Summary
During this internship, I was provided the opportunity to observed methods used to collect, treat and distribute water as well as gain an understanding of the methods used to distribute water to rural communities. I gained crucial field experience, performing surveying assignments as well as contributing to site inspections to confirm the functionality of several borehole systems.

Fun Cultural Experience
Breakfast is a big part of work culture, people come to work and the first thing they do is to get breakfast, usually a sandwich. There was a bakery strike as bakers were protesting the prices of flour and did not make any bread for a couple of days. It was amusing hear the complaints and seeing how distressed my coworkers were about having their breakfast routine disrupted by a lack of bread!

Relation to Your Major
I wanted to understand how different civil engineering was in a developing country and to gain perspective on the impact our work does. This opportunity allowed me to gain crucial hands on experience, further enriching my degree beyond classwork. I was able to observe and see conceptual concepts translated into practical applications.

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