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In this newsletter, we are going to have five articles;

- I. Cluster services improvers
- II. Learn about visible benefits
- III. Understanding the minimum payments in the TIST program
- IV. TIST opportunity within existing and new areas

I. Cluster services improvers

In order to increase the scope and quality of cluster service, TIST has recently formed a diverse team-comprising member from all the East African countries involved in TIST, which are Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda

This team, denoted as the “Cluster Services Improvers”, is responsible for:

- Improving trainings in, (visible benefits, cluster servants... etc.)
- Efficiency and accuracy of quantification
- Providing up to date SOPs
- Assuring the inclusion of all eligible groups and their groves.
- Supporting small group payments

In making sure that we have accurate and quality data, the team has ventured into making sure enough, knowledge is impacted to the Cluster servants through multiple trainings and upgrades to our application software's, well prepared and updated SOPs.

All these improvements results to having better prices to our tones, improved livelihood and more income from the visible benefits (fruits, nuts, CF, nurseries ... etc.)

Roles of Farmers to improve Quantification

- Good management of their farms for easy quantification.
- Requirement to select a trainee.
- Choice of the trees to plant. eg fruits or indigenous.
- Attending cluster meetings.
- Farmers to be in a group of 6-12 members.
- Ask for their trees to be quantified in time of payment.
- To have their vouchers signed, provide the M pesa custodian and the two witness's phone number and National Identification number.

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II. Understanding the Minimum Payments in the TIST Program

Minimum Payment is the money paid in advance to all eligible Small Groups which are not receiving profit share.

For a Small Group to get paid a profit share, the small group will need to qualify for the eligibility requirements shared in this newsletter. However, for the newly registered small groups would wait until their trees reaches the Diameter at the Breast Height (DBH) and before selling their tonnes the group is said to have zero tonnes.

As a motivation to farmers TIST was paying a prepayment of \$ 0.04 per every live tree per year. As of recently it came into our attention that we have small groups which are already eligible for-profit share a small group is still having live trees, We thought and acknowledge that whatever the reason, a small group is still having live trees As a motivation to them is when we came up with a decision to make minimum payments.

Therefore, all eligible small groups who are not receiving profit share will get minimum payment of \$ 0.04 for each and every live tree per year.

III. Learn about visible benefits

Visible benefits; are the physical, observable and tangible non-carbon product that farmers can get from their participation in different activities in TIST program and generate income.

The term visible benefits were formally known as core - benefits. The change of the name was due to the many activities which farmers are practicing besides carbon credit that can be seen.

These activities generate additional income for farmers beyond the payment for carbon credit from planting trees.

Visible benefits include but not limited to activities like;

- Conservation farming
- Indigenous trees
- Fruits and nuts trees
- Beer keeping
- Energy saving stoves
- Nurseries
- Gender inclusion
- Access to training and knowledge though cluster meetings.

These all contribute to high prices of our tones.

IV. TIST opportunity within existing and new areas

Within the first 25 years, TIST farmers and TIST servants have been able to reach out 28,916 farmers who indirectly are benefiting over 1 million members

In the next 5years TIST is bringing an opportunity to make farmers who are willing to participate in improving their own farms and family
TIST is expanding!

Why?

- Need your help as a farmer
- Small groups ready to plant diverse tree species and keep for a longer duration
- Having more women in the leadership
- Addition of more tonnes
- New small groups to join

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TIST Values

As TIST Family we have our Values which most of TIST Small Groups know and practice. We always reflect on these Values and to ensure that we all are truly living by them. The success of TIST is based on the integrity and effort of individual members within TIST. What we can achieve depends on each of us following these Values;

Who are we?

- (i) We are Honest
- (ii) We are Accurate
- (iii) We are Transparent
- (iv) We are Servants to each other
- (v) We are Mutually Accountable to Each Other and
- (vi) We create Low Budget/ cost, yet we achieve Big Results

How we do things that other people can see

- 1) We are committed
- 2) We do our work in small groups
- 3) We seek and use the best way
- 4) We use our minds and hands.

What do we do?

- 1) We plant different species of trees for long -term
- 2) We find ways to improve our health
- 3) We practice Conservation Farming
- 4) We do other projects and businesses (sustainable agriculture, nurseries, citrus growing, dairy goats and farming, chickens, bee keeping, fishponds and fish keeping, silkworm farming etc.)
- 5) We sell carbon credits

What do we create?

- 1) We create team work - by doing things this way; we end up working as a team.
- 2) We create capacity - we create organization, strength, and a system that is strong.
- 3) We create enjoyment - we see results, we accomplish big things that we enjoy.
- 4) We create Big Results - In Conservation Farming and from other projects and business that we do.
- 5) We create Low Budget/Cost, yet we achieve big results.



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Picha 1: Kitalu cha miti Mseta Mpwapwa, 2025

Katika jarida hili, tutakuwa na makala nne:

- I. Waboreshaji wa huduma za Klasta
- II. Kuelewa kiwango cha chini cha malipo ndani ya mradi wa TIST
- III. Jifunze kuhusu faida zinazoonekana
- IV. Fursa za TIST ndani ya maeneo yaliyopo na mapya

I. Waboreshaji wa huduma za Klasta

Ili kuongeza wigo na ubora wa huduma za Klasta, TIST hivi karibuni imeunda timu tofauti inayojumuisha wanachama kutoka nchi zote za Afrika Mashariki zinazohusika na TIST, ambazo ni Kenya, Tanzania na Uganda.

Timu hii, inayojulikana kama "Waboreshaji wa Huduma za Klasta", inawajibika kwa:

- Kuboresha mafunzo katika, (faida zinazoonekana, watumishi wa vikundi... n.k.)
- Ufanisi na usahihi wa ukaguzi
- Kutoa taarifa mpya zilizohuishwa
- Kuhakikisha vikundi vyote vinavyostahiki vinajumuishwa na mashamba yao
- Kusaidia malipo ya vikundi vidogo

Katika kuhakikisha kwamba tuna taarifa sahihi na zenye ubora, timu imejitoa katika kuhakikisha maarifa yanaathiriwa vya kutosha kwa watumishi wa Kikundi kupitia mafunzo mengi na uboreshaji wa programu zetu zilizotayarishwa vyema na kusasishwa.

Maboresho haya yote yanasababisha kuwa na bei bora kwa viwango vyetu, maisha bora na mapato zaidi kutokana na faida zinazoonekana (matunda, karanga, Kilimo Hai, vitalu ... nk.)

Majukumu ya Wakulima ili kuboresha Uhesabujii

- Usimamizi mzuri wa mashamba yao kwa ajili ya kukagua kwa urahisi.
- Mahitaji ya kuchagua mkufunzi.
- Uchaguzi wa miti ya kupanda. mfano miti ya matunda au miti ya asili.
- Kuhudhuria mikutano ya vikundi.
- Wakulima kuwa katika kikundi cha wanachama 6-12.
- Kuomba miti yao kuhesabiwa wakati wa malipo.
- Ili kusaini vocha, onyesha namba ya mtu anayepokea fedha kwa niaba ya kikundi, kuwepo na mashahidi wawili nambari zao za simu na nambari za Kitambulisho cha Taifa.

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II. Kuelewa kiwango cha chini cha malipo ndani ya mradi wa TIST

Kiwango cha chini cha Malipo ni pesa zinazolipwa mapema kwa Vikundi Vidogo vyote vinavyostahiki ambavyo havipokei mgao wa faida.

Ili Kikundi Kidogo kilipwe mgao wa faida, kitahitaji kukidhi vigezo vya kustahiki yaliyoainishwa katika jarida hili. Hata hivyo, kwa vikundi vipya vilivyosajiliwa vingesubiri hadi miti yao ifike Kipenyo katika Urefu wa kifua (DBH) na kabla ya kuuza tani zao kikundi kinakadiriwa kuwa na tani sifuri. Kama motisha kwa wakulima TIST ilikuwa inalipa malipo ya awali ya senti 4 za Kimarekani (\$0.04) kwa kila mti hai kwa mwaka. Tulitafakari na kuwaza hilo kwamba kwa sababu yoyote ile, kikundi kidogo bado kina miti hai. Kama motisha kwao ndipo tulipokuja na uamuzi wa kufanya malipo ya kima cha chini zaidi.

Kwa hivyo, vikundi vyote vidogo vinavyostahiki ambavyo havipati gawio la faida watapata malipo ya kima cha chini ya senti 4 za Kimarekani (\$0.04) kwa kila mti hai kwa mwaka.

III. Jifunze kuhusu faida zinazoonekana

Faida zinazoonekana; ni bidhaa halisi, zinazoonekana zisizo za kaboni ambazo wakulima wanaweza kupata kutokana na ushiriki wao katika shughuli mbalimbali katika mradi wa TIST na kuzalisha mapato.

Neno faida zinazoonekana zilizulikana rasmi kama faida kuu. Kubadilishwa kwa jina kulitokana na shughuli nyingi ambazo zinaweza kuonekana wakulima wanazofanya mbali na faida ya kaboni.

Shughuli hizi huzalisha mapato ya ziada kwa wakulima zaidi ya malipo ya kaboni kutoka kwa kupanda miti.

Faida zinazoonekana ni pamoja na, shughuli kama vile;

- Kilimo hifadhi
- Miti ya kiasili
- Miti ya matunda na karanga
- Ufugaji wa nyuki
- Majiko ya kuokoa nishati (majiko banifu)
- Vitalu
- Kujumuisha jinsia
- Upatikanaji wa mafunzo na maarifa kwenye mikutano ya vikundi.

Haya yote yanachangia kuongeza thamani/bei ya juu ya tani zetu.

IV. Fursa za TIST ndani ya maeneo yaliyopo na mapya

Ndani ya miaka 25 ya kwanza, wakulima wa TIST na watumishi wa TIST wameweza kuwafikia wakulima 28,916 ambao kwa njia isiyo ya moja kwa moja wanawanufaisha zaidi ya wanachama milioni 1.

Katika miaka 5 iliyayo TIST inaleta fursa ya kuwafanya wakulima ambao wako tayari kushiriki katika kuboresha mashamba na familia zao.

TIST inapanuka!

Kwa nini?

- Inahitaji msaada wako kama mkulima
- Vikundi vidogo vilivyo tayari kupanda aina mbalimbali za miti na kuhifadhi kwa muda mrefu zaidi
- Kuwa na wanawake wengi katika uongozi
- Kuongeza tani zaidi
- Vikundi vidogo vidogo vipya vya kujiunga

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MAADILI YA TIST

Kama Familia ya TIST tuna Maadili yetu ambayo wengi wa Wanavikundi Vidogo vya TIST wanayajua na kuyatekeleza. Daima tunatafakari juu ya Maadili haya na kuhakikisha kwamba sote tunaishi kulingana nayo. Mafanikio ya TIST yanatokana na uadilifu na juhudi za wanachama binafsi ndani ya TIST. Tunachoweza kufikia inategemea kila mmoja wetu kufuata Maadili haya;

Sisi ni Nani?

- 1) Sisi ni waaminifu.
- 2) Sisi tunatoa taarifa sahihi.
- 3) Sisi ni wawazi
- 4) Sisi tunatumikiana.
- 5) Sisi ni wawajibikaji
- 6) Bajeti Ndogo, Matokeo Makubwa

Jinsi tunavyofanya mambo ambayo watu wengine wanaweza kuona

- 1) Sisi tunajitolea.
- 2) Tunafanya kazi zetu katika vikundi vidogovidogo
- 3) Tunatafuta na kutumia njia bora
- 4) Tunatumia akili na mikono yetu.

Tunachofanya

- 1) Tunapanda aina mbalimbali za miti itakayodumu kwa muda mrefu.
- 2) Tunafanya mambo kuboresha afya zetu.
- 3) Tunafanya Kilimo Hai.
- 4) Tunafanya miradi na biashara zingine.
- 5) Tunafanya biashara ya hewa ya kaboni.

Tunafanya.

- 1) Tunaunda kazi ya timu—kwa kufanya mambo kwa njia hii; tunaishia kufanya kazi kama timu.
- 2) Tunajenga Uwezo-tunaunda shirika, nguvu, na mfumo ambao ni imara.
- 3) Tunafanya mambo yanayotufurahisha-tunaona matokeo, tunatimiza mambo makubwa ambayo tunafurahia
- 4) Tunafanya mambo yanayoleta matokeo makubwa-matokeo makubwa ya upandaji miti. matokeo makubwa katika Kilimo Hai na matokeo makubwa kutokana na miradi na biashara zingine tunazofanya.
- 5) Tunatumia gharama ndogo za Utawala, lakini tunapata matokeo makubwa.