

INTRODUCTION: This document reports the activities of ENGIM/SJFAP for the month of July 2013. The purpose of the report is to enhance the quality and effectiveness of our work and to make sure we have successful implementation of projects, identifying gaps and making sure these gaps are filled, ENGIM and SJFAP work very closely with particular projects especially in Livelihood (agriculture) and infrastructure. ENGIM provides mostly the financial resources whilst SJFAP provides the indigenous knowledge and mobilization of the communities.

ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT IN JULY

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION AT ROTHONGBAI VILLAGE: The construction activity has been completed



now and we are left with the bureaucratic process of handing over the structure officially to the community and we are now in the process of inviting all the stake holders in the official opening. The school is a three class room school with a staff room and a Head

Teachers office. At the start of the new school Year in September 2013 we hope to see these pupils and the community enjoying this educational facility.

- **POULTRY ESTABLISHMENT PROJECT:** The project funding period ended in July which is the six month period slated for the project. The total funds budgeted was Le18,965,000/00 but



we are left with Le2,625,000/00. Since the egg production started in June, we kept aside the proceeds till the end of the funding period which is a total of Le2,500,000/00. From this period onwards we will be using the proceeds for buying feed, salary for caretaker and vet care

for the use of the poultry. A new contract is now drawn for the service provider which has inclusive as condition 20% of profit as salary and we believe that in that way he can also work hard to earn more.

WATER WELLS PROJECT - For these years 2013-2014, ENGIM together with SJFAP has constructed twenty one water wells out of a total of twenty two. Among these, twelve

are financed by “CIELO E TERRA VINI” s.p.a; three of them by ENGIM and seven by private donors. We will start the sinking exercise next year so as to follow best practices in Water well construction. The only problem at the moment is that we have not paid the contractors fully what is due them as we are awaiting funds from Italy.

- **WEEKLY MEETINGS WITH SJFAP STAFF:** Weekly meetings are held on Mondays in the SJFAP office so that effective coordination, planning and review are done for the next and subsequent weeks ahead. In the month of July no meeting was held as the FEA were busy in the field with the Moringa intensification project and the SILC.

FOLLOW UP ON MPT-P (Moringa Pilot Tree Project): The transplantation phase has started in the fields. The work has been divided in 3 stages: members’ transplantation, SILC transplantation and pilot-piloted villages’ transplantation. With members’



transplantation every member of the SILC was able to get at least two Moringa seedlings for transplanting near their houses; The SILC transplantation, included also the replacement of the first plot, and the establishment of a new plot. This is an income generating activity, the benefit which will be realized in the nearest future by the SILC; finally, each of the 10 communities is also piloting at least one other community in starting the Moringa cultivation.

With the relentless support of the F.E.A, we have reached 70% of this activity, which will be finished in the second week of August

- **RENEWAL OF ENGIM AS INGO - PROCESS FOLLOW UP-** We are now in the final stage of securing the certificate of renewal from SLANGO, now that Justin is back from abroad we will step up the process again.
- **HEALTH/AGRICULTURE SECTOR MEETINGS IN PORTLOKO:** in the month of July, no meeting was attended for both the sectors, but we are intending to start attending meetings in the **Education** sector as we are involved in the construction of schools and the provision of scholarship. We also intend to attend the meetings in Freetown at the national level with these sectors and Justin will represent ENGIM when the Country Director cannot do so in person but must be provided with updates to present .

PILOT SWAMP DEVELOPMENT PROJECT AT MENDESORA VILLAGE:

We have completed the training in SRI and almost all the plots have seedlings transplanted. The SRI methodology has been systematically carried out, with the utilization of the cono weeder, which turns the weeds back into the soil, a good water management and the use of organic manure.

The community proved once more to be really engaged and willing to achieve good results. The next thing to happen now is to see SRI farmers from this community.”Achieving more with less”.



This project is attracting other development agencies in agriculture as well as the MAFFS

PARISH HALL CONSTRUCTION HOLY CROSS CHURCH KISSY- FREETOWN;

In July, one meeting was held in Kissy to revisit the plan and the budget of the Parish Hall In July,



after one of the international donors reduced the amount of its contribution. In four weeks, a new detailed budget will be presented by the parish hall

Committee and discussed with all the actors involved in the project. In the meantime, the construction of the walls of the hall will start, not to lose the confidence and support of the parishioners and to increase their commitment to the project.

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