

Community NEWSLETTER ISSUE 01

Message from the Managing Director



Dear Stakeholders,

I would like to take this opportunity to address you directly. Let me start by wishing you all the best for 2022 and provide you with an update on the Project. IN late 2021 a major milestone was achieved with the ratification of the EACOP Act by the Parliament of Uganda. We also made the first compensation payments by EACOP to 21 Project Affected Persons located on the Priority Areas. After the FID ceremony held in Kampala on 1st Feb 2022, this year will be the year of compensations payment to EACOP Project Affected People including the construction of replacement houses for those whose primary dwellings are impacted.

I know you have been waiting for a long time and I know from the community liaison team that some of you have been worried and frustrated. I want to reassure you that we shall now move quickly to extend from the Priority Areas to the full Pipeline Corridor, where we will first engage with the physically displaced PAPs and then move on to all other PAPs. The Project is committed to paying compensation as soon as possible and we appreciate your patience and understanding.

Finally, I 'd like to express gratitude to Government and District officials and community leaders for their participation in our engagements. I also want to reiterate my invitation to civil society representatives and NGOS to witness our activities and welcome the constructive feedback they have provided. A project of this scale can only be successfully done with multiple stakeholder participation and we are committed to transparency, information sharing and dialogue.

In the field I am represented by EACOP community liaison team. They are my eyes and ears in the field. Their pictures and contact details are shown in this newsletter. I encourage you to contact them for information or to report any grievances and concerns you may have. I look forward to providing you with further updates in the coming months.

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