



JICA's volunteer program (JOCV Program; Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteers) is one of Japan's technical cooperation schemes operated as part of its Official Development Assistance (ODA) As of 1st January, 29 JOCVs are currently doing the voluntary service in Uganda.

The TIVOU celebrate IVD 2022

The national and International Volunteer Organizations in Uganda (TIVOU) celebrated the International Volunteer Day (5 December, 2022) under the theme 'Together, Act Now', by donating sanitary and medical, food items to Home of Hope, a home for children with disabilities, in Jinja.

JICA Senior Representative, Mr. FUKUHARA Ichiro, on behalf of appreciated Home of Hope and its manager Ms. Edith Lukabwe aka Mama Edith and efforts in caring for children



Welcome to be a member of JICA family!

Ms. KATO Yuki (Environmental Education, UWEC), Ms. WATANABE Kana (Primary School Education, Wanyange P.S.), Ms. YAMAMOTO Megumi (Nursing, Mukono DHO), three JOCVs arrived in Uganda on 10th Nov.

They finished in-country training including local language training and a courtesy call at MoFA. During 2 years' volunteering period in Uganda, they will support the host organization's activity apart of community with a spirit of "Live together and work together"



Mid Term presentation by 5 JOCVs on 2nd Dec.

Mr. HAMAMITS Naoto (Environmental Education), Shimada Taku (Veterinary Medicine), Mr. SAKAI Makoto (Physical Education), Ms. ODA Yuka (Primary Education), Ms. YOKOYAMA Honoka (Science Education) and Ms. ARAI Atsuko (Physical Education) presented their Mid Term report on 2nd December after one year passed since their arrival to Uganda. The first year was not easy but all of them made a good work!!!



Cultural exchange event in Bulambuli and Kween

17 JICA volunteers held the cross-cultural event in Bulambuli and Kween, where they introduced Japanese culture and interacted with community members. JICA Atari Irrigation project is in progress and the community members consists of Ugandan and Pakistanis.

Volunteers conducted various activities, such as physical tests, ring toss game, wearing a yukata experience and quiz Japanese culture.



Masulita IBASHO Project walk together holding each other's hands.

In order to celebrate the International Volunteer's Day with the theme Solidarity through volunteering, JICA organized an event at Masulita Children's Village (MCV) in Wakiso District. More than 200 children, who are currently accommodated at the MCV from street, together with our 28 volunteers participated in sports and cultural activities!

"IBASHO" means a place where one belongs, so we hope all these children to have their own peaceful place soon.

