

FT KILIMANJARO ANNUAL REPORT 2020

About FT Kilimanjaro

FT Kilimanjaro (FTK) is a non-governmental organization registered in Tanzania. FTK is a joint initiative of the Dutch FEMI Foundation and TPC Company Ltd. We envision flourishing communities in Lower Moshi void of poverty and despair: Communities where all, men and women, young and old, have access to basic health care, education and opportunities to be productive and earn a livelihood for themselves and their families, and to do so in a self-sustaining and environmentally sustainable manner.

Lower Moshi refers to southern part of the Moshi Rural District part of the Kilimanjaro Region in northern Tanzania. The area is south of Moshi Town and dominated by the 16,000 hectare TPC sugar cane estate. An estimated 75,000 people live on and around the estate, spread out over three Wards (Arusha Chini, Mabogini, Kahe) in Moshi Rural District and a small number of villages in adjacent Districts and another Region.

Guided by the concept of an integrated approach to development, with interventions applied simultaneously and across multiple sectors, our work is built around longterm goals for four sectors (Education, Health, Income, and Infrastructure) that are interconnected. Using these goals and concrete implementation-related objectives we have explicitly set out to create a framework that is meant to be an invitation to other stakeholders, including the community, lower government authorities and other NGOs, to identify what goals and sectors align with their objectives and to consider working collaboratively with FTK toward the accomplishment of a shared vision.



Foreword

In 2020 FT Kilimanjaro was active intensively in three villages across Lower Moshi and engaged in dozens of different large and small activities in our integrated projects.

Also in 2020 FT Kilimanjaro started operations in the new village which is Kiruani located in Simanjiro District at Manyara Region. During this year a detailed assessment was conducted to understand the needs of the village and as well proper introduction of the organization was done through meetings with village leaders and the community at large.

FT Kilimanjaro management would like to send a sincere thanks to all the donors who have funded the organization, through their donation FTK was able to reach the goals of helping and empowering the lower Moshi Community.

REGIONAL PROJECTS

Visit to the Netherlands

On the 8th of February 2020 FTK Manager visited the Netherlands and met with several partners and donors. The aim of the visit was to get acquainted with the donors and sponsors of FTK and to do fundraising. All meetings went well and were successful.



The COVID 19 Pandemic

Early in February 2020 the whole world was shocked with the emergence of the COVID 19 virus, it is a new respiratory illness that has not previously been seen in humans. The virus was identified in China at the end of 2019. And it has already affected 143 countries globally, including Tanzania.

The government of the United Republic of Tanzania on 17th March and 18th March 2020 had announced to postpone all the studies from nursery schools to secondary schools and colleges to universities respectively for a period of one month. FT Kilimanjaro took effort in ensuring that it lowers the spread of this pandemic disease.

In trying to address this challenge, FTK is trying to help the problem of Coronavirus which effects the community because they are a very poor people who can't afford to get the protective gears which are very important for their healthy life. Lack of education is still a challenge to the local community thus information sharing is needed to the community around lower Moshi and TPC estate.

Training for Home Base Care is also done, since they are very important figures in the community and they normally work very closely with the community and can easily report the cases that occurs in the community, also they need to be supported with important protective gears, such as Masks, Hand sanitizer, soap and other important tools that are necessary.

FTK also supported all schools around TPC estate, and within the villages by providing soap and containers for washing hands for those schools that they don't have containers. There was also an assistance to the dispensaries within the villages with protective gears and other places where there are a high number of people.

FTK is also prepared flyers/posters with measures and symptoms for Coronavirus and displayed to all important areas that people can excesses to read, FTK with TPC are as well preparing a recorded sound that provide a message to the community, we are planning to hire a track or car to go around announce in public going to all villagers.

FTK as a joint organization of FEMI and TPC together with various private organizations Drill2drink, Reborgh Foundation, Globalbike, a private donor, Driving Nurses and the Red Cross have fought against the





virus in Lower Moshi by providing equipment like soap, masks, buckets, gloves and Dettol to all 23 villages found in Lower Moshi. Also, the awareness and education concerned about the virus were well conducted by FTK team for all villages in Lower Moshi. Many litres of sanitizers were provided by Natural Extracts Industries Ltd in Moshi with assistance of GIZ.

Activities that FTK have done since the outbreak of the corona virus:

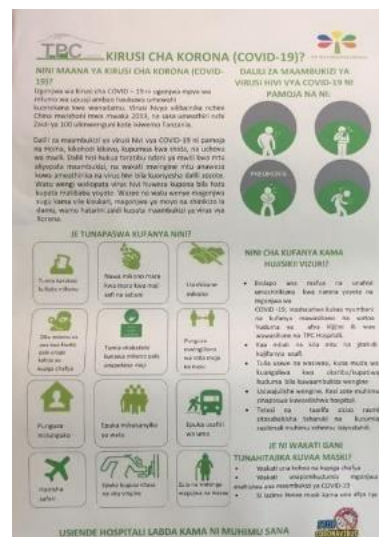
For awareness

Since the outbreak of the virus FTK has done much in educating people about the virus. Posters and flyers that contain information on how to stay safe from the virus, how to treat a person who has early sign of corona and how to wear masks in a good way were distributed to all 23 villages found in Lower Moshi. A total of 6075 posters and 2805 flyers were distributed to the communities.

The posters, containing pictures and words that explained about the virus or how to wear a mask, were distributed to those places that in one way or another have the gathering of people, for example dispensaries, villages offices, fishing areas, police stations, houses of worship, markets, bus stations and shops.

Also, FTK provided public announcement (PA) for all villages in Lower Moshi. We used a car with loudspeakers to pass in each village to announce the outbreak of the virus and to educate people on how they can prevent themselves from the virus. We provided PA two times for 13 villages and one time for another 10 villages in Lower Moshi.

FTK printed 150 t-shirts that contained the message to remind people on social distance rules. We distributed the t-shirts to the people who interact well with the communities like dispensaries nurses, villages chairmen, wards leaders, FTK committees, HBCs and police stations. They wore the t-shirts when they conduct their daily work activities.



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Also, FTK produced 600 pamphlets which explain about the corona virus by using pictures and words for children to study when they were at home during the lock down and when they opened school.

Protective gears

FTK has provided various protective gears to help the communities to fight against the corona virus. Our mainly target here were dispensaries, village offices, police stations and fishing areas. We provided hand washing buckets, soap, gloves, masks and Dettol.

Education was provided by the government together with FTK team on how to use the protective gears properly. People in the communities have shown awakening on learning and follow the rules to prevent themselves from corona virus.

The table below shows what FTK has provided in numbers:

ITEMS	Number
Gloves	1100 pieces
Surgical Masks	400
local Masks	700 pieces
Hand Sanitizers	8750 litres
Dettol soap	194
Hand Wash (liquid soap)	275
Buckets stand	1
Posters & pamphlets	6075
Flyers	2805
Public Announcements by speaker car	36
Handwashing buckets	76
Home Based Care providers training (HBC)	5 with 28 participants
T-shirt with Corona Message	150
Hand wash Mama Bus	1 litre
Locally produced soap	200 litres
Children Reading booklets	200 books





Floods

Heavy rains have been taken place in most parts of Lower Moshi as well as other parts of Tanzania. The rains have caused many problems in parts of Tanzania and some villages from lower Moshi were affected as well. People lost their settlements and some even their lives. The villages around TPC were all affected with floods such as Mikocheni, Chemchem, Mawala and Londoto at Msitu wa Tembo. TPC was affected also, some houses were full of water and people were rescued and moved to neighbouring houses and others were moved to public areas like schools and churches.

FT Kilimanjaro decided to support the flood victims in immediate need. Especially the people that lost their houses and needed food. We donated some tons of maize flower, beans, cooking oil, salts and three tons of bananas that were contributed by the catholic church from Kindi in a neighbouring Ward. The local committees / organisations helped in distributing the food fairly.



Support to Newland Orphanage centre

FTK visited the Pentecostal orphanage centre located in Mabogini Ward in Newland village. The centre has 69 orphans who come from different villages in lower Moshi. For a very long time the Manager of the centre approached FTK requesting for support because they are in a very hard time due to lack of donors. In December 2020 FTK was able to provide 48 mattresses to the centre to help the kids sleep in a better condition, children were very happy and appreciative of the help they received from FTK.



Income generation

Single mothers

This is a program to help women who either their husband has died or have abandoned them, have dependants, and they are in a very poor economical state in a way that they can barely support themselves and their families. FTK with partners help these women economically by providing them with capital. They enter into agreement that they should do some business of their choice that they are familiar with and when they do well, they will get another capital. That is to say 600,000tzs, first year, 300,000tzs second year and 200,000tzs for the third year. This is done so that they can be motivated to do better and to make sure that single mothers are left in a financial state that can help them support themselves and their dependants. In 2020 a total of 7,600,000/= was provided to single mothers in the villages of Mawala, Londoto, Chemchem and Mikocheni.



Village name	No of single mothers	Amount	Total
Chemchem	2	300,000	600,000/=
Londoto	10	5*200,000 5*300,000	2,500,000/=
Mawala	14	300,000	4,200,000/=
Mikocheni	1	300,000	300,000/=
Total	27		7,600,000/=

After FTK provides these single mothers with the capital we do entrepreneurship and investment trainings in order to ensure these women are doing what we agreed but also to provide them with knowledge on how to run their small business better. For the year 2020 the following things were taught:

- 1.The idea of entrepreneurship
- 2.Types of business that they can do depending on their surroundings
- 3.Challenges that they are facing in doing the business
- 4.Ways to overcome these challenges.

This training was more of a participatory teaching so it enabled us to know the challenges they are facing but also, they insisted on frequent training so that they can always have new ideas on how to run their small businesses.

EDUCATION

Scholarship program

FTK has been sponsoring different levels of education for students around lower Moshi. FTK sponsorship deals mainly with diploma students, degree level students, and students at vocational training. We support a few special cases at secondary school, primary school or special school, they are children with special needs.

For the year 2020 a total of 21 students for vocational training, 44 university and college students, 3 primary school students and 1 secondary school student have been sponsored for about Tsh 86 million.

Meeting with Volunteer Teachers

Every end of the year FTK conducts a meeting with all volunteer teachers volunteering in lower Moshi to discuss, among other things, challenges that they are facing and as well to learn more on what is happening in their working environment in different schools within

Lower Moshi. The meeting was very successful, and the volunteers were very pleased to meet with FTK management, challenges remain the same volunteer teachers feel the environment in which they are working is harsh. They thanked FTK having considered to increase their stipend.



Currently FTK is supporting 32 volunteer teachers who work in 9 primary schools within Lower Moshi. For the past three years, we have witnessed a big change in schools because of the support of these teachers. Some of the schools pass marks for class seven pupils have increased, another example is significant increase in the number of enrolments to secondary schools.

FTK volunteer teachers make a total of 34 teachers which are given stipends, for the year 2020 a total of 36,400,000/= has been spent on volunteer teachers.

Students' awards

FTK is working hand in hand with teachers and other stakeholders in the education sector in making sure that there is an improvement especially in primary schools. FTK introduced Student Awards. This is an award given to first three best students in the class, aiming at helping students to put more efforts in studies. For the year 2020 FTK has provided a school bag for the top three students of each class from class one to six in 9 schools around Lower Moshi these being Kiyungi, Kiyungi Mpya, Arusha chini, Langasani, Londoto, Mawala, Mikocheni, Ronga and Chemchem primary schools. A total of 162 bags were distributed.



Tablet training

In 2016 FTK introduced tablets in 3 schools in lower Moshi as a pilot study so that it could determine whether or not tablets could facilitate the learning process in primary schools. According to our education coordinator and the teachers this program is going on well, it makes it easy for the kids to learn since they see it as a game. Moreover, tablets motivate students in their learning process.



FTK and DEAN conducted a training to primary school teachers for the use of tablets in primary schools. The training conducted for a duration of 5 days. In total 11 teachers attended the training. The teachers advanced their digital skills and promised to transfer their newly acquired skills to their students.

Children centres

After being closed for almost 3 months the children centres were reopened. The teachers are taking precautions like making sure the pupils clean their hands before getting into the classes and limiting the number of people within the schools premises. The parents were informed to drop the kids by the gate and the teacher will be there to receive the kids. The pupils have their new school uniforms and sport uniforms.



Parents visiting days, were organized for Kiyungi, Golf Village and Camp-C nursery schools. Each school conducted a small graduation ceremony for the children who are proceeding to primary schools. Children performed shows of what they learned; like songs, counting numbers and printing. Parents were able to look into the children files and also to look on what the children have learn so far. Teachers got the opportunity to explain to the parents the challenges that they are facing and how the parents can contribute on solving these. Children got a gift from the project coordinator and they were very happy. The project coordinator got a chance to congratulate both teachers and parents for the hard work that they have been doing.



HEALTH

Sanitary pads for schoolgirls

FTK distributed reusable sanitary pads to girls at 8 primary schools (Langasani, Arusha chini, Kuyungi mpya, Kiyungi, Chemchem, Londoto, Mikocheni, and Mawala) all located in Lower Moshi. Young girls who have reached puberty are often forced to stay at home during their menstruation periods. This means that they cannot attend school for about a week per month. To reduce this school absence FTK donated a total of 428 reusable sanitary pads to the number of girls. The girls can use these sanitary pads, wash them and reuse them. Normally these sanitary pads will last for about 18 months.



KIJAEFA

KIJAEFA is a group of people living with HIV virus in Lower Moshi. This group was formed in 2014. Currently there are 40 members. This group was formed so that to help people living with HIV accept their condition through providing them with education about the disease and to help support themselves economically. This group meets every end of the month so that they can discuss their health status, and the business they are doing. Upon creating this group KIJAEFA came up with an idea of selling soaps so that they can support themselves financially.



FTK is supporting this group by providing food for the meetings. Early 2015 they were given bicycles so as to help them in transport to and from TPC during their meetings and taking medication.

In their last meeting they recorded the following challenges: lack of entrepreneurship training, lack of health insurance since most of them are not employed and lack of financial support which could help them establish a big business idea.

Mama bus

Mama bus has been providing several services to villages in Lower Moshi these villages include Londoto, Mawala, Mikocheni, Mtakuja, Chemchem, Msitu wa tembo, Kiruani, Mserekia and Kahe. In this mobile outreach FTK provides medicines, ultrasound check up, several vaccines and other medical care whenever needed at that time.

The table below is summary of number of people attended by mama bus for the year 2020



	Pregnant women	Ultra sounds	Under 5 check up	Referrals	Vaccinated	Other
Number	235	197	3399	11	683	310

Medical Emergency Fund

FT Kilimanjaro is still helping with the medical costs for patients that really cannot afford. They are disabled children care at Emburic centre, special medical procedures at KCMC hospital and TPC hospital and also therapy sessions for disabled children and their parents at CCBRT. FTK managed to attend handicapped children, children with Down syndrome, hydrocephalus, rickets and also paid for a wheelchair for 1 child and shoes for a child with rickets. Despite the presence of COVID-19 some cases were urgent and could not wait, so we managed to treat 9 patients at KCMC and 25 at TPC hospital. The patients are guided by our social worker. Through home visits and with the help of HBC's we managed to identify 3 new handicapped cases that need to attend CCBRT as soon as possible.

The table below describes the number of patients attended for the in 2020.

Location	Adults	Handicap	Children	Total
Mikocheni	12	22	65	99
Chemchem	3	4	5	12
Mawala	2	3	3	8
Londoto	6	8	10	24
Total	23	37	83	143



Classroom renovation

FTK renovated four classes and a small store at Arusha Chini primary school. The previous classes were in a very bad condition which was a challenging for the pupils, especially during the time of rain. Iron sheets were worn out allowing water to enter the classes. Renovation is finished awaiting the handing over to the government and school management.



Also Remiti pre-primary school is done, one class was added to make a total of two classes and one small kitchen was built as well. Soon FTK will hand over to the village leader and the community.



Mtakuja (MDO)

The land issue is still going on at Mtakuja/Mserekia whereby a few landowners want to take back their land in the irrigation scheme against all agreements. We constantly stress the importance of the project for the people, it is a very successful project impacting many lives. The government has sent a team to get the full picture of the situation and we are now waiting for their report. In the meantime, the land is not to be used and the MDO is suffering big losses.

The MDO and FT Kilimanjaro together with TPC came up with idea of planting maize at Mtakuja farm as one of the methods of ensuring food security in the community in case of lockdown whereby people will not be able to move looking for food and money of which will later cause hunger. The table below shows acreage planted and yield in bags.

Phase	Acres	Bags (110kg)	Average yield/acre
i	26	135	5.2
ii	30	194	6.4
iii	30	256	8.5
TOTAL	86	585	6.8

The yield is much lower than anticipated, there were many problems like Lethal Necrosis disease, disturbance due the land issue, and exceptionally high losses on birds.

Plan is to sell the maize in the community and also some will be distributed to poor families and also landowners.

MIKOCHENI VILLAGE

Road Repair

The rough road which has been affected by heavy rain on the starting of January has been maintained and is in a good condition and used by the community. It was a big challenge since the heavy rain affected it and caused people not to move in and out due to potholes on the road and it did not allow the school buses to pass through.



Floods

In the beginning of the year there were heavy rains, that led to a terrible flooding also in Mikocheni. The sub-villages affected at Mikocheni are mostly Kirungu and Mikocheni Kubwa. Mikocheni Ndogo and Maasaini are less affected. At Mikocheni village more than 300 people lost their settlement.



Most of them have been given temporal places to stay, in primary schools, FTK Community centre, Emburic centre, Catholic church and Kirungu nursery school. All the mentioned places were full of people but recently they had to move because the schools are open thus they had to move to their neighbours while waiting for their houses to get dry.

FT Kilimanjaro decided to support by donating some tonnes of maize flower, beans, cooking oil, salts and three tons of bananas that were also contributed by catholic church from kindi ward at Kibosho.

TPC Club offered some mattress, pillows, bedsheets and towels to support the people affected with floods at Mikocheni, Mawala, Londoto and Chemchem. The mattress were very helpful to the people affected with flood, 25 mattresses were distributed to the most affected families and they were very happy with the support.



New Desks for Mikocheni Primary school

As a reaction on improving education sector in Lower Moshi FTK donated 45 desks to Mikocheni primary, the school is facing a huge challenge caused by high number of pupils, that led

others to sit on the floor. FTK supported with 45 desks to assist to reduce the challenge. The village leaders and the school leadership were very happy with the support provided by FTK.

Mikocheni Baseline Survey

In the first week of September the FTK team conducted an evaluation at Mikocheni village. This will be the last monitoring since it is the end of the project at Mikocheni. FTK has started working in Mikocheni in 2015 and different successful projects have been implemented in village. After the elections the official handover of the projects will be done to the village government and the Mikocheni Development CBO.



MAWALA VILLAGE

Agriculture Initiative

FTK team organised a trip whereby 22 farmers and livestock keepers from Mawala village went to Magugu in Manyara to visit Greening Africa projects. Greening Africa is an organization aiming to teach villagers about the important of tree planting. They encourage villagers and farmers to grow trees for different purposes like fruits and for pastures like fodders. They teach farmers other ways of keeping cattle by the use of improved breeds, those that produce a lot of milk. This is a contradiction to many livestock keepers as they like to keep a large number of cows, cows that produce less milk. The participants got a chance to see a farmer who planted Papaya and how he benefits from it. On the other hand, pastoralist learned a way to keep fewer cattle from the best breed and as well with profit without destroying the environment. Both farmers and pastoralist were very happy to witness such successful projects which indeed was an eye opener for them, the farmers are planning to implement some of the projects in their area.



Livestock Initiative

FTK team together with the ward livestock officer visited two cattle dips one in Mawala village and the other one in Mikocheni village. The purpose of the visit was to have a short meeting with the livestock keepers' committees for both villages on how they should dispose of their waste product, like finished bottle of Acaracide (for treatment against ticks to prevent tick-borne diseases in the animals) and plastic materials after use. The livestock ward officer trained the participants about the effects of dumping water that has been used for the cattle dip into the surroundings. The dirty water containing leftovers from the acaracide mixed with lots of dung and dust has to be disposed in the allocated pits so it does not flow into the environment. FTK and livestock keepers are happy to receive this information from the ward livestock officer.



Education

The Mawala pre-primary class is under construction, the nursery children had to share the classroom with elder primary school children, which is not favourable. We hope soon the nursery school children can enjoy their own classroom. It delayed a bit due to some rain which took place in some parts of lower Moshi which affects our rough roads.



Mawala primary school is facing a big challenge in terms of infrastructure, such as school classes and floods during in time of rain season. NMB bank donated 200 iron sheets to Mawala primary school. Soon four classes will be able to have renovated roofs.

A new tree nursery in Mawala

FTK in collaboration with Mawala agriculture committee established a tree nursery in Mawala. The nursery is 14 meters in length to cover enough seedling for the entire area. Fertile soil is mixed with soil, manure and compost and filter mud to get smooth and fine particle, that will encourage germination and root growth, they have already filled the seed pods with different type of seed that can tolerate salinity. They have also planted some trees around dispensary, Village office and school, and at the newly built cattle dip. The main purpose of establishing this tree nursery is to get enough trees to distribute to all sub villages in Mawala for the greening Mawala contest which commenced early January. The idea here is to try and contain environment degradation that has impacted negatively



the lower Moshi area and Mawala being the pilot project for environmental keeping, hope it will be an agent for change to the rest of the villages.

Medical camp

We conducted a medical camp at Mawala village. 349 children of age between 0 to 9 years were checked by medical doctors. No emergency cases were found, only two special cases needed attention. Some elderly people requested assistance, and the doctors gave them advice for medicine to buy for themselves. The medical camp was held for two days. The village government appreciated the effort taken by FTK to reach out to the little children.



Mawala Dispensary

Mawala dispensary is already done, the only portion left are the patient toilets and one room that was promised by a local safari company. The community have decided to build this portion now as we are not sure if the company will fulfil its promise because it has taken a long time. The District Executive Director visited the site with his team and he was interested in the project that has been done by FT Kilimanjaro since it have taken too long for Mawala to get a dispensary.



The District Executive Director was so impressed with the dispensary and he promises to bring equipment as well as staff, also he promises to provide some funds to complete the toilets. The district Executive Director also thanked FTK for the big effort that have been taken to build the dispensary, and he requested FTK to continue with their good spirit of helping the community.

CHEMCHEM VILLAGE

Floods

During hardship time of flood, FT Kilimanjaro managed to distribute food stuffs to the families affected by flood which were around 950 peoples. Maize flour bags (128), Beans were 628 Kgs, water guard (to clean water) and Salt 96 packets were donated and distributed by boat.



Health Service Centre

FTK team had a discussion with the village authority of Chemchem and also FTK committee to inform them of the decision and they strongly requested finishing up the dispensary which was built with the community in collaboration with the government. Whereas more than 1500 inhabitant will be served by the availability of the dispensary. FTK is considering this.

Education

The teachers house is almost finished and soon the head teacher will move in with his family. The house construction took longer than expected because of floods, the contractor had a very hard time moving construction materials from Moshi town to Chemchem.



LONDOTO VILLAGE

Sustainability and Ecology

Londoto Project Committee has raised a tree nursery at Lower Moshi Cattle Centre as here they have access to water, manure and security. A total of more than 300 seedlings of Papaya, Moringa and Neem tree were planted. A tree planting activity took place in Londoto village mostly in institutions and some few households and alongside the road in sub-village A and C. Rains are starting so less watering is required during the young tree establishment. Tree planting activity is one of the Greening Londoto projects. In sub-village Nguzo 800 about 140 tree seedlings are planted in community Centre 38, borehole 36, and village office 56. In Serengeti sub-village another 140 tree seedlings were planted in dispensary 80, and school 60. Different varieties of tree seedlings were planted, locally known as Arabic, Dodoma trees but also Jacaranda and golden trees.



CBO (Londoto Community Based Organisation)

Through training we build capacity of board of directors of Londoto Development Community Based Organization (LDCBO) based on role and responsibilities of the board, financial management and registration process. They also passed through their constitution and submission of all necessary documents for the registration process, this includes organization LOGO and Curriculum Vitae for organization leaders approved by the board. We look forward to start operation as a local registered NGO in Simanjiro District on Health, Education, income Generation, infrastructure and sustainability. This CBO will take over in taking care of all established project once FTK is exiting Londoto village in 2022.



Health

After strong demands from the community and after various discussion with the local government we decided to assist to finish the most essential part of the dispensary. Four rooms out of eleven of the Londoto dispensary are being completed. The contractor is on site to mobilize materials for roofing and finishing, plastering, windows and doors are already fixed. Government through District Medical Officer (DMO) Committed to allocate hospital equipment's and staff after finishing the dispensary. Community also contributes toward the accomplishment of this Dispensary. The four rooms are enough to start medical care services, solving a long time challenge, in the base line survey 2017 lack of a dispensary was mentioned as the second big challenge in Londoto village.



Medical Camp

Early December FTK conducted the 3rd local Medical camp in Londoto village 495 children under the age of nine were checked on medical issues but also mental issues. Local Medical doctors and clinical officers from different government and private health institutions have participated in this event. Common health signs like underweight has been recognized but also some respiratory tract infections and skin infections. 3 Children with disability also were seen and referred to CCBRT for more help.



Income generation

A group of youth called 'God's plan' in Londoto which was formed with the support of FTK, Last year established a small workshop of sewing bags, motorcycle and cars seat covers. This group have already started to get orders from the village and as well FTK empowered them purchasing 163 school bags from them which was distributed to best students. FTK plan is to continue support them by providing more training on entrepreneurship and as well on ways they can improve the quality of the bags they are making. Hopefully this will be one of the success stories of FTK which will be learned by other youth from other villages.



Every year from 1st to 8th August, Tanzania is celebrating national farmers and livestock keepers' day through the NaneNane Agriculture show. The show aims to inspire the young and old generation and exhibit new agricultural inventions or improved and affordable technologies which could help farmers and livestock keepers to generate more profit and work more effectively. New and improved crops and animal husbandry are demonstrated in fields so both groups (farmers & livestock keepers) can witness the result and process. 5 Londoto farmers and livestock keepers benefitted from this field study.



FTK took 26 livestock keepers to visit a leather tanning industry in Mererani Town in Simanjiro District. They saw and learned new skills and knowledge on how and what is required to remove and conserve the animal's skins for leather production. This visit is an opportunity for youth to organize themselves and establish animal skin processing to be sold to the leather industry, which will increase income for the livestock keepers. Currently most of livestock keepers do not have any purpose for the animal skin. The Town Executive Officer (T.E.O) of Mererani Small Town Authorities praised FTK for activities that has been done so far in Londoto village.



A visit to two leather companies in and around Moshi was made to learn about possibilities to connect our livestock keepers or youth to these companies. The demand for animal skin is high as most of the processed leather is exported. Both companies mentioned they are facing problems in the ability to purchase high quality animal skins. FTK found a possibility to train some of the livestock keepers in how to produce a high-quality animal skins. We hope that this can become a business for somebody in the village, to train the people on how to prepare good animal skins, then buy these and sell them to the leather companies. Currently prices for a cow skin are 300 Tsh/kg and for a goat skin 1000 Tsh/kg. An added option is to buy prepared leather and to start your own business in making leather products like bags, belts, wallets, key holders, and shoes. This may need a group of youth devoted, trained and ready to invest time and capital in this project.



FTK conducted an entrepreneurship training for villagers in Londoto village and 60 people participated. The training included participants from 8 VICOBA (Village Cooperative and Banking Group) which are registered at village and District level They hold a certificate of recognition to practice their activities according to their constitution and agreement. Also 12 other groups that are not registered attended, including bodaboda union (motorcycle taxis), which all do income generating activities. The training was mainly targeting financial management, capital investment and marketing and also encouraged unregistered groups to be registered because normally government provides Loans to small groups which are well organized and registered. Three (3) of the eight (8) groups in Londoto benefited from government loan. Our trainer was a Branch Manager from NMB bank of Moshi District.



Infrastructure

98% of the households mentioned availability of safe and clean water as a main challenge facing Londoto village in the baseline survey.

Especially in Nguzo-800 sub-village where there was no any good source of water. Most people were fetching water from the river for drinking and other domestic uses. Now with the new borehole the community has been enjoying fetching water nearby. The challenge here was the high amount of fluoride which is 3.43mg/l, FTK assisted by the Government institution under Ministry of Water (Ngurdoto Research Water Laboratory) established a system of defluoridation using bone char technology. The drinking water now meets the required standards of Fluoride but after the floods the water got contaminated with salts. We are now looking for technical solutions to solve this problem.

With the help from TPC railways section, we managed to place a pedestrian's bridge over one of the big gullies in Londoto village. Before they had a local bridge made by pieces of wood which made it difficult for children, sick people and elders to cross from one side to the other where the social services are (hospital and school). According to village chairman, the local bridge had caused injury to 2 two young boys and even death to two people trying to cross the old bridge.



Kiruani

After an extensive assessment in 4 villages surrounding TPC, which are Kiruani, Magadini, Miwaleni and Ngasinyi A&B to decide which village will be operational village by FTK, finally the board and Management of FTK selected Kiruani Village as the next project village.

Kiruani is Located in the southern part of TPC at Msitu wa Tembo ward in Simanjiro District in Manyara Region.



Preliminary introduction of FTK to the village and District level is already done and currently the Village manager is working with the village authority in establishing FTK Committee in the village and also to prepare the 5 years plan.

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Abbreviations:

CBC = Community Business Centre
LMCC = Lower Moshi Cattle Centre
HBC = Home Based Care provider
DAS = District Administrative Secretary
DC = District Commissioner
DMO = District Medical Officer
MDO = Mtakuja/Mserekia Development Organisation
MoU = Memorandum of Understanding
PC = Project Committee
DCO = District Community officer
RC = Regional Commissioner
DED = District Executive Director
ViCoBa = Village Community Banking