



Overview of main development results in Uganda in 2013

Summary Multi Annual Strategic Plan (MASP)

The bilateral programme of the Netherlands focuses on inclusive economic growth in Uganda by implementing a transition agenda ('from aid to trade') which is well aligned to Uganda's National Development Plan. Interventions by the embassy are focussing on two priorities: the rule of law, as an overall political and legal framework for inclusive growth, and food security, as a stepping stone to sustained economic cooperation. Within both priorities the embassy combines the promotion of Dutch expertise, technology and investment with a market development approach. The embassy joins with other Dutch embassies in the Great Lakes region to share its experience with and develop its commercial approach to food security.

Priority themes

- Security and rule of law
- Food security

Embassy contribution to changes at country level

- Support to the multi-donor Justice and Law and Order (JLOS) programme enhanced access to rule of law services: 35% of districts now have a full array of front-line services. There were over 43,000 police in 2013, compared to 15,000 in 2003.
- Some 350,000 Ugandans benefited directly from embassy-supported activities (meetings/workshops, legal aid services, training sessions) of the Democratic Governance Facility. The DGF spread to almost all districts, with much more visibility for it and its strategic partners.
- Through embassy support to the multi-donor DGF, transparency is on track (with a higher transparency index and strong oversight by the Auditor General), but accountability has not increased enough (no improvement on the corruption index).
- In 2013 the food security programme benefited 25,000 farmers (30-40% women) in areas with more poor people. It produced an extra 7,345 mt in cereal equivalents, feeding 37,000 more people a year or yielding €1 mln in extra income, and strengthened capacity to adapt to climate change.
- Facilitated investment by Rabo Development in DFCU Bank, supporting its financial inclusion strategy for savings, agri-lending and women in business, linked to Dutch Good Growth Fund (DGGF) part 2. New support is being planned to next-generation micro-finance and training/advocacy for agri-finance.
- Support to TradeMark East Africa is cutting time and costs of cross-border trade by modernising border posts, deregulating/automating customs and introducing electronic cargo tracking. Facilitated Dutch VEKA Group's plans to build a shipyard and container barge for intra-EAC trade on Lake Victoria.

Clarifications of results achieved

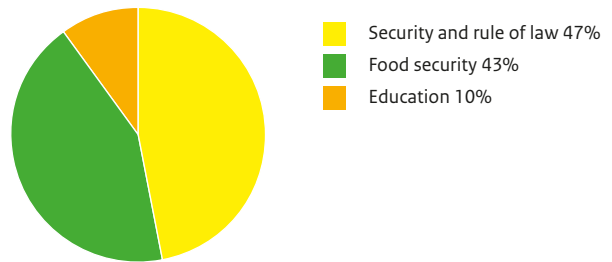
Progress in governance and the rule of law at national level is limited. With elections due in 2016, faster progress is not expected. Transition from aid to trade/investment is taking off and headed in the right direction. Landlocked Uganda, with its access to 150 million consumers in the region, is a hub between East African economic powerhouses and emerging consumer markets in the Great Lakes Region and South Sudan. But business corruption and weak legal infrastructure hampers investment.

Implications for planning

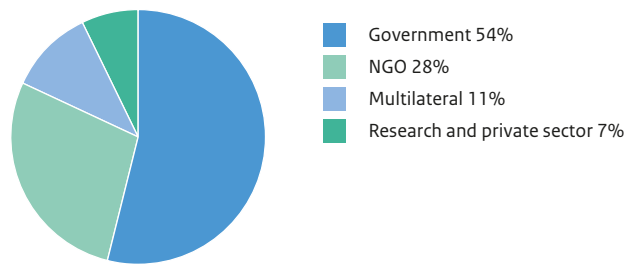
For food security and economic cooperation, the embassy is targeting support to agri-finance, pooled funding for investment climate, links to DGGF, and activities in the Great Lakes Region. Planning and possible new directions for JLOS will depend on political developments. Dutch support to public institutions is suspended due to anti-homosexuality bill.

Expenditures 2013 per theme

Total expenditure Embassy € 27,195,000



Expenditures 2013 per channel



Developments in Uganda

- On track
- Progress, but not on track
- No progress

- Increased trust in the political process by different groups and citizens ■
- Public perception of improvement in the quality and quantity of basic government services ■
- Greater public satisfaction with service delivery in the rule of law sector ■
- Substantially lower percentage of the Ugandan population below the poverty line ■
- More people with access to (higher) agricultural loans ■
- A sharp increase in the value of Ugandan exports to the East African Community, DRC and Sudan ■