



Primary 4 Social studies

Term 1

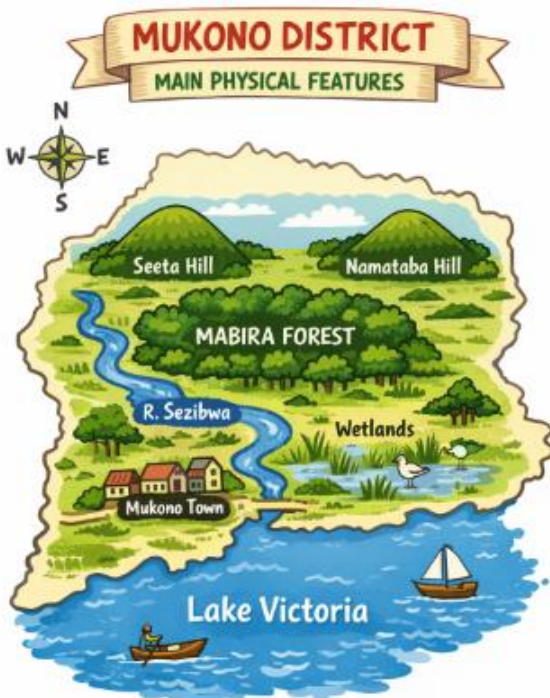
Theme: LIVING TOGETHER IN OUR DISTRICT

Topic 2/2: OUR DISTRICT

Learning Outcome:

Explores, understands and appreciates the value of his/her immediate and distant environment for better health and harmonious living.

Physical Features in Mukono District



- (i) **Lake Victoria** – found along the southern border of Mukono.
- (ii) **Hills** – such as Seeta Hill and Namataba Hill.
- (iii) **Rivers and wetlands** – e.g., River Sezibwa and swamps.
- (iv) **Forests** – Mabira Forest (partly in Mukono).

Uses of Physical Features

(i) Lake Victoria



Nile perch from L. Victoria



Boat on Lake Victoria

- Lakes provide fish,
- Lakes provide water for home use
- Lakes are used for transport using boats and ship.
- Lakes are used for recreation/swimming

(ii) Hills



Hill settlement



Farming on hills



Communication mast

- Hills are used for settlement
- Hills are used for farming,
- Hills are used for communication masts.

(iii) **Wetlands**



Rice growing



Yams

- Wetlands are used for farming (rice, yams)
- Wetlands clean running water before it enters the lake.
- Wetlands control floods
- Wetlands provide domestic water.

(iv) **Forests**



Logs



Firewood



Electric pole

- Forests provide logs
- Forests provide firewood
- Forests provide medicine such as quinine
- Forests are used for tourist attraction

Dangers of Physical Features

- (i) **Lake Victoria** – risk of drowning and waterborne diseases such as bilharzia.
- (ii) **Hills** – landslides may occur if trees are cut down.
- (iii) **Wetlands** – breeding grounds for mosquitoes that spread malaria.
- (iv) **Forests** – may hide dangerous animals and can be destroyed by bush fires.

Caring for Physical Features

- (i) **Lake Victoria** – avoid dumping rubbish and protect it from pollution.
- (ii) **Hills** – plant trees to prevent soil erosion.
- (iii) **Wetlands** – avoid draining them completely; use them wisely.
- (iv) **Forests** – plant more trees and avoid cutting too many.

Suggested activities

Drawing the map of the district and showing main physical features. • Visiting some of these physical features in the neighbourhood and observe them.

Exercise

1. Name two physical features found in Mukono District.
2. What is the use of Lake Victoria to the people of Mukono?
3. Mention one danger of living near wetlands.
4. How can we care for forests in Mukono District?
5. Why are hills important to people in Mukono?
6. Which physical feature provides fish in Mukono District?
7. What problem can occur if people cut down trees on hills?
8. Name one disease that can spread in wetlands.
9. How do wetlands help in controlling floods?
10. Write one way of caring for Lake Victoria.

Thank You

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