

ARUWE

Women in action against Climate Change



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Project summary

Action for Rural Women's Empowerment supports female farmers with food production while protecting the climate and forests. A key aspect of their work is securing **land rights for women**. This project combines different elements of ARUWE's work.

Arombo Charity Colodin

Participant of the eco-friendly stoves training and the joint community dialogues

“The recent dialogues on land rights have helped me realize that I need to claim back the land my mother left me. So recently I gained the courage to initiate a discussion about the land and my need to utilize it with my maternal uncles. Though they were still not in agreement with my decision I am happy that I was able to initiate the discussion, and I believe I will be able to gain access and control of that piece of land. I have also taken a step to discuss with my husband the need to plan to avail our four daughters with land just like he has done for the boys because they also have a right to own land.”

Achievements



ARUWE conducted a **survey** that found that a majority of the women are not in leadership positions, do not inherit land and have not received any training in environmental conversation or climate adaptation.



ARUWE conducted a **training for trainers (ToT) training** in the construction of energy efficient cooking stoves. The ToTs have subsequently continued to support other cooperative members to adopt the usage of these energy saving stoves at household level. This intervention has reached **320 people**.



ARUWE trained a core team of **25 community-trusted, vocal and knowledgeable ecofeminist activists** on capacity building and mentorship on issues like climate change adaptation and best agronomic practices. In turn, they conducted **4 community awareness campaigns** across the Jupangira sub county.



To change mindsets, ARUWE spread their message through different platforms such as the **local FM Radio**. As well as spreading T-shirt and posters displaying information on the dangers of cutting down trees.



ARUWE conducted virtual planning and **sharing forums** with other stakeholders and environmental actors in the Nebbi District, for increased **knowledge sharing** and replication of best practices.



A **documentary** highlighting the impact of the project interventions on the lives of the women in Nebbi district was made.