

TotalEnergies gives scholarships to needy students

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TotalEnergies Uganda has awarded scholarships to 10 girls who performed well in the recently released Primary Leaving Examinations under its scholarship scheme. This is aimed at promoting access to O'level education for vulnerable but bright learners within the Tilenga project areas.

Godfrey Lukwago, the manager for stakeholder engagement at TotalEnergies, said they initiated a scholarship scheme for female learners as part of their corporate social responsibility in areas of their operation.

He made the statements during the official handover of scholastic materials to the 10 girls from Buliisa district who got the scholarships. The handover of the items was conducted at Buliisa district headquarters on Thursday.

Lukwago said every year, they award 10

scholarships and about 130 girls have benefited from the scheme.

"Over the years, we have been working with the district education office to identify girls from vulnerable communities who have excelled and support them to further their education," he said.

Lukwago said they have also awarded full scholarships to 100 students to pursue nursing and midwifery studies at St Mary's Nursing School in Lacor in Gulu and Hoima Nursing School.

He said the beneficiaries were drawn from six districts within the Albertine Graben that are affected by oil and gas activities, namely Hoima, Kikuube, Pakwach, Masindi, Buliisa and Nwoya.

Sophie Kabonesa, the Buliisa district inspector of schools, lauded the oil firm for the scholarships.