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Community awareness-raising on the promotion of human and environmental rights and education.

We raise awareness and educate community members (leaders including women, youth and local media) on the promotion of human and environmental rights in South Kivu, Democratic Republic of the Congo. Each of these layers of the society has a role to play in promoting rights in general and in Conservation in particular. Primarily, we work to ensure that Conservation respects human rights – communities' rights and that decision-makers recognize the role played by communities in conservation. To ensure this and bring communities to contribute to the promotion of their rights (e.g. land rights; rights to resources; free, prior and informed consent, ect), we need to raise awareness and



strengthen their understanding of specific relevant topics. On the other hand, it is known that the respect for human rights is a key to reducing violence and advancing peace. This is part of our goals in engaging communities in conflicts resolution and peacebuilding efforts.

Our activities related to the promotion of human and environmental rights, as well as conflict resolution this year, are conducted in Bunyakiri, Kalehe territory. We work with the communities at local level to discuss issues in relation to rights abuses.

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Some photos of the activities taken at different sessions with communities member in Irangi, Bunyakiri.

