



BOU Deputy Governor Dr. Louis A. Kasekende (3rd Left), BOU Secretary (Front Right), Susan Kanyemibwa, MP Itungo Nathan (2nd Left), CAO Kweyamba Ruhemba (2nd Right) and District Chairperson Rtd. Capt. JB Tumusiime (Front - Left) at the official handover of Bwizibwera HCIV Facilities and Equipments.

BANK OF UGANDA DONATES TO BWIZIBWERA HEALTH CENTRE 1V

On May 24, 2019 Bank of Uganda under its Corporate Social Responsibility initiative, handed over the renovated Health Facility, medical equipment and supplies of the Maternal and Child Healthcare Unit to Bwizibwera Health Centre IV, Mbarara District, under the theme **“Maternal and Child Health Care for a Healthy Society”** a project started in 2016 when B.O.U was celebrating 50 years of existence.

The handover function was marked by a number of activities such as the inspection of the facility, planting of the memory tree, poems and skits.

B.O.U Secretary, Susan Kanyemibwa, pointed out that Health starts at personal level and as such we need to fulfill our individual health responsibilities and for those under our care; by eating good diet that can yield nutritional balance for our bodies, doing physical exercises and cleanliness. She thanked the Governor, Management and staff of Bank of Uganda, Ministry of Health, Mbarara District Team, Inspection Team and Joint Medical Stores team for their cooperation towards making this project a success.

The Bwizibwera HCIV in charge, Dr. Cranimer Mugasira promised that the staff are going to do their best in serving the community and other neighbouring Districts that use the facility.

Dr. Peter Ssebutinde, Mbarara District Health Officer, thanked B.O.U and other partners. He mentioned that the project has brought in place the blood bank which will play a role in reducing the infant mortality rate. He further pointed out that Out Patients Department (OPD) is in a bad condition, and surgical wards for both men and women are old and thus need renovation. He further mentioned that medical staff are few and lack housing facilities.

The Mbarara District RDC, Lt. Col James Mwesigye thanked B.O.U for the donation. He further thanked NRM, area MPs and CAO for the great work they are doing toward building the Nation.

Hon. Nathan Itungo, the area Member of Parliament in his address, thanked B.O.U for the donation extended to Bwizibwera HCIV. He pledged to provide solar system and fridges for the newly acquired blood bank. He encouraged the community to make use of the facility.

Dr. Louis Kasekende, Deputy Governor, Bank of Uganda, expressed his gratitude to the Mbarara District leadership, led by Hon. JB. Tumusiime Bamaturaki for their unwavering Support extended to the Bank of Uganda officers stationed at their branch in Mbarara.

“I request the administrators of this health facility to prudently manage it, safeguard the equipment so that it can be used by the community for a long period. I now have the pleasure to formally handover the equipment, supplies and rehabilitated Bwizibwera Maternal and Child Health Unit to the District leadership and the community “Said Dr. Louis Kasekende.

LCV Chairperson, Hon. JB. Tumusiime Bamaturaki gave a vote of thanks to B.O.U and introduced other District leaders.

The donation to Bwizibwera Health Centre IV comprised of the following items;

	ITEMS	QUANTITY
A	MEDICAL EQUIPMENT	
1	Delivery beds	3
2	Electric Infant Warmer	1
3	Electric Sterilizer (Autoclave) 64 Lit	1
4	Electric Suction Pump	1
5	Bacteria Filter for Electric Suction Pump (disposal)	50
6	Electric Oxygen Concentrator 525KS-DF	1
7	Oxygen Cylinder and resuscitation apparatus	1
8	Foetal Doppler	1
9	Gel (5 Litres)	1
10	Delivery Instrument Set	2
11	Waste Disposal Bin 50L (brown, black, yellow and	4

	red)	
12	Adult Mattress with PVC Cover	12
13	Pediatric Beds	18
14	Pediatric Mattress with PVC Cover	18
15	Neonatal Bed	1
16	Patient Monitor Multi-parameter Mindray	1
17	Drip stand s/s on castors	20
18	Medicine Trolley 3 Shelves	1
B	WORKS	
1	Expansion and the Renovation of the Maternity Ward, MNCAH Building and the Theatre.	
2	Water System for rain water harvest by providing water tanks, piping and slab construction.	
3	Construction of outdoor bathrooms and pit latrines.	
4	Solar System and wiring to power the ward, the blood bank fridge and regents fridge.	
C	TREES	
	Planted various trees (shade, fruit and hedge) in the facility.	