

## *Chipunga Development Committee*

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Dear Sir,

### **Reply to the letter dated April and Report for the month of April**

I would like to write about the estimated cost of all items proposed by us. But on dining sets we checked about the price and we see that it is too much for us to buy such a thing because it is over-budget. So we have just changed to an other thing which is small solar panel. The total cost of the following proposed items are as follows:

1. Fertilizer:  
23, 21: 0+45 → 11.150MK → 334.500MK  
UREA → 11.150MK → 334.500MK  
CAN → 9.100MK → 273.000MK
2. Seed maize → 880MK → 26.400MK
3. Solar Panel → 10.000MK → 300.000MK
4. Drugs
5. Mattresses → 8.800MK → 264.000MK

The Drugs, it is difficult to list down the prices because what we want is just pain killer like Panado, Killpain, Buffen, for coughing and sneezing.

For the fertilizer it is true that my answer is missing this was due to the changing of our Kwacha, day by day, so that things were going up time by time. But now with the price of fertilizer that have used down. Hope that you have manage to understand.

For drugs, it is true that we have a First Aid box but what is missing in the box is drugs and we don't know how we can find the way of finding the drugs. For wound dressing we have a lot in the box but no drugs.

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**Pre-school:**

For the salary of the teacher we C.D.C. make the decision together with the various stakeholder people who are, working or employee the people then we talked with the chiefs and other community people. Then we come up with the following answers for the question that you have asked me or us. To answer this questions it needs an explanation, I want to explain between wags and salary:

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Now answering your questions:

- a) 4 hours worked from 7-11 means wages not salary this should be paid per day and if we calculate we are coming up with the total amount of 150MK per day. But here at the farm they are getting 220MK per day and worked 8 hours.  
Vocational training no pay yes and we agreed. During holidays no pay to reduce the total amount of money calculated per year.
- b) The work will be controlled by Pre-school Committee then report to C.D.C.  
C.D.C. will pay through the Pre-school Committee using daily checklist.  
The deducted money will remain for the other phases or month/term.
- c) If the teacher is missing, the money will be deduct from his/her salary.
- d) We are charging 200mk per term.
- e) The Pre-school Committee and teachers are getting money and give it to C.D.C. then in our cashbox that means both Committee are checking.
- f) Yes, Community is willing to pay especially money for buying sugar.
- g) The simple scheme for cash flow and different parties are as following:

C.D.C → Pre-school Committee → V.D.C. (chiefs) → teachers

Below is the example of monthly checklist:

Daily attendance; week beginning of the month/term

| Name      | Date | M | T | W | Th | F |
|-----------|------|---|---|---|----|---|
| Melina M. |      | P | P | A | P  | P |
| Estery N. |      | P | P | P | A  | P |

P repents present, A repents absents

- h) Names and surnames of the 4 teachers that we have and their residence are as follows:

| Name   | Surname   | Age | Sex    | Residence |
|--------|-----------|-----|--------|-----------|
| Melina | Matengere | 30  | Female | Chipunga  |
| Estery | Nyirenda  | 32  | Female | Chipunga  |
| Evans  | Nyrienda  | 40  | Male   | Chipunga  |
| Joice  | Mhone     | 25  | Female | Chipunga  |

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Primary school:

Because of the teacher house that has finished, is really true that it attract some teachers to come and teach at Chipunga. I've just heard that 2 teacher from Chigwere want to move to Chipunga and other 3 from Chikwina also want to come to our school at Chipunga. And with the idea of fertilizer hope that demand will be high for the teachers who want to come to Chipunga Primary school.

Answers from your questions:

- a) I don't know yet the type of fertilizer that they want if at all your calculation is true if one bag is costing 8.000. But they want different types of fertilizer like what we are doing here at the farm. We always go with 3 types of fertilizer and with different prices. So on this the amount cost can be higher or less to compared with the price from last year.
  - b) I had a meeting with all the teachers and they have accepted to get two bags of fertilizer per teacher. They said that with their higher salaries they will pay back the money in 4 months. But before I give them fertilizer I have to write an agreement document that they should sign so that if a teacher is transferred the responsible teacher will pay for him. And if she/he will not agree with our rules the she/he will not give fertilizer or we will not buy fertilizer from her/him.
  - c) This is a given fact that the headteacher will get all the money during the month and bring it to C.D.C. treasurer the C.D.C. treasurer give the money to our controller to put it in the cashbox or to bank.
  - d) We war buying fertilizer before rain starts therefore we will distribute fertilizer to them earlier than as so that we should get back repayment earlier than as. Therefore f a teacher fails to pay the money then we will get back our items and sale it to other people.
  - e) It is obvious that the money is ours the C.D.C agreed when we were discussing this why we said that if they will fail to pay back we have to get back our items.
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Scholarship:

Yes, this is true that the number is to high C.D.C. agree with you and again for this they have almost 20 pupils in class 8 who will sit for examinations out of the figure it's impossible for all to be selected.

Answer to your questions:

- a) The number of 10 is good to start with if we will see in future that more learners will be selected the we will come up with another proposals this is what C.D.C. agreed in discussing about your question.
- b) This is what we are going we are receiving the names of the winners from the headteacher so far as there is no problem.

In the meeting with the Community these questions we already agreed that:

- The government announced or release the selected names to various school then the Chipunga Primary school provides a list of the annual winner to us (C.D.C.).
- Yes, the parents will bring a receipt from the Secondary school stamped with the headteacher stamp to give it to the scholarship Committee and then to C.D.C.

- We agreed that we will not change our decision that if someone will come without document no refund of 75%.
  - c) Yes, because in their proposal this is what they have proposed.
  - d) Yes, we agree. This is obvious that the money can't go back to Germany if anything then we should bank for other projects. Of course we are talking about Day Community Secondary school like Chikwina so that will happen if some has selected to go to other Day Community whereby the school fees per term is higher than Chikwina Community?
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### Report:

We come up with the following rules of this project:

#### Goat-scheme

- 1) Any one who has been chosen/proposed to get a goat from goat scheme should have a good khola.
- 2) Anyone after receiving the goat, if she/he is not caring/taking care properly the C.D.C. Committee has the mandate to grab her/him immediately and give to another person.
- 3) Once the goat has produced whether female/male she/he should give the mother to another beneficial person.
- 4) Once she/he has dismissed from work or stop working for Chipunga Farms the C.D.C. should immediately take the goat without delay.
- 5) If the goats are old we have to sell it and buy a young one with the money that we sold from the old one.

Now we are ready to buy new other 3 goats, two female and one male. For sure, we will do it this month and after buying we will report it.

In our proposal we have attached the proposal from the Chipunga Bulking Group. And also I want to remind you about our fourth party donor who wants to donate money for water at Chipunga Primary school. The question is how is it at Vienna Austria? Are they still willing to donate as money for drilling waterhole? Of course we will write from if you'll get a response.

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### Support from the GIZ

They have supported us with following project:

1. Pre-school
2. Under 5 clinic

#### Pre-school:

They have supported the Community of Chipunga with different types of material for that the teachers will use for better teaching the kids. This has been done for both pre-schools. The total cost for the whole material is 60.000MK. As of now, the responsible volunteer for Pre-school is Lynn, she is helping us a lot in this project.

#### Clinic:

As for the last years volunteers wrote their work plan both of them were talking about maintaining one of the houses that was at the base near the farm. The chiefs and the Community people has given to us one house to be maintained. We wrote a proposal together with Lynn to GIZ. The result of our proposal is positive. They said that they will donate to us 50.000MK for first phase. Though the money is not enough to rich the requirement. We will be waiting for the next phase other coming volunteer. But the work is in process, we have started making frames for windows and doors. The other materials was bought by Lynn to begin with.

With thanks Mr. Daniel Mthuti  
C.D.C Chairperson