considering the refugee settlements and host communities

## **2. Water, Sanitation and Hygiene**

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To provide sustainable water, sanitation and hygiene services and practices to refugees and host communities, including the vulnerable and disadvantaged groups

### 3. Environment and Natural Resources Protection and Restoration

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- To protect the environment and natural resources
- Ensure sustainability of all water and environment interventions in the refugee settlements and host communities
- Adoption, promotion, and implementation of efficient strategies and management methods to save the environment
- Restore degraded wetlands and forest covers



## 4. Livelihoods and Self Reliance

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- To ensure availability and sustainable management of water, sanitation and natural resources
- Improved livelihoods and self reliance
- Reduce inequalities between refugees and host communities.
- Water for production
- Alternative sources of energy

# Expected Outputs

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- Coordination of planning, implementation and management of water and environment programs improved
- Equitable access and inclusiveness in WASH achieved
- Sustainable delivery of water and environment services improved
- Operation and maintenance of WASH systems and other related interventions improved
- Degraded environment restored
- Level of service, livelihoods and self reliance improved
- Supervision and enforcement of water and environment laws and regulations improved
- Refugees included in NDP2 and DDPs

# **Coordination and implementation of the water and environment sector response plan**

# Coordination & Implementation process

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- 1. MWE steering committee and task team in place**
  - For regular coordination at strategic and operational levels
  - Engagement with key humanitarian and development sector stakeholder; in close coordination as supported by CRRF Secretariat
  - Wider stakeholder consultation in liaison with UNHCR and OPM to close the gap in the refugee management challenges including the host communities as actors deliver services

# Coordination & Implementation process

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## 2. The Response Plan – Road Map

- Mapping of existing projects
- Situation analysis of issues, causes or drivers, outputs and proposed interventions
- TOR for the Response Plan developed
- Cost estimates for consultancy
- Procurement of Consultant to work with the Task Team
- First draft plan to be ready in October for 5<sup>th</sup> CRRF group meeting
- Final approved draft response plan by end of fifth month from commencement date (Dec. 2018) – strategic moment as Global Compact on Refugees will be adopted

# Coordination & Implementation process

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## 3. Implementation of Sector Response Plan

- Develop an implementable plan and secure funding
- The MWE Steering committee to oversee the implementation
- MWE de-concentrated structures to spearhead implementation of the plan (WSDFs, UAs, etc)
- Strengthen and operationalize stakeholder coordination structures at various levels
- Regular monitoring and evaluation of implementing agencies

# WAY FORWARD

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- Approval of MWE funds request by UNICEF & UNDP
- Additional funds required for consultancy services to develop the detailed and costed Sector response Plan (EU
- Support and implement the proposed TOR for the consultancy services
- MWE to procure consultancy services to develop the detailed plan
- Need for strategic planning towards implementation of the plan

**Thank you**