Uganda Completes Pilot Census Enumeration

Uganda will be conducting a Population and Housing Census in August 2012. In preparation for this, the Uganda Bureau of Statistics has completed enumeration for the Pilot Census in September 2011. The 10-day exercise was conducted in 246 Enumeration Areas distributed in 21 out of the 112 districts in the country.

A one week Training of trainers workshop was held for the District Focal Persons in the 21 District Pilot districts, beginning the first week of August 2011. Thereafter the focal persons recruited and trained a total of 12 Enumerators and 3 supervisors in their respective Districts. Field work commenced during the third week of August and lasted 10 days. The criteria for selection of the EAs was based on i) mountainous areas, ii) nomadic population/cattle corridor iii) islands, iv) refugee settlements, v) Newly created districts, vi) Border districts,

As part of the Pilot Census, a Pilot PES will be conducted in 30 Enumeration Areas, with the enumeration scheduled for mid-October. A debriefing meeting by field staff was held on 13th September, and scanning of the questionnaires is on-going. The final report is expected mid-December 2011.

The Census which is very comprehensive in content will collect information on Basic Personal Characteristics, Birth Registration, Parental survival, Disability, Education and Economic Activity, Fertility behaviour, Household Assets, Housing Conditions, ICT, Domestic Economy and Deaths in the Household.