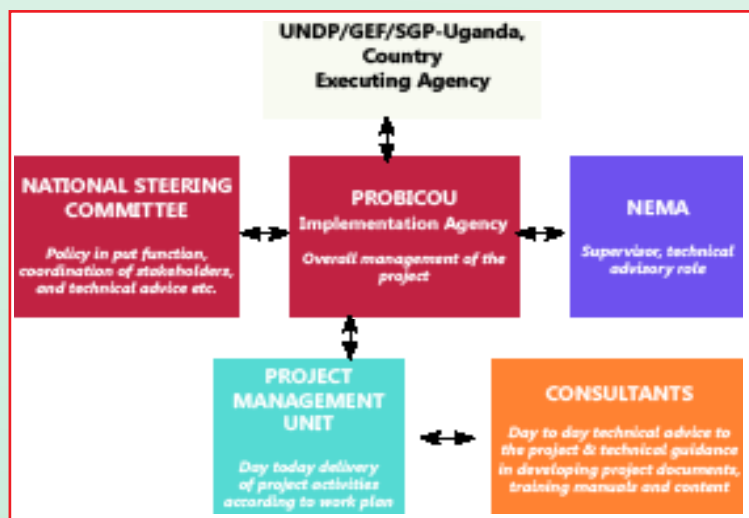


COLLABORATING PARTNERS

- Occupational Safety and Health Department, Ministry of Gender, Labour and Social Development
- United Nations Development Programme (GEF) Small Grants Programme-Uganda
- International Labour Organization (International) Project on Elimination of Child labour)
- National Environment Management Authority (NEMA)
- Department of Crop Protection Ministry of Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries.
- Department of Public Health, Ministry of Health
- Rural Development Media Communications (RUDMEC)
- National Organization of Trade Unions (NOTU)
- National Union of Plantation and Agricultural Workers (NUPAWU)
- The Federation of Uganda Employers (FUE)

PROJECT MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE



ABOUT THE IMPLEMENTING ORGANIZATION

The organization was established in 1999 and registered in November 2000 under the Non-governmental organizations registration Statute 1998. It was incorporated on 14th December 2007, under the Companies act, Laws of Uganda as a public limited Company. The mission of PROBICOU is "To conserve biodiversity by promoting sustainable development through shared responsibility and networking." The organization is committed to improve community livelihoods and sustainable utilization of natural resources. Its main programmes of work include: biodiversity conservation, waste management and chemicals management.

The organisation is currently the NGO focal point for Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (SAICM) in Uganda, a member of National Steering committee on POPs in Uganda and a member of National Steering committee on Elimination of child Labour. The organization is also accredited by Global Environment Facility and is a partner to UNEP on mercury waste partnership area. For more information see: <http://www.probiodiversity.org>

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PRO-BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATIONISTS IN UGANDA (PROBICOU)

PROMOTING CHEMICAL SAFETY FOR CHILDREN AT WORK IN RURAL AGRICULTURAL COMMUNITIES



BACKGROUND

Pro-biodiversity conservationists in Uganda (PROBICOUG) and partners, in collaboration with the National Steering committee on Child Labour under the Ministry of Gender labour and Social Development, is implementing a 24 Month project aimed at promoting chemical safety for children at work in rural agricultural communities. This project is funded by strategic approach to International Chemicals Management (SAICM) Quick Start Program and executed by the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) – Uganda.

This project is an effort to put in place a minimal programme to prevent ill health arising from pesticides with particular focus on children at work in agricultural setting. The project focuses on: - developing an up-to-date information on chemicals in agriculture, their uses, the dangerous processes and end point discharges; developing manpower among the workers, employers and the general public for the dissemination of safety measures in use of toxic chemicals; and building a comprehensive public awareness and education on the alternatives to toxic chemicals and careful use when it is necessary to use them.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Development objective

- To eliminate incidence of ill health arising from exposure to agricultural chemicals among children in rural agricultural communities

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

- To train workers, workers' leaders, government officers and communities
- Develop a national inventory of dangerous

chemicals, dangerous processes and endpoint discharges

- Institutionalise chemical safety education in training programmes of the trade unions
- Raise awareness of workers, workers' leaders, and employers

PLANNED ACTIVITIES

- Conducting Training of trainers
- Developing a national inventory of dangerous chemicals
- Carrying out a survey of enterprises/plantation at national and district levels.
- Raising awareness of workers, workers' leaders, employers, communities and government officers on the safety measures in use of chemicals through courses, seminars and workshops.
- Conducting Seminars for policy makers, government officers, trade union officials, district officials, extension workers, farmers' representatives,



Stop hazardous child labour

- Producing and distributing Information, education and communication (IEC) materials.
- Developing, producing and broadcast video and audio materials for increased awareness.

OUTCOMES

- Leaders of Trade Unions, Employers and Government Officials aware of chemical safety issues.
- A developed inventory of dangerous chemicals dangerous processes and endpoint discharges
- Institutional capacity built in form of developed technical capabilities of existing institutions to implement chemical safety programmes.
- Increased awareness of workers, workers' leaders, employers, communities, and government officers on the safety measures in use of chemicals.

PROJECT COVERAGE

- Project expected to cover 20 Districts in Uganda
- Districts with plantation Agriculture (Tea, coffee, cotton, tobacco, and sugar cane growing) and where ILO /IPEC Project Operates; These include;-
- Rakai , Wakiso, Bushenyi, Kabarole, Mukono, Kanungu, Jinja, Mukono, Masindi , Rwengo, Masaka, Mubende, Mbale, Rukungyiri, Kiboga, Gulu, Kitgum, Lira, Pallisa, and Arua.