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Good News Of Important Changes In The TIST Program

There are many wonderful changes to the TIST program to share!

The TIST Ltd. Board met on 15 November in Mpwapwa. The Board reached several important decisions for the TIST program. The decisions are based on what we have learned after two years, and listening to suggestions made by small groups, village leaders, and experts who have visited the Diocese over the past several months.

In our first two years, TIST has been very successful at helping small groups in the DMP improve their farming, their economic opportunities, and their environment. Every group has benefited by receiving training, the HMM articles, conservation farming njia bora, and planting trees.

So far, many groups have repaid their loans and planted over 500,000 trees! But also, many groups have had difficulty repaying loans, planting enough trees and keeping them alive.

The TIST Board wanted to find a way to encourage the small groups to plant trees and keep them healthy.

Mabadiliko muhimu katika mradi wa TIST

Yapo mabadiliko mengi na yakufurahisha tunayohitaji kuyafanya pamoja katika mradi wa TIST.

Bodi ya TIST ilikutana tarehe 15 Novemba huko Mpwapwa, na iliafikiana baadhi ya mambo kuhusiana na mradi wa TIST. Makubaliano hayo yalitokana na mambo tuliyojifunza katika miaka miwili iliyopita, na kusikiliza ushauri uliotolewa na vikundi vidogovidogo, viongozi wa vijiji na wataalam waliokwisha dhuria katika Dayosisi katika miezi mbalimbali iliyopita.

Katika miaka miwili, TIST imefanikiwa kuvisaidia vikundi vidogovidogo kwenye Dayosisi ya Mpwapwa katika kuboresha kilimo, kuboresha uchumi wao, pamoja na mazingira. Kila kikundi kimenufaika kwa kupewa mafunzo, Habari Moto Moto, Kujifunza kilimo hai na upandaji wa miti. Pamoja na hayo, pia vikundi vingi vimekwishalipa mikopo yao na vimepanda miti zaidi ya 500,000, Lakini pia ni vikundi vingi havikuweza kulipa mkopo, kupanda miti yakutosha na kuitunza hadi ikue.

Bodi ya TIST inataka kutafuta njia ya kuwatia moyo wanavikundi ili wapande miti na kuitunza iwe na afya

Mambo muhimu ya kukumbushana

- Hakikisha kuwa umekwisha chimba mashimo kwa ajili ya kilimo hai.
- Hakikisha kuwa udongo wote kutoka kwenye shimo unawekwa upande ambao maji yanaelekea, ua vinginevyo mashimo yako hayatapata maji.
- Kumbuka kuwa mwezi Desemba hadi Februari kuwa ndio miezi ya kupandikiza miche yako.
- Hakikisha kuwa umetoa / umeondoa viriba kabla ya kupandikiza miche yako.
- Endeeleni kutuma fomu za taarifa za kila mwezi kutoka katika vikundi vyenu.

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They also wanted to help groups earn income during each part of the year instead of only having a loan one time per year. They also hoped that small groups could create an "asset" that would keep earning income for many years. Several changes in the TIST program accomplish all these things.

Cash for Trees

Clean Air Action has developed a way to pay the groups through TIST for the benefits their trees produce. The TIST Board has decided to begin paying groups 4 times per year for living trees and seedlings they are growing.

With this new program, groups earn income that keeps coming for years after the hard work is over. We all know that in the first year groups must grow seedlings, dig holes, plant seedlings, weed and water the trees to keep them alive. In the second year, it is only necessary to weed around the tree and make sure rain water keeps going into the hole. After that, the tree should grow well and provide many benefits – now including money that comes every 3 months, year after year.

To get paid for their trees, small groups will transfer their "Greenhouse Gas Credits" to TIST, Ltd., and TIST will transfer them to Clean Air Action. The trees will have to be quantified, just like they are now, and the reports on the living trees will be sent to the TIST office, and to the companies that buy the credits after Clean Air Action has verified them.

The groups will continue to own the trees, keep the fruit and nuts, and enjoy the shade, erosion control and improved beauty of their village. As the trees grow to their full size over the next 20-40 years, the small groups can also prune some limbs for firewood, and to help the tree grow stronger and faster. After the trees are big enough, or to thin the trees so that they grow bigger, groups may even take some of the trees for lumber. The group will always be responsible to make sure that more trees are planted for the ones that are taken so that the forest will always grow and be healthy.

Here are the details:

- Groups must apply and sign a group covenant to receive this benefit.
- TIST will pay groups 4/= per living tree each three months, for a total of 16/= per year.
- Both planted trees and living seedlings count.
- Trees planted for repayment or for qualification count.
- Payments will begin in January-March
- TIST is developing a plan with Clean Air Action to make these payments available for up to 40 years!
- This money is NOT a loan, but a payment for keeping trees living and transferring GhG

bora, pia wanataka kuvisaidia vikundi kuwa na kipato katika vipindi vyote vya mwaka na si kwa msimu mmoja tu katika mwaka. Pia wanatumaini kuwa vikundi vidogovidogo vinaweza kujitengezea raslimali ambayo itawafanya wajipatie kipato kwa miaka mingi. Mabadiliko hayo katika mradi wa TIST yatakamilisha vitu vyote hivyo.

Malipo taslimu kwa ajili ya miti iliyopandwa

Clean Air Action imeboresha njia ya kuvilipa vikundi kwa kupitia TIST kutokana na faida ya miti iliyooteshwa. Bodi ya TIST iliamua kuanza kuvilipa vikundi mara nne katika mwaka kwa miti iliyo hai na hata kwa miche iliyopandwa.

Kwa mradi huu mpya, baada ya kazi ngumu kumalizika vikundi vitajipatia kipato kwa muda wa miaka mingi. Wote tunafahamu kuwa katika mwaka wa kwanza, vikundi ni lazima vioteshe mbegu, kuchimba mashimo, kupanda miti, kupalilia na kumwagilia maji ili iweze kuwa hai. Kwa mwaka wa pili, ni muhimu kupalilia kuzunguka mti na kuhakikisha maji ya mvua yanaingia katika shimo na kutuama humo. Bada ya hapo miti itakua vizuri na kuleta faida nyingi ikijumlishwa na pesa. Inayopatikana kila baada ya miezi mitatu kwa mwaka hadi mwaka.

Vikundi vidogovidogo vitaipatia TIST Green house Gas Credits" ili viweze kulipwa kutokana na miti yao na TIST itaipatia Clean Air Action. Miti itatakiwa kukaguliwa kama inavyofanyika sasa na taarifa ya miti iliyo hai itatumwa katika ofisi ya TIST na katika makampuni mengine baada ya kuhakikishiwa kutoka CAAC.

Vikundi vidogovidogo vitaendelea kumiliki miti, kuwa na matunda na kufaidi vivuli, kuzuia mmonyoko wa udongo na kijiji chao kitapambwa kwa miti hiyo. Jinsi miti hiyo itakavyoendelea kukua kwa miaka ishirini hadi arobaini ijayo, baadhi ya vikundi vidogovidogo vitapunguza matawi ya miti kwa ajili ya kuni na kusaidia miti hiyo kukua kwa haraka na kuwa yenye afya. Baada ya miti hiyo kuwa mikubwa na minene basi vikundi vitakata miti hiyo kwa ajili ya mbao. Vikundi vinawajibu wa kuhakikisha kuwa miti mingi inapandwa kwa kila mti utakaokatwa, hii kuhakikisha kuwa msitu wakati wote unaendelea na kuwa na miti yenye afya.

Hapa chini ni mafafanuzi

- Vikundi ni lazima viombe na kusaini fomu ya kujiunga na mpango huu ili viweze kupata faida hii.
- TIST itakilipa kikundi Sh 4/= kwa kila mti uliohai kila baada ya miezi mitatu kwa jumla ya shilingi 16/= kwa mwaka.
- Vyote miti iliyopandwa na hata miche vitahesabiwa.
- Miti iliyopandwa kwa malipo au kwa ajili ya kiingilio.

credits.

- More living trees means the group receives more money: 1000 trees pays 4,000/= each quarter (16,000/= per year, or 640,000/= over 40 years if all the trees are alive). 10,000 trees pays 40,000/= each quarter that those trees are alive!
- If trees die, the group is paid for the number of trees that remain alive.
- Farmers still own the trees and their fruit; they only sell the 'credit' that comes from those trees pulling bad gasses out of the air.

The groups decide themselves how to spend their income. Some ideas include:

- Using money for school fees and medicine,
- Saving money for bicycles to haul water
- Saving money to build grain storage buildings
- Saving money to start a business
- Saving money to build a dispensary.
- Saving money to improve schools or churches.

TIST will also provide training on how to help groups save money to do projects, and TIST will be writing HMM articles about the most interesting ways the groups have decided to use their money.

There are no changes to the requirements for groups to participate in this program. New groups must have planted 1000 trees; all groups must have 1 acre of holes per members for conservation farming njia bora, and all groups need to supply a monthly report to TIST on their operations.

Monthly Meetings

TIST will work with the DMP and the Parish Boards to schedule and hold monthly meetings in each Parish. These meetings will be held at scheduled dates and times, and correspond to when the quantifiers are visiting groups in a Parish.

- The meetings will be run by a Parish Trustee and a TIST Quantifier.
- Groups will receive their payment for trees, and all groups will receive the HMM. One-third of the parish groups will be paid each month, so that the payments for the village are spread out.
- Groups will provide their Small Group Monthly Reports.
- Small groups will be able to share with and learn from other groups.
- Occasionally, TIST will provide short training sessions (e.g., on managing money).

Changes in the Loan Program

Newly registered groups can be part of the cash-for-trees program, if they have already planted 1000 "qualification" trees. This will replace the cash loans for new groups. No cash loans will be provided to new groups at this time.

- Malipo yataanza mwezi Wakwanza hadi mwezi wa Watatu
- TIST na Clean Air Action wanaendeleza mpango huu ili kuhakikisha malipo hayo yanadumu kwa muda wa miaka 40.
- Huu sio mkopo bali ni malipo kwa ajili ya utunzaji miti na kuhamisha GHG
- Kwa Miti mingi iliyo hai kikundi kitapokea pesa nyingi : Miti 1000 italipwa sh 4000/= kwa kila robo ya mwaka ,16000/= kwa mwaka na sh 640000/= kwa miaka arobaini kama miti yote itakuwa , miti 10,000 italipwa sh 40,000/= kila robo ya mwaka ikiwa miche yote itakuwa hai.
- Kama miti itakufa kikundi kitalipwa kwa idadi ya miti iliyo hai
- Mkulima ataendelea kumiliki miti na matunda ,ataza GHG tu inayotokana na miti inayotoa hewa chafu kutoka katika tabaka la hewa.

Vikundi ndivyo vitaamua vyenyewe jinsi gani ya kutumia kipato chao. Baadhi ya mapendekezo ikiwa ni pamoja na:

- Kutumia fedha kwa ajili ya shule na madawa
- Kujilimbikizia fedha kwa ajili ya kununua baiskeli itakayowasaidia kuchotea maji
- Kujihifadhia fedha kwa ajili ya kujenga Maghala ya kuhifadhia mazao
- Kujihifadhia fedha kwa ajili ya kufanyia biashara
- Kujihifadhia fedha kwa ajili ya kujengea zahanati
- Kujihifadhia fedha kwa ajili ya kukarabati Shule au makanisa

Pia ofisi ya TIST itakuwa ikitoa mafunzo juu ya jinsi gani kujihifadhia fedha kwa ajili ya kuanzisha miradi mingine, na ofisi ya TIST itakuwa ikiandika makala za HMM juu ya njia bora zaidi ambayo vikundi vitaamua kutumia fedha zao.

Hakuna mabadiliko juu ya vigezo /sifa zitakazofanya vikundi kushiriki katika mradi huu. Vikundi vipya ni lazima vipande miti 1000; Vikundi vyote ni lazima viwe na hekari moja ya mashimo kwa kila mwanakikundi, kwa ajili ya kilimo hai kwa kutumia njia bora, na vikundi vyote vinahitajika kurudisha fomu za taarifa ya mwezi juu ya mambo yao yote walivyofanyika katika ofisi ya TIST.

Vikao vya kila mwezi

TIST itashirikiana na DMP pamoja na Bodi za Parish kupanga ratiba na kufanya vikao hivyo vya kila mwezi katika kila parish, na vikao hivi vitakuwa vikifanyika katika tarehe na muda uliopangwa na itategemea ni lini Wakaguzi(Kwantifaya) watakuwa wakitembelea

- Vikao vitakuwa vikiendeshwa na Bodi ya wadhamini wa Parish na Makwantifaya wa Ofisi ya TIST.
- Vikundi vitapata malipo yao kwa ajili ya upandaji wa miti, na vikundi vyote vitakuwa vikipokea makala ya HMM,(moja ya tatu) 1/3 ya vikundi

2001 Planting loans will only be given to those existing small groups that have planted enough trees to qualify for loan, and which are fully repaid from prior years' debts.

Groups receiving 2001 Planting Loans will need to repay in cash. Crop and Trees will no longer be accepted as loan repayment for new loans.

Some groups still have not paid all their loans. TIST will continue accepting 600 trees for repayment of each 20,000/= loan, which equals 33/= per tree. The 1000 qualification trees still do not count toward repayment, but do qualify for 4/= per quarter payments. Once a group is in good standing with its Monthly Reports, conservation farming acreage, and covenant groups can receive the 4/= payment each quarter.

Helping Groups Succeed

TIST will be writing instructions and providing demonstrations of the njia bora and training before the groups plant the trees this rainy season. This njia bora should help groups that have had trouble with keeping the trees alive."

TIST will also continue providing training to improve farming practices, so that all farmers have better yield from their shambas and more food during the dry season.

Finally and most importantly, TIST will continue helping strengthen small groups in the church.

katika Parishisi vitakuwa vikilipwa kila mwezi, kwa maana hiyo basi malipo katika kijiji husika yatakuwa yamekwishafanyika kwa muda huo.

- Vikundi vitakuwa vikitoa taarifa zao za mwezi za vikundi vidogovidogo
- Vikundi vidogovidogo vitakuwa tayari kuchangia au kushirikiana na kujifunza kutokana na kikunddi kimoja au kingine.
- Isivyo kawaida ofisi ya TIST itakuwa ikitoa mafunzo kwa awamu tofauti tofauti (kwa mfano, matumizi ya pesa).

Mabadiliko katika mpango wa mkopo.

Vikundi vipya vilivyojiandikisha katika mpango huu wa TIST vinaweza kuwa ni moja kati ya vikundi katika mpango huu wa kulipwa fedha taslimu kwa ajili ya upandaji wa miti, kama tu vitakuwa vimekwishapanda miti 1000 kwa ajili ya kuingilia kwenye mkopo. Hii itaondoa mpango wa mkopo wa fedha taslimu kwa vikundi vipya. Hakuna mkopo utakaotolewa kwa vikundi vipya kwa wakati huu.

Mpango wa mkopo 2001 utakuwa ukitolewa kwa vile vikundi vya zamani ambavyo vimepanda miti ya kutosha ya kuingilia kwenye mkopo, na ambavyo vimemaliza kulipa mkopo wao wote.

Vikundi vitakavyopokea mkopo wa mwaka 2001 wa upandaji miti vitahitajika kulipa mkopo huo kwa njia ya fedha taslimu. Mazao na miti havitakubalika tena kama moja ya njia za kurudishia mkopo kwa mikopo yote ijayo.

Baadhi ya vikundi bado havijamaliza kulipa mikopo yao. TIST itaendelea kupokea miti 600 kama malipo kwa kila 20,000/= ambayo mtu alikopeshwa, ambayo ni sawa na sh. 33/= kwa kila mti. Miti 1000 ya kujiunga na mradi huu bado haitahesabiwa kama ya kulipia mkopo, lakini itakuwa ya kujiunga na mkopo kwa thamani ya sh. 4/= kwa malipo ya awamu nne kwa mwaka. Mara kikundi kitakapo kuwa katika msimamo mzuri na kikiwa na taarifa zake za kila mwezi, na hekari moja ya mazao, kikundi vinaweza kupata malipo ya sh. 4/= kwa awamu nne kwa mwaka.

Kusaidia vikundi kupata mafanikio.

TIST itakuwa ikiandika maelekezo na kutoa ufafanuzi zaidi wa njia bora na mafunzo kabla vikundi havijapanda miti pindi msimu wa mvua unapowadia. Njia hii bora itavisaidia vikundi vile visivyo na matatizo kuifanya miti yao iwe hai au idumu.

Pia TIST itaendelea kutoa mafunzo ili kuongeza ufanisi zaidi katika njia za kilimo bora, ili kwamba wakulima wote waweze kupata mavuno ya kutosha toka mashambani mwao na wawe na chakula kingi zaidi msimu wa kiangazi.

Mwisho kabisa na muhimu sana, TIST itaendelea kuvijenga vikundi vidogovidogo katika makanisa.