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**TITLE: Strengthening women' s land rights and security of tenure for all on customary land: *Implementing innovative and gendered land tools and approaches***

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## CHALLENGES

- 80% **customary land** tenure and largely unregistered.
- Men and women don't enjoy equal rights on customary land – *(inheritance, ownership, control)*
- Post conflict community – intensified land conflicts (boundary disputes, *encroachers/squatters*)
- Land grabbing – investors,

## SOLUTION

### **National Land Policy 2013 :**

- ✓ Establishment of a land registry system for the registration of land rights under customary tenure.
- ( Issuance of Certificates of customary ownership)*



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- Traditional/ conventional land rights registration methods are limited and failed to secure tenure at scale. Especially for the poor majority of whom are women.
- ✓ *Expensive*
- ✓ *Inaccessible*
- ✓ *Complicated*
- ✓ *Bureaucratic*



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## INNOVATIVE AND GENDERED LAND TOOLS AND APPROACHES

### 1. Social Tenure Domain Model (STDM)

✓ *A Pro-poor Land Recordation System*

### 2. Gender Evaluation Criteria

✓ *Matrix determining impact of process to both men and women*

### 3. Land mediation

✓ *Alternative dispute resolution*

## CRITICAL FACTORS

✓ Participatory/community managed

✓ Affordable

✓ Accessible

✓ Gender responsive

✓ Acceptable and adoptable

✓ Fast

✓ Easy/manageable



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## PROCESS;

- ✓ Community mobilisation and sensitisation
- ✓ Community Engagements on gender and women's land rights



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## PROCESS;

- Capacity building of land actors (*District land boards, Area Land Committees, sub county chief/recorder*)
- ✓ Roles and responsibilities
- ✓ Process of registration of customary land as provided by registration of titles act
- ✓ Customary land rights recordation using SDTM
- Data collection using GPS, tablets
- Customisation of SDTM for issuance of CCOs



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## **PROCESS;**

- ✓ Inclusive and participatory Land boundary mapping and data collection process
- ✓ Land dispute resolution – Alternative dispute resolution mechanisms (Mediation)
- ✓ –Data management for CCO issuance





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## ACHIEVEMENTS;

- ✓ Strengthened capacity of land administration actors
- ✓ Community led, Participatory and sustainable process
- ✓ Over 300 parcels mapped
- ✓ Average 65,167 Acres covered
- ✓ 6,851 beneficiaries (4,096 female and 2,755 male) to get CCOs
- ✓ Reduced land conflicts, (**15** identified, **14** resolved)



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## RECOMMENDATIONS

- Adopt Fit For Purpose land Administration to secure tenure at scale
- Standardization to allow use of different innovative and pro poor land rights data collection – integrate in NLIS.
- Promote Alternative dispute resolution mechanisms
- Community capacity building and participation is critical



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