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Preface

MamboSteunPunt is founded in 2009 with the aim to support the project “MamboViewPoint” The idea behind this project is to improve the quality of live of people in a poor area by empowerment and creating jobs, rather than by aid and free gifts. This should create a more sustainable development. The choice for Mambo—Tanzania was made after an investigation with the aim to find a suitable area to develop this idea.

The period 2009-2015

In the first 5 years a stable base is created with an own income. The lodge itself created more income for many local people, not only by working in the lodge but mainly in the supply chain from food, taxi's, guides and other. Moreover, a number of projects are established by MamboSteunPunt foundation with help of volunteers and donors.

From 2012 all projects are channelled via the local NGO JamiiSawa.

In the end many improvements were visible, and a more prosperous community was created. Highlights were the establishment of a water pipeline and pumps, the support for women giving birth, the new football field, the improvement of animal keeping and agriculture, the scholarship program and others.

The Period 2015-2020

With the appointment of Magufuli as president from Tanzania a new period dawned for development. Important pillars for the new policy were the reduction of the dependency from aid and the reduction of corruption. Although this was very much in line with the view of MsP, in reality, it also created a huge bureaucracy, and heavy taxes and levies. Many NGO's were closed, foreign NGO's left the country, and foreigners did not get new working permits. Due to this also the activities from JamiiSawa became frustrated and costly.

Current situation

Due to the changed situation MsP changed its policy in the way projects are done and started to fund a number of local NGO's, CBO's, companies and individuals, instead of channelling all via JamiiSawa. The responsibility for the projects and legal requirements is now in hands of the local entities and MsP is only the donor. However, it is made sure to have a good monitoring system in place. The role of MsP in this is mainly to define projects, the search for funds, the search for the suitable identities and the monitoring of the results.

Projects

The choice for projects is dependant of the need, the availability of funds, volunteers and the sustainability. In all cases project proposals are made and reviewed to see if they meet the MsP policy and requirements.

MsP has projects in 4 main fields:

Healthcare: Supporting dispensaries, supporting traditional birth attendances and village health workers, improvement of ambulance transport, sanitation pads for girls, and lifewraps.

Education: Scholarships, computer and tablet classes, classes for drop-outs, on-line learning, empowerment of girls, books, school improvements, new classrooms and sports.

Entrepreneurship: classes entrepreneurship, supporting new business,

Infrastructure: Water infrastructure, roads, and reforestation.

For an extended overview have a look at <https://www.mambosteunpunt.org/projects/>

Volunteers

Over 100 volunteers contributed to the MsP projects. A solid procedure is in place before volunteers can join to ensure that as less as possible problems appear once the volunteers are in Tanzania. Once on the job guidance of the volunteers is in place.

Income and fundraising

Funds are generated by donation, mainly from former guests of MamboViewPoint, but also from other foundations and from business who want to meet their social responsibility. In the last case gifts can go along with physical contributions from volunteers/employees from the donors.

Since 2009 it appeared that more and more gifts from various countries are received and currently approximately 25% is coming from Dutch citizens, NGO's or companies.

Management and use of assets.

MamboSteunPunt has only a very little asset. In the Netherlands there is no office and in Tanzania all assets are owned by MamboViewPoint or privately. In both countries' office space is offered by board members for free.

In the mean while some assets are within projects like the computer classes and water projects, but the value is very limited. Most are used by local partners under the condition that they are taken back once they are misused or not used.

Remuneration policy

MsP works with volunteers only. They are supposed to provide their own income and have to pay for their food and stay during their stay in Mambo. For board members there are no salaries or allowances.

For the projects it is possible to pay local staff allowances since the local income from other sources does not allow people to volunteer substantially. Although in principle no sitting allowances are paid to any local or foreign assistant, however unfortunately this cannot be avoided in all cases.

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