

# Bugamba A. Village Water Source Iganga Township

**Project Proposal:** To provide protection to the village water source, which at present is totally unprotected. It is a spring that is stored in a concrete well type structure with only very poor protection from contamination. This water source serves a large local community on the outskirts of the town of Iganga.

The source from a distance showing the outflow of water



Close up showing crude barrier to stop animals entering the water for drinking



Mums and children lean through the barriers to retrieve water. This is not only dangerous with the risk of them falling in but further pollutes the water

The daily queue for water.  
A protected source would provide unpolluted water, be easier to use, help to speed up the collection of water and end the long queues

**YES – We went in May 2006 and didn't we do well???**



**May 2006** and a village Meeting is held to discuss with the people using the source what we want to do and why. Also to ask them to carry out village improvements in return for the cost of the proposed work.



The next day things have already started and the team are discussing how best to carry out the works.

Exposing the source and damming the outfall at the same time preparing to build the dam across the source.



48 hours later and we can see the completed and protected source and before leaving have an impromptu photo session to celebrate our success.

**Returning in March 2007** the Protected Water source continues to be well used and now many more people want to use the source because they are aware of the better quality water



Late in the afternoon after school has ended the queue of water containers gets longer and longer as more people join the queue for the protected water.



Around the actual pipe where the water pours from the source there is a crush of containers and people all keen to collect their water and carry it home. There is some sort of system in place to make things fair and when someone pushes in there is a loud noise of alarm from those being pushed back!



**£500 provides protected water to approximately 4000 people**