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MISSION.**



**Name: OYET KENNETH**

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**1. Tell us a bit about yourself (doesn't need to be too personal)**

I'm a born of Tol polo village in padibe Town Council, Lamwo District in Northern Uganda. I currently stay in a nearby village just 1km away from home. I'm a local community leader at the village level, a peasant farmer, a businessman and a trainer of trainees in local seed business. I'm also a passionate tree grower.

**2. How has this reforestation project changed life in your community or for your family personally?**

As a family, their involvement in farming and tree growing, my children have been inspired by the acres of tree planted around my home.

As a community, I see many people are showing interest to plant trees because of the sensitization done by ISCOT. Many people in the community would hear on the surface about global warming. There is too much sunshine experienced these days compared to 10, 20 years back. So, the sensitization has given hope to people that's why they need to plant more trees



**3. What does planting trees mean to you personally, beyond just the work?**

First and foremost, it's my passion to plant trees because I got introduced to tree planting many years back.

I'm a seasoned farmer and one of the most worrying factors is unreliable rainfall. The weather has changed harshly over the few years. Therefore, tree planting has not only become a passion but a matter of life.

**4. Before the project started, what were some of the biggest challenges your community faced with the land or environment?**

These days, there is unreliable rains which is affecting farming seriously.

**5. What skills or opportunities have you gained from being part of this project?**

I have been receiving training from your onground partners ISCOT on good tree planting techniques and maintenance.

I have also received free tree seedlings which would have been a bit difficult to get at once in a short period of time.

**6. If you could share one message with the supporters of this project, what would you like to say to them?**

Being one of the village champions, I really appreciate our Supporters for the kind gesture to donate tree seedlings. I get many increasing demands for tree seedlings because now people are becoming aware of the advantages of tree planting, so, I request on their behalf for continued support for more Seedlings.