

"If you do that, God will reward you," she said.

By David Lumu

Fearing eviction, representatives from the over 200 homesteads in Kitwara parish, where Kiryandongo Sugar Works Limited has been granted land, have petitioned President Yoweri Museveni and the lands minister, Betty Amongi, requesting to meet with the investor and government officials concerned.

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"The Government should help us. That is our prayer," he said.

The residents told *New Vision* that when the land was fenced off, they travelled from Kiryandongo on Saturday for

Minister responds

"It is not their land, they are bona fide occupants. None of them has been chased off the land. I have been handling their matter carefully, and what is happening now is not fencing off the land as such, but reopening the boundaries to find

"We agreed with them (petitioners) that after Christmas, we shall have a meeting with all the stakeholders, visit the areas affected by the project, and

Amongi added that after the meeting of all stakeholders, which is scheduled for next week, the Government will conduct sensitisation and awareness on rights of legal tenants and bona fide occupants, regarding the compensation and resettlement plans.