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# A MESSAGE FROM OUR COUNTRY DIRECTOR

Dear partners, supporters, and colleagues,

Warm greetings from WaterAid Tanzania

As you might recall, we launched our [2023-2028 Country Programme Strategy](#) in June 2023, celebrating 40 years of our work in Tanzania. I want to remind you that all this would not have been possible without your support over the years, be it financial or technical and that we are very grateful for it.



WaterAid Tanzania (WAT) has consistently focused on strengthening the systems that keep taps running, and toilets working and make good hygiene habits a normal part of everyday life in Tanzania

With our feet on the pedal, marching towards the implementation of what we have strategized. I am once again requesting your support for our goal to reach everyone, everywhere with clean water, proper sanitation, and improved hygiene to remain valid to the people we serve.

Thank you.

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## Joy and happiness to 2,000 community members at Kideleko ward as they receive a water dam

Bound to reach 2,000 people of the community living in peri-urban to access consistent clean and safe water service through the improved techniques. The Kwamaizi Dam Water Supply Project was implemented by RUWASA, WaterAid with support from the Ministry of Water and operated by a Water Utility Handeni Trunk Main (HTM) as national authorities' guidance. The objective of this project is to improve health and reduce poverty of the population living in the village through improved and sustained access to reliable, adequate, safe, and affordable water and sanitation services.



The project further formulated the Women WASH group of 24 women which will continue to work as key ambassadors for governing the ecological management and dam conservation for sustainability. This women's WASH group is recognized as a champion of WASH and will work with government-authorized entities towards the sustainable promotion of water and sanitation security and safety. A training handbook was developed to guide the training session and as reference material. These books were distributed to each member after the training covering topics such as safe sanitation and hygiene practices, sanitation marketing, business management, and communication skills. [Watch a short documentary voicing the women WASH group](#)





The dam construction also included the installation of a water filtration unit to support the provision of safe and clean water to the community. In this, the construction of combined water filters was done to support the water purification in the project scheme. The combined filtration includes a slow sand filter which works on removing a high level of turbidity before water collection in the underground sump well toward pumping to the storage tank for supply.

Graced by the presence of the Deputy Minister for Water, Hon. Maryprisca Mahundi and our project donors Serengeti Breweries Limited, a half-day event of the official project handing over from WaterAid to Handeni Trunk Main Water Utility (HTM) took place at the dam and the completed project handing-over session included all partners' who were involved in working on this project, community leaders and government officials.

During the event, some of the key official actions included signing of Handing Over documents and handing over all the project materials and items related to the operationalization of the project which indicated the legal shifting of all project-concerning matters to the Ministry of Water for Sustainable Services.

Through this project, water supply has increased access to safe, clean, and affordable water service from 38% to 43% in Handeni District the targeted community and reduced water fetching time and therefore increased production time in engagement in other productive activities. Read a [short article here](#)





## 11,000 people to profit from a WASH Project in Hanang district

Fully functioning WASH services are a crucial aspect of preventing infections in schools and healthcare facilities. Through funding from [The Church of Jesus Christ and Latter Days Saints](#), WaterAid Tanzania launched a project in Hanang District, Manyara region that is expected to reach 11,000 people through improved access to water, sanitation, and hygiene in two healthcare facilities (HCFs) and 1 primary school, and increase community capacity for WASH sustainability.



Through a project inception event that took place in Hanang district, the District Commissioner officiated the project implementation and thanked WaterAid for its continued support at Hanang District and Manyara region as this is the 22nd project that will be implemented in the region through WaterAid Tanzania with support from different donors since 1998.

During the inception meeting that was also attended by local government authorities, this full-day event included the designing of the project, group work sessions and safeguarding training. This project is expected to be implemented in the course of one (1) year and later on, handed over to the local government authority for operations and maintenance.





## Behavioural Adaptation for Water Security and Inclusion (BASIN) project kickstarts

Climate action demands evidence that responds to the priorities of decision-makers and other users in ways they can directly apply. A three (3) year (2023-2026) Behavioural Adaptation for Water Security and Inclusion project kickstarted in the Manyara region through funds from [UKAid](#) and the [International Research Development Centre \(IRDC\)](#). The project is a consortium initiative working towards the realization of potential measures of influencing positive adaptive behaviours of climate change reliance to sustainable WASH interventions in the country.

The project entails learning and informing relevant frameworks for system strengthening for adaptive behaviours to water security which will support the designing of sustainable climate change adaptive WASH investment for safe water security in the country. This project will examine adaptation behaviours and practices to identify insights and practical actions that address intersectional concerns that can be implemented at scale. The potential of behavioural and psychological sciences on adaptation to promote inclusive water security for the most vulnerable.



The kickstarting of this project included revisiting previous climate change-oriented projects in Babati district, Manyara region to collect case stories and lessons learnt, followed by introducing the new project to the local government authorities as well as conducting a safeguarding session. [Learn about the project here](#)





# Behaviour change Supernudge training implementation in 15 intervention schools

Hand hygiene is a critical component of infection prevention and control in all settings, including schools. Nudges play a crucial role in behaviour change because they are subtle, non-coercive interventions designed to influence people's choices and actions in a predictable way. WaterAid Tanzania in Partnership with the Government of Tanzania and local partner organizations with funding from the Japanese International Corporation Agency (JICA) launched a WASH and hygiene behaviour change program in schools and healthcare facilities in the Kisarawe district with an aim to improve hand hygiene practices contributing to reducing the spread of WASH borne.

The project aims to strengthen the service delivery by ensuring access to inclusive WASH facilities as well as to improve hand hygiene behaviours of school students, teachers and other staff through the implementation of Supernudge intervention.



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The one-day training was conducted at Kisarawe district hall, 28 teachers attended the training with 7 district officials from health and education. The session was officiated by the District Education Officer Mrs. Khadija Mwinuka. The objective of this training was to take the teachers through the overall Supernudge details including the creation of the Supernudge, how and when to implement the Supernudge at what frequency and how to reduce cross-contamination and handover the Supernudge implementation materials and demonstrate how they are going to be used. The nudges included audio jingles for students to sing each day every day in the classroom or assembly and a video jingle once every week to facilitate hygiene behaviour change.



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# Our participation in the Zanzibar Mini delivery lab conference

The Zanzibar Water Investment Programme aims to mobilise over USD 665.5million between 2022 - 2027 towards securing a clean and sustainable water supply for the island's population and fast-growing economy. WAT participated in the Zanzibar Mini-Delivery Lab conference in Zanzibar where we facilitated the session on Capacity building options for Water Utilities in East Africa.

Twining program between Emerging Water Utilities in Africa and Successful ones in the developed world. WAT had an opportunity to present the [Cities of Tomorrow project](#) and [Small towns' sanitation](#) was used as a case study on capacity-building options that were successfully implemented in collaboration with utilities and highlighted about approach, what worked well and lessons for scaling up in Zanzibar as the MoW is set to fast track its water sector commitments.

Through partnerships with Zanzibar, and knowledge sharing to changing systems and institutional capacity, we are seeing a step change in playing our critical role of system strengthening in delivering and achieving long-term sustainable change beyond our geographical areas.

Since the launching of [The Zanzibar Water Investment Program \(ZanWIP\)](#) which brought honour to Zanzibar for being the first country in Africa to domesticate the [AU-AIP initiative](#), the President has been at the forefront of supporting the delivery of the Zan-WIP working closely with partners, through which several investment interventions have so far been recorded in the sector.



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## Phase II Research in Tanzania

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Achieving universal access to adequate, sustainable and equitable sanitation and hygiene services in the Cities of Tomorrow.

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## Small towns learning series Summary

July 2020



Enlish Ayana, waste collector in Finote Selam



### Introduction

Small towns and secondary cities contain half of the urban population worldwide, but receive much less political attention and funding than large cities. Their growth isn't matched by access to basic services, and sanitation in particular lags behind. Moreover, public sector capacity is typically low in these towns and unclear mandates, limited financing and complex technological solutions compound the issues.

For these reasons, WaterAid has chosen in the Urban framework to focus increasingly on small towns for programmatic and advocacy work. As sanitation is often poorly developed, we wanted to reflect on the lessons from three recent projects conducted by WaterAid, in order to inform further programmes.

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The Revolutionary Government of Zanzibar

## Zanzibar Water Investment Programme 2022 - 2027

Supporting the implementation of the Zanzibar Development Vision 2050 towards achieving blue economy



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## Safeguarding refresher training

At WaterAid, it is believed that we can unlock people's potential with clean water, decent toilets and good hygiene and through our work, we encounter some of the world's most vulnerable and marginalized communities, where a commitment to safeguarding all individuals is paramount.

Knowing the importance of this, the WaterAid Tanzania Safeguarding focal person conducted a refresher training for WAT staff in regard to safeguarding. In this session, staff revisited what can be classified as a safeguarding issue at WaterAid, the 'do no harm' remit, safeguarding reporting mechanisms, safer programming and case study/scenario discussions. [Learn more about how we practice safeguarding at WaterAid here](#)



## Our publication of the quarter

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It is 40 years of hard work and dedication for WaterAid Tanzania, and it speaks more of relentless pledges to redress WASH (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene) services from the centralized to decentralized levels to achieve a shared vision of having clean water, decent toilets and good hygiene for everyone, everywhere.

40 years of jubilation of WaterAid culminated with improved access to affordable wastewater management systems for unplanned urb efficient management systems and proper WASH services and systems in Healthcare facilities to facilitate better health services with dignity. Read more on special supplements on our 40-year achievements in Tanzania and the direction of our new strategy here in [English](#) and [Swahili](#).





## Our next edition, stay tuned.....

- WaterAid Tanzania forum at Tanzania Health Summit
- WaterAid Tanzania at Adaptation Futures Conference in Canada
- Our Global Handwashing Day commemoration at Jangwani Secondary School
- World Toilet day commemoration
- Global Advocacy team meeting in Tanzania
- National level engagements and knowledge sharing
- WaterAid America and UK visit in Tanzania
- Accelerate Cohort 14 in Tanzania
- Meet WaterAid Tanzania Team

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