

Project Update: August 2014

Greetings from Uganda. I am sorry for delaying to update you. We have started with our project in July 2014 because it's a dry season when people are more available during harvest time in rural areas. We have discovered that Nalutuntu village has many villages within it as we did a survey and sensitisation process. Thus, we decided that we begin with conservation of the remnant tree species owned by people on their respective pieces of land by educating them on the importance of these trees.

During that process we also discovered that its *Albizia* spp. (Nongo) and *Albizia coriaria* Welw. ex Oliv. (Mugavu), which can be preserved in many pieces of land with most farmers. But still they conserve Mugavu basically for good timber. We have not yet selected the households to train but we decided that those we met during the survey and sensitisation process are taught the importance of trees, so that they can conserve them but not for timber and charcoal burning.

We have also collected some seeds by gathering from the remnant small forest using local seed collectors.

