



# Is your clan strong?

## **YES.....because –**

- We know that the clan has the responsibility to make sure everyone has rights to land
- We are aware that some of our clan are vulnerable because of increasing land sales and increasing population – our widows, our wives, our orphans and people with disabilities.
- We make sure our land is not sold without a good reason.
- We protect our wives, our widows, our orphans and our fellow clan members with disabilities from land grabbers.
- We make sure all our clan members have land.

## **NO.....because –**

- We are not aware how changes are making members of our clan vulnerable to land grabbers – our widows, our wives, our orphans and our clan members with disabilities.
- We allow the land of our widows and orphans to be grabbed by greedy relatives and neighbours.
- We allow husbands to sell land without the consent of their wives and families.
- We are silent when the greed of land grabbers breaks the customary law that everyone in the clan had rights to land – men and women, married or unmarried.
- We accept the excuses and lies of the land grabbers, when they say that
  - A widow was responsible for husband's death
  - A widow loses her clan rights if she refuses to be inherited – if she fears HIV/AIDS
  - A woman loses her clan rights if she did not produce sons for the clan
  - Unmarried girls have no rights
  - Women have no rights to land
  - A child has no rights to inherit any land because the mother was not married.

**If your clan is strong – be proud !**

**If your clan is weak – think what will be the future of your clan and your family !**

The clan must come together to protect the future of your families.

The clan members must work together to protect the vulnerable from greedy land grabbers who think they are stronger than the clan!

If you hear about anyone trying to grab someone else's land you can help stop it. Report it to your cultural leader, LEMU or a human rights organisation.

This leaflet has been prepared by LEMU. Please let us know if you found it useful and if you want to translate it to a local language in your area. If you have any other comments, or if you would like us to make leaflets on any other topic, please contact us at P.O.Box 23722, Kampala, email: [lemu@utlonline.co.ug](mailto:lemu@utlonline.co.ug), telephone 256-41-(0)772856212 or 256-41-576818.