

WORLD NETWORK FOR SUSTAINABLE CHANGE

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FOREWORD

Happy New Year (2020) to you all our partners!

First and foremost, we thank God Almighty for His guidance, care and protection. Our sincere thanks also goes to our donors *Foerderverein Watoto: Afrikas starke kinder e.V, Team Dima Global* and *German Regional Scouts Association, BdP* for both financial and material support. Thank you too WONESU Board of Directors- members for your continued commitment and support.

Thanks to our youthful, energetic, committed and self-motivated projects' staff (Berlyne Achieng Ndolo, Bernard Mboga, Mary Achieng Amonde and Christine Auma Onyango for active participation in implementation of all project activities. We also appreciate the contribution of our volunteers Paul Tieng'o and Mollline Akinyi in this quarter (January- March 2020).

Equally, we recognize the contribution of all projects implementing partners; Kisumu East and Kisumu West Sub County Children offices, Kisumu West Sub County Livestock Production office, Local community leaders- Chief, Assistant Chief and Village elders in Korando area, for immense contribution to the successes in our projects.

Finally, we thank our beneficiaries partner schools- parents/ guardians, teachers and children; Manyatta Arab, Ogango, Kodiaga, Usoma, Ragumo, Kudho, Geta, Obinju Kanyakwar and Ngege Primary Schools for your support and participation in all our projects.

Thanks and May God Bless you all abundantly!!!

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In this quarter (January - March 2020) we provided school feeding materials to our seven partner schools. This ensured over 3900 children fed on nutritious porridge. Our adolescent boys and girls aged 9-17 year olds mentorship sessions also continued in Ngege Primary School. We also initiated mentorship sessions in Geta and Obinju kanyakwar Primary Schools. These sessions provide avenues for adolescent girls and boys to identify / discuss problems they faced in their day to day lives. They also provided inborn and own grown solutions to their problems hence informed decisions on matters their lives/ parents/ guardians/ teachers and society in general. We also distributed four hundred and fifty (450) packets of disposable sanitary towels to adolescent girls in Manyatta Arab, Ogango, Kodiaga and Obinju Kanyakwar Primary Schools.

WONESU continued our engagement with Molline Akinyi (Volunteer Tailor) in production of reusable sanitary towels. We then distributed after sensitization on use, hygiene and storage methods of reusable sanitary towels to forty adolescent girls in Geta Primary School. The project aims to ensure adolescent girls easily access menstrual hygiene management products with longer utility period. Thus improve school attendance, reduce early school withdrawal, teenage pregnancies and early marriages in rural areas.

Our art sessions with over 200 nursery school children aged 2-6 year olds in Manyatta Arab and Obinju Kanyakwar Nursery school sections also continued. Our children enjoyed drawing, coloring, playing with toys, songs and tales. As reported by the children, teachers and parents WONESU interventions in our partner schools ensure reduced absenteeism, longer concentration spans, improved self-esteem/ grade performances and reduced early school withdrawal of vulnerable children in slums and rural schools. However, our Education Program activities were interrupted when schools were closed in mid-March 2020. This was in line with directive issued by Government of Kenya in the efforts to contain spread of deadly virus - COVID-19 in the country.

In Agriculture program under livestock production, we continued production of goats, rabbits, dairy cows and chicken. Our five beneficiary groups- Korando A, Korando B1, Korando B2, Korando C and Korando D did not relent in their commitment and support to the projects activities. They also produced vegetables of pumpkins, spinach, kales, black night shade in their kitchen gardens for sale and families consumption. Production of fruits of passion fruits, grafted mangoes, bananas and paw paws also continued in various beneficiaries' farms. In fact fruits of passion fruits, paw paws and bananas that matured were harvested for sale and families consumption. The program did ensure improved food security and income to rural households in Korando area.

Finally we did receive funding from BdP and Foerderverein Watoto: Afrikas starke Kinder e.V that ensured all planned activities were implemented in this quarter. We also engaged Khoya &Co. who conducted audit of our financial accounts for 2019 period.

2. GERMAN REGIONAL SCOUTS ASSOCIATION- (B-d-P) ACTIVITIES 2.1. School Feeding Objective: To improve quality of education through provision of nutritive food supplements to over 3500 vulnerable children.

WONESU delivered food supplements for the months of February and March 2020 to all our partner schools. Over 3800 children from these schools; Manyatta Arab, Ogango, Kodiaga, Ragumo, Ngege and Usoma Primary Schools fed on enriched and nutritious porridge. As reported by all partner schools teachers feeding program ensure improved enrolment, participation/ attention in classes, reduced abseentism, high retention rates and hence overall grade performances.



Adelite Abuto (cook) served porridge to children in Manyatta Arab Primary School.



Children in Manyatta Arab Nursery School section posed for photo outside their classroom after they served porridge.



Ogango Primary School children also posed for photo in their school compound after they served porridge.

2.2. Adolescents Girls: Menstrual Hygiene Management

Objective: To increase access to menstrual hygiene products and education to 1500 adolescent girls in Kisumu

In the last quarter (October- December 2019) we distributed reusable sanitary towels to over thirty adolescent girls in Ngege Primary School. This was donations from well-wishers/ friends to WONESU. As reported by the adolescent girls the reusable sanitary towels are very comfortable for use and they no longer miss school during their menses.

WONESU also continued our engagement with Molline Akinyi in production of *Hope* reusable sanitary towels since last quarter (October – December 2019). As the year began, we sampled schools in rural areas of Kisumu West, Nyando and Seme Sub Counties as our partner schools. We then visited Geta Primary School- Kisumu West Sub County and sensitized over forty adolescent girls on use, hygiene methods and storage of our reusable sanitary towels. We then distributed forty reusable sanitary towels to adolescent girls in the schools. We shall conduct follow up visits in the next quarter (April- June 2020) and continue sensitization/ distribution of *Hope* pads to more adolescent girls in sampled rural schools.



Berlyne Ndolo demonstrated steps to follow in washing reusable sanitary towels to adolescent girls in Geta Primary School.



Adolescent girls in Geta Primary School posed for photo after they received reusable sanitary towels in their school

As the project progresses our production officer (Molline Akinyi) will also sew over sixty school uniforms to children in our partner schools. In partnership with Kodiaga and Ngege Primary Schools teachers we identified needy children for school uniforms distribution. This will ensure reduced cost in overall production hence more number of children enrolled for school uniform distribution in 2020.

We also sought partnership with Kenya Youth Empowerment &Opportunities Project (KYEOP) and National Industrial Training Authority (NITA) in Kisumu. The organizations above seeks to increase youth aged (18-29 years) employability through specific training and work placement in the formal and informal sectors. They also contract "Master Craftsmen" (individuals or institutions with capacity to train on different fields like food/ beverage, tailoring/ dressmaking, hair dressing and beauty therapy e.t.c. Our partnership therefore seeks to allow WONESU offer specific skills training (Tailoring and Dress making) in our office.

KYEOP did receive our application letter to that effect and will conduct assessment (visit our office) before approvals. If approved we shall train two/ three students in Tailoring and Dressmaking course sponsored by KYEOP for a period of five months. The students will then undertake examinations with National Industrial Training Authority (NITA).

2.2. Agriculture Project

Objective: Improve food security and income to over 50 rural households through crop and livestock production in Korando area.

2.2.1 Livestock Production

In this quarter (January- March) we received adequate rainfall. Therefore our farmer groups planted more fodder like molato grasses, nappier grass, desmodium, potatoe vines, on their individual farms. Natural fodder like tithonia, sesbania, black jack and other indigenous grasses were also available on their farms and therefore boost our livestock feeds. Production of fodder has promoted zero grazing and ensured our project goats don't gest poisonous feeds among our project goats.



Josephine Anyango- Korando A member inside desmodium on her farm



Magdalene Okore – Korando A member also posed for photo inside her fodder plants farm

Goat units' construction across our farmers' homesteads in Korando area has reduced mortality of goats due to pneumonia and other related infections. Our farmers also clean, collect goat waste for production of kitchen gardens and other farm produce like grains. The units also help control breeding, identification of sick goats for immediate action of treatment, feeding and service. The farmers also easily collect goat urine and use for pest control on vegetables and other farm produce. We currently have twenty four completed goat units across our beneficiaries' homesteads in Korando area.



Grace Bonga- Korando B1 member posed for photo outside the doe unit in her homestead.

Our farmer groups also continued routine livestock management practices like weekly spraying and quarterly deworming of all over one hundred (100) project goats (pure, local, F1 and F2 generations of goats). These routine practices control both internal and external parasites for higher productivity.



Jared -Korando A member posed for photo with project goats in his homestead.

As previously planned we also exchanged group buck for Korando C beneficiary group. The buck (*Christoph*) was disposed after he now experienced low productivity due to old age and a younger one (one year old) delivered to the group. However, we lost Korando A buck to pneumonia and infections in the intestines. We shall then "combine" Korando A and

Korando D members to share one buck to be hosted in Josephine Anyango's homestead. Korando B1 and Korando B2 will also share one buck.



Korando C beneficiary group new buck in Jecinter Okongo's homestead

As the project is progressing our farmers dispose older does (that now experience low productivity). This is particularly after their stock of goats have also grown from one to six goats (F1 and F2 generations of goats). The proceeds have been used to support education needs of their children. For example, Olivia Achieng Korando A member disposed the oldest doe and paid school levies for her children in secondary school.

2.2.2 Poultry Production

Production of chicken among our beneficiary groups ensure additional income with which they meet various family's needs from time to time. As reported by our farmers they sold chicken between Kshs. 700 – 1000 during the festive season in 2019. Therefore at the beginning of the year (2020) they used the proceeds and purchased school materials like books, school uniforms and paid part of school fees for their children in primary and those who transited to secondary schools. These included Josephine Anyango- Korando A, Phoebi Adhiambo, Beatrice Achieng-Korando B1, Tobias Ochola- B2, Jecinter Okongo and Magret Oloo- Korando C.

We also continued production of both local and improved breeds of chicken among our farmers in this quarter (January- March 2020). In fact the Rain Bow breed of chicken we distributed to our farmers in November 2019 were sold at between Kshs. 650- 700 by end month of March 2020. We shall therefore restock from the proceeds and as planned previously distribute more flock within next quarter (April- June 2020) to our farmers.



Magdalene Okore is assisted by Jared Ouma- Korando A members posed for photo outside chicken unit.



Christine Nganya – Korando D member outside chicken unit in her homestead.

2.2.3 Rabbit Production

Our farmers continued production of rabbits within their homesteads. They practiced proper feeding, housing for breeding purposes, treatment in cases of diseases detection, proper hygiene and sanitation to prevent pest invasion that may cause skin rashes. The rabbits were therefore served early March 2020.



Josephine Anyango – Korando A member's rabbit unit in her homestead.



Rabbits fed on vegetables in Olivia Achieng's unit – Korando A member.

2.2.4 Dairy Cow Production

We also continued production of dairy cows with our members in this quarter (January –March 2020). Elizabeth Oliech- Korando B2 member continued management practices like spraying, deworming, feeding and diseases control/ treatment to the Freshian breed. It was serviced through artificial insemination in January 2020. The heifer also under care of Korando B1 member is now one year and four months old.



Elizabeth Oliech in her homestead- Korando B2 member



The heifer also fed in open field in caretakers homestead- Korando B1 members

2.2.5 Crops Production 2.2.5.1 Banana production

We did receive more rainfall throughout this quarter (January- March 2020) that highly favored production of banana plantations. Our farmers destocked and transplanted more banana suckers on their farms. Therefore, we currently have close to three hundred (300) banana plants across our beneficiaries' farms.

Due to continued rainfall more banana sucks that matured in this quarter (January – March 2020) were harvested. The harvest supplemented their families' foods and excess sold to the market for additional income. We also expect heavy harvest of banana sucks in the next quarter (April- June 2020).



Banana plantation on Franscisca Ogonyo- Korando B2 member s farm.



Leonida Akinyi- Korando B2 member posed for photo next to the banana plantation on her farm.



Josephine Anyango- Korando A member also posed for photo banana suck almost due for harvesting on her farm.



Banana suck almost due for harvesting on John Lumumba's farm korando B1 member.



Banana suck almost due for harvesting on Phoebe Adhiambo's farm – Korando B1 member.

2.4.5.2 Production of Orchards

We continued production of orchards on farms of Jecinter Okongo, Patrick Nyakwaka and Joshua Onoka (Korando C members). Bananas have generated flowers, paw paw have also fruited and grafted mangoes are on vegetative stages of growth in the orchards. As previously planned production of orchards will be expanded to more farms in the next quarter (April- June 2020).



Jecinter Okongo- Korando C member inside orchard plantation on her farm.

2.2.5.3 Production of Kitchen Gardens

Local vegetables of black night shade, kadhira, spinach, kales amongst others continued to feed our beneficiaries' families members in this quarter (January – March 2020). They also sold surplus vegetables harvest to the markets and earned additional income. As reported by the beneficiaries' they purchased food items like flour, sugar, salt and cooking oil from proceeds of vegetables sales. Our beneficiaries' have also supplement costs related to education of their children. This entails costs like school levies, school materials for their children from Primary to Secondary Schools.

As a result some of our farmers have increased production of vegetables of black night shade, spinach, kales on their farms purposely for sale. They include Everlyne Lumumba, Grace Bonga (Korando B1), Mary Adede, Jecinter Okongo and Joshua Onoka (Korando C members).



Wilkister Anynago- Korando A member harvested vegetables on her kitchen garden for family's consumption.



Grace Bonga – Korando B1 member in the company of her son- Erick Otieno also harvested spinach vegetables on suck mounts in their homestead.

2.2.5.4. Passion fruits production

Passion fruits across our beneficiaries' farms that matured were harvested for families' consumption. As the rains poured more passion fruits trees fruited and will be harvested in the next quarter (April- June 2020). Our farmers have also conserved seeds for production of more trees in nursery beds within the next quarter (April – June 2020). During field follow up visits we have established that our farmers have trellised passion fruit trees and also provided support to ensure the plants don't fall off.



Christine Nganya -Korando D member posed for photo on her passion fruit farm.

2.2.5.5. Paw Paw fruits production

Our farmers harvested more paw paw fruits in this quarter (January- March 2020) for both family consumption and additional income. From the harvests they sold and earned income with which they purchased food items. Some of our farmers also sold paw paw fruits and earned up to one thousand (Kshs. 1000) and supported school needs for the children under their care. For example, Rose Amondi (Korando B1) member sold paw paw fruits and purchased school uniform for her grandson who joined secondary school at the beginning of this year. Our farmers have also prepared fruits for establishment of nursery beds and hence more production in the next quarter (April- June 2020).



Paw paw farm on Leonida Akinyi's farm- Korando B2 member



Rose Amondi- Korando B1 member after she harvested paw paw fruits in her farm.



Julius Ochieng – brother to John Lumumba- Korando B1 member after her harvested paw paw fruits on their farm.



Paw paw fruits harvested form John Lumumba's farm- Korando B1 member.

2.2.5.6. Pumpkin Production

Korando beneficiary groups (A, B1, B2, C and D) continued production of pumpkins on their farms. As the rains poured the pumpkin plantations on their farms vegetated and they harvested pumpkin fruits and leaves (as vegetables) for their families' consumption. These farmers also sold pumpkin leaves (vegetable) to the market and households in their neighborhoods. Pumpkin plantations across the beneficiaries' farms have flowered in readiness for fruiting.



Beldine Agumba- Korando D member inside pumpkin plantation on her farm



Marsela Adhiambo- Korando A member after she harvested pumpkin from her farm



Leonida Akinyi- Korando B2 mmeber inside pumpkin plantation on her farm.



Pumpkin fruit on Beldine Agumba Korando D member's farm

2.2.5.7. Grafted Mangoes Production

Grafted mangoes planted across our beneficiaries' farms flowered. However they shed off the flowers due to too much rainfall we received in this quarter (January- March 2020). As soon as the rains subside we shall spray all the grafted mangoes trees. Our farmers have also continued management practices like weeding and protection against animal destruction.



Rose Amondi – Korando B1 member removed dry leaves from grafted mangoe tree in her farm



Jecinter Okongo – Korando C member as she uprooted weeds around grafted mangoe tree on her farm.

2.2.6. Savings and Loaning Schemes (Table

Savings and loaning schemes within our beneficiary groups (Korando A and C) for period January – December 2019 were closed. These groups shared out shortly before the Christmas break (December 2019). However, Korando B1 planned to share out in June 2020. Korando B2 on the other hand planned to share out end month of April 2020. As reported by the members they used the monies (savings) to support schools needs for their children in secondary schools and colleges. Some of the members also used the proceeds to increase the stock of goods for their various businesses.



Patrick Nyakwakwa and Jecinter Okongo- Korando C members posed for photo with the pure doe and kid after groups meeting. The doe was purchased from proceeds of savings and loaning 2018 period.

Korando C beneficiary group also purchased plastic chairs for their group from proceeds of savings and loaning scheme 2019 period. As per their plans the plastic chairs will be hired at a fee and hence generate additional income for the group.



Korando C beneficiary group posed for photo displayed plastic chairs they purchased from proceeds earned through savings and loaning scheme 2019 period.

As the year began, our beneficiary groups Korando A, B1, B2 and C continued weekly groups meetings for savings and loaning schemes. They therefore contributed weekly shares, loaned and repaid back the loans at 10% interest rates. As reported by the various group's member's savings and loaning scheme helps keep the businesses afloat. They also support group's interventions through contribution from profits earned from their businesses. The family's needs like food and other school needs also met from proceeds of savings and loaning schemes.



Korando C members in past savings and loaning scheme meeting in Joshua Onokas homestead.



Korando B2 members during past savings and loaning scheme meeting held in Josephine Ogonyo;s home.

3.0. FOERDERVEREIN WATOTO: AFRIKAS STARKE KINDER e.V. ACTIVITIES

3.1. School Feeding

Objective: To improve quality of education through provision of nutritive food supplements to over 200 vulnerable children in Kudho Primary School

WONESU delivered food supplements and over 200 hundred children in Kudho Primary School enjoyed a cup of porridge each. This was during the months of February and March 2020. The school feeding program as reported by the teachers has promoted school enrolment, attendance, participation and overall grade performance of vulnerable children in the school.



Kudho Nursery School children posed for photo after they served porridge in their classroom.



A section of baby/ daycare class children in Kudho Nursery school also enjoyed cup of porridge in their classroom.

3.2. Nursery Art

Objective: To promote learning and holistic development of children aged 2-6 year olds in Kudho and Manyatta Arab Nursery Schools

WONESU provided art materials (crayons, pencils, manila papers, color pencils and toys among others) and continued art sessions with children aged 3- 6 year olds in Manyatta Arab Nursery section. In this quarter we also initiated our activities in Obinju Kanyakwar Primary School – Nursery section in Manyatta slums.

Christine Onyango (Nursery Art facilitator) grouped the children based on age and grade level (Day Care and Pre- Primary 1/ Pre- Primary 2). She then engaged them in drawing / coloring, clay molding, tales, grouping and sorting shapes/ sizes in their respective partner schools. As reported by the teachers drawing, coloring, grouping/ sorting and tales enables children develop by improving communication between their hands and brains. The children are also motivated and their strengths are also nurtured.



Manyatta Arab Nursery School children aged 4-6 year olds in their classroom during art session.



Childen in obinju Kanyakwar Nursery section during art session in their classroom.



Obinju Kanyakwar nursery children showcased their drawings after art session in their classroom.

Our baby classes' children aged 2-3 year olds also enjoyed sessions of songs/ dances and playing with toys. They played with different toys of cats, cars, dogs, cocks, dolls e.t.c in their classrooms. As reported by teachers' children experience multiple learning when they listen, share, imitate animals, car sounds vocally, play with and see different things in form of toys.



Children aged 2-3 year olds in Obinju Nursery School in their classroom during art session.



Baby class children in Manyatta Arab Nursery School section played with toys during art session.

3.3 Adolescent's Mentorship Program

3.3.1. Knit and Chat Club.

Objective: To mentor 200 adolescents' girls through collective responsibility into responsible future adults



Berlyne Ndolo during past mentorship with adolescent girls in Ngege Primary School compound.

Our adolescent girl's mentorship sessions continued in Ngege Primary School. Berlyne Ndolo (adolescent girls mentor) also held mentorship sessions with adolescent girls aged 9-17 year olds in Obinju Kanyakwar and Geta Primary schools. The sessions provided forums for girls to freely share with their mentor and amongst themselves. In Geta and Obinju Kanyakwar Primary Schools the teachers reported challenges that adolescent girls faced. They included high levels of school absenteeism, high cases of teenage pregnancies, drug/ substance abuse, lack of school uniforms, lack of sanitary towels amongst others. From observation the adolescent girls in Geta Primary School were also very withdrawn. We shall continue meetings with adolescent girls in the schools in the next quarter (April- June 2020).



Berlyne Ndolo in past mentorship session with adolescent girls in Obinju Kanyakwar Primary school.

We also distributed sanitary towels to adolescent girls in Manyatta Arab, Ogango, Kodiaga and Obinju Kanyakwar Primary Schools. This ensure adolescent girls do not miss school during their menses hence improved overall grade performance amongst adolescent girls.



Manyatta Arab Primary School adolescent girls posed for photo after they received sanitary towels in their school compound.



Adolescent girls in Kodiaga Primary School inside the school compound after they received sanitary towels.



Ogango Primary School adolescent girls posed for photo in the school compound after they received sanitary towels



Obinju Kanyakwar Primary School adolescent girls during mentorship session. We also distributed sanitary towels to them.

3.3.2. Kick and Chat Club Objective: To mentor 200 adolescent boys through collective responsibility into responsible future adults

Mentorship sessions for adolescent boys also continued in Ngege Primary School. Our adolescent boys mentor (Paul Tieng'o) also held discussions with adolescent boys aged 9-17 year olds in Geta and Obinju Kanyakwar Primary Schools. In their discussions on self-Awareness- peer pressure, lacks of basic needs in school/ home were cited as some challenges they faced as adolescents. Some of the boys also shared their struggles in which they engaged in collection of scrap metals, sand harvesting and construction sites for menial jobs to meet some of their needs. They were however very optimistic to achieve their life goals/ dreams. These included; doctors, engineers, nurses, teachers, e.t.c. Paul Tiengo will continue with mentorship sessions in all the schools.



Paul Tieng'o posed for photo with adolescent boys aged 9-12 year olds in Ngege Primary School compound. This was after mentorship session.



Adolescent boys aged 13-17 year olds mentorship session in Geta Primary School



Adolescent boys posed for photo after mentorship session in Geta Primary School



Obinju Kanyakwar Primary School adolescent boys in past mentorship session in their school.

4. WONESU INTERNAL AFFAIRS 4. 1. WONESU Financial Management System

In this quarter we received project funds from both our donors, BdP and Foerderverein Watoto: Afrikas starke Kinder e.V. This ensured our activities planned for implementation in the period January- March 2020 were implemented. We also contracted Khoya & Co. for audit of our books of account for the period January – December 2019. The audited report copy was submitted to the NGO Coordination Board office.

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For WONESU