

## **ACTIVITY BRIEF**

### **Background**

The Government of Uganda (GoU) and the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), through the National Environment Management Authority (NEMA), supported three micro projects at community level. The micro projects were located in selected villages in Masaka, Mukono and Kayunga Districts and were implemented by Community-Based Organizations (CBO). Each of the micro projects aimed at addressing priority environmental issues affecting the area, while at the same time providing alternative income generating activities to strengthen the appreciation of the environment-poverty linkages.

The evaluation of the performance, impact and sustainability of the micro projects provided insight on project design and implementation, good practices and lessons learnt in addressing poverty-environment linkages that work, and draws useful conclusions and recommendations that need to be shared with other stakeholders.

The purpose of sharing information is to take a step beyond the normal studies that often end up on shelves. It is hoped that the results of this study will be useful in influencing policy-level decisions for national programmes and by the Development Partners when focusing on micro projects for community development. Additionally, it will provide new direction to the micro project implementing agencies at national, local government and community levels, for effective delivery of services that enhance community wellbeing through sustainable management of the environment and natural resources.

### **Objectives of the Workshop**

The main objective of the stakeholder workshop is to influence policy and tactical decision makers in the design and implementation of the micro projects in order to effectively deliver results at the grassroots levels.

Specifically, the Workshops aim at disseminating the findings of the evaluation of the micro projects supported by UNDP/UNEP-PEI and implemented by NEMA through the Community Based Organizations (CBOs) by:

- a) Sharing the micro project achievements, impact, sustainability
- b) Sharing the “best practices”, lessons, conclusions and recommendations of the study
- c) Sharing the "Do-and-Modify Power-tool" as a strategy for designing and implementing micro projects
- d) Discussion to identify possible partners in financing and implementing poverty-environment micro projects.

## Expected Output

The workshop is expected to result in the following outputs

- i) The findings of the micro project study disseminated to a wider audience.
- ii) The key decision makers at national and local government levels sensitized to influence decision making processes in policy, design and implementation of micro projects related to environment and natural resources management.
- iii) Feedback provided by the participants on the “Do and Modify Power tool” for future design and implementation of the micro projects.
- iv) Partnerships for the implementation of poverty-environment related micro projects identified.

## Methodology

The workshop will be highly interactive, with the following as the major activities.

- Power-point presentation of the findings of the Report, followed by discussions
- Presentation of the Conceptual Framework of the "Do-and Modify Power Tool", followed by discussions
- Group discussion on the possible funding agencies for poverty-environment micro projects

## Draft Programme

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Responsibility</b>
8:00am-8:30am	Arrival and Registration	NEMA PEI
8:30-9:00am	Introduction and individual expectations of workshop	All participants
9:00am-9:30am	Opening Remarks	Dr.Aryamanya-Migisha, Henry Executive Director, NEMA
9:30-10:00am	Objectives of the workshop and background of the PEI micro projects in Uganda	By Mr. Ronald Kaggwa, National Project Focal Point
10:00-11:00am	Presentation of the key findings and lessons to be learnt from the micro projects	Mr.Khaukha Stephen(Consultant)
<b>11:00am-11:30am</b>	<b>Tea Break</b>	<b>All participants</b>
11:30am-12:00pm	Feed back from participants	Participants
12:00-12:30pm	Wrap up and way forward	All
12:30-1:00pm.	Closing remarks	To be confirmed
<b>1:00 pm-2:00pm.</b>	<b>Lunch and departure</b>	<b>All</b>