Newsletter MamboSteunPunt May 2022

Wow, we're already halfway into 2022! Time flies when you're having fun. We are happy to give you another update of our activities.

After Corona things are back to normal and we are happy to receive many guests again from various countries.

Meanwhile, we have been busy with many projects. One of the main activities has been the organization of the tree planting project, since there is a lot of interest from the government and also from international communities.

Reforestation

Already some years ago we identified the need to plant new trees. The whole eco system of the Usambara Mountains is under threat and providing clean drinking water is becoming a bigger problem every year with even a realistic risk for desertification of the arena. Planting trees is a basic solution which can restore the sponge working and will store rainwater for later use for irrigation and drinking water.

We've experienced several issues in previous attempts of tree planting; locals using the tree planting for agriculture purposes, goats eating the trees, a lack of water or simply a lack of caretaking. It has been a learning process, and now we joined forces and we are ready to scale up.

Together with The Kilimanjaro Project, Fairtree and the Pangani Water board we came to a qualitative approach; grow the seedlings in a greenhouse, mainly plant in areas near streams where agriculture is not allowed, provide awareness trainings to locals and work with a pay to grow model (seedlings are tracked every few months and local caretakers get paid for seedling that survive)

We were happy to receive a grant for planting 20,500 new seedlings, including a 5 year period for caretaking. Also fruit-trees like avocado will be among the trees, so the farmers will have income from this after the caretaking period ended.

Our greenhouse will be extended to make space for all 20,500 seedlings.

If you would like to support this project, you can do for $ 5 per tree, which includes 5 year caretaking or just to donate an amount for general use like building greenhouses. Looking good already, right?

Other updates

Education Scholarships

In this very moment MsP is supporting 4 students for higher education. 2 of them are on a Tanzanian Highschools and 2 follow an on-line course in IT.

The Upendo private secondary school in Sunga started a scholarship program for talented students from poor families. Do you want to contribute to the education of talented students from poor families?You can support this program by donating $ 260 per student per year, for a fixed period of four years.

Sanitation Pads

In the coming weeks another 165 packages will be distributed to the girls of a secondary school.

There are still many more girls that are in the need of sanitation pads! To keep the project going we try to sponsor 50 packages per month.

Your donations are very welcome, for $ 10 per package you can make a schoolgirl happy, since she will be able to attend the school also during her periods.

Rabies

Thanks to support of the Glenn Veterinary Clinic near Belfast (Norther Ireland) we could vaccinate around 300 dogs in the villages around Mambo against Rabies. This time also the dogs in Rangwi (45 minutes south of Mambo) got their shot.

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