

## **TOPIC 5.**

### **NATURAL RESOURCES OF UGANDA**

#### **Qn: What is a resource?**

A resource is anything in the environment that man uses to meet/ satisfy his needs.

#### **Qn: What are natural resources?**

Natural resources are things naturally provided by the environment that man uses to satisfy / meet his needs.

#### **Types of resources**

- I. Natural resources
- II. Man-made resources

## Examples of natural resources

- ❖ Land (major resources)
- ❖ Water bodies
- ❖ Wildlife
- ❖ Sunshine
- ❖ Climate
- ❖ Wind

## Examples of man-made resources

- Money
- Cars
- Houses
- Televisions, mobile phones, refrigerators ,etc.

## Types of natural resources

- Renewable resources
- Non-renewable resources

### Qn: What are renewable resources?

Renewable resources are resources that replace(recycle) themselves after use.

### Examples of renewable resources

1. Land
2. Water bodies
3. Wildlife
4. Sunshine
5. Climate
6. Wind

## **Non- renewable resources**

These are resources that cannot replace themselves after use.

## **Examples of non-renewable resources**

Minerals

**Qn: Why is land regarded as the most important resource?**

✓ Most other resources are found on land.

**Or:**

Land supports the existence of most resources.

✓ Almost all human activities are carried out on land.

## Qn: Why is land called a renewable resource?

Land replaces/recycles itself after use.

### ACTIVITY

1. Name the most important natural resource in Uganda.
2. State any two ways you can use land as a resource.
3. Give a reason why money is called a resource.
4. Mention the major difference between renewable resources and non-renewable resources.