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SATF CONTRIBUTING TO THE GOVERNMENT EFFORTS IN IMPROVING LEARNING ENVIRONMENT IN TANZANIA

SATF in collaboration with Total Tanzania Limited donated 1000 desks to 10 primary schools of Dar es Salaam to enable 3,000 students to have desks hence sit comfortably during their class sessions. The event took place at Chamazi Primary School on 30th September 2014.

Tanzania Education Authority (TEA) facilitated the identification of schools, The criteria for selection of the schools was based on number of desks available and the number of students in respective schools. These schools include Hekima, Kombo and Bwawani from Ilala Municipal, Chamazi, Mbande and Kingugi from Temeke Municipal, Kimara Baruti, Kilungule, Ununio and Bunju A from Kinondoni Municipals.

The event brought together Head Teachers from the 10 schools and Education Officers from Ilala, Temeke and Kinondoni Municipals.

The Dar es Salaam Regional Commissioner (RC) Honorable Said M. Sadiki was the Guest of honour for the event. In his speech, the RC commended SATF and Total Tanzania Ltd for complementing Government efforts towards improving learning environment in Tanzania which has a number of challenges including lack of school infrastructures and teaching facilities. He however, called upon the School Communities to support the initiative by taking a good care of the donated desks by providing maintenance when required to do so.

During the launch, SATF representative urged other stakeholders to join the shown efforts in supporting better learning environment for our children.



(A cross section of students at Kombo Primary School Ilala sitting on the new donated desks)

The Trust has been donating desks to schools as a main stakeholder in education since 2012, whereby the Trust donated 100 desks to schools in Ilala Municipal.

AHIMELEKI EMMANUEL MAKES IT TO UNIVERSITY

It was a long journey towards University level for Ahimeleki Emmanuel, a 22 years young man from Chang'ombe ward, Dodoma Municipal.

Being the 2nd born in the poor family of 5 children of Mr. Emanuel Waziri; Ahimeleki proves shades the light to the truth that, even marginalized children once given opportunity can excel to higher levels to realize their potentials. Through support from SATF, Ahimeleki was able to attend O- Level at Chinangali

Secondary School and A- level at Umbwe High School. He is the only one in the family who made it to University level. His relatives could not complete Secondary School education due to lack of funds to pay for school fees and other scholastic materials.

Currently, Ahimeleki is in second year at Mzumbe University pursuing Bachelor degree of Accounting & Finance in Public Sector (BAFPS). After being admissible at Mzumbe University in year 2013, he also qualified for 84% loan covering tuition fees from the Student Loans Board. SATF has continued providing support by paying the difference i.e. 16% and other important items not covered by the loan.

Ahimeleki was enrolled into SATF Education program in year 2009 when he was in form III at Chinangali Secondary School. Through the program he was supported with scholastic materials, school fees and other school contributions.

Ahimeleki has also proved to be a resource to others as well. During his school vacations, he has been working as Commerce Part-Time Teacher at Lukundo Secondary School in Dodoma. Out of this initiative, he has been able to raise funds for his upkeep as well as to support his family.

Ahimeleki's ambition is to become among reputable professional Accountants. He strives to work hard to make a difference through education. He is also concerned with other program beneficiaries who are not doing well in their studies.

“They need more commitment and extra efforts to perform better due to adverse socio-economic environment they are coming from. I agree that some program beneficiaries fail due to economic hardship and unsupportive environment at home. Hard work has a reward.” said Ahimeleki with lots of appreciations to SATF for making him reach this far.



Ahimeleki assisting his commerce students in a group discussion at Lukundo Secondary School in Dodoma.

FROM DIFFICULTIES TO OPPORTUNITIES

Adelitus Byarugaba is a first year student at the University of Dar es salaam pursuing Bachelor of arts with Education degree course. He was born on 15th January 1993 in Ihagira village, Shasha ward. His parents died when he was very young (Father died in 1999 and mother 2005), since then he had to stay with his sick grandparents. In 2007, Adelitus completed his primary education at Bukambila primary school. He passed his exams and was selected to join Lulongo Secondary School.

Adelitus experienced life hardships both at home and at school, because his grandfather could not meet costs for his education.. In 2010, he was enrolled in SATF Education program through HUMULIZA in Bukoba..This support enabled Adelitus to complete his Ordinary secondary education in 2011, scoring division three of 25 points. He was selected to join

Advanced Secondary Education at Kagango Secondary School in Biharamulo District.

Since then, he kept his spirits-up and worked hard, his performance has been extraordinary. His efforts were fruitful, he maintained the 1st position in exams in a class of 54 in Form V and VI. In his final Advanced Level Examinations he scored Division One with 8 points.

Adelitus said that, apart from the challenges that he went through when he was at Lulongo Secondary School, he is very proud of where he is today and appreciates SATF for the support. He strongly believes that, soon he will realize SATF's mission of becoming one of the "productive members of the society".

"Before joining into SATF family I had to do manual work to get money to buy school requirements and some basic need at home. Sometimes I used to do brick making after school hours but all has remained as history after being enrolled into SATF Education program in 2010. Since then I focused on my studies because school fees and other essential scholastic materials were fully covered by SATF", said Adelitus confidently when he recently visited SATF offices to extend his appreciations.



SATF Chief Executive Officer, Ms. Beatrice Mgaya attentively listening to Adelitus Byarugaba at SATF office in Dar es Salaam

SATF VENTURE BEYOND NORMAL DIRECT BENEFICIARIES SUPPORT

SATF is a national Trust whose support goes beyond support of scholastics materials. During the year under review, the Trust has partnered with Government through the Ministry of Community Development, Gender and Children to build the Capacity of Focal Development Colleges (FDC) with quest of enabling the high enrollment rates and to ensure the colleges offer market driven courses.

The initiative is being piloted at Chilala Development College in Lindi where SATF has donated solar equipments which will cater for administration block and students dining hall.

The installation of solar power is one of the initial processes in building partnership with Chilala FDC for the purpose of running tailor made short courses for SATF beneficiaries as well as other students from Lindi.

The second phase of support will include training Teachers from Chilala FDC at Dar es salaam Vocational Training College on various tailor made

courses. These trainings are designed to enable them acquire skills which will ultimately equip SATF beneficiaries gain relevant employment skills to enable them enter labour market.



Technicians at Chilala-Focal Development Colleges (FDC) in Lindi installing solar panels donated by SATF.

THE NEW SATF INVESTMENT

SATF has completed construction of its investment building which is located at Plot 305&307 at Manyara Street, Mikocheni A in Dar es Salaam. The building will house SATF offices and part of it will be leased as an additional source of income to the Trust.



Front view of the new SATF Investment building at Manyara Street in Mikocheni A, Dar es Salaam

STAFF CAPACITY BUILDING

The Trust has continued to build capacity of her staff through creating training opportunities so as to develop personal skills as well as reflecting the needs of the organization.

Among those who attended the training was Happiness Mushi (Assistant Office Administrator). She attended the training on Front Office Management conducted by The National Institute for Productivity (NIP) from 14th to 18th July, 2014 in Morogoro.

“From the training, I learned that, an office needs to be seen clean, in order to show and maintain good image of the organization. I further learnt that, I need to have good relationship with other staff and also provide the best customer service to office visitors. I will apply what I’ve learnt from the training to improve my performance.” As elaborated by Happiness sharing the key catchments from her training.



Happiness Mushi receiving her certificate from NIP facilitator Mr. John Magari.

FEATS OF YEAR 2014

- During the year, Tshs 430m was disbursed to 19 Implementing Partners as grant and supported 1,459 MVC in 12 regions of the mainland Tanzania.
- SATF managed to complete the construction of its new investment building in Mikocheni A - Dar es Salaam
- The Trust provided solar equipments to support Chilala FDC (Lindi).
- SATF in collaborations with TEA and Total Tanzania Ltd donated 1000 desks to 10 Dar es Salaam Primary Schools in Kinondoni, Temeke and Ilala Districts.

IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS RECEIVED GRANT FOR YEAR

- USHIVIMWA - Costal
- MKUKI - Kilimanjaro
- UHAI Centre I- Arusha
- UHAI Centre II- Arumeru
- HUMULIZA - Kagera
- KARADEA - Kagera
- ST. Maria Goreth- Kagera
- AIDS Outreach- Mwanza
- FAWOPA - Mtwara
- LISAWA - Lindi
- HWF - Lindi
- NAWODA - Lindi
- FPCT - Dodoma
- HWG - Dodoma
- TIKVAH HOMES- Dodoma
- NEREFO - Morogoro
- SHICODA I - Njombe
- SHICODA II - Njombe
- MUVUMA - Shinyanga

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