



THE TREE

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CLEAN AIR
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Weeding and removing unwanted weed in CF garden
during lockdown



Energy saving cookstove built during lockdown



Compost manure prepared during lockdown ready to be applied in garden

The TREE is a monthly newsletter Published by **TIST** Uganda, a project area of **The International Small Group** and **Tree Planting Program**.

MISSION STATEMENT:

TIST Uganda is a community initiative dedicated to empowering small groups of subsistence farmers to combat the devastating effects of deforestation, poverty and drought.

OBJECTIVE STATEMENT:

Combining sustainable development with carbon sequestration, TIST supports the reforestation efforts of over 25,000 subsistence farmers. Sales of carbon credits generate participant income while TIST today also addresses Agriculture, HIV/AIDS, Nutrition and Fuel Wood challenges.

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ENGLISH

CONSERVATION FARMING INCREASES YIELDS AND SOIL FERTILITY

Joyce Murungi prepared her planting area before rainy season.

She cleared the bush, dug holes, and mixed in compost manure to make her field ready for Conservation Farming. She also dug Conservation Farming holes in a flat plain area. She prepared her indigenous maize seeds and made sure they were not diseased. A week before the first rains, she planted the maize seeds. She is happy that the yield was greater than when she was using the traditional farming.

TIST farmers throughout Uganda have found that by practicing Conservation Farming, they improve yields and their soil. Now they are harvesting the reward for their work. Now is a good time to make compost manure to make the soil fertile, to learn good CF practices, and to decide where to dig your CF holes.

By Joyce Murungi-Trainer and cook stove expert

A CALL FOR NORTHERN UGANDA TO PLANT TREES

Trees in northern Uganda have been and are still being destroyed at an alarming rate.

During the conflict period, trees were cut down and forests were depleted. After the conflict, charcoal dealers and those dealing in logs were indiscriminately felling down trees, both young and mature trees, leaving our soils bare and prone to run-off.

As a result, prolonged draughts are being experienced. We used to plant crop like simsim rice, G.

nuts etc , but now rice and G.nuts don't do well because of the draught.

What are we going to do in this situation? Are we going to look on as things go from bad to worse?

Let's rise up now northern Ugandans, and plant as many trees as we can so as to reverse this trend of forest destruction to reforestation and afforestation.

As we plant trees, let's enroll them under TIST program to get the Centre money in the short run and carbon money in the long run.

TIST is an organization that pays farmer for the trees they plant. So let's join TIST and benefit from the program.

We can only do this by planting many trees.

By Otema Christopher, Quantifier Gulu

FROM ATIAK AMURU DISTRICT

I was very pleased when I went for quantification in Pacilo cluster in a group called LOK PE ROM. I met the group members before going to their groves. They asked me about the payments and I said TIST is processing their payment in a week to come.

When the group received their voucher for prepayments they were very pleased.

I am happy to see that TIST is transparent by honoring its promises to farmers. The farmers received their payments by signing the voucher and promised to plant more trees for TIST program.

By: Kenya Luke, Amuru District



RUNYAKORE

CLUSTER MEETINGS FOR SUCCESS.

Cluster meetings are a big part of working successfully together in TIST.

A cluster meeting is when TIST Small Group members gather together in a central location with common needs and interests. In these meetings, Groups share new ideas, receive training, report their progress and success, and create plans to achieve even bigger results to improve their lives and communities. The new ideas shared give courage to Small Groups who need training and technology to fight climate change and adapt to changing climate.

Small groups meet in a central place and share TIST best practices. Also meeting in a central place reduces the cost of transport since the place chosen is always walkable.

Also as TIST cluster servants, when we spend more money for transport, there is less profit to share with all farmers. The best practice is for all Small Group members and groves in a cluster to be within walking distance.

The meetings are composed of many farmers, who share about TIST Values, TIST best practices and collectively plan on how to work together to reduce the dangers and negative impacts of climate change. Teams address the issues of sustainable development within local communities, identify problems local people are experiencing, and create solutions. Groups may invite trainers and experts from other organizations to share more good ideas. This cooperation is a major reason that TIST is successful.

By Mugisha- Apex Agro Farm and Nursery bed

**EMPIINGA Y'OKURINDA EITAKA NEKANYISA
AMASHARUURA NORWEZO OMWITAKA**

- Joyce Murungi akaboneza omusiiri gwe enjura zitakagwire.

Akatema ekishaka, yaatimba ebiina, yaatamu kasasiro kweteekateekyera okubyara. Yaateebekanisa embibo ye y'ebicoori by'enyankole bitaine burwaire.

- Harikuburayo esabiiti emwe enjura zikagwa, Murungi yabyara ebicoori ebi. Obwahati ash-emereirwe ahabwamasharuura kuba mingi okukira obuyabaire nakoresa empinga enkuru.

- Hati abahingi omuri TIST omu Uganda yoo-na bakimanyire ngu okuhingira okurinda eitaka noyihamu kingi kandi kikanyisa orwezo omwitaka.

- Obunaku buhikire abahingi kukora kasasiro bakaihamu orwezo bakaihamu kihango.

Nebya Joyce Murungi – Trainer/cook store expert.

**OKUSHABA ABAMATEMBA GA UGANDA
KUBYARA EMITI**

- Emiti omukyanga kyamateмба ga Uganda eriyo neetemwa munonga ekiri ekyakabi munonga.

- Omubunaku bworugamba emiti ekatemwa yaahwayo.

- Orugamba kurwahwireyo emiti eyabaire esigaireyo bagyosya amakara, endiijo baagitema baagiguza ekiri mito nemikuru yaahwayo ekiri kureetera eitaka ryateerwa omushana reeru rikatwarwa omutungwa.

- Hati batandikire kuteerwa ekyanda bakaba bahinga simsim, omuceeri, ebinyoobwa nebindi



kwonka hati tihaine ekirikwerayo. Mbweni tigu-mume tushutami niturera engaro.

- Twimukire hamwe tuze omuguruupu za TIST, twegye kubyara emiti, turinde obuhangwa kandi tungye nesente. TIST nekigombe ekirikuha esente abahingi bemiti.

Reka tubyare emiti mingi.

Nebya Otema Christopher – Quantifier Gulu.

OBUTUMWA KURUGA ATI AK, AMURU DISTRICT

- Nkashemererwa kunaagiire kubara emiti omuri Pacilo cluster omuguruupu ya Lok Pe ROM. Nkagaruka nokubugana ba memba ba guruupu ntakagiire mumisiri yaabo y'emiti.
- Bakambuza esente zakasiimo, nabaaraganisa ngu ziriyo nizija omusabiiti emwe.
- Guruupu kuyatungire akasiimo kaabo, baashemererwa.
- Nshemereirwe kureeba ngu aba TIST nabe-sigwa omukuraganisa kwabo. Bakatunga akasiimo kabo kandi baaraganisa kubyara emiti mingi munonga.

Nebya Kanya Luku – Amuru district

OKUSINGURA KW'ENKIKO ZA CLUSTER

Enkiiko za cluster nizigiibwamu za guruupu enkye ezebyanga, zikiika, zihaana amagezi, zitendekwa obukodyo obusya, bagamba ohubahisya nobweremwa bwabo. Aha niho barikwiha puraani ensya reeru bakeyongyera omumaisho omuntuura yaabo.

- Enkiiko ezi nizireetera ba memba baatendekwa obukodyo obusya kubyara emiti mingi reeru bakarinda ebyobuhangwa.

- Za cluster niibuganira omu mwanya gwarwagati gwabo kireetera engyendo zaatwara sente nkye ahabwokuba nibatambuzaho ebigyere.

- Kuturikuta sente nyingi omungyenda, amagoba ahakubagana nigatuuba, mikyo turikukorera omumwanya oguri haihi.

- Enkiiko ezi zirimu abahingi ba TIST ahu barikwega emicwe n'emitwarize ya TIST, kokukore-ra hamwe kuceendeeza okusisikara kwobuhangwa kwensi.

- Za guruupu nireeta ebitenso birikugikwataho, reeru baronda ekyokukora. Guruupu nizireeta abashomesa kuruga aheeru, abaine obukugu reeru abahingi beega.

- Entwaza egi niyo ereeteire TIST yaahangura omu mirimo yaayo.

Nebya Mugisha: Apex Agro farm and Nursery bed







Packing seedlings for planting during lockdown



