

3. Access to clean water for quality education in Kayunga, Uganda

- Local partner: Rural Initiative for Development and Empowerment (RIDE-UGANDA) (#184)
RIDE-UGANDA was established in 2014 in Kayunga District, Uganda with the mission of creating innovative solutions to meet community challenges and build strong, equitable and sustainable communities. RIDE-UGANDA has implemented over 44 shallow well projects in rural communities, providing clean water access to thousands. It is a JWF Fund 2021 recipient.
- Project budget: \$1,816 (JWF Fund: \$1,500, implementing organization: \$200, beneficiaries: \$116)
- Project expenditure: \$1,818 (JWF Fund: \$1,500, implementing organization: \$218, beneficiaries: \$100, 100% of budget)
- Number of beneficiaries: 650 (100 men, 150 women, 400 children)
- Background:
Kayunga Junior School, with 300 kindergarten and primary school children coming from poor families in Kisawo Village and surrounding areas, was facing a water challenge. A lack of access to clean water had led to high student absenteeism due to water-borne diseases, poor sanitation and hygiene practices, as well as high staff turnover, contributing to poor academic performance. Children were being taken out of classes to assist with water collection both at school and home for at least five hours a day and were unable to complete their primary education.

【Before Implementation】



Kisawo community children fetching water from a swamp



Kayunga Junior School children drawing rainwater trapped in a private cistern in the community

- Details of the project:
 - Three community sessions in Kayunga Junior school to raise awareness of the project
 - Digging, developing and constructing one shallow well
 - Installation of a hand pump and construction of a 16-tap hand washing facility with a submersible pump
 - On-the-job training for three community hand pump repairers
 - Training and capacity-building of a Water Users' Committee

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【During Implementation】



Community worker digging the shallow well



Completed shallow well



Installation of hand pump



Ms. Naluyima Winniefred
38 years old

This project solved the water and hygiene challenges we were facing in Kayunga Junior School. Special thank you to the people of Japan, the JWF and RIDE-UGANDA. Gone are the days when more than half of the school population was absent due to water-related illnesses. Thank you again and again.



Construction of hand washing facility



Hand washing facility completed, without power



Water User Committee members' training



Mr. Kizza Ronald
13 years old

On behalf of the pupils of Kayunga Junior School, I just want to appreciate the Japanese People for the water system. We now have water for drinking, cooking, bathing, washing and cleaning the school. In the same spirit I thank RIDE-UGANDA for the hand washing facility.

【After Implementation】



Learners taught to draw water from new hand pump



Learners fetching water from new hand pump



Learners washing hands utilizing water pumped from the shallow well



Ms. Nakaggwa Ruth
36 years old

We are so grateful for the external support and investments into our community school. Such projects have improved the quality of education service delivery in Kayunga Junior School. Thank you. Thank you!