Nabirye Babra’s brief story

Babra is a resident of Katwe Village in Mayuge Town Council, Mayuge District. She is married with two children. Before she started her marriage life she was in school from where she got impregnated by the husband and therefore started living with him but from the time they started living together life was not easy. The husband was violent towards her and all those who attempted to intervene into their matters. He never allowed her to work and when it came to property issues he was the sole decision maker.

Babra’s situation started changing when she was identified as one of the affected women under the project. She underwent training together with her husband and that time to date Babra now has peace in her home. The husband totally transformed. He permitted her to work and now the sit together and discuss issues pertaining to their home including property issues and make joint decisions rather than before where decisions were only taken by the husband.

Below on the left is Babra at her shop with Margret the project contact person and on the right her in sugar cane and maize plantation another project she recently started out of the proceeds she got from the shop.

Mutesi Aisha’s brief story

Aisha is a resident of Luwanula village, Mayuge District. She was married but separated with the husband. While they were still together with the husband, they accumulated properties
together including land which he sold off without her permission and knowledge. Her husband’s actions left her financially incapacitated and yet at the point of separation he left her with their children that she had to solely look after.

Aisha was eventually identified as one of the project beneficiaries and having received support under the project, her life and financial situation started improving. She now has two projects she is running, she started with a business in selling fish from which she managed to buy a plot of land where she plans to construct her home and leave the one where the husband left her because he does not want her there and she is not ready to get into more property struggles with him. Out of the fish business she has also managed get into sugarcane growing. Below on the left is Aisha at her home and on the right is her sugarcane plantation.

Nabirye Dina’s brief story

Dina is a resident of Bwiwula village, Mayuge District. She is married with children. She is one of the project beneficiaries. Before she was identified as a beneficiary, her husband was chasing her out of the matrimonial home and she had no idea what to do. After being identified and trained on her property rights she assertively told the husband that she going nowhere because it was her right to remain in that home. From the financial support she received
under the project, she started venturing in a brick making business and sugarcane growing. She says that her life has greatly changed and is now at peace because the husband stopped chasing her out of the home and is supporting her in her projects. Below on the left is Dina at home where she does her brick making business and on the right is her sugarcane plantation.

Nseko Babirye Joyce’s brief story

Joyce is a resident of Bufuula village, Jinja District. She was married with children but is now living separately with the husband who abandoned their matrimonial home years ago. Before he abandoned the home he was the sole decision maker when it came to issues of property in the home. Besides that he assured her that she will be astonished the day she gets to know the content of his will. From the husbands conduct, Joyce knew she was financially doomed. However her hope started to raise when she was identified as one of the project beneficiaries. From the financial support she with a poultry business which eventually closed off and used
the proceeds to start passion fruit and tomato growing. Below on the left is Joyce in her passion fruit plantation and on the right in her tomato plantation.

Nali Prossy’s brief story

Prossy is a resident of Bufuula village, Jinja District. She is married with children. They have on several occasions engaged in agricultural projects with the husband but in most cases she has not been benefiting from these projects yet she puts in a lot of time, energy and effort. One of the most disappointing experience she shared was when they ventured into passion fruit growing and she indeed put in her all thinking that her and her children were going to benefit from the proceeds. Little did she know that all her efforts were in vein. When the passion fruits were harvested and sold by the husband he went and used the proceeds to marry another wife. At the point when she was identified as a project beneficiary her emotions were therefore so high as a result of the husband’s actions. With her empowerment and
involvement of her husband in the project activities, the situation is gradually changing as the husband has been able to appreciate that his actions were violating her economic and property rights. From the support she received from the project she has continued to venture into passion fruit growing and she is now confident and sure she will benefit from her efforts as a result of the changes she has already observed in her husband. Below is Prossy in her passion fruit plantation and her bed of seedlings.

Nalubowa Fatuma’s story

Fatuma is a resident of Ivunamba, Jinja District. Before she was identified as a project beneficiary she had experienced property struggles in the family which left her and the children in a very sorry financial state. Since she received support under the project she works tirelessly to improve her economic status and wellbeing. She is now involved in multiple projects which are progressing fairly well and yielding commendable results so far for example she managed to roof her house which was in a terrible state out of the proceed. She is involved in brick making, charcoal and firewood selling. Below is Fatuma at home where she does brick making.
Takuwa Teopista and Nabukwasi Mary

Teopista and Mary who are residents of Bufuula and Bugala respectively in Jinja district also have stories that are not very different from those shared above. Out of the support received from the project they are slowly by slowly attempting to overcome the property and economic injustices initially committed against them. They are venturing in pig rearing and are already realizing positive results and are very positive and confident they are yet to realize more results. Below on the left is Teopista and Mary on the right.