

**EVALUATION OF THE EFFECTIVENESS OF FEEDER ROADS IN IMPROVING
HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN WAKISO DISTRICT
A CASE STUDY OF NAMAYUMBA SUB COUNTY**

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ABSTRACT

This study was guided by three specific objectives namely; to estimate the impact of feeder roads in improving household income, assess the challenges encountered in the feeder roads maintenance and explore the strategies to engage in improving the feeder roads in Wakiso District.

In data collection, the researcher adopted a cross section research design. Questionnaires were used for data collection. The population for the study comprised of household heads in villages of Namayumba Subcounty namely Bembe, Gobero, Luwano and Muguluka. A sample size of 60 respondents was used and a response of 50 was realised, representing 83% of the targeted sample size was realised. The analysis was carried out and the results indicated that participation by men was nearly thrice that of women and participation in the study was highest by individuals in the 31-40 years age group

Impacts of feeder roads were presented and discussed with sampled households and the results show improvement in transportation of produce to the market outlets, this was felt mainly in Gobero village (42%) relatively to the other villages and improved access to schools as a result of the feeder roads was highest in Gobero (32%) and lowest in Luwano (22%) and Muguluka (22%) villages.

In line with the results of the study, it can be concluded that the Rehabilitation and construction of feeder roads is a means to improving access to markets and basic social services (education and health). The results also underscore the importance of feeder roads promoting rural households income, access to and participation in markets.