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## TRIENNIAL ACTION PLAN 2019-2021

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## Acronyms and abbreviations :

**MAFOBA:** Mamas For Burundi Association.

**ASBL:** Non profit organization

**NGO:** Non Governmental Organization

**IT:** Board of Directors

**GA:** General Assembly

**SC:** Supervisory Committee

**ES:** Executive Secretariat

**IGA:** Income Generating Activities

**OSC:** Organization of Civil Society

**FGM:** Female Genital Mutilation

**SGBV:** Sexual and gender-based violence

**CEDAW:** Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women

**UN:** United Nations

**SRH:** Sexual and Reproductive Health



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## CHAPTER I. SUMMARY. E T PRESENTATION SYNTHESIS OF MAFOBA

MAFOBA is a sbl initiated in 2015 by Burundian girls and women, works for the promotion of socio-economic rights, peace, leadership, integration, socio-economic reintegration and social cohesion of predominantly rural communities. MAFOBA is approved by the Ministry of the Interior, Patriotic Training and Municipal Development by Ministerial Order **No. 530 / 1460DU29 / 10/2018**. It is part of the order of Burundian NGOs. Its target group is particularly women, girls and children in rural areas, victims of social inequalities and SGBV. MAFOBA is structured as follows : ONE AGA, One CS, One CA and One SE. The CA is the responsible body of MAFOBA, composed of six members namely ; a president, a vice-president, a financial affairs advisor (treasurer), a gender / dimension advisor, a campaign mobilization expert and the executive secretary, with no voting rights.

## CHAPTER II. STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK

### 1. BACKGROUND.

This Triennial Action Plan (2019 - 2021) MAFOBA is part of a work towards the fulfilment of its mission, its vision, its assigned objectives, its commitments and orientations that it wants to reach for the next three years as well as the major ones. C HALLENGES that it expected to raise and effort, determination and mobilization aur it needs to accomplish its task and to complete it. The drafting of this Action Plan is based on a collaborative work between the Bureau (Executive Secretariat) and the Board, and then adopted in plenary by the GA. It is also based on several exchanges with other partners in the field. Indeed, as action suggestion exercise was carried out by members of an MAFOBA and community leaders. In addition, a survey was launched from several population categories Burundian has different spheres (local authorities, community leaders and opinion, and other development actors and CSOs, girls and boys, women and men of all categories ...).

It is an approach that wants a constructive and participative with the objectives of the tender " Bell Sound Everyone, to get a global vision of the issues and challenges to be met and finally to report on the problem that the community perceived, but which could escape from MAFOBA. This information gathering has not only made it possible to prioritize actions and feed this three-year Action Plan (2019 -2021), but has also contributed to the ownership of projects by the beneficiaries and/or communities in a process. voluntary improvement of the living conditions of the population. In addition, this approach is also to stimulate the socioeconomic and cultural development of our community passing through certain values that we consider fundamental that are put forward by MAFOBA, added to those collected from these different categories of community members during of our evaluations, meetings, focus-group, exchanges, consultations, survey. This Triennial Action Plan (2019 - 2021) brings together a more comprehensive set of actions to be taken depending on the situations of the long armed conflicts which have had multiple negative effects on the economic and social life, thus destroying the person and upsetting socio-economic and cultural fabric of the population burundian in general and, in particular women, girls and children.



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MAFOBA has targeted as strategic priorities in the next three years (2019 - 2021) the following sections :

1. **EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL TRAINING** (Schooling of female children, construction and rehabilitation of school infrastructure, literacy of women and girls, apprenticeship of various professional occupations to women and girls victims of armed conflict ...)
2. **HEALTH** (Sexual and Reproductive Health : Prevention and fight against child marriage and early and forced unions ; awareness and training on the risks of unsafe and unsafe abortion and the prevention of unwanted pregnancies through modern methods of contraception ; Mother health - Children ; Education at puberty and the management of menstrual hygiene ...)
3. **CONOIC AND SOCIAL EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN AND THE EMERGENCE OF FEMALE LEADERSHIP** ( Restoration of livelihoods through agro-pastoral revival, economic activities and support of women's groups for socio-economic recovery contributing to the stabilization of community ; emergence of female leadership : Women's capacity building and the development of a culture of peace, u kind of democratic values for empowerment and good governance)
4. **THE ENVIRONMENT** (Water and sanitation ; combating deforestation, forest degradation and loss of biodiversity in Burundi's target provinces). With the self-determination of MAFOBA's Board, technically supported by its Executive Secretariat team, pledge to put the energy necessary for the effective implementation of this Plan of Action and with this shared and concerted, inclusive vision as well as the involvement of all stakeholders, results will be palpable.

## 2. PRIORITY SHUTTERS.

### 2.1. COMPONENT / EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL TRAINING.

#### **a) Brief justification :**

From an educational point of view, the 6 target provinces have a long history of disarticulation and disintegration of their social structures. Among the causes that would clearly explain this state of affairs, the unrest of rebellion and coups d'état are at the forefront, which have mourned Burundi for more than 30 years, is added the wave of armed and murderous violence that have torn the country from 1993 to the present, forcing the escape of populations en masse to neighboring countries, and thousands more in internal displacement at any time on the one hand and, some cultural considerations, the judgments of retrograde customary values which objectify the woman on the other hand.

This is justified by the growth of illiteracy and the low rate of schooling among women and girls. To date, Burundi still bears the legacy of these realities.

On the other hand, today the woman and the girl live like a nightmare, and there are still many vestiges of the past related to social slavery, many women and girls can not read or write because they did not go to school; therefore, they are often considered inferior to men, as well as customs and traditions that do not allow them to study as men.

In many provinces where our investigators have visited, the constant is always bitter. Daily practices mean that women or girls cannot participate in decisions made within the family,



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the tribal community, or the professional or even the administrative community. They are always excluded from socio-political actions, girls are not entitled to the inheritance of their parents or their husbands however, if the widow has remained with children especially boys, they are heirs of the property left by their father in contrast to girls, because they are not recognized by customary law as such. A woman / girl can feel free, enjoy her basic rights only when freed from exploitation, marginalization, discrimination and oppression by the man. So, it is important to raise their level of consciousness to claim their place in society, their level of education and help them go out into the ignorance, into the under-information and into the grip of the retrograde practices of the custom.

In addition, the six provinces have been most affected and have always been the scene of very sensitive violations of human rights. Women have been raped and suffered too much atrocities. Several categories of women in particular; those with disabilities, mothers-to-be, widows, orphans ... have increased and many of them do not have guaranteed support and are responsible for families and face the serious problems of life, which increases their state of being vulnerability. Hence, this category of women and girls are unemployed, insert them into upstream and downstream activities; and related jobs that offer employment and income potential in order to integrate them into working life in a sustainable way.

MAFOBA thought that we should talk about the development of girls only when they have imperatively acquired the fundamental cultural techniques (reading, writing, calculating ...) it will help them to assert their rights more easily and to participate in the life of society as others.

This is why MAFOBA would like to lead a wide education and awareness of the community for women and girls by providing assistance, promotion, supervision and support to ensure their economic, social and cultural well-being and to make them benefit the fruits of sustainable development, guaranteeing them respect for all human rights and fundamental freedoms; under the principles of equality and non-discrimination, and recognize the value and diversity of their identities, cultures and social organization.

It is with this in mind that we have found it useful during these 3 years to continue to support girls and women in the framework of the basic education and literacy circle (school support for girls as well as boys, literacy and numeracy and other basic skills for women) as an ideal setting to facilitate the dissemination, promotion and protection of target rights in the region and activities in various professional occupations for women / girls would be a solution.

## **b) General objectives \_ :**

- Contribute promotion and access to school education for girls from poor and marginalized families by providing them acquired the capacity for the completion of the basic cycle (primary) and secondary for girls.
- Provide basic functional literacy for changing attitudes and respect for women's human rights
- Create and increase the financial capacity of women to better qualify for an income generating activity (IGA), to discover opportunities for activities or jobs they did not know before.



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OBJECTIVES	ACTIVITIES	YEAR			EXPECTED RESULTS
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Build the capacity of rural women and girls by promoting girls' education and literacy to give them the chance to complete secondary and university education and to teach women to read and write for their emergence of female leadership.</li> <li>▪ Support the schooling of female children by paying school fees and supplies. To encourage the education of female children in preparation for their future and to empower children and other caregivers to participate in the education of children for future well-being.</li> <li>▪ Participate in the education of children for their future well-being</li> <li>▪ Increase the financial capacity of families to</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Hold preparatory participatory planning meetings ;</li> <li>2. Hold consultation meetings with local authorities and local leaders on their involvement in the activities of the 3. Identify 1,200 girls enrolled and enrolled according to 150 per administrative sector ;</li> <li>4. Acquire and grant to 1,200 girls school kits and tuition fees (teacher bonuses)</li> <li>5. Organize four community workshops on non-marginalization and social exclusion of girls and the importance of education for themselves and society.</li> <li>6. Organize sensitization and community animation sessions to the local media, but also through T-</li> </ol>	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	<p>The local government has put in place strategies to strengthen girls' education in the Territory.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Parents are sensitized and commit to send their daughters to school.</li> <li>-The number of girls enrolled and completing primary and secondary education is increasing significantly in Burundi's schools.</li> <li>- School girls are aware of the importance of education and avoid school drop-outs without relevant reason.</li> <li>-The girls' coaching clubs exist and function properly.</li> <li>-At least 90% of 1,200 girls are in school and 85% have passed exams at the end of the school year.</li> <li>-The dropout rate of girls decreases significantly ;</li> </ul> <p>The standard of living of women and girls trained and their families improved.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Women and girls have the best self-esteem and their role in society, but also with respect to themselves They are useful for them and for the community.</li> <li>-Strategies promoting the rights of women and girls are put in place in the target</li> </ul>



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<p>support the education of their daughters.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Increase the number of schoolchildren by providing support to parents who are poor by taking care of all or part of school fees and school supplies;</li> <li>▪ Promote the schooling of women, promote the education of girls and stimulate the taste of their studies;</li> <li>▪ To fight against the discrimination of girls in school education in Burundi.</li> <li>▪ Provide education for 1,200 girls for the emergence of women's leadership and promote development through their empowerment ;</li> <li>▪ Community involvement to ensure girls' safety and access to school.</li> <li>► Remove the obscurantism and ignorance that inhibit the</li> </ul>	<p>shirts and visibilities signs for the education of girls.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7. Provide girls' parents with means for IGAs to support school children;</li> <li>8. Organize supervision and monitoring of activities in the field;</li> <li>9. Produce activity reports.</li> </ol> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Engage literacy instructors from targeted centers;</li> <li>2. Purchase materials and supplies for literacy centers and for literacy;</li> <li>3. Ensure premiums for literacy teachers;</li> <li>4. Establish literacy centers and organize functional literacy training for women and catch up with girls who have left the armed forces or groups and those who have been raped and / or sexually abused;</li> </ol>				<p>provinces of Burundi.</p>
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<p>development of illiterate women and girls by learning writing, reading and math to quickly generate their skills in the 6 target provinces.</p> <p>► Community involvement to ensure the security of the revitalization of CSO member organizations in organizing catch-up classes for girls</p> <p>► Facilitate access to remedial classes for girls from vulnerable families who have left armed groups and those who have been raped and / or sexually abused</p> <p>► Fostering development through women's empowerment</p>	<p>5. Organize supervision and monitoring of field activities.</p> <p>6. Produce reports of functional literacy activities</p>				
<p>◆ Create employment within households;</p> <p>◆ To provide guidance for women and girls trained in the training of</p>	<p>1. Train 900 women and girls in professional occupations</p> <p>- Organize and Install 900 women and girls trained in professional</p>				<p>Living conditions of women and girls in 6 target provinces improved at 87%</p>



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various professional occupations and in foreign languages ;	occupations such as cooking, sewing, weaving, computer science, etc.				
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## 2.2. SHAPE / HEALTH.

### **b. Brief justification :**

Child marriage, early and forced and early and unwanted pregnancy is a harmful practice that seriously undermines children's rights and contributes significantly to high maternal and child mortality rates and is a gross violation of human rights. Resulting in many negative impacts on the well-being and physical, mental and social health of girls in Burundi.

In the country and particularly in the 6 target provinces of MAFOBA, child marriage and early and unwanted pregnancies continue to be widespread and the rate remains extremely high.

According to our last report investigation, from March 2018, 41% of women aged 20 to 24 were married before the age of 18, and 17% before the age of 15. Also, it has been clearly observed that child marriage is the key factor for abusive sexual activity and early pregnancy. The most recent estimates have shown that several women aged 20 to 24 gave birth to a child alive at the age of 18 years.

Specific problems, faced by girls at risk, married and / or have been married in Burundi are based on the prevalence of violence against the girl child, parents are tempted to give their daughter's hand in marriage, persuaded that her daughter will be protected from sexual assault that could lead to stigmatization in the community. The paradox is that parents are often wrong. The girl who gets married before the age of 18 ; is more susceptible being abused s including domestic d u marital rape, compared with children of the same age and the same generation who marry earlier. In addition, married children often display symptomatic signs of sexual abuse and post-traumatic stress, such as feelings of hopelessness, vulnerability, and severe depression.

It was found on the other hand, the fact of denouncing these forms of violence and abuse s girls constitutes sex discrimination that is growing and that often makes the girls are considered less worthy of attention and protection. In Burundian communities where girls do not have the same perceived value as boys from birth, families and communities tend to despise the benefits of educating their daughters and investing in their development. Married children constitute a pronounced characterization of sexual discrimination that is gaining momentum in several Provinces of Burundi. Child marriage has its own devastating consequences for the girl child and the entire Burundian society.

The majority of pregnancies are unwanted and arise from contraceptive failure or simply from lack of contraception and maternity is the main causes of maternal mortality and morbidity among girls aged 15-19.

Alternatively, children are almost always his SPOUSE s married to older men, and they are not able to talk to them on sex or birth control. This means that many girls become pregnant



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soon after their marriage when their bodies are not yet sufficiently developed. On the list of multiple disabilities related to early parturition are listed ; the wedge obstetrical fistula, an injury that leaves girls in constant pain and can easily become infected; sexually transmitted diseases including HIV / AIDS , urinary incontinence ... It should be added that girls are often repudiated or rejected by their husbands, families or communities.

However, this is not an isolated violation. The right to marry freely and with full consent is linked to the rights to life, health, education and safety and is guaranteed in the Burundian Constitution. Child marriage not only deprives girls of their right to make their own choice, but also exposes them to the risk of early pregnancy, domestic violence and sexually transmitted infections, and also decreases their access to education and to work. It is also about differentiated conceptions of gender roles and family relationships between men and women. These conceptions tend to elevate women to the background, rooted in traditional practices, formal and informal customary norms, social norms, and religious and cultural practices that have a direct bearing on women's social and economic roles in Burundi .

In fact, the use of reproductive health services is generally low in this region, and even more so among adolescent girls, married or not. In addition, child marriage leads to school dropout, decreases girls' level of education and promotes the intergenerational transmission of poverty. Why, in the next three years (2019-2021), MAFOBA would like to accelerate and strengthen the process of eliminating the phenomenon child marriage, early and forced marriages; combat the adverse consequences of unsafe abortion, maternal mortality and early and unwanted pregnancies and promote new contraceptive methods in the country. 6 most affected provinces of Burundi. In addition, advocacy for safe abortion is fraught with difficulties in a context where social norms and religious beliefs are rooted against safe abortion .To strengthen advocacy for safe abortion, it is necessary that the company in partnership with various stakeholders initiate an open dialogue to convince the ins and outs of its social norms and religious beliefs. SOMAGO's strong presence as a leader in technical knowledge of abortion and its experience is an opportunity to influence and enable networking with like-minded organizations for the defence and provision of abortion services secure to women who express the need.

## **General objectives :**

- Work for change social norms prevent girls and sexually active women viv e nt p ace Union and groom Young people seek and use health services reproduction ;
- Promote the effective implementation of legal and policy instruments relating to children and young adolescents through the promotion and protection of their human rights, in particular the rights to sexual and reproductive health;
- Accelerate the elimination of child marriage through awareness of the harmful effects and the commitment to put them in place ;
- Contribute to the improvement of the protection mechanism for girls at risk, Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) and child marriage and access to care services for girls and young women ;
- Develop community / holistic integrated initiatives for promoting the elimination and abandonment of Children and Women Genital Mutilation Weddings (FGM) in 6 provinces Targets



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- Capacity building of non-state actors to conduct evidence-based advocacy campaigns including strengthening the role of leadership, prevention and protection of children and adolescents against practices prejudicial to their rights and remove barriers and impediments to law enforcement ;
- Expanding contraceptive choices for adolescent girls and youth through the inclusion of long-acting reversible methods by 2021;
- Reduce the mortality rate of women and girls engaged in illegal abortions at risk due to unwanted pregnancies ;
- Ensure universal access for women to family planning ;



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Strengthen the skills of adolescents, parents, community leaders and other social actors and stakeholders on techniques of prevention and elimination of children and early and forced marriages, techniques of monitoring and advocacy of cases of violations rights and more equality;</li> <li>- Strengthen adolescents' abilities in life skills and sexual and reproductive health (SRH)</li> <li>- Promote girls' leadership by working directly with them to develop their decision-making and solidarity;</li> <li>- Fight for changes in attitudes and behaviours and standards related to gender equity, child marriage and early marriage through the mobilization of families, communities and influential people;</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Organize a meeting of dialogue and dialogue with stakeholders around the issue of "marriage of girls and early unions" in Bujumbura to involve them in the project;</li> <li>2. Conduct a survey of the collection of basic quantitative and qualitative data on the phenomenon of child marriage and early and forced child union. These are numbers that can be subjected to different forms of statistical analysis and information about the views, opinions or observations of people in narrative form, presented at the very beginning to establish the level of measurement at from which the changes will be measured;</li> <li>3. Organize the feedback sessions of the survey results in order to reach a wider audience of women leaders, civil society members, rulers and local leaders on child</li> </ol>	XXX	XXX	XXX	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-The accelerated elimination of child marriage in Burundi;</li> <li>- by the end of the year 2021, we should note a greater commitment and an increase in the capacity of the population to reduce child marriage, particularly in the four provinces of the country where the campaign to the elimination of child marriage will be launched;</li> <li>- greater involvement of all stakeholders including families, communities, the private sector and CSOs in the fight against child marriage;</li> <li>-Access to a safe and protective environment for children that will allow them to benefit from all opportunities related to quality education, their own choice and decision to marry or not, when and with whom and to freely choose</li> </ul>



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Provide direct services to girls at risk, girls already married on education and sexual and reproductive health ie safe abortion and postabortion care, livelihoods and coping. autonomous economic charge and other necessary services;</li> <li>- Advocate for the adoption and enforcement of laws and policies related to the prevention of child marriage, early and forced marriages to prevent them</li> <li>- Develop a communication strategy for abandoning the practice of child marriage</li> <li>- Empower vulnerable families of children at risk of marriage ;</li> <li>- Accompany children and adolescents at risk of marriage in their life project;</li> <li>-To strengthen the skills of community actors;</li> <li>▶ Actively support educational policies that encourage the</li> </ul>	<p>marriage ;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Form and support local girls' committees in neighborhoods on gender, positive values of child and early marriage and advocacy;</li> <li>3.Organize 4 trainings of girls leaders on the techniques of monitoring cases of violations of the rights of girls and young women and advocacy for more equality between boys and girls, on the roles and functioning of their structures in four targeted provinces ;</li> <li>4. Create spaces / huts for girls to promote a dialogue between different generations (girls and young women between them), for the permanent exchange of experiences between local leaders, women leaders, actors of the civil society , on gender issues, rights to sexual and reproductive health, children's rights and the situation of child marriage and early marriage to encourage critical reflection on practices that bring risks to the property -being of the child;</li> <li>5. Organize 64 training sessions for xxx customary and religious leaders on child</li> </ol>				<p>whether or not to have children, when and how many;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Families, communities and influential actors also benefit from this change by identifying critical factors that will enable communities to mobilize and undertake better intergenerational communication and social cohesion within families and communities ;</li> <li>-A high percentage of children and adolescents build capacity on mischief and elimination of child marriage phenomenon;</li> <li>-145 radio broadcasts and 145 radio plays in community radios in 6 Provinces on child marriage and harmful traditional practices are carried out ;</li> <li>-More than 300 educational talks on child marriage organized by 2021.</li> <li>- The capacities of family members,</li> </ul>
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<p>sustainable retention of girls in the school curriculum.</p>	<p>marriage in all rural and urban communes;</p> <p>6. Organize 45 training sessions for 1,800 agents of the deconcentrated public administration (high commission, prefecture) and local authorities on the problem of child marriage;</p> <p>7. Organize 12 training sessions for 648 community actors in young approach technique and on the topic of child marriage and early unions;</p> <p>8. Organize 20 advocacy meetings for religious and traditional leaders, decision-makers and authorities for their mobilization and commitment to creating an enabling environment for the abandonment of child marriage;</p> <p>9. Organize 60 training sessions for 2,400 adolescents in life skills and SSR;</p> <p>10. Create and train members of the Children's Parliament in life skills and sexual and reproductive health (SRH);</p>				<p>civil society organizations and communities in preventing, managing and combating gender-based violence and harmful traditional practices against children are strengthened</p>
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	<p>11. Identify 7,200 teenagers out of school at risk of marriage and 7,200 families of children at risk of marriage (2,400 per year for 4 targeted provinces)</p> <p>12.. Grant small rotating loans to at-risk girls, young women and more vulnerable households to enable them to organize support for economic opportunities in order to reduce the pressure to resort to early marriage relationships and marriage in different municipalities;</p> <p>13. Establish functional literacy centers for girls and women and ensure girls' access to quality education at primary and secondary level (support for school fees and supplies) for the practical skills that will make them more able to self-protect;</p> <p>14. Organize and conduct high-level advocacy events, including forums with the media, civil society organizations to inform and raise awareness about child marriage and support priorities and with decision-makers with a view to adopting laws and laws repressing all social, traditional and</p>				
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	<p>current practices that are harmful to the health and human rights of women and children;</p> <p>15. Organize 300 psychological consultations for some victims of child marriage;</p> <p>16. Organize entertainment sessions for the general public with themed songs on child marriage and other harmful traditional practices (3 per municipality)</p> <p>17. Organize joint social mobilization communication campaigns for behavioural change with regard to early marriage and all related harmful traditional practices across multiple communication channels;</p> <p>18. Provide psychosocial support to child marriage victims;</p> <p>19. Assist legally and / or judicially 10 victims of child marriage;</p> <p>20. Coordinate, monitor and evaluate implementation.</p>				
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Strengthen the capacities of local leaders (women, girls, customary chiefs, administrative authorities, elected representatives of the people, civil society ...) on advocacy techniques for the legalization of medical abortion.</li> <li>- Engage community members, especially custodians of custom, administrative authorities, MPs and civil society in Lobbying and advocacy on the legalization of medical abortion and its post-abortion services in Burundi in general and in the 6 target MAFOBA provinces in particular.</li> <li>- Decrease the number and incidence of unwanted pregnancies in adolescence;</li> <li>- Reduce delays between the use of contraception and the beginning of sexual relations;</li> <li>- Improve the sexual experience of adolescents.</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Organization of 8 brainstorming workshops on women's / girls' access to safe abortion services with the aim of analysing abortion laws and barriers in Burundi in order to advocate and sensitize opinion for women's access to safe and legal abortion services ;</li> <li>2. Organize 24 trainings of local leaders (CSO, religious, youth associations, women, ..) on advocacy techniques to have leaders who know the rights and duties, who know how to defend the interests of girls and women and that the legal provisions provided for in legal instruments ratified or not by Burundi on the problematic abortion Are respected, if not to pass a law in this matter.</li> <li>3. Hold meetings with honourable Members during the periods of their parliamentary holidays on abortion practices, reasons for abortion, post-abortion complications, consequences, and their implication on the influence to the establishment of laws legalizing abortion and its post-abortion services in Burundi.</li> <li>4. Organize and conduct advocacy with</li> </ol>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Strengthening and significant improvement in the level of knowledge of communities and other stakeholders (girls, women, leaders and others) on the rights to reproductive health (abortions, ...) ;</li> <li>-Local and national living conditions and policies on legalized abortions are improved ;</li> <li>-Inruption of pregnancy or the unwanted arrival of a child in difficult circumstances ;</li> <li>- Provision of governors, chiefs and local leaders to monitor the situation related to reproductive health,</li> <li>-The mortality rate of women and girls engaged in criminal / at-risk abortions as a result of unwanted pregnancies is significantly reduced ;</li> <li>-The establishment of laws or policies allowing or liberalizing access to abortion services and post-abortion</li> </ul>
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	<p>policy makers to ensure that legal provisions in legal instruments ratified by Burundi prevention of unwanted pregnancies through the modern methods of contraception ;</p> <p>5. Organize awareness campaigns on the risks of unsafe and unsafe abortion and the prevention of unwanted pregnancies through modern methods of contraception in schools;</p> <p>6. Organize 351 training courses for 10,530 teenagers in everyday life skills and SSR.</p>			<p>care ;</p> <p>-A national reproductive health policy defining the social, cultural and legal environment on medical abortion, developed, adopted and applied ;</p> <p>Awakening of awareness of women and girls to health services and the danger and the risk of unsafe and unsafe abortion and increased dissemination of correct information about the need for safe abortion;</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Increase the demand for contraception of the predominantly rural Burundian population;</li> <li>● Improve the living conditions of families through spacing of births and better access for women and girls to contraception</li> <li>● Make contraceptive products available at all benefit points</li> <li>● Offer quality services in the field of family planning in health facilities, advanced strategy and mobile strategy</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Organize awareness-raising activities for women and adolescents on family planning , spacing of births and improved access for women and girls to contraception through several communication channels;</li> <li>2. Supply of contraceptive products in different health facilities in targeted provinces across the country;</li> <li>3. Set up adolescent clubs and provide them with skills on the use of new contraceptive methods</li> </ol>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contraceptive prevalence by 2021 has increased by at least 50%</li> <li>• The total fertility rate fell to 4.5 children per woman by 2021; health services because their consciences will be awakened to the danger and risk of unsafe and unsafe abortion and will increase the spread of correct information about the need for contraception;</li> </ul> <p>Financial barriers to schooling and the purchase of contraceptives are overcome by 2021.</p>



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## 2.3. ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMPONENT/EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN AND THE EMERGENCE OF FEMALE LEADERSHIP

### c. Brief justification :

Since the 1993 crisis, the Burundian in general and in particular women at all levels have experienced terrible suffering and have not been able to meet their basic needs for income security - food, health, education, gender, freedom of expression, etc. Long armed conflicts have had multiple effects on economic and social life, destroying not only infrastructure and livelihoods, but also social structures and self-help capacities. Since this period until today, life does not seem to be as peaceful as we thought, there have been too many upheavals, and things are going very badly in Burundi. Conflicts rage, divisions, regionalism, increasing incidence of violence of all kinds, endemic corruption, Referring to historical benchmarks, equal opportunities between men and women is far from being observed in the Republic of Burundi in terms of public affairs management, involvement or participation of women in the process of peace and political life at all levels, despite the majority of women compared to the entire population of Burundi, or 52% of the population. The imbalance is observable in all institutions, departments and services where men with their selfishness prevail over 85% of women. This state of affairs does not only frustrate women who see nothing change and despite the presence of men in the majority of institutions, the social situation of the population seem to be uncertain and is always worse. It seems as well as in the face of this situation, which only throws us out of harm's way to undermine the principles of gender and therefore endangers the hard-won peace in Burundi with this power-sharing disequilibrium. Gold ;

- There are enough able-bodied women who can handle public affairs well, but who are not mentored and less involved and informed about the process of democratization, peace and gender ;
- Accompanying the emergence of women's leadership in the process of peace, democratization and gender, women's action will be less effective if they are likely to go without prior guidance ;
- The need is enormous women about their participation in the management of public affairs, in politics, in a research participation of e peace, their commitment so that they support themselves troughs of income generating activities in Burundi, it takes training, dialogue, coalition and serious preparation of women.
- Failure to support women in the decision-making process, involvement in the country's politics, the process of democratization, peace and gender, the process of restoring livelihoods for economic recovery would keep them frustrated. Therefore ; they will remain in a



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situation of conflict between themselves and with the leaders, languishing in misery, in precarious conditions in their communes where they live expediently.

But on the contrary provides r food security and meeting basic needs, support women in areas related to empowerment and emergence u leadership would make them stronger and able to manage public affairs, to become involved in political life and the search for peace at all levels and hope for lasting peace in the region. If the question u genre dominates the socio-economic issues and policy in recent decades, the role of women and especially of rural women is often left stranded in the policies and programs of socio-economic and political integration.

That is why, in this three-year Action Plan, MAFOBA, with the support of international development aid partners, wishes to continue to support the Burundian people and, in particular, women, in their efforts to improve their lives, living conditions and strengthening of their decision-making power in society, through economic security programs, to facilitate the establishment of an environment conducive to gender equality and the advancement of women towards empowerment, by encouraging equal participation of women and men at all levels of decision-making. It wishes to make operational the stipulations of the Burundian constitution as well as the recommendations of the United Nations Resolution 1325.

## General objectives :

- Improve the economic, social and political conditions of women to promote their empowerment in the 6 target Provinces.
- Improving the living and working conditions of Burundian women to increase their participation in socio-economic development and for the alleviation of poverty, and through intensive agricultural extension and extension supplies with modern and cost-effective means of production and skills acquisition in income-generating and agricultural jobs, thus contributing to their reintegration and / or rapid reintegration into their community and better positioning of girls and women on family farms.
- Improve knowledge of women, decision-makers, development partners and communities on Resolution 1325 and other international, regional and national legal instruments related to women's rights, their involvement and participation in the peace process.
- Contribute to the promotion of women's rights, leadership, gender equality and women's participation in political life and decision-making in households, communities and state and corporate bodies. Burundi.



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- Increase the capacities of women and members of women's associations to improve their involvement and participation in reconciliation and peace building, increase their role in community building and finally improve the living and working environment of women's groups to facilitate exchanges and encourage peace initiatives
- To further strengthen women's capacities on their political rights in particular; by framing them, guiding them and by equipping leaders in the public speaking, interactions with the press, advocacy and theme of violence based on gender and good governance.

OBJECTIVES	ACTIVITIES	YEAR			EXPECTED RESULTS
		2019	2020	2021	
<p>► Strengthen capacities on livelihood diversification and rapid reintegration for populations affected by recent armed conflict and marginalization</p> <p>► Provide agricultural micro-credits (labour credit, seeds, etc.) to ensure the socio-economic reintegration of women victims of armed conflict and marginalization;</p> <p>► Strengthen capacities on livelihood diversification and rapid reintegration for populations affected by armed conflict and marginalization in 6 targeted Provinces ;</p>	<p>1. identification and structuring of women's groups by value chain, providing a normative framework and providing sensitization and technical training sessions AGR management;</p> <p>2. Creation of women's groups and / or Village Savings Associations and Credits in the communes through the 6 targeted Provinces among the 18 in Burundi.</p> <p>3. Organize 8 beneficiary training sessions on the management and technical aspects of income generating activities and diversification of production.</p> <p>4. Provides agro pastoral micro-credits for small-scale production, simple processing of agricultural</p>	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	<p>► Increase and diversification of agro pastoral production and employment in the 6 target Provinces;</p> <p>► Improving the living conditions of the rural poor population of 6 target provinces of the program, the food security of these populations and increased revenues through the marketing of surplus production.</p> <p>- Increasing incomes and income diversification and the economic power of women ;</p> <p>- Training and credits to increase earnings capabilities are provided ;</p> <p>- Promotion of income-generating activities and development in the Provinces, thus contributing to the maintenance of the families of the</p>



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<p>▶ To fight against poverty by increasing the incomes of the populations in general and, in particular the women..</p> <p>▶ Provide socio-economic support to women survivors of armed conflict and other forms of conflict, particularly in the 6 Provinces affected by unfortunate events through the establishment of economic activities and diversification of their livelihoods and stabilization of households.</p>	<p>products, street vending and marketing to women, and extension of extension work among farmers, pastoralists and other stakeholders to ensure reintegration. socio-economic across the provinces ;</p>				<p>beneficiaries</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-The strengthening of the economic authority of women leading to a reduction in the fertility rate ;</li> <li>- Rural households in the communes of 6 Provinces reinforce and balance their family farms around agro pastoral activities and income-generating activities;</li> <li>- The food and economic security of the populations of 6 Provinces of intervention are improved durably through a diversified and adapted offer of services of support to agriculture, the breeding and the entrepreneurship;</li> </ul>
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Strengthen the capacity of women to know their rights by disseminating gender equality issues (CEDAW, UN Resolution 1325, inheritance laws)</li> <li>▪ Increase the capacity of women's associations and groups to facilitate exchanges and encourage peace initiatives and their participation in reconciliation and peace building,</li> <li>▪ To enable beneficiaries to become familiar with the concepts of women's rights and the rights of the child</li> <li>▪ Allow participants to become familiar with the notions of conflict</li> </ul> <p>Bring participants to think about the notions of prevention as benchmarks for development sustainable.</p>	<p>2. Organize 20 outreach and community outreach sessions on UN Resolution 1325, in culture of peace, and the promotion of non-violence for communities of intervention (5 animation sessions per municipality) through several channels of awareness (Animation radio, talk-debates, ...)</p> <p>4. Organize two trainings in favor of community actors in leadership, gender equity and non-violent conflict management.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Establish and support a Synergy of action between women, youth, authorities and opinion leaders in the conduct of citizen actions and peace building and security;</li> <li>- To extend and distribute United Nations Resolution 1325 and Produce communication media for behavioural change (T-shirts, Kepis, Leaflets,).</li> </ul>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Capacity building of women's and girls' associations to improve their participation in the peace building and reconciliation,</li> <li>● Strengthening the role of women's groups and associations in community reconstruction and their visibility in conflict prevention actions, and finally,</li> <li>● Women's participation in all efforts to maintain and promote peace and security and decisions made for the prevention and resolution of conflict</li> </ul>



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<p>To increase the capacity of women's associations to improve their participation in reconciliation and peace building, to increase their role in community building and to improve the living and working environment of women's groups to facilitate exchanges and encourage peace initiatives.</p> <p>► Develop strategies and mechanisms for violence prevention and conflict management in the context of promoting local governance.</p>	<p>1. Organize 4 training sessions on United Nations Resolution 1325 and legal, regional and national instruments related to women's rights for community leaders (women, administrative and customary authorities, religious leaders, NGOs in society) civil society, ...) in the six capitals of the target provinces of MAFOBA;</p> <p>2. Organize 4 specific youth training on appropriate techniques according to income-generating activities, social cohesion and culture of peace with a view to improving their capacities to move towards the stability of their community and also to employability in each province of 6 targets of MAFOBA activities</p>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Capacity building of women's and girls' associations to improve their participation in the peace building and reconciliation,</li> <li>● Strengthening the role of women's groups and associations in community reconstruction and their visibility in conflict prevention actions, and finally,</li> <li>● Women's participation in all efforts to maintain and promote peace and security and decisions made for the prevention and resolution of conflict.</li> </ul>
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## 2.4. COMPONENT / ENVIRONMENT , WATER AND SANITATION

### d. Brief justification :

The recurring crises in Burundi have led to the displacement of populations, therefore, the change of their living environment. The situation continued to worsen for those who ended up in refugee sites and displacement camps. Even though there is a level of equipment in the camps for drinking water infrastructure for displaced populations compared to the pre-crisis situation following the fact that the displaced have taken refuge in infrastructures already equipped with this equipment, the operation of these is not always assured. Et displaced are often forced to source to source or undeveloped rivers and are therefore exposed to diseases related to the water unfit for consumption and the conditions of poor hygiene. With regard to toilets in the camps, there are some in the reception facilities, it happens that there it has lost-well toilets, but that does not prevent some displaced people from releasing themselves in nature. In all cases, the hygiene is deplorable because, even if the toilets exist, they are poorly maintained, hence the risk of diseases such as cholera, bacillary dysentery, typhoid fever ... The Government of Burundi, being aware of the importance of women in sustainable development, we cannot ignore the interrelations between "women and the environment" in the development of its National Strategy for the Environment in Burundi (SNEB). Indeed, MAFOBA in developing this three-year Action Plan (2019-2021), was based on the reality related to the problem of the environment and the risks of degradation of ecosystems and polluting substances. The Burundian woman participates in the faith to deterioration and the preservation of the environment, given the many tasks it carries out, through its role as reproducer and educator. This Plan is a framework that MAFOBA wants to define strategies and to stop the actions likely to improve the participation of the woman in the management of the environment and in the sustainable development. The Burundian woman plays an important role both in the degradation and in the preservation of the environment. It occupies a central place in the fight against climate change. Yet, even if the woman supports ; an overwhelming share of the burden of climate change, it has been so far largely forgotten in the activities and problems related to rising sea levels, droughts, melting glaciers and extreme weather events . Indeed, because of its reproductive function that gives it a considerable social status when it has a large offspring in particular male, its function as a



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producer places it at the center of the operation and survival of the family. She is the main actress in agriculture for the production of foodstuffs needed to feed the family. He also has multiple tasks, such as the search for firewood either by felling trees, or by collecting dead wood, or twigs, the search for drinking water, hygiene, good family health, environmental sanitation and children's education. Its protective function contributes to some extent to breaking the balance between population, natural resources and the environment, as the population continues to grow without increasing resources. The environmental degradation in Burundi is linked to the lack of adequate development. People, especially women, are destroying natural resources ; soil, water, air and forests. The influence of women on the environment is obvious. But does it have sufficient training and information to maintain a balance between protecting ecosystems and meeting household needs? ? MAFOBA is working and is reassured that, if the legal and economic status of the Burundian woman improves in particular ; through access to the earth's legacy and increased income and if its role is put to use, it can leverage its strength for environmental protection. The Burundian population is unevenly distributed throughout the national territory and is essentially rural. The main activity in Burundi is agriculture in the first place and livestock in the background. Women are the majority in this sector of agriculture while livestock is traditionally devoted to the man, but the woman participates in certain activities such as searching for fodder, litter, collecting manure etc. With regard to hygiene, water and sanitation ; it is mainly the female and the girl who are involved in a large proportion and the male children participate to a certain extent at very low proportion. In the 6 target provinces MAFOBA at least 30% of women will provide water to more than one hour. Our surveys in this sector show that more than 43% of the population in the six provinces draws water from developed sources. An average of 29% does not do it when she does not even think about boiling it before eating. In many households, even if the water is drinkable from the source, it is already consumed polluted because of precarious conditions of transport and shopping. The rules of basic hygiene in water treatment are not always respected in all 6 provinces targeted by MAFOBA because, families do not boil the water before consuming. Families in greater numbers use rainwater. With regard to the disposal of garbage, it is always a task reserved for the woman. At this level the situation in the 6 provinces target, seems to be relatively good, people deposit garbage in simple pits or for composting and others in a small proportion, throw them around the enclosure. The health services that we have in turn contacted say that the Burundian population knows badly or does not know the links between health and water treatment, hygiene, maintenance and maintenance of homes, water management and sanitary latrines. Since the man is supposed to take care of the contacts outside the household, the woman is responsible for the day-to-day management of the household. It is up to the latter to prepare the meals, therefore the research and cutting of firewood. She is often forced to travel long distances to get it and this activity takes a lot of time. With the current scarcity of wood, women in all 6 provinces use plant debris and there is a shift in dietary habits due to scarcity as women prefer more quick-cooked foods (ndagala, cassava paste) that do not do not require a lot of wood like beans. If the woman is targeted among the agents of the sensitization, she will do better to convey the message through the population. The female population in Burundi



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represents more than 54% against 51% of the male population. This gap is large between the two sexes, which explains a male deficit and an explosion of the status of single women. This numerical importance of women should be a factor of development, if we consider their representativeness in all sectors of national life. The unpaid work that Burundian women perform in the family (housework) or family farm is important even if it is difficult to quantify. Through her personal fulfilment, the woman disseminates the benefits in her family, in society and among the future generation. The female population is the majority in Burundi, it is an asset in the management of the environment. Climate change risks exacerbating extreme weather events such as drought, floods, storms and heat waves, uncontrolled construction, deforestation of trees and bush fires contribute to the danger and continue to increase number and severity of disasters.

## . General objectives :

- Improve the resilience of rural women (including women farmers), including their livelihoods, and the resilience of agro-ecological systems to the impacts of climate vulnerability;
- Provide responses to the impacts of hurricanes Isaac and Sanday on the agricultural sector in the 6 target provinces of Burundi namely; Bujumbura, Bujumbura-town hall, Bubanza, Cibitoke, Musinga and Makamba
- Promote the integration of disaster risk management and good adaptation practices in the agricultural sector, such as the multiplication of crop varieties and good agricultural practices that increase farmers' resilience to climate hazards
- Strengthen disaster preparedness and management and increase risk reduction
- Address internal displacement and contribute to the education and health of girls and women to promote their economic development, reduce poverty and have a positive impact on the climate.

OBJECTIVES	ACTIVITIES	YEAR			EXPECTED RESULTS
		2019	2020	2021	
Improve the resilience of rural women (including women farmers), including their	- Full extension of the environmental dimension in the economic concept of Gender and	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	- The environmental aspect in the economic concept of Gender and



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<p>livelihoods, and the resilience of agro-ecological systems to the impacts of climate vulnerability;</p>	<p>Parity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Identification, testing and dissemination of good practices in climate risk management in agriculture, resilient to climate change</li> <li>- Sensitization and extension to agricultural and pastoral work (land preparation, planting, field maintenance, processing of food and industrial products, transport and sale of food products)</li> <li>- Strengthening production and dissemination systems for climate resilient seeds and plant material</li> </ul>				<p>Parity known by the masses, especially the female population in the six target provinces.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Good agricultural climate risk management practices identified and used by the rural community.</li> <li>- Women in the six target provinces, become aware of the process of agricultural and pastoral work and apply</li> <li>- Production and dissemination systems of seeds and plant material resilient to climate strengthened and applied.</li> </ul>
<p>Provide answers to the impacts of Hurricanes Isaac and Sanday on the agricultural sector in the 6 provinces namely Burundi ; Bujumbura, Bujumbura-town hall, Bubanza,</p>	<p>Sensitization, mobilization and popularization of protection and conservation of water and soil are at Produce firewood, lumber, create jobs, foster the integration of women in these activities.</p>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The women who make up the majority of the Burundian population, become aware and integrate the protection</li> </ul>



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Cibitoke, Muyinga and Makamba					and proper conservation of water and soil, in the production of firewood, timber
Promote the integration of disaster risk management and good adaptation practices in the agricultural sector, such as the multiplication of crop varieties and good agricultural practices that increase farmers' resilience to climatic hazards	<p>Sensitization and popularization of women on the stabilization of the surroundings of the watercourses that cross the city of Bujumbura and protection of the regions which overhang the capital Bujumbura by an integral protection of the watersheds.</p> <p>Training, sensitization and mobilization of women on the introduction of exploitation techniques more adapted to agro-ecological conditions in the 6 provinces and increased production agricultural</p>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The waterfront of the province of Bujumbura/Mairie and the areas overlooking it are stabilized and the watersheds protected.</li> <li>- Farming techniques adapted to the ecological conditions in the six provinces are introduced and agricultural production increases.</li> </ul>
Strengthen disaster preparedness and management and increase risk reduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Training, sensitization and mobilization of women on the use of wood-saving improved fireplaces and the fight against the consumption of charcoal</li> </ul>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The use and rational consumption of improved wood saving homes and charcoal burning in households</li> </ul>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Sensitization, training and mobilization of women on the misdeeds of deforestation, in particular to urban households</li> <li>Sensitization of households on health care to family members, household and environmental health (hygiene, water and sanitation)</li> <li>- Sensitization, training and campaign to women to the development of resources, by its many offspring which cause a strong demographic pressure</li> <li>- Sensitization and training of women on the agro-forestry component and reforestation</li> <li>- Training, sensitization, extension and campaign of women on the fight against erosion.</li> <li>- Awareness-raising, training and extension on increasing income and food security of rural families,</li> </ul>			<p>discouraged.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Women forming the majority of the Burundian population, become aware and fight effectively against deforestation</li> <li>- Rural households in the six provinces take health care, sanitation and hygiene (water and sanitation)</li> <li>- Rural women are aware of the flourishing of resources and limit the strong demographic pressure due to the many offspring</li> <li>- The combines of the agro-forestry component and the reforestation applied.</li> <li>- Protection and erosion control observed in the 6 target provinces,</li> <li>- The protection and use of natural resources</li> </ul>
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	protection and use of natural resources (marsh, land degraded forests),				(marshland, land) protected by the population.
Address the internal displacement of populations and contribute to the education and health of girls and women to promote their economic development, reduce poverty and have a positive impact on the climate.	<p>S center of creative development for the family Female Promotion.</p> <p>Awareness and mobilization on the management of developed sources, standpipes</p> <p>Training, awareness raising on the utility of using improved wood saving stoves in the IDP camps</p>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Family development centers for the supervision of women and girls for the protection of the environment.</li> <li>- Developed springs and standpipes are built and protected.</li> <li>- IDPs are becoming aware of the use of improved wood-saving stoves.</li> </ul>



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## CONCLUSION.

The realization of these activities to achieve the objectives as defined in the Plan-year action (2019-2021) Mamas for Burundi Association " MAFOBA requires all-out mobilization of means not only financial, material but also human.

This is how this plan is developed and each donor can financially or materially support the area that is consistent with its policy of intervention to alleviate some of the misery of the poor and innocent Burundian population, in particular ; women, girls and children s faces massive and systematic violations their fundamental rights.