

## REPORT FOR ANTI CORRUPTION WEEK NOVEMBER 2019

Final Narrative Report submitted to the Partners and Sponsors for the Anti-Corruption Week in Kigezi

### 1. Original aims of the project.

This project was to engage in the activities for the 2019 Anti-corruption week aimed at promoting integrity, stewardship, transparency, and accountability in public service for inclusive growth, development, and democratic governance

- To provide space for citizens to fight against corruption by involving people in the fight against corruption in their community of integrity and demonstration of selflessness and stewardship in delivery of quality public services to the citizens of Uganda.
- To champion a public crusade in the fight against corruption and integrity in public service for a democratic governance in Uganda.

#### The Activities included among others:

- Organising and conducting an Anti-Corruption Workshop on the 26<sup>th</sup> November 2019 in partnership with IG where CSO leaders in Kigezi attended at Kirigime Guest House. Fifty (50) leaders were invited and among the audience was the Chief Administrative Officer, Assistant IGG, Regional Officer in the Office of the IG among others.
- Holding a Radio Talk Shows that were aimed at sensitizing the masses on their role in the fight against Corruption. These were done on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2019 at Voice of Kigezi FM Ltd. These were organised by KICK-U in partnership with IG. Over 5 Million people were reached through the Airwaves with the Message against Corruption.
- After the Radio Talk Shows, was a massive Convention with over 1000 participants for the day on the 29<sup>th</sup> November 2020. This was also held at Kirigime Guest House Gardens where the Chief Guest was the State Minister for Finance Hon. David Bahati. In Attendance was also Hon. Musaasizi Henry, MP Rubanda East and Chairman Finance Committee, Chairman LC V, Hon Patrick Besigye Keihwa, Assistant to the IG, Chairperson for KICK-U Board (Hon. Ronah Ninsiima Rita), Regional Officer in the office of IG, Commissioner from URA, Representative from GIZ, Political leaders, Civic Leaders, Local Leaders, Student Leaders among the many that turned up that were among the GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS, TERTIARY INSTITUTIONS and RELIGIOUS LEADERS



***State Min. for Finance (Planning) Hon. Bahati David, Hon Musaasizi and other Leadders with KICK-U Staff Posing for a Photo After the Convention (Photo by Albert-KICK-U)***

At the Same Convention, the New Board of Directors elected were given the instruments of Power to run their Offices at KICK-U. The Chairperson in Coming Hon. Ninsiima Ronah Rita took her Office.



***Chairperson Hon. Ronah Ninsiima, Vice Chairperson Fr. Gaetano Batanyenda, Commissioner for URA Mr. Protazio, Hon. Tindyebwa (FDC General Secretary) Representatives from IG Office ready for the Convention. (Photo by Albert –KICK-U, 2019)***

**PROJECT SUCCESSES.**

Worked with local leaders, Students and our Local PBCs to coordinate the event, which was largely attended by all kind of people that fronted their issues concerning corruption and promised to always be a part of the organisation. Over 1000 people turned up for the event, which was the first of its kind.

Participants used the little time available to express their views on the dangers of Corruption and how it can be eliminated with joint efforts. They were also empowered to demand for accountability from the duty bearers.



*The Audience at the Convention participating in the proceedings (Photo by Albert-KICK-U, 2019)*



*A panel of Political Parties and Religious Institutions (FDC, NRM & Inter Religious Council)(Photo by Albert –KICK-U, 2019)*



*State Minister for Finance (Planning) Giving closing remarks at the Convention (Photo by Albert –KICK-U, 2019)*

## **PROJECT CHALLENGES.**

The process of this whole exercise was challenging and much as it was a success.

- (a) Firstly the time given for the exercise was not sufficient for the smooth running of the discussion as issues were too many for one day
- (b) The radio programmes and booking were so tight that if there were enough time in advance, there would be ample public on air involvement and participation.
- (c) There were also other programmes running at the same time, which made the available time for the Talk shows.
- (d) There wasn't enough funds to finance all the activities planned for the week due to budget constraints.

## **IMPLICATIONS FOR FUTURE ENGAGEMENTS.**

- (a) Future activities need to be planned for prior to implementation so that ample time is allocated for each activity.
- (b) There is also need to commit in agreement for further engagements because an MOU needs to be signed before the activity is done. It is understandable the dynamics involved were not so sophisticated but would be handled in agreement prior to implementation of some activities.
- (c) The finances would always been apportioned and released in time to facilitate the smooth running of the activities.
- (d) These activities need to be conducted annually for the results of the fight against corruption to be realised. It is a great innovation in the right direction.