

# Uganda <u>Community Green Radio</u> <u>Bazza Green, Hurra Green</u>



**WEEKLY ROUND UP** 

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# Community Green Radio marks World Environment Day in Hoima



Matching for the Environment: Members from Community Green Radio Listeners Clubs, Sustainability Villages, Civil Society, Security personnel from the police force, political leaders and technocrats from Hoima joined Community Green Radio in a procession to mark the World Environment Day in Hoima on June 8th. 2016.



# Community Green Radio weekly roundup

### **Editorial**

We welcome you to the first edition of the Community Green Radio weekly events roundup. The Community Green Radio operates under the larger Sustainability School programme of NAPE which mainly focuses on issues of community rights and sustainable livelihoods. The radio seeks to give a platform to local communities, cultural leaders, CSOs, government technocrats, companies and other development partners to debate and share information on environment and sustainable development issues.

We realise that there are many people who are interested in the programmes of the Community Green Radio but who don't get opportunities to listen to it on a regular basis. There is also an issue of language. The radio mostly broadcasts in Runyoro/Rutooro, Runyankore/Rukiga, but there are other people interested it who don't speak those languages. This publication has therefore been introduced to supplement other efforts already put in place to publicise what the Uganda Community Green Radio stands for and what it does on a regular basis. More information on the UGCR can be accessed on: greeenradio.ug or nape.or.ug. You can also like our Facebook page; *Community Green Radio* to get more detailed news. Your feedback will be most welcome. You can contact us via: <a href="majority-nape@nape.or.ug">nape@nape.or.ug</a> or at.kalangi@nape.or.ug

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# Marking the World Environment Day (WED) with the community Green Radio

NAPE dedicated the days from June 4<sup>th</sup> to June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016 to celebrating the World Environment Day (WED). In doing this, NAPE used the Community Green Radio to publicise the event and also organise debates on the significance of the day and what it means for the environmental protection and conservation efforts in Uganda. NAPE had been invited by the National Environment Management Authority (NEMA) to participate in the National celebrations which were held in Gulu on June 6, 2016 but decided to go an extra mile to organise a supportive activity in Hoima where the Community Green Radio is located. The theme of the WED for 2016 was, "Conserve Wildlife, Sustain livelihoods". Some of the events organised to mark the day included a radio talkshow in which a NAPE representative and a representative of the natural resources department of Hoima participated, a match around Hoima District and a public talk where a number of issues to do with the environment and wild life conservation were raised. The pictorial below depicts what transpired during the "World Environment Week"



Hoima District Resident Commissioner, Mr.Isaac Kawooya talks to Journalists and Community members after planting a tree at Bunyoro Kitara King's palace on



Dr. James Kihika (Left) the Hoima District Forestry Officer appearing on a talk show on Community Green Radio on 5th. June with NAPE's Mr. Geoffrey Kamese.



Mr. Moses Okwi, the Officer in Charge of Environmental police at Hoima Police Station planting a tree at Hoima Public Primary School during the World Environment Day commemorations in Hoima on June 8th.

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Listeners club members planting a tree at Karuzika Palace in Hoima during the commemorations to mark the World Environment Day on 8th.June 2016



:Hoima RDC Mr. Isaac Kawooya (with watering Can) planting a tree at Karuzika Palace in Hoima. Right is NAPE Senior Programmes Officer, Geoffrey Kamese.



Members of Civil Society planting a tree at Bunyoro Kitara King's Palace





**Photo 1:** Sustainability Village Members, Members of listeners clubs, members of Sustainability Clubs in schools, Hoima District leaders and the general public at Rukurato Hall in Hoima Town during the World Environment Day Celebrations on  $8^{\text{th}}$ . June 2016.

**Photo 2:** Members of Kaiso-Tonya Women's Group performing during the World Environment Day Celebrations in Hoima

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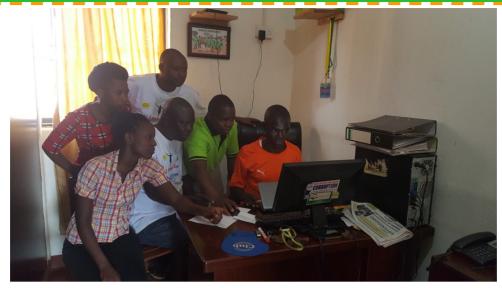
\_The tomato rotting leaves after being attacked by the strange disease in Masindi. Green Radio's Peter Akugizibwe accompanied NAPE's Kamese Geoffrey on a field tour on Tuesday 14th, June 2016 in Masindi District. The tour was part of the campaign by NAPE to ensure sound management and use of chemicals in agriculture.



NAPE Field Officer for Bunyoro Sub region Vincent Nyegenya (in Orange) during a tour of farmers in Masindi District recently. The tour was part of the training organized by NAPE to equip, farmers and members of civil society on proper chemical usage in Agriculture.



Green Radio's Peter Akugizibwe (left) interviews a farmer in Masindi District in .June on how they are using chemicals in agriculture.



Community Green Radio staff undergoing an internal training on web content management systems (CMS). Training is part the NAPE's deliberate programs to equip staff with the necessary skills to run the station effectively. In the green T-shirt is Mr. Bernard Lwegaba from LWEGATECH limited contracted by NAPE to train staff on CMS and online broadcasting.





## The Uganda Community Green Radio Profile

The Uganda Community Green Radio (UCGR) is an initiative of NAPE and is funded by partners. It officially began operations in August 2014. The doesn't have its studios as yet but operates through affiliation with Liberty Radio on 89.0 FM. UCGR is always on air, Monday to Sunday from 1:00 pm-3:30 PM. Because of the demand from the listeners to have the radio accessible on daily basis, NAPE is now working on arrangements to have all it takes to have the radio broadcasting on its own and using its own equipment. The UCGR aims at providing a platform for the marginalized and voiceless communities to share their views and opinions as regards environmental, human rights, gender issues and sustainable use of natural resources. Listeners clubs are the blood life of the community radio and a number of them have already been established, chief among with include Kyehoro, Kaiso-Tonya, Kigaaga, Butimba, Kyakatemba, Kijangi, Sebagoro and Kasomoro in Hoima, Ngwedo and Buliisa Town council in Buliisa District.

### SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES OF UCGR

- 1. To provide the community with accurate information in different languages.
- 2.To promote awareness about environmental issues, health issues, education issues and communities' rights
- 3. To create a plat-form for debate on sustainable development.
- 4. To promote active community participation through formation and supporting Radio Listeners' Clubs
- 5. To empower women and to promote Gender equality in decision making.

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