

Development-Induced Displacement and Resettlement

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Development-induced displacement refers to displacement of individuals, families or communities due to the development of a project which requires land acquisition or restricts or removes access to land or other natural resources. This can range from mining and infrastructure projects to environmental and conservation projects.

When displacement occurs, the resettlement process aims to implement a plan that will mitigate any harmful or unfair effects of that displacement. The resettlement process often involves compensation payments, relocation assistance, measures to improve if not restore living standards in addition to restoring livelihoods of those who have been physically or economically affected and displaced.

Physical displacement refers to the resettlement of affected population from one location to another, and the restructuring or creation of comparable or superior living conditions or to relocation and the loss of shelter as a result of project-related land acquisition and/or restrictions on land use.

Economic displacement refers to loss of assets or access to assets that leads to loss of income sources or other means of livelihood as a result of project-related land acquisition and/or restrictions on land use.

Kyeema Foundation's (Kyeema's) activities have not and will never intentionally cause the displacement and resettlement of individuals. However, we are willing to assist on projects to help mitigate the effects of displacement and aid the resettlement process to ensure positive and effective outcomes for the communities involved.

Kyeema recognises that displacement and resettlement can have a distinct impact on different genders, people within different religious or cultural groups as well as people with disabilities.

Therefore, resettlement programs must be designed to facilitate a range of diverse groups with varied needs.

Kyeema believes the inclusion and participation of affected communities is a necessity for both the planning and implementation stages. This is imperative for achieving positive, effective and sustainable outcomes.

Kyeema recognises the causes for displacement are multifaceted and complex, which result in the need for a comprehensive approach to address grievances that occur during the displacement and resettlement process. Each case must be addressed within its specific context using best practice while making sure that international law is being taken into account.



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Kyeema's approach reflects the commitment and policies of the Australian Government's Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT). This includes the DFAT policies for Displacement and Resettlement of People in Development Activities; Child Protection; Prevention of Sexual Exploitation, Abuse and Harassment; Diversity and Inclusiveness and Gender Equality.

Kyeema will ensure that all potential projects that involve displacement and/or resettlement undergo rigorous appraisal and are consistent with the eleven key principles stated in '<u>Displacement and Resettlement of People in Development Activities</u>' (DFAT 2015, p9-10) and as prescribed by Regulation on the Resettlement Process Resulting from Economic Activities in each respective country.

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