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Chairperson board message

Catherine Nankya



2023 has been amazing year for Tasha where we have seen TASHA growing and developing steadily, we thank the management, staff, Observers and volunteer for making this happen and Tasha what it is. As board we join entire Team in celebration of achievements and promise to work on challenges and recommendations given to us. Thank you so much in moving together we shall reach far. best regards
FOR GOD AND MY COUNTRY

Chief Executive Officer message

Maxwell Atuhura



In promoting Human rights, Environmental and climate justice, this marks our second year since we officially began our operations as TASHA in the Albertine and Buganda region standing with communities, save forests and promote natural resources governance am happy to inform you that the Team has grown and so efficiency and effectiveness built on strong systems being put in place. Amidst endless challenges, from January to December 2023 TASHA has done grate work in defending the rights of Oil projects affected persons, victims of land grabbing, silenced/voiceless communities by raising voice of silenced/voiceless vulnerable communities, doing field work/locus visits, advocacy, taking legal action, conducting media coverage, petitioning, legal awareness sessions among others, our special thanks goes to our partners like Rain forest Rescue, Friends of the Earth France,350.org,Global witness, Human Rights watch,ECCJ,SURVIE,Makesense France,GreenFaith,IDI,11th hour, National Land Coalition, Stop Eacop coalition, organization of community Engagement Tanzania, Friday for Future Uganda,Afiego,NAPE,AICOD,OGHA etc. We look forward to use the next five years to save more communities, forests, ensure observance of environmental and Human rights in Uganda and East Africa. Finally, I welcome Kabuye Tonney the accountant and Alice Kwagala the receptionist to TASHA WINNING TEAM.
THE STRUGGLE CONTINUES

ORGANISATION PROFILE

TASHA RESEARCH INSTITUTE AFRICA (TASHA) a Human rights, climate and environmental justice promotion National organization was founded on 22nd day of November 2021 operating in Albertine and greater Masaka regions of Uganda committed and determine to save earth, Nature and people at risk of destruction focusing at promoting sustainable development and environment as well as securing a better future for generations to come with Vision of seeing Human rights respect, environmental and climate justice driven society and mission to promote good governance of Natural resources and community centered policies in Extractives.

TASHA as a membership nonprofit entity working together with grassroots observers, EHRDS, PAPs, organized in informal and formal structures helps to raise the voice of silenced and vulnerable community members to demand for protection, respect and remedy for Human and environmental rights violation victims.

MISSION, VISION, CORE VALUES AND OBJECTIVES.

MISSION

To promote good governance of natural resources and community centered policies in extractives.

VISION

Human rights respect, environmental and climate justice driven society.

CORE VALUES

- Transparency
Straightforwardness makes way.
- Accountability
To act with answerability and responsibility
- Love
- Professionalism.
To work by quality and efficiency as opposed amateurism.
- Excellency
Being outstanding is key
Strategic.

TASHA STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

1. To defend and promote respect for human and environmental rights.
2. To promote land value and tenure security.
3. To contribute to the pool of knowledge on community protection and conflict resolution.
4. To promote research and development by providing better approaches to solving problems associated with land energy and environment.
5. To advocate for gender equity and peace.
6. To advocate for rights of human and environmental rights defenders.
7. To promote dissemination of accurate information on natural resources.

8. to build a network of mediators and land rights defenders.
9. To empower citizens to demand for transparency and accountability in the management and utilization of natural resources.
10. Doing all such other things as are incidental to the attainment of TASHA objectives.

CONCERNS

Total

Total Energies is currently involved in deeply troubling environmental and human rights abuses in both Uganda and Mozambique. In Uganda, Total leads the development of the East African Crude Oil Pipeline (EACOP), which will transport crude oil across 1,400 kilometers from Uganda to Tanzania. The proposed path for the EACOP crosses sensitive ecosystems and indigenous lands, posing significant risks to local agriculture, fishing industries, and community health. Notably, the Ugandan government's 2019 issuance of Land Acquisition Notices has led to the displacement of approximately 14,000 households, underscoring the severe human and cultural costs of this project.

From Uganda, time and again we have listened to testimonies of displacement, dispossession, intimidation, loss of livelihoods and deterioration in health. Families and communities have been uprooted from their ancestral homes with no compensation. People's livelihoods have been destroyed by displacement, resulting in families finding it difficult to pay any school fees, basic necessities, access to healthcare and medication. The loss of land has led to a 'proliferation of famine, poverty and family breakage'.

Despite ongoing legal challenges and substantial opposition, Total announced in 2022 their decision to move forward with construction. Total came with promises to improve standards of living but with the development of EACOP, but instead, the testimony givers shared how "we are landless and are the poorest in the country". As the testimonies shared, resistance efforts, spearheaded by the StopEACOP campaign, often face violence and intimidation.

INCIDENCE HAPPENED AT KIRAMA VILLAGE, KIRAMA PARISH, KIGWERA SUB-COUNTY BULIISA DISTRICT ON FRIDAY 11TH /08/2023 AROUND HOMES NEAR NGIRI 03 OIL PRODUCTION WELL.

Kyosaba Stella who has been released narrates her stories

According to Kyosaba Stella, wife of Bahangamaiso Wycliffe, a mother of a six-month-old baby girl whom we interviewed today 14th /08/2023 Monday at around 09:30 EAT, she said on Saturday at around 09:30pm when she was laying down baby and breastfeeding her, then she heard police calling her that she should open the door as I was trying to wake up and to open it, they forcefully kicked the door and it opened by itself and asked me that where is my husband they searched in all our two houses and didn't find him and then I was taken by police vehicle locally called "kabangali" up to Buliisa police station that's where we spent a night with my baby even without proper bedding materials and clothes for my child. My child was seriously bitten by mosquitoes. From police station I wasn't given any chance even to talk about the negative impacts of that rigs we are experiencing such noise pollution their machine sometimes sounds like chicken, light rays which is making it difficult to have clear vision on our sights, bad smells from their waste products, house cracks were by I have renovated twice after serious cracks on my walls but I was released without charge early morning of Sunday

Other concerns

- Other people arrested but we didn't interview were from Wendi Kailas's family from Kichoke village on Saturday at around 09:30pm were by police arrested two suspects of the burnt rig fence were by all those mothers had children and all were arrested with their children totaling to four. But one was released with her child and one woman is still in police station in Buliisa with 2-year-old child.
- Meaning that two women are still in Buliisa police station, one with her child totaling to three people in Buliisa police station.

Administrative successes between January and December

- Bought land for office construction in Hoima, Buliisa and Kampala.
- Some constructions have started for offices in Hoima, Buliisa and Kampala
- Purchase office motorcycle
- Installed security camera at Kampala office.
- Recruited new staff members i.e. accountant and receptionist.
- Established a nursery bed and demonstration site for tree planting at Lubiji Kampala

In May CEO participated and gave a presentation on community mobilizing in a meeting organized by 11th hour in LAMU Kenya to discuss the status of oil projects in DRC and Uganda borrowing advocacy strategies from SAVE LAMU Campaign.

September 2023: FIELD VISITS ABOUT THE CASE Uganda



From 12/9/2023-14/9/2023 with local partner BEGYOFO we meet plaintiff from Greater masaka Region from places of Bethlehem, Lussese, Lutete, Lwengo and Kyotera town. Plaintiff meet included Asiiimwe Kitahibwa, Lwanga Fredrick, Richard Kisakye, Margret SSunna, Monday Yosam, Birmuye, Ismail Bwowe and Frank Luyiga. Managed to scan some documents which were missing and responded to some question about case.

And between 15/9/2023 -17/9/2023 with TASHA field officer we visited plaintiff from buliisa (Kasinyi, Kisansya, Uriibo) managed to meet Muhemba Joseph, Asiiimwe Julius, Byarufu Moses, Mugisha Jelousy, Mwesigwa Fred, Okello Bernard, Nyakato Margret, kisémbó Rugadya wife, Wandera Kennedy, John Akibua, Kasegu james, Balikenda Fred, Mugisha Petiyed, Byetima Korokoni,

Outcome

- Scanned available document and shared via signal “Uganda project signal group”
- Those plaintiff without form A and B are writing declaration following template Aurore developed.

...es and built some trust among plaintiffs especially ...yosam in Kyotera on same note we meet Byakagaba

Geofrey’s wife at their home who wanted his husband remain in case saying he is just acting out of anger has no much point and she advised us to wait and meet husband who was not at home at that time however upon calling him on phone made it hard to meet him.

- The plaintiff formed united group called **VOICE FOR GENERATIONS** and elected leaders which is aimed at keeping them together and strong at grassroot, organizing online court session attendance if think lawyer fit, organizing with lawyers and partners, do continuous evidence collection with TASHA, stop further withdrawal due to intimidation, work closely with TASHA Observers and acquiring Smart phones for leaders and Projector set for online court session attending.

VOICE FOR GENERATION Leaders elected include



NO	NAME	TITLE	CONTACT
1	Muhemba Joseph Byarufu	Chairperson	0775976215
2	Asiimwe Julius	Vice chairperson	0774073306
3	Lwanga F. and Nyakato Margret	Treasurer	0783991781
4	Wandera Kennedy	Secretary	0783313263
5	Joanne N. and Byarufu Moses	Deputy secretary	0772967829
6	Byetima Korokoni	Mobilizer	0774108342
7	Okello R. Bernard	Ex-official	0782117460

EUROPE TRIPS

Between the month of October and November TASHA took part in number of high level meetings in Brussels, Vienna, Lubjiana,Paaris,Germany where CEO was among main speaker to many of conferences and meetings in Europe talking about relevance of sustainable Due Diligence Directive being worked at EU

Challenges

Stipend not enough for them

Heavy rain which interrupted the movements

Report from Nicholas observer

The compaction which left people complaining.

People of kyakasato and Hai bale were given compensations because of there houses which are with in the radius of 500m's but people were left complaining according to mr Moses kibaro Moses reported to me that , people were getting very small money in comparison to the damages which were as a result of stone blasting at the quarry site of kyakasato plus the corruption tendencies which were involved while compositing people Moses told me that a

very
big

Activities	Objectives	Participates	Location	Date
Mistreatment of His graves	To be compensated	Rwesemreza Joseph and Doreen	Kitoba subcountry Kikeregi village	1-11-2023
Kibanjwa pap's by UETCL	Collect information	Kusiima Irene and Barbra	Online meeting	7-11-2023
Report decision	Plan report	Gerald, Barbra	Online meeting	15-11-2023
Giving out their reports	stipend	Maxwell, observe from Albertan and their coordinates	Koloping hotel hoima	24-11-2023
Complaining about land with UETL company	To be compensated	Rwesemreza ,Joseph Beatrice, kusiima Gerald and Barbra	Kibanjwa in Hoima	24-11-2023

house of about 50 iron sheets got 850000 (eighty five hundred thousand)which cannot repair the house and at the same time people would be deducted 350000.(Thirty five hundred as a token to the bosses

OBSERVERS WHO JOINED TASHA IN AUGUST THIS YEAR FOR 2023/2024 TASKS.

Kyotera- Greater Masaka Region			
1	Ssegujja Ivan	Kyotera	0759005025
2	Nakilama Cissy	Rakai	0705862515
3	Najjagwe Mariam	Kyotera	0700781536
4	Bilimuye Robert	Kyotera	0700832936
Hoima district			
5	Nyamahunge Millius	Kitegwa-Kabaale	0774328082
6	Balikya Nicholas	Kigorobyia	0775853489
7	Tibemanya Nelson	Kijumba	0784271302
8	Okumu Richard	Chongambe- Buseruka	0772722773
Kakumiro district			
9	Benjamin	mpasana	
10	Kyalimpa Ekyensirimpa	Kakumiro	0783584205/0753884301
11	Ngabirano Emmanuel	Kakumiro	0785506715
Kikuube district			
12	Uchowun Marsel	Buhuka	0760833467
13	Adubango Daniel M	Kaseeta	0761260082
14	Regina Fabius F	Kikuube	0760133457
Buliisa district			
15	Nyakato Oliver	Uduk2-Ngwedo	0781697577
16	Bamuturaki William	Kiyere	0774789620
17	Mugisha Jealousy	Kasinyi	0774840078
18	Abineno Godfrey	Avogera	
19	Moses N	Kaborwa	
20	Mugisa Kaheero Jos	Ngwedo	0763587791

The progress

**Some of Activities done between
august and September 2023** Project
introduction
meeting, Coordinators
orientation training, Observers ‘capacity
building training, Field visit to some
officers, Observers field work collection

Activities aimed at

To officially introduce
project to coordinators and

observer, To empower and build
capacity of coordinators. To train
observers on
reporting, photo taking and
video taking, To build solidarity among
observers to remain strong
amidst challenges and To report Human
rights
violations, environmental and
climate injustices caused by
EACOP, TILNGA and
KINGFISHER.

Progressed as follows;

No	Activity conducted	Reason	Place	Who	Date
1	Project introduction meeting	To officially introduce project to coordinators and observer	Kampala	Maxwell CEO TASHA	15 Aug. 2023
2	Coordinators orientation training	To empower and build capacity of coordinators.	Kampala	Maxwell	20 sept. 2023
3	Observers 'capacity building training	To train observers on reporting, photo taking and video taking	Hoima	John an Environmental journalist	25 sept 2023
4	Field visit to some officers	To build solidarity among observers to remain strong amidst challenges.	Hoima	Richard Abdul Barbra Maxwell	27-30 sept 2023
5	Observers field work collection	To report Human rights violations, environmental and climate injustices caused by EACOP, TILENGA and KINGFISHER.	Albertine and Greater Masaka	Maxwell	20 th Aug. - 20 sept, 2023

Observers Project achievements.

- Conducted Community trainings and meetings
- Contributed to online campaigns
- Supported journalist in field
- Contributed to media campaigns
- organized and participated in public demonstration
- collected signatures for petitions.
- attracted more members/PAPs to join struggle
- contributed in strategic planning
- provided presence of Stop EACOP Campaign
- collected ground evidence.
- contributed in generating the local narrative and stories.
- strengthen collaboration with community members.
- ensured campaign activities
- built solidarity of Community Frontliners and help maintain a strong, regular link with the PAPs who have taken Total to Court.

Observers Field work in the month of September

NAJJAGWE MARIAM observer from KYOTERA. Delayed/no feedback from duty bearers on reported issues. She got a complaint from PAPs that they always report issues but they don't get feedback in time. They held a community meeting and PAPs raised their concerns., sat as a community/PAPs together with the chairman LC1 decided to write a letter complaining and sent the letter to the district. Following up on the program of EACOP giving PAPs crops to grow is what I am working on. Najjagwe is expecting to be having full right information from EACOP

about what they promised to give them (crops for growing and food, **she** had not got full information on how to report by capacity training was conducted suggested that TASHA should organize a community meeting such that PAPs can know the work done by organisation around EACOP.



BIRIMIYE ROBERT Observer from BETHLEHEM Kyotera. Complaining about failing to pay for the house yet the red peg is immediately behind the house. NAMBASA SARA is a PAP and a resident of KITUNTU LC1 Village NABIGASA subcounty in KYOTERA district and married to a husband MANDE SSENYONDO YASAM and they have a family and they were affected by EACOP but the land is for the lady. NAMBASA SARAH says she was paid but she was not fully contented because she used to ask **New plan** and Total as to why her house

was not valued but she only received answers that she may lose her whole money so you take that because you can't fail the government program.

NAMBASA SARAH as a PAP has been asked whether she wrote or signed any grievance complaint about the issue and she has said that they didn't give her time and even she didn't know about it and fearing also was a problem because of low education. The ongoing task is writing grievance forms complaining about how the house will be stay after the peg being behind house. Keeping in communication with NAMBASA and advising her to write petition and even writing or calling in TASHA to come and help the PAPs with such issues. One of the tasks is calling upon PAPs in KYOTETRA district to be all in one i.e., together so that they should join TASHA in order to conserve climate. Language in reading is a challenge to the PAPs and not having enough time as regards the training. TASHA should come in and put in more efforts to reach success.

SSEGUJJA IVAN OBSERVER of MBBITIZI. Delayed compensation was main complaint he meets in field especially from Mr. BWANIKA GEORGE WILLIAM of KIRAKOMAGA has not been compensated since the process begun. during the evaluation process he didn't have the identification card but later he processed it. as an observer I have tried to reach out to Total with guy. nothing has been put into consideration. BWANIKA GEORGE WILLIAM of KITAKOMAGA, LWENGO subcounty, LWENGO district. Delayed compensation; but when the oil company (total) reached, they just promised to pay. people are still pushing for fair hearing / not in court but person talking. BWANIKA is in fear that the oil company may use his KIBANJA without receiving compensation. No responsibility from total and We recommend for civil society engagement.

NTUMWA ROGERS observer from KYOTRA. Collecting required documents from PAPs who are in the French case, went to different PAPs from KYOTERA collecting and scanning required documents (from A and from B) and also updating them on the case status. During intervention while going through these PAPs, most were asking him when the case was going to be heard. They

were also asking him to tell them how far it would take for the court to rule this case. They discussed about the expectations in the French case. We discussed that we shall be meeting at least once every month and get updates about the case. Setting new office premises. going through PAPs collecting issues related to EACOP, besides the French case. In the next month, he is expecting /planning to make a community meeting and talk about TASHA and its roles. Among Challenges going through each of these PAPs was difficult as they are scattered and yet have no means of transport. Since there has been many NGOs going through these PAPs and getting their issues but don't solve them, some PAPs refuse to say out their problems thinking that it is going to be the same thing as other NGOs do. Members request some community meetings organised by TASHA and as community observers, should be given some identifications which really show what we are doing.

Declaration

MAGRET SSUNA STATEMENT. I, MAGRET SSUNA, born on 25th /09/1988, residing at LYABUGUMA Village, NABIGASA subcounty KYOTERA district hereby certify on honour that TOTAL and its subcontractors (NEWPLAN) never gave me the forms evaluating my land, my crops and other assets. I don't know the reason why I wasn't given these forms. LYABUGUMA VILLAGE, 10TH /06/ 2023

MARGRET SSUNA.

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Nyamahunge Milius Abwooli of Kitegwa A LC1 Kabaale parish /s/c Hoima attended the meeting on 08/09/2023 CNOOC and DOCG (Daquine Oilfield Construction Group) held a meeting at kitegwa explaining on the Dangers and risks which might happen during the construction of the pipeline and job opportunities available where by some members raised their concern of Destruction of environment and crops by blocking moving water bodies from moving some swamps. One PAP stood up and said that his sugercane plantation has been spoiled by stagnant water due to this company blocking the pass way for water she collected this data when from a meeting. The contractor has put some pipes for water to pass through across their pipeline, when community told the contractor to open enough way for water because what he did not solve the problem in two weeks' time as earlier on promised. Contractor was not responding in time.

AKANGONZA K IRENE, Observer from KIGANDA-Hoima. While in the field I met PAPS who discussed with me the challenges and dangers the oil extraction program has brought to them where by they were neglected to point out their views. The PAPS hence told me that people's crops, Animals, businesses, houses, lands, tress and schools have been destroyed. The testimony was collected in the field where by I met the PAP at his home wanting to discuss with him the challenges and problems faced. We discussed about the number of crops destroyed, we discussed

about the rate to be compensated and We discussed whether he /she is interested in relocation or compensation where by their houses, crops and animals were destroyed.

The discussion ended successfully where by the PAPS decided to take the matters to another level for example reporting to court looking for help and guidance. The talk I would anticipate is seeing the PAPS being fully compensated equally and by given justice and treated normally with the period of no time as a person I faced a problem of hostile tribes and language barrier. I also had a problem of poor gadgets.

OKUMU RICHARD observer from BUSERUKA. Monitoring of the affected persons in the community and visited Akumu Agnes at chongambe village. Buseruka county on 16th -09-2023 on compensation matter due to land issue by asking her the benefit got after being displaced. This data was collected using phone call at home. The concern company should provide timely services delivery to the affected members of the community. The PAP will be monitored again in the coming month on compensation, plan on is to carry out community monitoring and hold visit in the next month. Low qualities of the imputes being supplied and improvement needed

AGANYIRA DOREEN observer from HOIMA. She meet PAPS and asked them on how oil and gas have affected their lives, some have lost their land due to extraction of oil and gas project, some lost jobs i.e., private schools, Bone again churches and others hence some became homeless. she collected data when am in the field. With PAPS sat and discussed, it was agreed that people should be compensated equally according to the value of their resources for example land, plants and houses. The PAPS have thanked but they need to be helped and educated due to harsh condition may pass through for example corrupt local leaders with a lot of power e.g L.C.1,2,3 and as observer faced challenges in field like language barrier, character of local people, simple infection for example flue cough and many others

BALIKYA NICHOLAS observer from KISUKUMA Kigorobya -Hoima Compensation issue at kyakasato fight which is on fair informant got from one P.A.P Atuhura in format of kyakasato L.C.1 in the month of June the company is CICO. This year in April P.A.Ps signed on agreement of two and half but getting money of one and half year. And these agreements were not given to them. And these corruption issues were led by P.R.O. Asuman. The P.A.Ps reached at decision of reporting this issue to the R.D.C. and chairman L.C.V. however there was nothing big. The P.A.Ps are pestering for these agreements, by end of October this year. We shall have received our agreements, People wants a meeting disvaluing chairman L.C.V, Problem of transport to get information and Intimidation by leaders collaborating with CICO

BAMUTRAKI WILLIAM Observer from **Buliisa**. Holding of consultative meeting with PAPS and community members. Community engagement in kiyere village in august 2023 to equip them with knowledge on dangers of environmental degradation and how to put back what had been put wrong. Community's complaint about Total Energies not being transparent in their activities

whenever they engaged them, others try to dodge questions, Issues discussed and decision reached, Untimely supply of cassava cuttings, seedlings and environmental degradation Change their mode of working. Continuous consultations, Total has started meetings with communities as an observer I intend to continue engaging them to try to put back what was destroyed. Challenges in field includes Lack of recording materials i.e., phones and camera.

MUGISHA JELOUSY from Kasinyi Village Buliisa engaged in meeting with Balikenda fred about his illegal fencing and helped him to forward his concerns to Tasha who helped him to sued total to France court of law. conducted home visit twice in august. Illegal fencing by total of fred`s balikenda home stead. Engaged with Tasha to help him in seeking legal proceedings Meeting paps and community adjacent to the drilling rigs, Community mobilization by October Challenges and recommendations Lack of camera and recording materials and Provision of the above

ADUBANGO DANIEL observer from Kikuube district. Intimidation of people on the community land at Rwengabi village, this has been for over 3 years that people has been stopped by R.D.C Mr. Amlan Tumusiime that they should stay there but not to dig their crops has been spoiled by cattle and goats. This conflict is between community and Mr. Mugabe William who said to have land title. The issue is now taken to court, People were stopped to build, People can't afford to take their children to school Court gave order to people to now cultivate but not building. The cattle are still disturbing them they were given court order. As we are waiting for the day of going back to the courts, other evidence will be collected later. Collection of this information was not easy since the land is being guarded by gun men deployed by Mr. William

CWINYA AI JOYCE OBSERVER FROM KIMBABURA -NGWEDO-BULIISA DISTRICT. They had come to relocate their grave. These company of new plan organised with one of our family members behind our back and paid him, they came and started to remove our grave without informing anyone. After when we chased these people the next day the team came back to explain and agreed terms of payment and that they can relocate the graves. They are providing cassava stems and maize seeds conducted home visits to paps faced Community unwillingness to deliver information freely there is need for Intervention from TASHA to solve the issue.

OCHOWUN MARSEL OBSERVER FROM KIKUUBE DISTRICT. Delayed payment for the workers by ROHI Company who operates under CNOOC Company in kikkube ROHI Company has been keeping long time without paying their workers that creates misunderstanding between the employee and employers. Discussion was between CNOOC and its sub-contractor ROHI Company that workers shall be paid by every first week of the month. Agreement between ROHI and its workers by unknown time workers agreed to start working as they wait for their payment as agreed for CNOOC Company and ROHI the sub-contractor has an agreement that if there will be any other failure in payment the company will be chased away.

REGINA DANIEL OBSERVER FROM KIKUUBE DISTRICT. On 8th/09/2023 at bulimia village Kikuube district Atacama consultancy came for disclosures of land user, some of the paps found their assessed crops missing on the disclosures paper. The paps refused to sign and discussed with team from Atacama to go and check in their computer details for their missing crops. fighting is to make sure people`s crops are compensated for as deserved. By the end of October paps will have been disclosed as per crops destroyed. Lack of electronic gadgets for computering the videography of clear evidence.

ABINENO GEOFRY OBSERVER FROM AVOGERA BULIISA DISTRICT. On opening of oil camp at avogera village- Ngwedo sub-county, Buliisa district which caused floods and waters flows into people`s garden neighboring the camp and people`s crops being washed away and a lot of floods collected water increasing the breeding of mosquitoes. Meeting held with the neighboring people whose crops were being washed and they accepted to compensate people`s property that if it was not due to the camp opening food would be enough to people their top soils being washed away People`s property washed need to be compensated for. Compensation rate needs to be revised not the out-dated ones because of increase in price to compensate people`s crops, we made sure that people are compensated in time at least in one month (through the office of LC1) among challenges we have No electronic gadget like smart phone for evidence-based reports

MUGISA JOS KAHERU OBSERVER FROM BULIISA DISTRICT. Delayed compensation remains one of most issue between Total Energies and P and a pap in Buliisa. The assessment of the pap`s house was not equitable to pap`s wish, therefore wrote grievance against, the assessment and no positive response by Total.Pap referred to court by total, Meetings and engagements, Low compensation by unknown time, Harassments by Total contractor to PAPs, Pride by Total personal and Intervention should be made outside force

NYANGI MOSES OBSERVER FROM KABOLWA-BULIISA DISTRICT. Wetland and biodiversity survey the wetland I surveyed is river waiga in buliisa district it flows into lake albert it`s one of the rivers in Uganda that are affected by east Africa crude oil pipeline (EACOP) project. The area where the pipe line is going to cross from on river waiga in buliisa district is a natural habitat for birds, amphibians, reptiles like crocodiles, mammals like hippos and fish like tilapia and mud fish. The river and its surrounding is wetland is full of papyrus. Issues discussed are how EACOPE project is going to affect the biodiversity of the river and its surrounding wetlands. The decision reached is to first do research on the river so as to be able to determine the impacts of EACOP the ongoing tasks are doing research on all the types of mammals, reptiles, amphibians, birds and fish and plants along the pipeline corridor. Then again survey areas away from the pipeline areas this will help us to determine the levels of impacts on the biodiversity for the wetlands after EACOP project is completed. The task I anticipate having ready is naming the fish, reptiles and mammals` species in the wetland are along the pipeline and beyond. This should be

done by the end of October. Lack of materials to do this work properly for examples gumboots and caps, more financials support is needed.

ACTIVITIES BY MUSINGUZI ABDUL TASHA RESEARCH INSTITUTE PROGRAMS MANAGER IN YEAR 2023

April 15th engaged the two teams both TASHA and BIISO Fm where a resolution to support the plant family forest(BYARA EKIBIRA KYEKA PROJECT) was upheld and consequently support to this project was dispensed. The objective of the project was to move the journey for re-afforesting the deforested ALBERTINE together with partners given that the oil project activities have left the area in dire state.

April 28th 2023, sat in a meeting with fellow staff and raised the proposal to start TASHA studio and begin live discussions on the same TASHA radio. The idea was upheld and the studio was set up. The objective of the studio was to publicize TASHA activities and raise awareness to community in line with TASHA objectives.

May 1st 2023 came up with TASHA studio discussion topics to TASHA panalist team.

1st June 2023 presented end of may environmental project report to the CEO (greening every home project report). The objective was to highlight the progress of the project, challenges and recommendations.

7th and 8th June 2023, did research in Mubende on behalf of our partner green faith. The research was about green faith survey of the oil project relocation of graves affected by project. The objective was to ascertain to what extent the project affected persons issues have been handled and how they have been compensated.

10th June held a meeting with all the researchers who collected and interviewed defenders and PAPs who have faced threats. The objective of the meeting was to consolidate all the data collected and compile it into one report.

June 14th , participated in approving TASHA resolution to enable TASHA participate with 26 PAPs in case in FRANCE as had been requested by FRANCE lawyers.

June 18th attended climate run organized by Tree adoption Uganda at Makerer University. The objective of the run was to raise awareness for tree planting, uses and raising funds for more tree seedings.

22nd June 2023 retook Balikenda statement to suit what the lawyers in the 26 PAPs case directed because the earlier statement contained contradictory data.

27th June directed JOHN of ALJAZERA to appropriate PAPs and team in the field from whom he wanted media interviews and statements regarding why they had chosen to take the 26 PAPs case in France as opposed to the domestic ones.

July 18th participated on online meeting that developed quarterly base building plan for our partner greenfaith, ie suggesting activities to be included for greenfaith Uganda circle. In this meeting members recommended among other activities, community mobilization and sensitization awareness on climate, stakeholders meeting, and tree and seedling planting.

15th, August 2023, drafted concept for our coalition/network Environmental Human Rights Network(EHRD network.). the objective of this concept was for members of the network to discuss about it and act as a tool for lobbying for the network.

5th to 13th September kept in charge of organization administration where the CEO had represented TASHA in African climate summit sponsored by our partner greenfaith.

OCTOBER ACTIVITIES

In the month of October, TASHA through its observer MARIAM NAJJAGWE, visited KITAHYIMBWA ASIIMWE who is Project affected Person and registered his complaint of failure to pay for the destroyed. ASIIMWE is resident of KINYANKOLE, KYOTERA DISTRICT and is a chairperson of KITUNTU mosque, they are Muslims in a group with all the land titles and their land plus two mosques were acquired by EACOP, TOTAL, and new plan as subcontractors. According to KITAHYIMBWA who is the chairperson for all the Muslims, the money that is going to be given to them is too little which totals to 15000000/- yet they took their two mosques, two toilets, water tank and every big tree called (omukunya) plus the land that it is too little for that so they can't accept that a little amount. Total says that if they can't accept that they are going to shift the channel. When our observer asked whether Kitayimbwa and Muslim group have ever written any complaint or signed any grievance form, Kitayimbwa answered in affirmative, but

however lamented that their issues were still being neglected.

Also, in the same October TASHA's observer BIRIMIYE ROBERT VISITED BWOWE ISMAIL who is also a PAP and who raised to him a complaint of **delay to be compensated and unfair evaluation by EACOP. BWOWE ISMAIL** is a resident of BETHELEHEM town, KITUNTU LC1, NABIGASA subcounty in KYOTERA district. He owns a family of about 12 children plus a wife. And what is more special about him, he is disabled with a characteristic of being unable to walk well arising from his lame leg. According to BWOWE, his land was acquired by EACOP in 2018 but up to now he has never been fully compensated of all his property. He had cassava, banana plants, coffee and beans on his land but after filling the RAP forms, he found out that his property valued less amount of money. BWOWE feels that the right value for his coffee would have been 88500 per plant, banana 50,000 per plant and also feels that they should give him the promised 30% for 4 years as stated for keeping in possession of his property when not fully compensated and while he can not utilize it as to his will. He claims that when total came, it promised 30% as uplift and that it would be raised. BWOWE added that it is not his problem but its for total and EACOP who have not paid him in time and that if they can't compensate him, he is going to use his land for other businesses like building the house. Also, BIRIMIYE ROBERT at the time of reporting this matter, he found BWOWE incarcerated in prison police cell where he had stayed for about 2 weeks with out being taken to court or even charged with any offence. BIRIMIYE reported that he found BWOWE in a suffering condition and when he requested the police officers to have a photo with him, he was declined. **Still in the same October on the date of 15th**, TASHA's observer NTUMWA ROGERS met ASIIMWE KITAHYIMBWA in KITUNTU village. KITAHYIMBWA complained and showed ROGERS his mature coffee that was valued as young coffee when indeed it was mature coffee.

While KITAHYIMBWA discussed with observer ROGER, he revealed that he had already been compensated an amount of money and added that not that because he was satisfied with it but because he complained and his issue was always being given a deaf ear. ROGER confesses on visiting the farm indeed he found the coffee mature. KITAHYIMBWA and ROGERS in their

discussion expressed worries that as individuals they could change nothing much since KITAYIMBWA had already received the money but however expressed hope that if TASHA as an organization intervened, something could change hence called TASHA for help. Further in October TASHA's observer SSEGUJA IVAN, registered a complaint of low and inadequate compensation from BWANIKA HENRY of KITAKOMAGA LWENGO district. That BWANIKA refused to sign and to receive compensation of his coffee plantation that is going to be affected by the EACOP pipeline project. He said that though the district set compensation rates, for him he believes that these rates are too low. That the evaluation forms indicated that he was supposed to receive 30,000 but he asked at least 80,000 per plant. That although there was a promise to increase on the valuation, BWANIKA still believes the promised increase is still too low.

Issues discussed between Tasha observers and testimony makers plus decisions reached.

Between observer MARIAM and KITAYIMBWA ASIIMWE KITAYIMBWA as chairperson of KITUNTU mosque and other Muslims should form a group and complain together and even write to gather officials complaining in petition. Secondly writing and calling in TASHA to come and meet them as a group in order to forge a **solution**. Tasks anticipated to be had ready and the time the observers anticipate to have it ready/ongoing tasks.

Observer MARIAM anticipates calling upon the Muslims in KITUNTU and district at large to be together and even call the supreme MUFTI or the district cadhi to join the fight.

Observer ROGER anticipates following up on LUBOWA's issue of not evaluating his house that is near the pipeline route. Observer BIRIMIYE anticipates making a follow up on the grievances written to EACOP and TOTAL plus the district.

Observer SSEGUJA, anticipates following up to push to see BWANIKA's is fairly compensated as on 18th oct-2023 a team from EACOP tried to engage BWANIKA and promised to increase compensation but BWANIKA still remained unhappy.

Challenges to observers of greater MASAKA

NTUMWA ROGERS: He faced a challenge of taking photos of some PAPs, since some of them think the observers benefit from the information the PAPs give them, and in the long run some PAPs request for money to take their photos and devour their information.

MARIAM NAJJAGWE: she registered a challenge where the PAPs after giving her information, they did not want to have video or photos with her evidencing the information.

Recommendation: TASHA should call them on PHONE.

BIRIMIYE ROBERT: He registered a challenge faced by the disabled persons who are not able to move where TOTAL meetings are held in time because these meetings are at times for short time and the for the disabled the moving is difficult.

Summary of activities I performed both in observer's coordinator capacity and TASHA programs manager in the month of October.

1- I engaged in a meeting that with all the staff which meeting planned how the months of October was meant to move, activities to be done and to reflect on the status and quality of the previous September report.

2- I called the greater Masaka team one by one to advise them on how to improve the reporting.

3- Since for three weeks of October the CEO was not around, I took charge of all administration and I ensured that utility and water bills was paid and I did the reporting to the CEO while he was abroad.

4- During the period of October is when I engaged in online meeting with the Partners, AFIEGO, FOE, and NAPE where resolutions of to partner in administering the 26 PAPs came up where I was tasked to draft the budget enabling the joint meeting of partners with PAPs. In the same meeting I was tasked to draft questions from PAPs that they expected from the case so as it could enable the drafting of answer question document to respond to the questions by PAPs.

5- Effectively as per the tasks in the above-mentioned meeting, in the same month of October I fulfilled the duty and drafted both the budget and the document detailing the questions from the 26 PAPs.

6- In the same month of October where one of the PAP BALIKENDA FRED received intimidation from TOTOAL and partners from the joint venture I took part of my time to report to TASHA CEO who was abroad and reporting to all responsible platforms where I felt BALIKENDA can obtain assistance.

7- In the same month I took time to report about the arrest of ISMAIL BWOWE who is also one of the 26 PAPs who was incarcerated in KYOTERA CELLS for two weeks without being taken to court.

Challenges.

1-Lack of airtime and personal data to always keep in touch with the rest of the team and the field observers.

2-The incapacity of my phone, being unable to read a number of document applications.

3-Inadequate facilitation in terms of salary.

4-irregularity in welfare for example sometimes provided with lunch and sometimes complete fasting while at office.

NOVEMBER

In the month of November 19TH 2023 TASHA through its observer **NTUMWA ROGERS** visited **ZABASSAJJA** who is **EACOP PAP** in **LUSESE** village. **ZABASSAJJA** complained about the project not accounting for his cultural shrine and the traditional tree which is affected in the projects ROW (Right of way). From the beginning the contractors neglected his cultural shrine and traditional tree but later on they came back and pretended to have valued them but ever since then he has never been compensated or even at least having any feedback from them.

Further still in the month of November TASHA through its observer **BIRIMIYE ROBERT**, visited **SSALONGO MUHAMAD KABUGO** who is one of the PAP affected by the pipeline **EACOP** and a resident of **KITUNTU LC1** in **NABIGASA** subcounty **KYOTERA** district and who is married to three wives by Islamic tradition practices. **SSALONGO** demonstrated to **TASHA** that he owns land title on land equivalent to 600 acres jointly in a group with others. That he was compensated for the property on land but inadequately. And that it was extraordinarily worse when it came to compensating for the land title sitting on 600 acres of their land that was affected by **EACOP**. **SSALONGO** demonstrated that he has several times communicated his complaints about his grievances and that of the rest of the group and up to now he has complaint filed in the RDC's office **KYOTERA** district. He further demonstrated that the rest of the group feared to join him when making the complaint to the RDC. **SSALONGO** gave details of the land title as being in **BUKALASA -KASAALI** subcounty in **KYOTERA** district. That this land title owned jointly as a group has a joint account and while the contractors engaged them, they agreed to be compensated 138,000,000/= but on receiving the money it was only an envelope of 156,000/= and handed to them at night.

On 18th November 2023 TASHA through its observer **NAJJAGWE MARIAM** met **SSALONGO MATOVU KAPALAGA** who is a resident of **LUSESE** village **NABIGASA** subcounty **KYOTERA** district who narrated having a land title which was affected by **EACOP**. **SSALONGO MATOVU** narrated that he is a landlord on land where the occupants are PAPs. That in the first meeting the contractors convinced them to give away their land on a promise that landlord were meant to be compensated 40% while occupants 60% but later on the status changed to landlords 30% and occupants 70%. That **SSALONGO** complains his failed attempts to receive clear answers from **TOTAL** and **NEWPLAN** about why they changed from landlords 40% to 30% and occupants 60% to 70%. In the same November **IVAN SSEGUJJA** followed up on **BWANIKA GEORGE WILLIAM** of **KITAKOMAGA LWENGO WARD**, **LWENGO** district who earlier on had made a complaint of the oil **EACOP** delaying to compensate him. **WILLIAM** did not have a national identity card at the time of evaluation. That at time of documenting his property by **EACOP**, the documents indicated **BWANIKA GEORGE WILLIAM** whereas on acquiring his ID he used **BWANIKA GEORGE** causing discrepancy where the company zeroed to always disadvantage him by telling him to change the ID names. Observer **SSEGUJJA** assisted **WILLIAM** on engaging the **EACOP** Community liaison officer **ANGELLO NALWANGO** who retaliated by lamenting that the case is in the courts of law and defaulted to give any explanation.

ON GOING TASKS AND TASKS ANTICIPATED TO BE READY DURING DECEMBER ON THE SIDE OF GREATER MASAKA TEAM.

TASHA through its observer **NTUMWA RODGERS** expects to reach out to one PAP in **KITUNTU** village who complains that her graves were not considered during valuation. Still in December **TASHA** through Observer **MARIAM NAJJAGWE** will coordinate **SSALONGO KAPALAGA MATOVU** and the group with the problems like him of landlords not knowing the 40% reducing to 30% to be together and fight as a team. Similarly, **MARIAM**

NAJJAGWE intends to coordinate the group and write to the president and the speaker to have a say in the matter.

CHALLENGES TO OBSERVERS OF GREATER MASAKA.

Some TASHA OBSERVERS face a challenge of being asked to provide solutions to the problems the interviewees tell them during interviews. Some of the observers ROGERS NTUMWA highlight moving long distances to meet PAPs who call them to register their grievances. Some observers like NAJJAGWE MARIAM highlight the challenge of the population they always engage being totally row/green about the concepts entailed in the contractors/TOTAL E&P/EACOP policies and modalities while others being illiterate about even the starting legal concepts upon which they can base to engage these contractors and be able to form informed decisions about whether to give their consents or to withhold it. Also, another challenge highlighted by some observers is the people/PAPs they engage not having immediate lawyers to always be there to advise them on which answers to be always responded to the contractors whenever they are put in a fix where their bargaining power is low. Also lack of trusted provided community law maintains them in a vulnerable state.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Developing a comprehensive plan to respond to the issues the PAPs keep on reporting to the observers and further to keep them engaged from time to time and updating them on the progresses in handling their issues to develop trust that they do not merely report but the issues they report have possibility to access solutions. This also makes them feel they are not isolated and develops a feeling in them that there is a group fighting for them.

There must be a well-designed plan to cater for the transportation(funds) of observers and the coordinator to meet the PAPs as well as the coordinator to stay engaged with his observers. There must a developed plan to sensitize the community and human rights victims/PAPs on the way the project contractor operates in terms of sensitizing them to be aware of the fraudulent ways the project used, has used, is prepared to use to deprive them of their property. Also there could be well detailed plan to sensitize the community/PAPs on the basic legal knowledge one should have like being aware of not outrightly giving out consent to property whenever it is requested, not just signing documents without guidance from experts, among other basic legal knowledge whose lack of it has been the basis to prejudicially deprive the PAPs of the property by the project proponents (EACOP, TOTAL and others). Developing a lawyer plan for the most affected communities. A trusted lawyer where these affected can always run whenever they need legal knowledge and preliminary drafting is a mechanism towards addressing their varied challenges.

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES PERFORMED BY OBSERVER'S COORDINATOR AND PROGRAMS MANAGER IN MONTH OF NOVEMBER.

Did the calling and engaging of observers online to correct them on the right reporting. The frequent calls to the observers were intended to ensure their timely submission of observer reports.

Attended staff meeting and received monthly operational program and updates of November upcoming events. These enabled planning for the progress of November month.

Formed part of the team that conducted the interviews and recommendation of new TASHA staff.

Drafted the program for the day of the launch of green faith grave relocation report.

Mobilized and made phone calls to participants of green faith launch meeting.

Participated fully in the arrangement for the happening of TASHA partner green faith grave relocation report launch.

Supervised the installation of TASHA cameras and alert bells aimed at enhancing activism security at TASHA premises.

Supervised the weeding of TASHA tree nursery bed.

In the same month of November, the coordinator prepared the observers comprehensive report for greater MASAKA.

CHALLENGES

Lack of office phone/landline loaded with airtime to transact office calls which forces the coordinator and programs manager to stress his pocket to buy airtime.

Low funds to aid a continued contact with the observer team to plan for proper responses to the issues/challenges PAPs keep raising some of which are solvable within the coordinator's expertise as a lawyer.

DECEMBER

- Conducted community meeting with people losing their land to UETCL for poles installed in Kibanjwa village Hoima District it was agreed to write petition to UETCL with copy to other stakeholders.
- Conducted meeting with all observers from Albertine region in Hoima City at Kolping Hotel it was agreed that after end of project duration observers should continue doing their work as Tasha plans for placements for them.
- Conducted meeting with observers from GreaterMasaka region at Bethlehem Kyotera district it was also agreed to have continued work of observing even after February 2024 the end period of project.
- Held a radio talk show at Spices FM in Hoima on topic Impact of Oil and gas to people, environment and climate in Uganda especially Bunyoro.
- Conducted two days meeting at Esella Hotel wakiso with PAPS in court together with partners like NAPE, AFIEGO, TASHA, FOF, SURVIE and Lawyers the meeting which aimed at updating the progress, introduce plaintiffs to partners and create awareness in aspect of evidence collection and security was held between 4th and 5th December and next step agreed on included;
 1. Find people to write for each plaintiff statement
 2. Find more evidence to support each plaintiff claim like Land sale agreement, UNRA Compensation agreement etc.
 3. Do not pay someone to do statement for you or trick him (it is criminal in France)
 4. Scan all remaining documents
 5. Planned quarterly meeting
 6. Group photo
 7. Chairperson of voice for generation given few minutes to talk about it.

NEW STAFF (TONNEY)

Activities/Successes

Since joined Tasha Research Institute Africa, the following tabled activities carried out between November and December.

Date	Activity	Outcome
8th /November/2023	Attended the meeting with the PAPs at Tasha office which was about sharing the research report carried on some time back on Violation of the rights of the dead during the construction of Crude oil pipeline in western parts of Uganda.	Meeting attended
30/November/2023	Attended the meeting with visitors and interviews on my duties taken	Attended the meeting
4&5/December/2023	Attended the training workshop on security cautions on protection of my rights with the PAPS.I was responsible for receiving the participants together with Rogers and then assigned with the task of Emceeing the Workshop which I think performed better.	Workshop attended and everything went on well.
Was able to work on URA Filings returns for this month and the rest shall be worked on as we are moving.	Returns filed and certificates from URA received.	
I have been able to run the cash book/petty cash for the management of office financial expenditures	Bills well paid and moneys well spent so far.	
I have managed to visit Tasha Nursey Bed		

ICT DEPARTMENT ACOMPLISHMENTS

Achievements

Tasha had around 200 followers and now we have around 300 followers and few likes which is now opposite yet this is a new platform. This month of October/November, I have been able to carry out the following duties.

TWITTER

DATE	LINK	REPOST	LIKE	COMMENT	VIEW
5/10/2023	https://x.com/Tasha_Community/status/1709872590745899144?s=20	9	11	1	145
6/10/2023	https://x.com/Tasha_Community/status/1709872590745899144?s=20	9	14		156
11/10/2023	https://x.com/Tasha_Community/status/1712110492729135597?s=20	7	11		94
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20/10/2023	https://x.com/Tasha_Community/status/1715276531189293526?s=20	8	14		107
24/10/2023	https://x.com/Tasha_Community/status/1716814639236067593?s=20	9	13	2	125
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30/11/2023	https://x.com/Tasha_Community/status/1730193110016115066?s=20	12	14		90

INSTAGRAM

DATE	LINK	LIKE	COMMENT
14/10/2023	https://www.instagram.com/p/CyY3kN3MAs/	4	
8/11/2023	https://www.instagram.com/p/CzZZp9OrW6f/	4	

Challenges

While doing my responsibilities, I encountered the following challenges

- Laptop with a 1gb card which is able to perform good work at a high speed
- Full internet which is very stable with good network
- A good mobile phone
- Field supports

Would be solutions

- Hi 5 laptops with a 1GB graphics card is highly recommended
- A full set Wi-Fi internet on a subsidized monthly package should be purchased from a recommended service provider basically Airtel broad bands.
- A high speed mobile phone with 5000amps,4G-5G storage 128gbs ram 6gb-8gb, Samsung type with a good camera
- On the Field visits I beg that you support me with some money so that I am able to get the content to use on our social platforms.If all the above is availed to me, Things will not be the same. I will make sure that followers will increase due to my online presence all the time.

No	Buliisa field officer. Activities	months	Input	Outcomes	participants
1	Opening and maintenance of buliisa Tasha field office Registered cases from different paps about delays and in adequate compensation.	January	The cases are filed in the case register book	Paps were engaged by total in regards to their complaints registered	Richard
2	Locusts visit at kasinyi industrial site to monitor floods and dust from industrial area C.P.F	February	Media were engaged. I empowered community to write to different stakeholders such as government, PAU, TOTAL, and others	The story was published and total engaged some of these people whose properties were damaged. The media exerted pressure on oil companies	Richard
3	Mediation meeting between Asimwe and Augustine at buliisa Tasha office	March	I deployed negotiation and conflict resolution skills to solve their matters	The matters were amicably solved Land conflict was resolved	Mwesigwa Fred and Richard
4	Locust visits to dig deep on elephant invasion cases	April	People affected by elephants' destruction were registered Letter written to districts officials, UWA and others	UWA came on ground and assess people's properties	Community leaders and Richard
5	Registered floods cases	May	Community being affected were met	Awareness was created through media/ twitter handle @oyirwothRichar8	Richard
6	Carried out empirical and evidential on status of human rights violations amidst oil activities in tilenga region	June	Different communities affected by oil and gas activities were met.	Report realized known as " our trusts are broken " and PAU responded rudely	Staff from HWR (FELIX HORN) and RICHARD

				Total became vigilant in handling paps	
7	Participated in research conducted by greenfaith about rigid total's grave excavation and relocation	July	I collected data from the directly affected paps	Report was realized and total started calling some of the paps who participated to intimidate them.	Richard
8	Received complaints from communities about continuous floods destructions from oil facilities and camping areas such as oil well pads at avogera, CPF, muvule MSL camp	August	The cases were well documented	Tholith Emanuel resident of kasinyi village was later engaged by total to register their complaints	Richard and community observers.
9	Buliisa Tasha's field officer in partnerships with global witness staff conducted joint research on human rights abuse in Albertine region.	September	Affected communities expressed their concerns Proper documentation of their issues was done	The report was realized on 4 th /dec/ 2023 known as " climate or fear "	Rihard Tasha and Hannah of global witness
10	Documentation of impacts of tilenga activities on the community livelihood Working together with observers from buliisa, Kikuube to document human rights injustices originating from total, CNOOC activities.	October	Coordinated journalists to reach to those homesteads of affected communities Report being received by observers; meetings being conducted with these paps	The documentary is being broadcasted on Aljazeera titled as " crude mistake? " From different reports were are submitting concerning total violation of human rights, communities are being engaged	Macrae and Williams of Aljazeera and Richard buliisa Tasha Observers and program coordinator Richard oyirwoth
11	Mobilized paps who earlier participated during graves relocation process and attended the meeting during the realize of the report at Kampala Tasha's head office	November	Reached out to paps to organize trip to Kampala	Meeting was successfully conducted Report was released	Richard
12	Mobilized two former total's and mota-engil workers	December	Communication was done in time to inform	Interview was successfully conducted	Richard

	to be interviewed by Thomas of survie France		those former workers		
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TASHA

RECOMMENDATIONS TO;

Ugandan and Tanzanian states

- Allow free and full access to the oil and pipeline regions for civil society organizations, independent journalists, and researchers.
- In collaboration with civil society and experts, establish legal mechanisms for the protection of Human Rights Defenders which are in line with the UN Declaration on Human Rights Defenders.
- Lift restrictions on climate activism and the right to protest EACOP and other fossil fuel projects, including by rescinding or amending laws used to curtail free speech and civic space, such as:
 - Uganda: The Non-Governmental Organizations Act (2016) and Public Order Management Act (2013)

- Tanzania: The Cybercrimes Act (2015), the Media Service Act (2016), the Electronic and Postal Communications (Online Content) Regulations (2020).
- Publicly commit to protecting land, environmental and human rights defenders as part of national energy transition plans, and take meaningful steps to include civil society organisations and local communities in dialogue to tackle the climate crisis and promote renewable energy solutions.

TotalEnergies

- Adopt and publish a policy position on land and environmental defenders, and ensure this is embedded in the company's management systems and policies in line with the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights including reprisal risk assessment and screen ahead and during project lifecycle.
- Meaningfully implement Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC) as stipulated in the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, ILO Convention 169 and the UN Voluntary Guidelines on the Responsible Governance of Tenure of Land, Fisheries and Forests. This should include respecting the rights of oil-affected communities to say no to EACOP and Tilenga
- Implement a 'zero tolerance' approach to reprisals and intimidation, and use its leverage to push the Ugandan and Tanzanian authorities to protect and respect environmental and climate defenders
- Risk-assess the policies and practices of contractors and sub-contractors in relation to LED issues on a regular basis. Support contractors to strengthen their policy positions and actions relating to LEDs, where necessary.
- Investigate allegations of staff and contractor complicity in human rights violations against environmental defenders and community members and remedy harms in accordance with the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights
- Implement effective operational-level grievance mechanisms or protocols that both cover and are equipped to cope with, the specific nature of LED grievances.
- Continuously engage with and monitor concerns of stakeholders affected by its oil projects
- Fully cooperate with international legal bodies investigating its involvement in human rights abuses linked to EACOP and Tilenga
- Prioritise a genuine and rapid transition away from fossil fuels to renewable energy technologies

Global Financial Institutions

- Refuse to finance projects mired in human rights abuses or lacking free, prior and informed consent by affected communities, or that fail to meet international human rights standards for the financial sectors
- Scale up investments in renewable energy sectors and technologies

European Union

- Implement a strong and ambitious directive on mandatory corporate due diligence and legally binding international instrument to cope with human rights, environment and climate obligations

NEXT YEAR 2024 PLANS

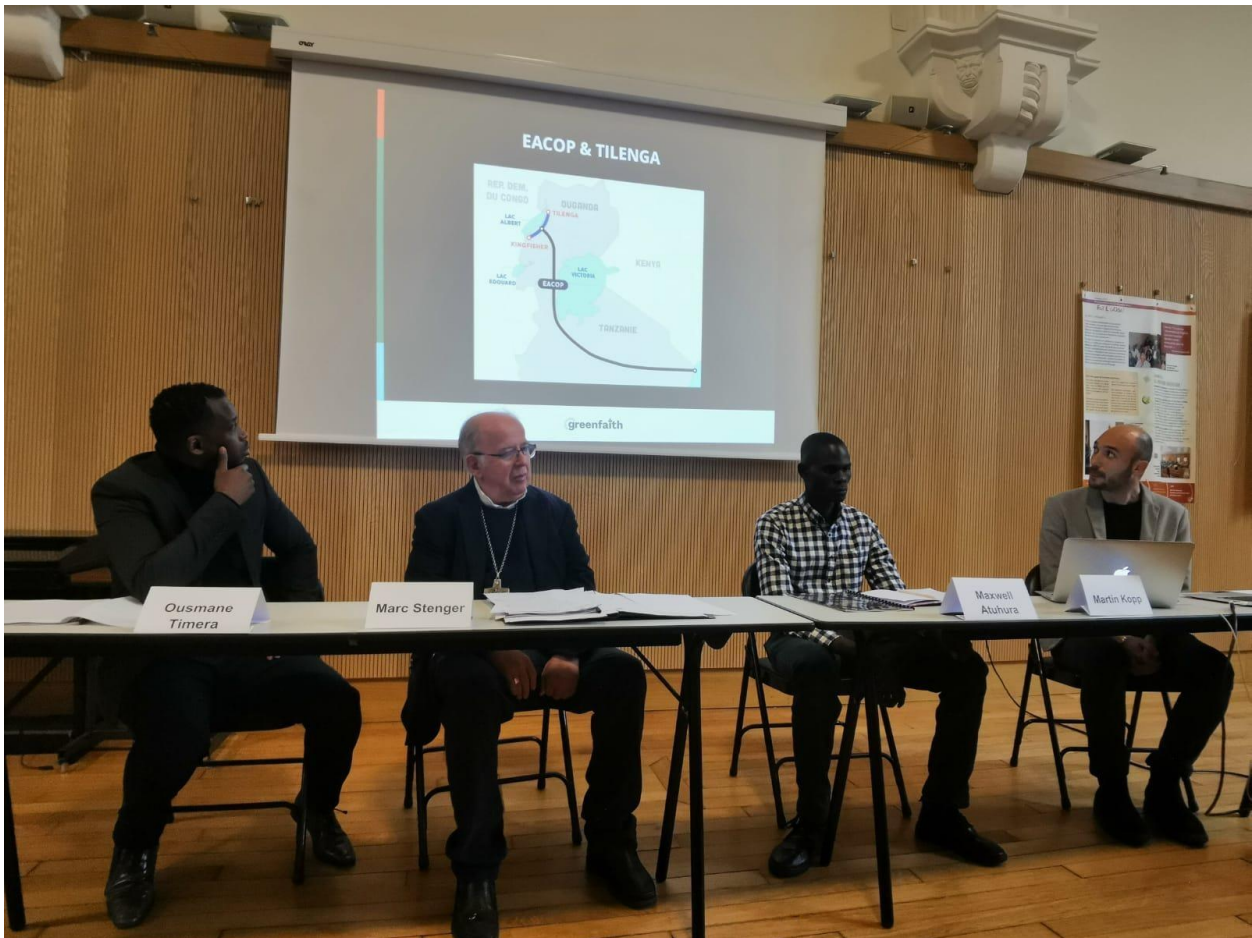
- Complete construction of offices
- Strengthen TASHA operating systems
- Strengthen advocacy for Human rights, environmental and climate justice.
- Continued evidence collection for court cases
- Continued Observer project
- Kibanjwa petition submission
- Research and publication
- Stakeholders' meetings
- Continued security trainings
- Continued engagement with journalists and researchers.
- High level meetings
- Participation in coalitions activities.
- Improve tree planting initiatives
- Etc

GALLERY









THE REPUBLIC OF UGANDA
IN THE HIGH COURT OF UGANDA AT HOIMA

MISCELLANEOUS CAUSE NO.....24..... OF 2023

ATTORNEY GENERAL=====APPLICANT

-VERSUS-

1. KISEMBO RUGADYA
2. MUGISA JEALOUSY MULIMBA
3. PITYEDI MUGISA
4. WENDI MULINDA
5. BYARUFU MOSES
6. MWESIGWA FRED
7. ATUHAIRWE SARAH
8. ATUGONZA ALLAN
9. RUGADYA RICHARD
10. KISAHO SIMON
11. KWONKA WILLIAM MUGISA
12. NYANZIGE YEYERI C/O BIGIRWENKYA SAMUEL
13. ASHIMWE JULIUS
14. KANYOMERA CHARLES
15. AGABA CHRISPAS ANDREW KATUSHABE
16. BALA JOHN
17. FAMILY OF THE LATE MULAYA MULIMBA JOHN
18. RACHILI ALBERTHINA, OKUMU RONALD, ORYEK ALFRED,
ATIM SUZAN, TEKAKWO LOTISA & OWINJI CHARLES
19. RUNGA WAAKI FARMERS
20. BAHUZYA ANTHONY
21. KYAMANYA DAVID MPORA & OTHERS
22. THE FAMILY OF THE LATE JOSHUA TIBAGWA
23. NDRUSO JACAN & OTHERS
24. THE FAMILY OF THE LATE GEORGE MULONGO
25. MWIJAKUBI GEORGE C/O KIIZA TOM
26. NYAMISANGO ERINA C/O NKUBA ERINA
27. FAMILY OF THE LATE ESTERI NKUBA
28. BAGEMA CLAN
29. BHEGANI NAHIDA, BHEGANI NADIA & BHEGANI MUSTAQ
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