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OFFICIAL GROUND BREAKING OF THE MUMIAS DECENTRALIZED TREATMENT FACILITY (DTF) IN KAKAMEGA COUNTY

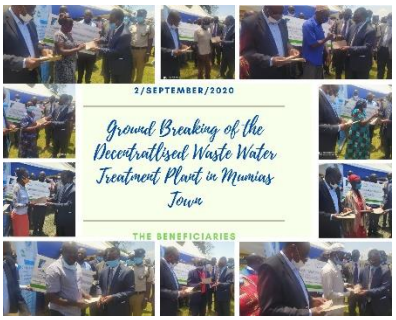
H.E. Prof. Philip Kutima, Deputy Governor Kakamega County together with Water Sector Trust Fund through Kakamega County Urban Water and Sanitation Corporation (KACUWASCO) spearheaded the ground breaking ceremony of the Mumias 50m^3 Decentralized Treatment Facility (DTF) in Kakamega County. The project also includes an operator's house at the site, solid waste incinerator, construction of SafiSan toilets and training of operators on the ground among others.

The project seeks to benefit 4,500 households in the urban low-income areas with adequate sanitation services. This project is currently implemented under WaterFund's Upscaling Basic Sanitation for the Urban Poor (UBSUP) programme with financial support from the Government of Kenya, German Development Bank (KfW) and The Gates Foundation.

In attendance was Mr. Robert Makhanu, Ag. County Executive Committee Member (CECM) for Water, Environment and Natural Resources, Eng. Joseck Maloba, Chief Officer Water, Prof. Laban Ayiro. Chairman and Mr. Abdikadir Abdi CEO KACUWASCO and WaterFund representatives.



H.E. Prof. Philip Kutima, Deputy Governor Kakamega County (left) with (KACUWASCO) management giving their speeches during the ground breaking



Guests during the Mumias Decentralized Treatment Facility (DTF) in Kakamega County



A gratitude message from KACUWASCO to WaterFund for the partnership

FIELD ACTIVITIES: MONITORING EXERCISES

Field activities including monitoring and inspection of the WaterFund's projects continued across the past weeks. WaterFund is pleased to note that project-implementing agencies are

putting in place measures to protect their staff and members of the public from COVID-19 infections.

- WaterFund together with representatives from National Gender Equality Commission visited Likii Water Resources Users Association (WRUA) and Ichuga COVID-19 response water project in Laikipia County. The main aim of the visit was to familiarize the community members on how WaterFund projects operate.
- WaterFund under its Joint Six programme (J6P) conducted an induction training session to new incoming J6P Water Utilities Technicians. WaterFund's J6P Programme receives financial support from Embassy of Finland and Embassy of Sweden.
- WaterFund under its Upscaling Basic Sanitation for the Urban Poor (UBSUP) conducted a training session to representatives of Busia Water Company staff on the Data Collection Application. The application offers a complete set of tools to enable Water Service Providers to plan, design, implement, manage, monitor and evaluate sanitation projects in low-income urban areas.
- Monitoring and inspection of SafiSan toilets in Kapsabet, Nandi County which is being implemented by Kapsabet Nandi Water and Sanitation Company (KANAWASCO). SafiSan is a project that targets urban low-income areas that have limited access to adequate sanitation.
- WaterFund under its Upscaling Basic Sanitation for the Urban Poor (UBSUP) Programme conducted training to operators of Kericho Water Service Providers in charge of the Decentralized Treatment Facility (DTF).



WaterFund with representatives from National Gender Equality Commission in Laikipia County



Induction of new Water utilities Technicians under Joint Six Programme (J6P)



Training Busia Water Company staff on the Data Collection App



(Left Picture) Monitoring of SafiSan toilets in Kapsabet, Nandi County

(Right picture) Training of operation of the Decentralized Treatment Facility (DTF) at Kericho Water Service Providers



BLAST FROM THE PAST: FEATURED IN SITREP #116 – WATERFUND PARTICIPATES IN INNOVATION CONFERENCE

The WaterFund's Situation Report No. 116 (SITREP #116) covered the period **12th to 16th June 2017**. Among the highlights was that Water Sector Trust Fund participated in the Innovation Conference held by the Council of Governors and World Bank



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