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EFFECTIVE WATER QUALITY MONITORING IN THE DEVELOPING WORLD: A CASE OF NWSC.



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# PRESENATION OUTLINE

# Introduction

- The Case for NWSC Uganda
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  - -Water quality Monitoring Plan
  - -Success Factors
  - -Challenges



# INTRODUCTION



- Water for domestic purpose should be free from any harmful chemicals or micro-organisms that could be hazardous to human health
- WQMP In drinking water supply utilities its an essential tool for ensuring safe supply of domestic water to customers

**International Organization for Standardization (ISO)**: The Programmed process of sampling, measurement and subsequent recording of various water characteristics with the aim of assessing conformity to specified objectives

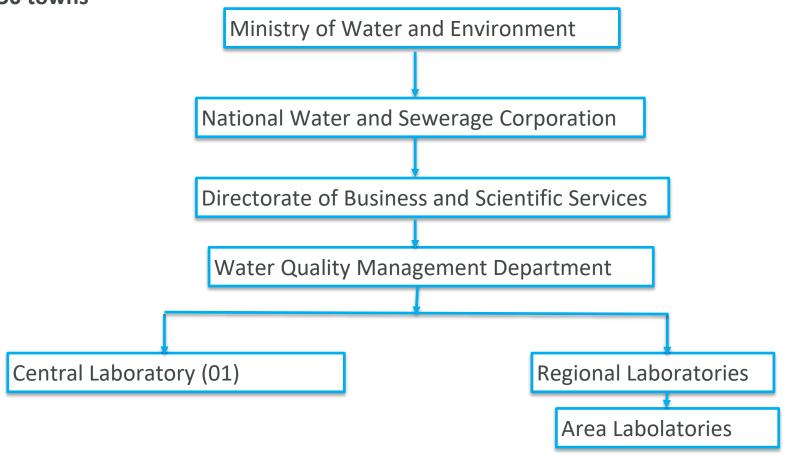
# INTRODUCTION CONTINUED



- A number of developing countries have not been able to achieve comprehensive water quality monitoring
- Common Issues Lack of financial resources, inadequate technical capacities, and poor institutional policies.
- The lack of it remains a major reason for a number of water related health problems arising from water utilities.

# THE CASE OF NWSC UGANDA

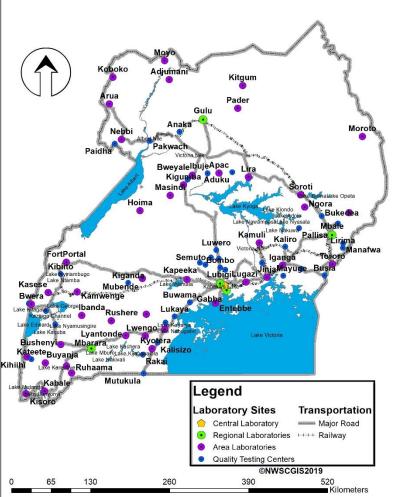
NWSC, is a Public Corporation fully owned by the Government of Uganda, mandated to provide water and sewerage services in Areas under its jurisdiction. Now in over 250 towns



### WATER QUALITY FOOT PRINT

Class	Description (Total of 72 Labs)
	<mark>01 No Central Laboratory</mark> , Handles
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С	48 No. Areas Labs (14 Central, 16
-	N&NE, 18 W&SW)
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	N&NE, 04 W&SW)

#### NWSC WATER QUALITY TESTING FOOTPRINT ACROSS THE COUNTRY







Available Resources















### Monitoring the Water Supply Network







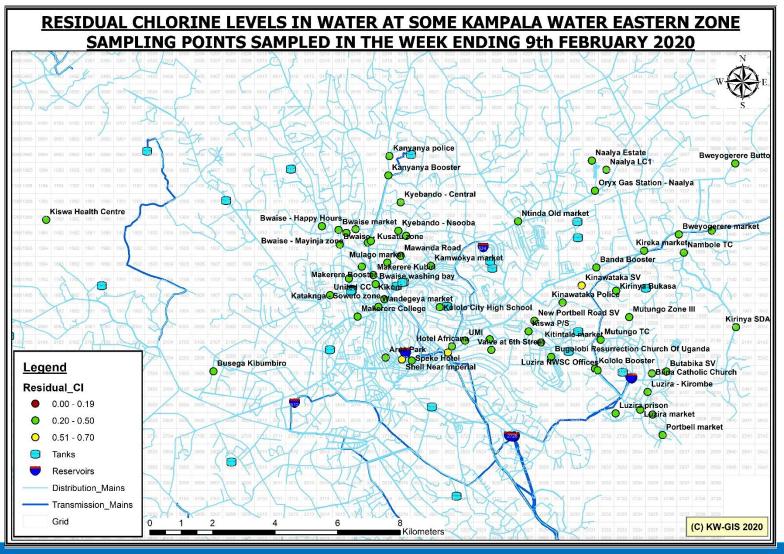
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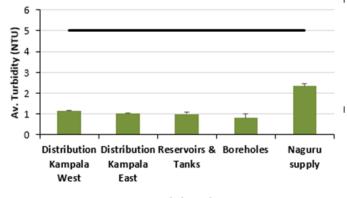
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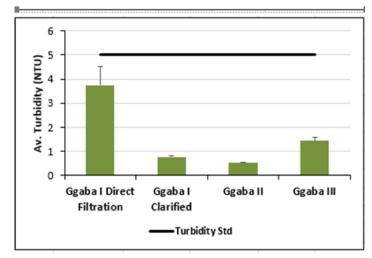
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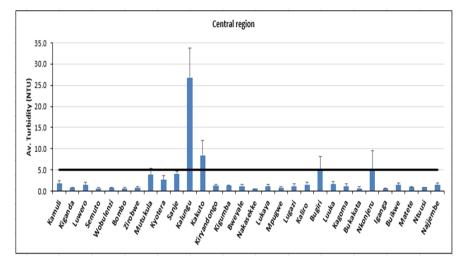












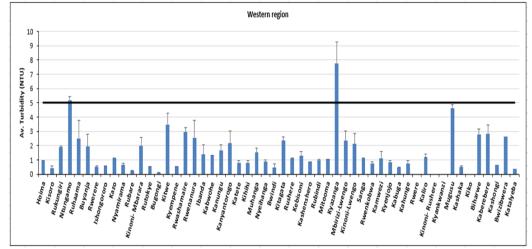


Figure 3b. Average Turbidity for water in distribution for Central and West/South Western Region for July – September 2019, CTP BH – Borehole

# SUCCESS FACTORS FOR NWSC WQMP

#### **NWSC Management support**

- Funding of WQMD budget (over 540,000 dollars per year)
- Well equipped Labs
- Adequate and Competent staff
- Continuous training of staff with Updated technologies

#### **External Services offered and Income generated**

- Central Lab testing and consultancies generates over 180,000 dollars per year
  Innovations to ease work and resolve issues
- Use of social Media platforms (watsup)
- Closed User Group
- Rapid Response teams to handle customer complaints
- Manual Chlorine dosing systems

#### **Reliability of Results**

- Accreditation of Central Lab testing and Gaba Labs
- Proficient tests internal and External (Nam water)
- Audits (Internal and External)

#### **Collaborations with stakeholders**

- Collaborations with MWE, UNBS, Private Labs, Government Labs for Joint monitoring and audits of the water supply system.
- Accountable to the public (Toll free calls, publishing weekly WQM results on website, customer survey and engagements)

### CHALLENGES

#### Vandalism or destruction of installments

• Reservoirs covers, critical control points

#### Inaccessible sampling points

- Points covered by construction works
- Hard to reach Areas due to seasonal changes

Beauracracy in procurement that delays servicing of equipment





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