

# Residents burn farms over land

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**KYENJOJO.** The dispute over ownership of several hectares of land at Ganyinayo in Kyenjojo District has taken a new twist.

Last week, residents burned farms of a prominent businessman, Mr Vincent Mugisha, accusing him of grabbing their land.

Ms Joyce Kabaguma, 53, a resident of Ganyinayo Village, Kyenjojo District, is among the more than 200 residents who accuse Mr Mugisha of evicting them.

"Mugisha wanted to arrest my husband at first but he fled. For me, I could not run away and leave my children so instead police arrested me in October 2017 and paraded me in court, since then I have been in prison and I don't know where my husband is," Ms Kabaguma testified before the Commission of Inquiry into Land Matters recently.

Chaired by Justice Catherine Bamugemereire, the Commission grilled Mr Mugisha in March for allegedly evicting people using forged documents.

The Commission issued an interim order barring Mr Mugisha from using the disputed land until investigations are complete. However, in March, High Court judge Justice Oyuko Anthony Ojok over turned the order.