

EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY LAKE VICTORIA BASIN COMMISSION SECRETARIAT



LAKE VICTORIA ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROJECT PHASE II (LVEMP II)



LVEMP II has empowered CBOs to implement catchment restoration

Project Description

The Lake Victoria Environmental Management Project Phase II (LVEMP II) is an East African Community project under implementation in the five countries that share the Lake Victoria Basin: Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda.

It is a transboundary project designed to achieve two development/global environmental objectives. Firstly, the project is meant to improve collaborative management of transboundary natural resources of Lake Victoria Basin and, secondly, reduce environmental stress in the targeted pollution hotspots and selected degraded sub-catchments as a means of improving the livelihoods of communities who depend on the natural resources of the Basin.

Project Components

The project comprises four main components:

- i. Strengthening institutional capacity for managing shared water and fisheries resources
- ii. Point source pollution control and prevention
- iii. Watershed management
- iv. Project coordination and management

PROJECT DETAILS

Partner(s):

Global Environment Facility (GEF);
Swedish International Development
Cooperation Agency (Sida);
World Bank

Beneficiaries:

Burundi; Kenya; Rwanda;
Tanzania and Uganda

Geographical Location:

Regional Project Coordination Team
located at Lake Victoria Basin
Commission Secretariat in
Kisumu, Kenya.

National Project Coordination Teams
located in different urban centres
in the Lake Victoria Basin:
Bujumbura - Burundi; Kisumu - Kenya;
Kigali - Rwanda; Mwanza - Tanzania;
Entebbe - Uganda.

Project Duration:

2009-2017

Budget:

US\$254.2 million

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Key Achievements

Overall, this project has strengthened the capacity of LVBC to implement its role of promoting, coordinating and facilitating the sustainable development agenda in the Lake Victoria Basin.

At the regional level, the Project has been able to:

- ❖ Strengthen the LVBC Secretariat through the provision of staff in the areas of Water Resources Management, Environment and Natural Resources Management, Operational Coordination, Economics and Planning, Communications and Knowledge Management as well as Procurement.
- ❖ Support consultancies on key issues, including: the Water Release and Abstraction Policy; Hydrographic Survey; Oil Spill Contingency Plan; Water Resources Information System; and the Water Resources Management Plan. Others include: a Management Information System (MIS); Effluent Standards and a proposed Data Sharing Protocol.



Speed boat part of equipment procured to support research on the Lake

- ❖ Contribute to the safety of Navigation to ensure productive transport routes in Lake Victoria.

At the national levels, the Project has been able to:

- ❖ Support the emergency removal of the Water Hyacinth and develop strategy for its surveillance and control regionally.
- ❖ Support the rehabilitation of degraded sub-catchments.
- ❖ Support the increased use of Cleaner Production Technologies in industries in the key cities and towns in the Lake Victoria Basin.



Adjacent community members spot weed trees planted in degraded sub-catchment