



Social Accountability ...*because every shilling counts!*

Civil Society Budget Advocacy Group (CSBAG)

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Who we are!

A coalition

Established in 2004 to influence Government decisions on resource mobilization, allocation and utilization for equitable and sustainable development. To date- 72 Organizations

Vision

To have a Uganda with a People Centered Budget that dignifies humanity

Mission

To be a platform for promoting prudent and transparent budgeting processes

Theory of change!

When citizens are empowered, they effectively influence adoption of pro poor and gender responsive budget policies in their communities

Operating context

Political environment

NRM
caucusing

Increased
participation
of military in
social service
delivery

Public Financial Management reforms (influenced
and optimized)

Treasury Single
Account

Increased budget
transparency

Closing dormant
MDA accounts

Legal framework

Public Order
Management Act

PFM Act
2015

1995 constitution of
Uganda; Article 41 (1)
– Right to access to
information

What we do!

Advocate for pro-poor and gender sensitive budgets

Agriculture, Education, Health, Water & Environment, Social Development

Mobilize and organize

For meaningful citizens' participation in the budget process.

Build capacity for members and communities

Budget analysis, community budget monitoring and service delivery tracking, gender budgeting & advocacy.

What we do!

Disseminate
research
findings

**Providing
alternative
budget
proposals to
government;**

From the analysis of the approved budget an alternative budget proposal is presented to the policy makers. These proposals developed have ably influenced budget decision.

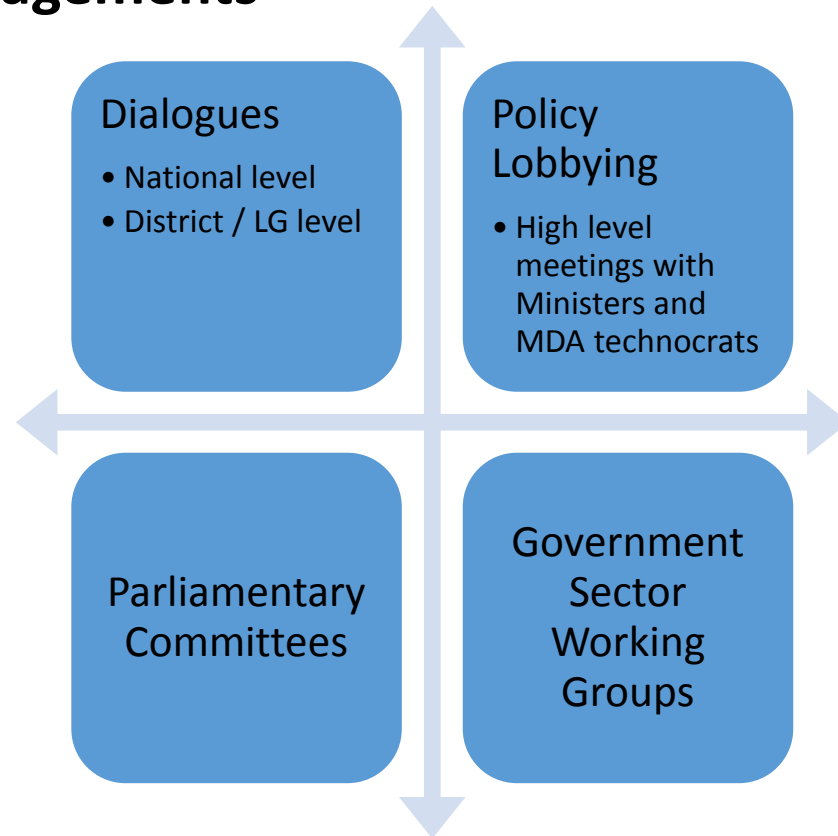
Tracking public
expenditure,
Conducting
research studies.

**Generating
evidence for
budget
advocacy.**

Document
results

How we do it!

Engagements

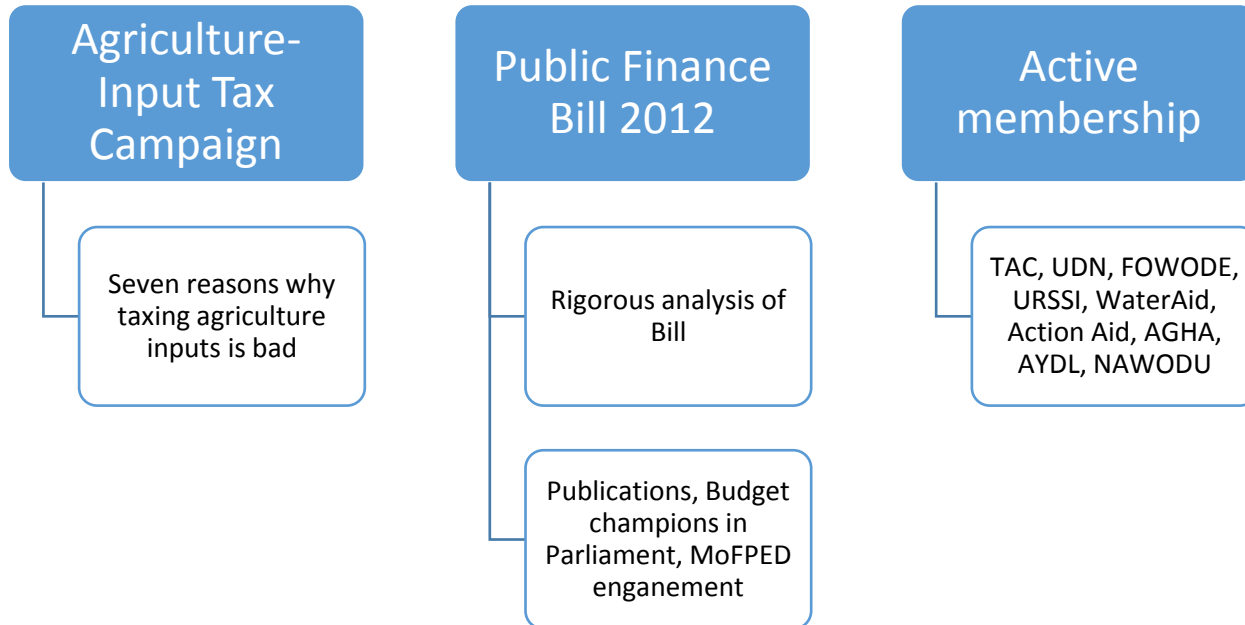


Immediate Results

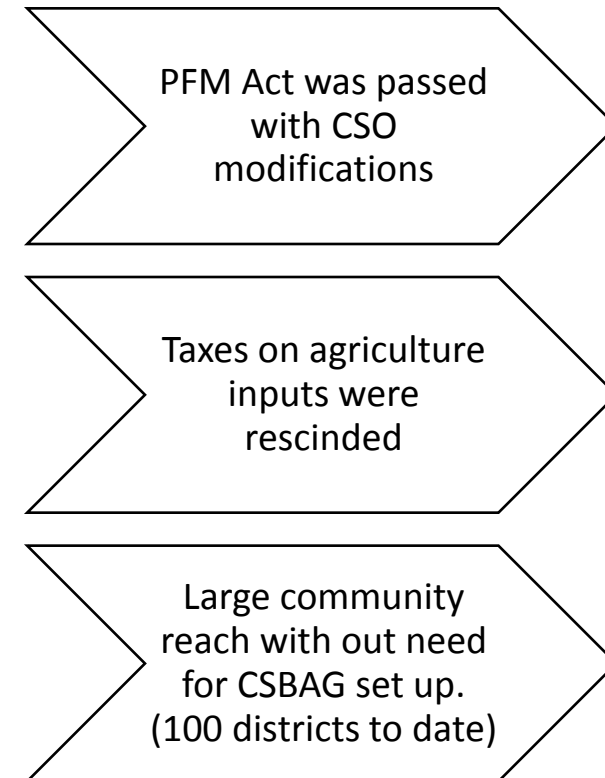


How we do it! Ctd...

Campaigns & mobilisation



Immediate results



How we do it! Ctd...

Capacity Building

Budget analysis training

Budget Advocacy trainings

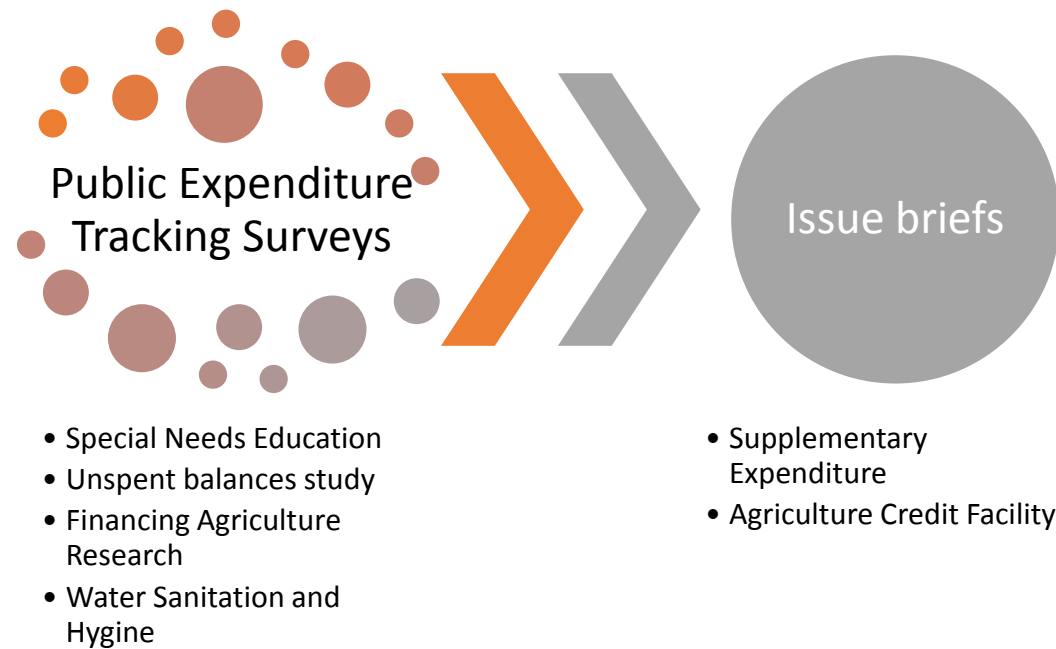
Retreats

Immediate results

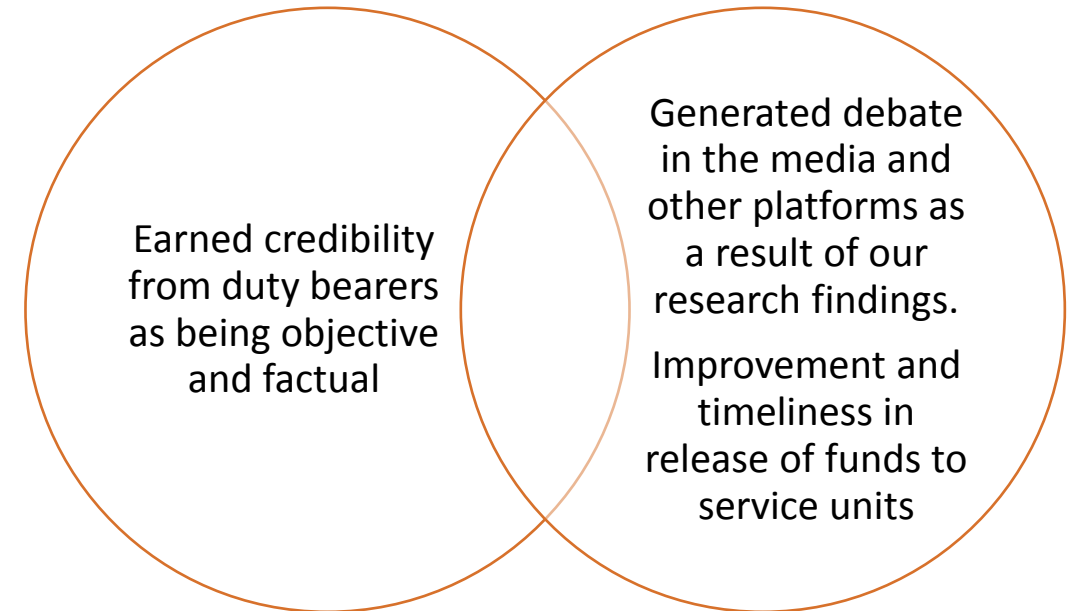
Increased demand for accountability by CSOs and communities alike

How we do it! Ctd...

Research – Evidence gathering

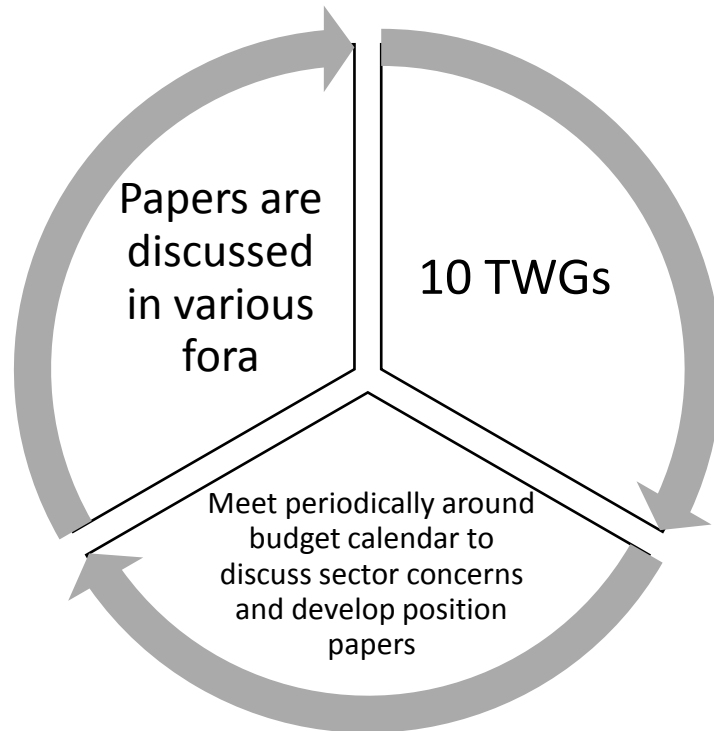


Immediate results



How we do it! Ctd...

Thematic Working Groups



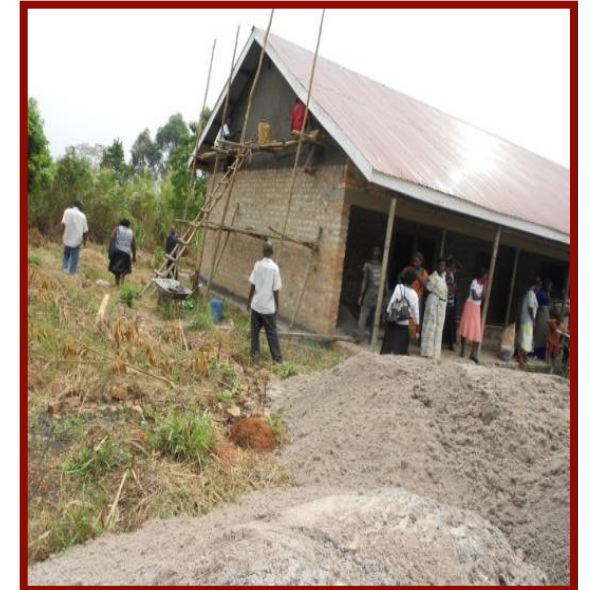
Immediate results

Improved quality of position papers (contain pro poor proposals) for policy engagement

Case studies - LG

Community vigilance and participation results in improved service delivery

Kabuga Health Centre III, Muhorro sub county, Kibaale district had its construction started in 2011, but this had been halted and the construction site abandoned by the government.



Case studies - National

Promoting Tax justice

The one million signature campaign



In the FY 2014/15 the Minister of Finance made a pronouncement that the country would generate over 80% of the national revenue from domestic sources. To realize this, alternative revenue sources had to be identified among which was the decision to tax agriculture inputs.



Mrs. Florence Tumuheirwe, (standing) a farmer from Kabale presenting the position of farmers to the Speaker of Parliament Rt. Hon. Rebecca during the submission of petitions

Limitations



Limited Political will



Limited access to budget information



Intimidation



Politicizing national policy engagements



Limited capacity of the CSBAG members

- *We are as strong as our weakest member*

Lessons learnt

Dialogue not confrontation

Continued use of evidence based advocacy

Involving duty bearers in budget monitoring work

Thank
You