Uganda Regional Pastoral Livelihoods Resilience Project

Good Practice: Cross border Conflict Mitigation

DESCRIPTION OF GOOD PRACTICE

Conflict is a common occurrence among pastoral communities due to natural resource sharing like pastures and water. During the last three years of project implementation, conflict resolution and peace building has been addressed through cross border conflict platforms. It is shown that the level of conflict due to natural resource sharing has reduced and latent conflict is curbed before they emerge. A case in point is the peace dialogues on cross border animal movement from west pokot in Kenya and Amudat to Kween district in search of water and pasture.



LEVEL OF ADOPTION AND USE

Through this intervention, Kween and Amudat districts have been able to liase with the government of west pokot county to demarcate animal stock routes and conduct joint vaccination programmes against transboundary diseases reaching 10,000 Head of cattle with CPP, PPR and FMD vaccination. This has reduced conflicts originating from access to natural resources like water and pasture.

For the last two years that these dialogues have been conducted, no conflicts have been registered related to access to pasture and water unlike in the past year where conflicts resulting from destruction of crops by livestock were registered in Ngenge and Kiriki Sub Counties in Kween district.

CRITICAL GAPS AND NEXT STEPS

- ☐ Limited participation of major coordinating organs like CEWARN and CEWERU.
- ☐ Some conflicts twist from civil to criminal which sometimes may require the intervention of law and order organs that need time to execute their mandate.



Community resolving land conflict in the pastoral communities

SCALING/REPLICATION STRATEGY

This practice of conflict resolution has been found useful in solving seasonal related conflicts, land conflicts and demarcating stock routes. This is planned to be replicated in non cross border communities like in Teso region where similar conflicts due to sharing of resources and land are common.

BENEFICIARIES

- Communities sharing country borders and experience movement of animals in search of water and pasture.
- Local leaders



Authorized livestock crossing to Kween district from west pokot through demarcated stock routes in search for pasture and water.



Kween district DCPMR and Sub county CPMR on a peace meeting on demarcation of Livestock stock routes in preparation for influx of livestock from neighboring districts.

KEY PARTNERS FOR SCALING

- IGAD (CEWARN and CEWERU)
- RPLRP
- West Pokot County Government
- Kween District CPMR
- Amudat District CPMR







