



EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY

LAKE VICTORIA BASIN COMMISSION SECRETARIAT

UP-SCALING OF LAKE VICTORIA WATER SUPPLY AND SANITATION PROGRAM

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Introduction and Relevance to the Protocol and Strategic Plan

The Lake Victoria Water and Sanitation Initiative (LVWATSAN) Phase I was initially launched in 2004, with the aim of achieving the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) for water and sanitation in the secondary towns within the Lake Victoria Basin and the associated catchments in Rwanda and Burundi. Phase I of LVWATSAN was successfully implemented in 10 secondary towns in Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania.

Phase II of LVWATSAN was conceived after Rwanda and Burundi joined EAC and is currently being implemented in 15 towns. The project will be completed in 2016. A gap still exists since out of the 200 – 300 secondary towns in the basin, only 25 have been addressed and the rest of the towns still require the implementation of the LVWATSAN initiatives.

The proposed up-scaling project has been borne out of the need for replication and expansion to cover 15 towns, 3 from each of the EAC Partner State. The project will contribute towards achieving sustainable development of LVB as per Articles 5 – 7 of the Protocol for Sustainable Development for LVB. It is also in line with the LVBC Strategic Plan 2011 - 2016 which aims at promoting the sustainable improvement of water supply and sanitation, enhancing the management of natural resources and climate change adaptation/mitigation strategies in LVBC

PROJECT DETAILS

Project Goal

To meet Millennium Development Goal targets in water and sanitation for selected towns in the five Partner States and by so doing promote EAC integration.

Project Objective

To deliver an integrated package of interventions comprising water supply and sanitation improvements, solid waste management, drainage improvements as well as capacity building and training for 3 selected towns per Partner State.

Duration:

4 years

Implementing Agency

LVBC Secretariat jointly with the EAC Partner States of Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda

Estimated Project Cost

USD 120,000,000

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Specific Objectives

- i) To support pro-poor water and sanitation investments in the secondary urban centers in the Lake Victoria Region
- ii) To build institutional and human resource capacities at local and regional levels for the sustainability of improved water and sanitation services
- iii) To facilitate the benefits of upstream water sector reforms to reach the local level in the participating urban centers
- iv) To reduce the environmental impact of urbanization in the Lake Victoria Basin.

Expected Outputs

- 1) EAC integration promoted through delivery of water and sanitation infrastructure and services
- 2) Pro-poor water and sanitation investments in the secondary urban centers in the Lake Victoria Basin supported
- 3) Institutional and human resource capacities at local and regional levels for the sustainability of improved water and sanitation services enhanced

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