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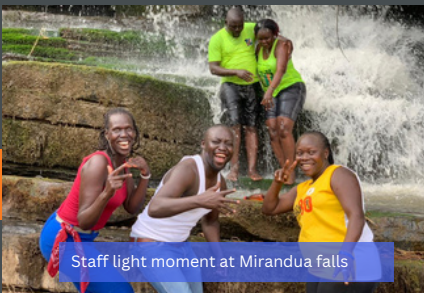
Amani staff join in aerobics at the Mirandua Falls in Maracha

What to expect

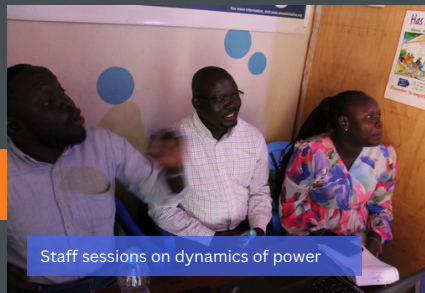
- Insights from staff wellness sessions.
- Construction updates on Amani Elevator Facility.
- Highlights from the Schools Systems Strengthening Program.
- Launch details of the Power of Learning Program.
- Attaining and sustaining HIV
- Review of our 2023 annual performance.
- A glimpse into our ambitious targets for 2024.

Staff unwind as part of staff wellness session.
In January, we conducted two impactful staff wellness sessions, generously supported by the Girls First Fund.

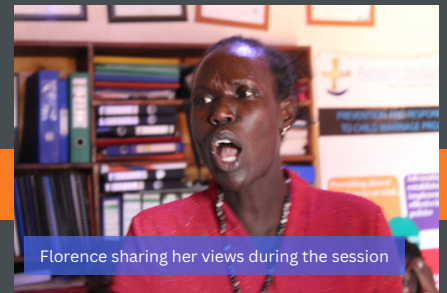
Session 1 focused on applying personal qualities and competencies at work, fostering a conducive working environment for all staff.



Staff light moment at Mirandua falls



Staff sessions on dynamics of power



Florence sharing her views during the session

Session 2 delved into understanding the dynamics of power within a workspace, emphasizing internal factors such as confidence, dignity, self-esteem, and inner drive. Discussions included scenarios that either boosted or diminished internal power. These sessions are integral to our commitment to staff well-being and performance. We wrapped up sessions with unwinding and aerobics at Miriadua Falls, a hidden gem in Maracha District!

OUR COMMITMENT

To prevent and respond to harmful practices and barriers against children and women through integrated community led solutions.





Staff visiting the site for the Amani Elevator Facility in Maracha District.

Amani Elevator Facility taking shape

The Amani Elevator facility's 1st phase, housing Head Offices & Training Centre, is progressing to the beam level. Amani Staff witnessed the strides! As we move to roofing, your financial support is crucial. Join us on this journey; contact us at +256 785951295 (WhatsApp) for details.

Power of Learning

We kicked off our 3 year participation in the Power of Learning Programme, facilitated by MannionDaniels and supported by the Government of the Netherlands.

This program presents a vibrant platform for ongoing learning, promoting collaboration, and extending our network within the civil society sector. Aligned with our commitment to collective growth, we are enthusiastic about harnessing this opportunity to enhance our impact.

School systems strengthening



School support visit as part of school system strengthening

Our business development technical team has successfully supported eight low-cost private schools under the Socioeconomic Empowerment area. Services included financial management, loans risk assessment, and startup guidance, aligning with our Schools System Strengthening program. This dedicated effort aims to enhance school growth, sustainability, and ultimately contribute to increased enrollment and improved learning outcomes for learners.



Kick off training under the Power of Learning Program in Kampala

Attaining and sustaining HIV control



Amani Resident Nurse with Isaac a Linkage Referral Assistant during support supervision at Wadri Health Centre III

In January, our West Nile HIV project, in collaboration with the Infectious Disease Institute and Centre of Disease Control funding, achieved notable success. Pursuing UNAIDS 95:95:95 targets, we followed up 88 lost TB/HIV clients. Additionally, 84 resumed treatments, while 02 self-transferred, and sadly, 02 clients passed away.

Through community Index testing, we reached out to 8 index clients, with 14 household tests revealing no positive cases. Our unwavering commitment to comprehensive HIV/AIDS control in the West Nile region persists with determination and progress.

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How we performed in 2023

Explore our 2023 highlights, marking the 1st year of our 2023-2028 strategic plan focused on preventing teenage pregnancy and child marriage.

Promotion of equal and quality education

Indicator	Achieved
Number of schools supported	309
Number of learners enrolled in supported schools	90513
Number of school administrators (SMC, PTA) engaged.	972
Number of learners directly engaged	638
Number of parents, teachers and educators engaged	131
Number of learners supported with education scholarship	6
Number of learners supported with materials such as sch	638

Socioeconomic Empowerment

Indicator	Achieved
Number of self support groups trained on business skills	4
Number of child mothers and women trained	160
Number of people trained on financial literacy and management.	439
Amount of money saved	16,716,000
Number of businesses trained	279
Number of business owners trained	279

Provision of appropriate sexual, reproductive and health information and services.

Indicator	Achieved
Number of people accessing health related information	3,650
Number of people using health related services	3,462
Number of health institutions supported with relevant personnel and structural improvement.	12

Child Protection and Safeguarding

Indicator	Achieved
Number of GBV related safe spaces supported	4
Number of people reached with information on prevention and response to sexual and physical violence.	1,930
Number of community events/trainings/dialogues conducted	16
Number of victims supported to access justice	5
Number of sexual and physical violence incidences documented	10
Cases of physical and sexual violence cases reported.	5

What you should expect in 2024

<p>EDUCATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1016 low cost schools supported as part of schools outcomes strengthening. 2,440 school administrators (SMC, PTA) to be engaged. 24 learner focused sessions on learning outcomes to be conducted 500 learners provided with scholastic materials. 10 messages on education broadcasted 	<p>CHILD, ADOLESCENT AND MATERNAL HEALTH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2,080 individuals accessed sexual & reproductive health information. 889 individuals accessed sexual & reproductive health services such as ARV's, HIV testing and counseling. 200 children and parents provided with information to improve their water, sanitation, hygiene an nutrition outcomes. 10 public health facilities onboarded and supported with community linkage referral assistants. 	<p>SOCIOECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 30,000,000/= saved by VSLA group members under Amani Initiative. 903 small businesses documented and supported. 1138 individuals provided with financial literacy. 20 savings to be supported. 	<p>CHILD PROTECTION, AND SAFEGUARDING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 100 community duty bearers engaged on child protection. 780 schools supported to formulate and functionalize child protection policies. 160 household dialogues conducted on child protection and safeguarding. 1,488 school leaders to be trained on child protection.
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