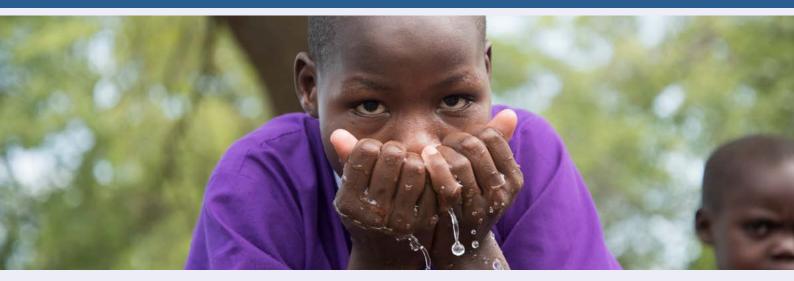
# THE NATIONAL BUDGET FRAMEWORK FY 2020/21 BUDGET BRIEF NO. 2020/4 (Source: National BFP FY2020/21 - 2024/25)

# INVESTING IN WATER AND ENVIRONMENT



#### NATIONAL SECTOR POLICY PRIORITIES

The water and environment sector contributes to the National Development Plan III through:

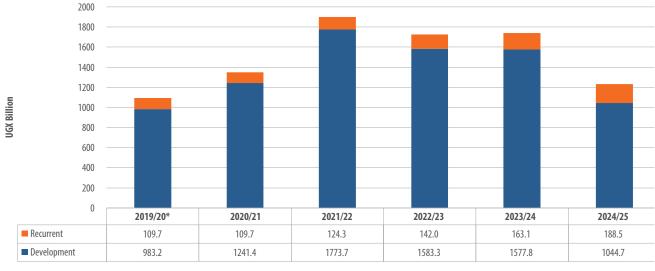
- Ensuring efficient management of water resources for hydro-power development, agricultural production and productivity, industrial development, tourism development and mitigation of climate and climate change effects
- Promoting national tree cover for increased household incomes through sustainable natural resource management, watershed management, adaptation and mitigation of climate and disaster risk
- Upgrading the national meteorological service to provide accurate and reliable weather information that will be crucial to the rest of the sectors of the economy
- Provision of adequate safe and clean water supplies as well as improved sanitation facilities.

#### FIGURE 1: FY 2020/21 SECTOR BUDGET SHARES



#### **KEY FACTS**

- Total nominal allocation projected to increase by about 24% from UGX 1,093 Billion in FY 2019/20 to UGX 1,351 Billion in FY 2020/21
- The water and environment sector accounts for 4.5% of the national budget (FY 2020/21).
- Given the infrastructure focus of the WASH sector, the development budget will account for about 92% of the total sector allocation.



#### FIGURE 2: SECTOR NOMINAL ALLOCATIONS (UGX BILLION)

2019/20\* - Refers to Approved Budget for FY 2019/20

#### The medium term sector policy objectives towards NDP III targets include:

- To increase provision of water for production through development of multi-purpose bulk water storage and supply systems with the involvement of all stakeholders as appropriate
- To increase water supply coverage in rural areas while ensuring equity through providing at least each village with one safe and clean water source and where technically feasible piped water options (gravity flow systems, solar pumped boreholes and surface treated systems) will be considered
- To promote improved sanitation services in rural and urban areas including the promotion of hand-washing with soap
- To increase water supplies and sewerage services in small towns, large towns, municipalities and cities focusing on the areas earmarked for industrial parks
- To improve water resources management to ensure adequate quantity and quality for the various uses focusing on compliance to existing laws and regulations on the use of the resources at all levels

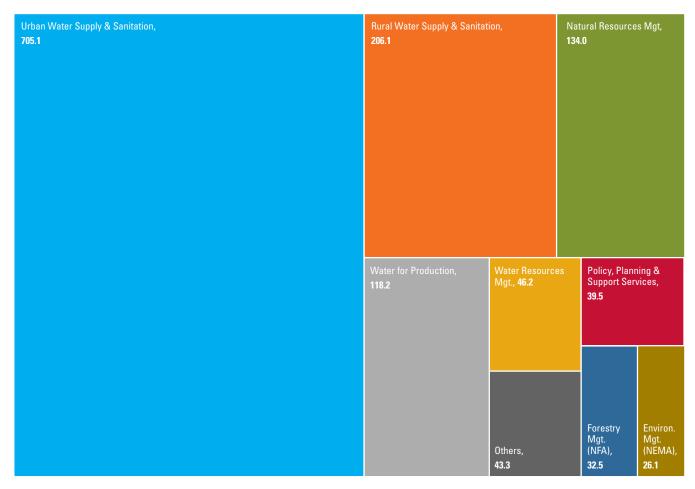
- To increase the sustainable use of the environment and natural resources through restoration and to maintain the hitherto degraded ecosystems and undertake massive nationwide tree planting.
- To promote the wise use of wetlands through implementation of approved management plans developed in a participatory manner
- To increase the functionality and usage of meteorological information to support sector specific early warning to combat the effects of climate change and disaster risks
- To develop sector capacity throughout all the institutions and support other stakeholders in the sector
- To review, develop and reform institutional frameworks, laws, policies and regulations to ensure fast and effective delivery of services

#### WHAT GOVERNMENT CAN LEVERAGE ON

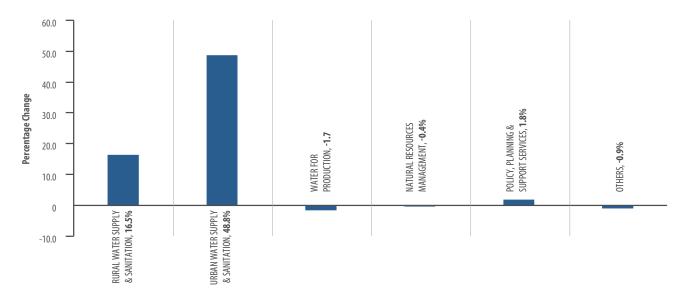
Uganda's water and environment sector is under intense pressure due to rapid population growth and refugee influx.

- Develop a clear financing strategy for sanitation across all relevant sectors and institute a government led approach in management of WASH country wide especially at the local government level to increase visibility and accountability for programs in the areas of hygiene and sanitation
- Balance between financing for soft and hard components of water infrastructure provision with clear indicators for maintenance, functionality and water user committees
- Address shortfalls in operational funding for local governments. This should address aspects like maintenance of water points and form basis for health and education sectors to roll out WASH initiatives

# FIGURE 3: PROGRAMME NOMINAL ALLOCATIONS FY 2020/21 (UGX BILLION)<sup>1</sup>



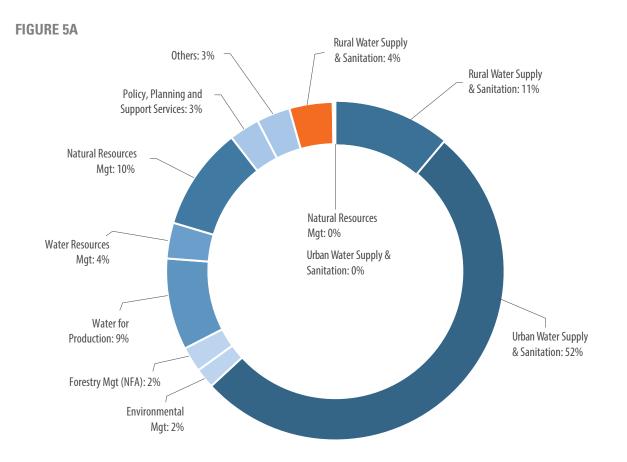
## FIGURE 4: PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN NOMINAL ALLOCATION BETWEEN FY 2019/20 AND 2020/21<sup>2</sup>



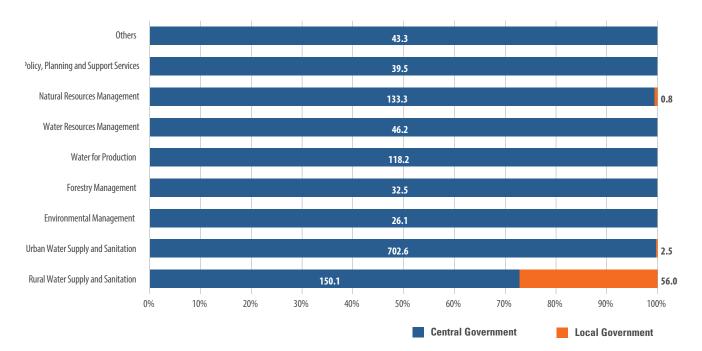
<sup>1</sup> Others\* Sanitation & Environmental Services; National Meteorological Services; Weather, Climate & Climate Change

<sup>2</sup> Programmes with no changes in budget allocations from the FY 2019/20 include; Environmental Management, Forestry Management and Water Resources Management

# **CENTRAL GOVERNMENT VS LOCAL GOVERNMENT ALLOCATIONS** BY ADMINISTRATION AND PROGRAMME FY 2020/21



## **FIGURE 5B**





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