



TOWARDS A RECONCILED,
HARMONIOUS, DEVELOPED SOCIETY &
ECOSYSTEM

Who we are...

Founded in 2007, Peace and Development Foundation. Africa (PDF-Africa) has its offices on Plot 108 Acholi Road. It came out of the need to transform the culture of violence in the operation areas into that of non-violence and reconciliation, contribute to environmental conservation as a way of peaceful living with our surroundings and address Human-Animal conflicts that exist in areas near National Game Parks and Game reserves.

Our Vision: *"A Reconciled, Developed Harmonious Society and Ecosystem"*

Our Mission: *"Building Sustainable Peace through promoting a culture of Non-violence and Reconciliation"*

Principles: Empowerment, Participation, Gender equity, Conflict sensitivity, Non-Discrimination, Networking

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"The phrase peace and development brings out the zeal and encourages hard work towards the goal someday."

Mr. Richard Okwera,
PDF-A Program Officer

PDF- Africa's fields of work & projects

OPERATION AREAS

PDF-A has a national focus but has chosen to concentrate her initial activities in the districts of Amuru, Gulu and Nwoya within the Acholi sub-region for maximum resource utilization and creation of better impact. Priority focus is in Koro and Odek Sub-countries and the Municipality in Gulu district along with Koch Goma & Purongo Sub-counties plus the Town council in Amaru district. Schools program however, is not limited by geographical or administrative boundaries but extend to where the institutions are located. Currently two secondary schools in Amuru district, two in Nwoya and eight in Gulu district are engaged on our projects.



PEACE EDUCATION

With many dimensions of conflict emerging amidst us always, there is need to plant seeds of non-violence and reconciliation in schools. Education programs are very vital for the region in order to achieve peace and strengthen the society. PDF-Africa has as its core component peace education both formal and institutions of learning through established structures like school clubs/forums and in informal sub-country to district level Reconciliation & Peace Teams. One special target group in the informal setting is the LRA Youth Returnees. The priority is to have a community based reintegration package consisting of three main milestones:

1. Psychotherapy
2. Non-violence training & orientation
3. Community-based vocational skills training and practice.

PDF-A implemented four different vocational skills training in hair dressing, brick laying and concrete practice, tailoring/design, carpentry and joinery.

HUMAN-ANIMAL CONFLICT

While elephants are major economic assets in generating tourist revenue, crop raiding by elephants is a cause of increasing levels of conflict between local people and wildlife management strategies across Africa.

The elephant raids are responsible for loss and damage of people's livelihood but conventional methods for keeping elephants away from crops use mostly fortified boundaries, typically electric fences. These are expensive, difficult to maintain and have met with only limited success. Research needs to focus on alternative, low cost deterrent methods that can be managed and implemented by the farmers themselves.

To address this, PDF-A has designed a low-cost natural way of keeping away the elephants by fencing off settlements and farmland improved by Kenyan beehives. Research has established that elephants repel to bee-buzz. This on the other hand becomes a livelihood means to local people involved.

ENVIRONMENT & PEACE BUILDING

Since the Earth Summit in 1992, efforts are being undertaken to conserve biodiversity through forest preservation. However, rural communities in Uganda in general do not see tree plantings and forests' conservation as of significant importance and priority. Yet over 98% of the energy supply is derived from fuel wood and charcoal. This demand for wood fuel and open land continues to intensify with increase in population, anthropogenic activities and poverty as a result of over 21 years of armed conflict and violence, coupled with low conservation education and lack of integration of local population into environmental management. PDF-Africa with a Mobile Education Unit (MEU) will play a key role in building the understanding and involvement of the youth and the public at large in nature conservation, which is key to our future generation's survival.



"It belongs to the very substance of non-violence never to destroy or damage another person's feelings or worth, even an opponent's. We all need constantly, an advance of trust and affirmation."
Bernard Haring