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2019

*Statistics of
Mpigi District*



1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Children are a precious treasure that the community cannot deny because within them lie the promise and the seeds of the future. This means their wellbeing should be everyone's concern if we are to be sure of a better future. Uganda is the second youngest country in the world with 56% of Uganda's population are children. Yet there are more than 3 million orphans in Uganda. One of every 5 children is orphaned, and most are between 6 and 15 years of age. One in four households in Uganda includes at least 1 orphan.

In Mpigi, many children are not able to reach their full potential due to discrimination (PWDs, Girls, PLWAs), living in polygamous large families, being uneducated, child labor and exploitation, lack of parental guidance/care, children headed households and being orphaned.

- **Community Challenge:** In Kammengo Sub County, many children fall prey to lack of education, child labor, and early marriages, mostly because of the negligence of the Parents or Care givers whereas others are misdirected by the ills that they see increasing in their societies hence being stirred in any direction the community dictates. Children are unprotected leading to the increase in crime rates whereas others feel abandoned. Men have left the responsibilities of the upbringing of children to women, yet majority of women are ignorant about some of the key elements of the upbringing of children. Due to the climatic changes, families that relied heavily on agriculture are starving, to the point that they cannot afford the basic necessities of their families. Regardless of the presence of the government free education programs, the rates of children not going to school are still alarming. Most of these problems are caused by ignorance and illiteracy of the either parties. The sub county has Kammengo as the only peri-urban center while the rest are rural areas. Among the rural villages, 75% are poverty stricken and majority need help to sustain their families.
- The following statistics are based on the findings of the Uganda Bureau of Statistics exercise of 2017

2. STATISTICS OF MPIGI DISTRICT

PARENTS SURVIVAL AND ORPHANHOOD		
All children (0-17 years)		
Children 0-17 years who have lost one parent	Number	Percent
Children 0-17 years who have lost one parent	5,076	7.2
Children 0-17 years who have lost both parents	920	1.3
Children 0-17 years who have lost at least one parent	5,996	8.5
Children 0-17 years who have both parents	64,353	91.5
ILLITERACY STATUS		
Persons aged 18 years and above	Number	Percent
Persons aged 18 years and above who are illiterate	11,475	19.0
Males aged 18 years and above who are illiterate	4,986	17.4
Females aged 18 years and above who are illiterate	6,489	20.4
Other age groups	Number	Percent
Persons aged 10-17 years who are illiterate	4,115	15.0
Persons aged 18-30 years who are illiterate	3,367	11.6
Persons aged 60 years and above who are illiterate	2,905	46.8
MAIN SOURCE OF INFORMATION		
Households whose main source of information is a radio	40,380	66.9
Households whose main source of information is a community announcer	2,514	4.2
Households whose main source of information is a telephone	3,794	6.3
HOUSEHOLDS ECONOMY AND WELFARE		
Households that receive remittances from abroad in the last 12 months	14,550	24.1

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Households where any member possesses a bank account	11,044	18.3
Households that depend on subsistence farming as a main source of livelihood	35,803	59.3
Households with at least one member engaged in a non-agricultural household based enterprise	34,058	90.5
Households where (members aged 5 years and above) consume less than two meals in a day	7,200	11.9
ACCESS TO COMMUNITY SERVICES		
Access to a Primary School	Number	Percent
Households that are 5km or more to the nearest primary school, whether public or private	2,643	4.4
Households that are 5km or more to the nearest public primary school	5,382	8.9
Access to a Secondary School		
Households that are 5km or more to the nearest secondary school, whether public or private	10,974	18.2
Households that are 5km or more to the nearest public secondary school	22,943	38.0
USE OF ICT		
Mobile phone ownership (10 and above years)	Number	Percent
Persons aged 10 years and above that own at least one mobile phone	80,053	49.5
Males	41,122	52.3
Females	38,931	46.8
Mobile phone ownership (18-30 years)	Number	Percent
Persons aged 18-30 years and above that own at least one mobile phone	35,633	68.3
Males	18,266	74.7
Females	17,367	62.7
Internet Usage (10 and above years)	Number	Percent
Persons aged 10 years and above that use internet	10,620	6.6

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Males	6,313	8.0
Females	4,307	5.2
Internet Usage (18-30 years)	Number	Percent
Persons aged 18-30 years that use internet	5,894	11.3
Males	3,522	14.4
Females	2,372	8.8
EDUCATION		
Non School attendance of	Number	Percent
Persons aged 6-15 not attending school	2,532	6.7
Males	1,448	7.5
Females	1,084	5.9
Persons not in school and highest level is below s4	Number	Percent
Persons aged 15 and above	41,074	77.3
Males	19,342	75.9
Females	21,732	78.5
Persons not in school and their highest level is A level	Number	Percent
Persons aged 20 and above	53140	96.4
Males	24859	95.5
Females	28,281	97.2
Literacy rate for those who are 10 years and above		26.3%
Average Household size		4.1%
Access to safe water		74%
Access to electricity		16.7%
Dependency to subsistence farming		97.3%
HIV Prevalence rates		8.9%