# Project Summary

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<th>Prospects of aquaculture as a rural development intervention in eastern Uganda</th>
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<p>| <strong>Purpose</strong> | The overall objective of this study is to establish the socioeconomics of aquaculture production in Mbale sub-region with a view to highlight its potential in rural development. |
| <strong>Project Summary</strong> | The supply of fish from the traditional sources has been declining mainly due to pollution, over fishing and overinvestment in processing factories. The existing and potential contribution of aquaculture to economic growth and food security has received increasing recognition in recent years. However, it is not known whether aquaculture generates higher incomes or is competitive within the farming system. The main objectives of this study are three fold to: assess competitiveness of aquaculture in the farming system, assess the effect of aquaculture on rural community’s incomes and investigate the effect of aquaculture on ecosystem services within the farming systems on the environment. The study will be conducted in Eastern Uganda. |
| <strong>Country and Specific Location(s)</strong> | Eastern Uganda (Mbale sub-region), Districts; Sironko, Mbale, Bududa and Manafwa. |
| <strong>Start Date</strong> | October, 2009 |</p>
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