

## Inauguration of Nkombo and Litiro water supply systems in Rusizi District 12<sup>th</sup> July 2017



**Hon. Minister of State Kamayiresi Germaine inaugurating Nkombo Water supply system with Rusizi District Mayor, WASAC CEO & Nkombo resident**

Areas with low access to clean water are prone to waterborne diseases such as Cholera. In Rwanda, the vilest Cholera outbreaks occurred in areas surrounding the Lake Kivu. It is within the Economic Development Poverty Reduction Strategies (EDPRS II) and Vision 2020 targets to ensure such outbreaks do not occur by increasing access to clean water.

In the framework of achieving the aforementioned targets in Rwandan communities, Water and Sanitation Corporation (WASAC) together with Rusizi District completed two Water Supply Systems: **Nkombo and Giheke- Gihundwe- Kamembe- Nkanka** respectively under financial support from LODA and WASAC Ltd.



**Nkombo Water Treatment Plant during Inauguration site visit**



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Giheke- Gihundwe- Kamembe- Nkanka water supply system is providing water to approximately 80,000 people residing in five sectors of Rusizi District, which include Giheke, Kamembe, Gihundwe, Nkanka and Nkunga. In Nyamasheke District Giheke-Gihundwe-Kamembe- Nkanka water supply system is providing water to following sectors: Ruharambuga, Karengera, Bushenge and Shangiri. This water supply system in Rusizi and Nyamasheke Districts has increased access to water from 50% to 80%. WASAC Ltd and Rusizi District jointly implemented the projects

## Corporate Social Responsibility Initiatives, Nkombo Island



### Opening home tap by Hon. Minister of State in charge of Energy and Water and Rusizi Resident

Previously, access to clean water in Nkombo Island stood below 50% however, with the newly constructed Water Treatment Plant, which produces 720m<sup>3</sup>/day, and 24 boreholes, the Island's access to water has increase to 90%. Nkombo Water supply system is currently providing clean water to 18,000 people. One of the principle objectives of WASAC is to increase household connections. On Nkombo Island WASAC offered four households free connections where one connection estimates to Rwf 104,000. In addition, WASAC exempted 195 households from connection fees that amount to 20,000 per connection and encouraged them to buy materials such as meters in order to receive connection to the water network.

During the Inauguration ceremony, traditional dancing troupe danced entertained the guests and impressed them with their moves that WASAC donated dancing attire to all 32 dancers. The troupe is made up of 10 men and 22 women, which was formed back in 1987 as form entertainment on the Island of only 18,000 people.



**WASAC management team celebrating Inauguration of Nkombo Water supply system with dancing troupe**

The 32-member dancing troupe was represented by Uzayisenga Theogene, who received the donation given by Director of Commercial Services Mr. Lucien Ruterana on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2017. Uzayisenga thanked WASAC firstly for the providing Nkombo residents with access to clean water and for the kind donation. He vowed that Nkombo community would take good care of the water facilities.





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**Director of Commercial Serves handing over traditional attire to Uzayisenga Theogene, Nkombo dancing troupe representative**