

ANOTHER MISSING NEWBORN AT A GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL

Monday 17th May 2021

“The curious case of a missing baby”

Today, the Center for Health, Human Rights and Development (CEHURD) has served a legal notice to Mukono General Hospital tasking them to address the complaint of Ms Rose Baisi and her family or face legal action in court. The story of Rose Baisi who delivered twins at Mukono General Hospital but was only given one baby, came to our notice through a facebook post made by Joachim Buwembo.

Our legal team made a follow-up to establish the facts by visiting Ms Rose Baisi and her family to provide legal support and advice on the case. This statement is therefore written to highlight and share what we found out;

- Indeed on 4th April 2021 at 11:00am Ms Rose Baisi delivered twins at Mukono General Hospital where she used to receive antenatal care services. Unfortunately, upon delivery of the twins only one baby was handed over to her family and the other allegedly dumped in a placenta pit by mistake.
- Ms. Rose and her family were told that she had produced only one baby something she vehemently denied because scans from previous check-ups showed she was pregnant with twins and she heard the second baby cry upon delivery.
- Ms Rose informed us that the hospital later confirmed that she had indeed delivered twins but the second baby passed on due to severe fetal abnormalities. The dead baby has since been buried.

CEHURD works to promote social justice in health through provision of legal aid services for people who suffer health rights violations. As human rights defenders, we believe there are serious human rights violations arising from this matter. Our legal team will continue to work with the family and other human rights defenders to ensure that human rights are protected and justice is served.

For further inquiries, please reachout to the legal aid clinic through our toll free line **0800300044**.