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Igwanjau TIST cluster farmers in a First cluster M-PESA meeting.
MPESA system of paying our Small Groups is working! These are good news for our thousands Small Groups in our program.

Seven clusters in seven field offices have so far received payments. They include, Kithoka cluster under Chugu field office, Male cluster in Lamulia, Kimahuri cluster in Narumoro, Mpur cluster in Wendo. Others are Igwanjau, Kinyartha and Kibirichia clusters in Kirimara, Kinyartha and Ntugi respectively. We have paid a total of Ksh 575,206 so far.

Others clusters that have not received payments will be paid in our second and third phase of payments that begins in June. We urge our Small Group members to be patient as we come to serve and pay you in your clusters.

Kithoka TIST cluster farmers in a First cluster MPESA meeting.

In our exit surveys, majority of our members have supported this system. Ann Wambui of Murumati Miti Small Group in Lamulia had this to say, “We are very impressed by this technology. We feel secure even as we ‘carry’ money home. As a group, we will first meet and decide how to utilize the money we received today – since it is safely kept in our ‘phone bank’. This is certainly a best practice.”

Before making payments, TIST officials will attend one of your cluster meetings to train your Small Groups how the system works. At this meeting, you will be given an opportunity to ask questions and make suggestions of how to improve the system. During this meeting, TIST officials will explain to you the basic requirements that your Small Group will meet in order to receive payments. For instance, your Small Group must have its trees counted by TIST quantifiers and total number of trees in whole group should exceed 500. Second, your Small Group must have signed the Green House Gas contract and thirdly you should at all times abide by TIST values of Honesty, Transparency, Accuracy, Accountability, and Servant-hood.

To assure transparency, your Small Group will be required to produce your green house gas contract. This will be used later by TIST officials to verify your names and signatures to ascertain that you are true members of your group. We do not want strangers to come and impose as members of your group! If the Green House Gas contract has not been returned to you, TIST officials will bring it during this meeting. Then, your Small Group will be given a week’s time to go and scrutinize whether the names in your contract are your true members.

Also, during this first meeting, each group that will be eligible for payment will be given an MPESA agreement form that you will be required to study and then sign. In this agreement form, you will be required to decide who amongst your members will be a custodian of the SIM card. Each group will be given one Safaricom SIM card. To enhance more transparency and accountability in your Small Group, a second person will be chosen to keep the MPESA pin number. This means, no single individual within a Small Group can withdraw group money alone.

A second meeting will follow a week later. At the same venue. Here, at least 3 members of your group must be present. They will be your signatories. At this meeting, TIST officials will now verify your names and signatures. Then, a Safaricom SIM card will be given to your Small Group and be registered under the name of your preferred/ chosen custodian. As mentioned above, we will require a second person from your group to be the custodian of the PIN number. The two must be people that you trust and are honest. We will then make payments to your Small Group SIM card.

It is a simple process that is safe, fast, secure, transparent and cost-effective.

When Nancy Karoki, a PIN custodian of Kamiti Women TIST Small Group, went to collect her group’s money with Eva- SIM custodian- they were amazed at how the system work. Nancy says, “Our group received more that Ksh 25,000.00.
Since some of our members were far away, we decided to use the same system to send their share of money. It worked so fast and very efficiently. Every member in our group was satisfied. We thank TIST for this initiative."

**Small Groups** under Kinyaritha Field Office support **M-PESA system.**

When Kinyaritha Cluster received their tree payments through MPESA system, news spread like bushfire. Other clusters such as Mikunduri, Kagaene and Miathene became excited and anxious of this new system of paying the Small Group.

Initially, a section of farmers were doubtful of this system. Those who have never used MPESA facility got skeptical. However, after paying Kinyaritha Cluster, and farmers started withdrawing their monies from MPESA agents, majority were now convinced that it is a good system.

Mzee Zakayo M’Murithi says “After successfully withdrawing money for my Small Group, I got an idea how effective this system works. I have now registered my personal sim card which I use to send money to my daughter who is studying in a Nairobi college. I have now been relieved the hassle of sending money through friends or traveling to Nairobi to take her money.”

At Kinyaritha cluster, a total of 26 Small Groups received payments in less than 5 hours.

**Nyweri Cluster** bringing together **Small Groups** in working together.

Nyweri cluster comprises of 40 Small Groups, all within a walking distance of 1 – 4 km. We are now in newly created Central Meru district.

TIST program was introduced in our area in 2005. We received it warmly and appreciated its vision for our area. Since then, the number of Small Groups has continued to grow. We have 40 Small Groups so far. And still growing.

We hold our monthly cluster meetings at Mzee Robert Muthomi homestead, a member of PAA - A best Small Group. Members of PAA - A have continued to mentor us and encouraging us to work hard so as to attain the status of a best Small Group.

Since joining the program, we have witnessed our area improving tremendously in regard to environment. The new trees planted have boosted environmental services where some stream that had begun to dry are now rejuvenated. We now experience good rainfall unlike when our area was depleted of trees.
Through TIST incentive programme, many framers take tree farming seriously. The amount earned helps Small Groups to establish tree nurseries. Where a Small Group has surplus seedlings, it sells in the local market thereby boosting its incoming generation efforts.

We have also been trained on conservation farming. A significant number of our members have practiced it and they testify that it boost food production by 100%. Mr. Robert Muthoni says, “Last season, I harvested 7 bags of maize from a quarter acre piece of land. When using the conventional method, I used to harvest 3 bags.”

Nyweri cluster supports MPESA system of paying Small Group. We believe in embracing new and modern initiatives. We hope that the system will serve us better.

When Mary Wanyoike, a TSE leader assigned to expand the program in this area, held the first meeting here, she was overwhelmed by large number of farmers who were interested to join the program. So far, more that 120 Small Groups have been registered.

Areas that have so far been covered include; Laare, Igembe East, Igembe North, Mutuati, Igembe South, Igembe South- East, Igembe South- West, Ndoleli and Igembe Central. We are still on the move. To serve other areas as well.

Mary’s Team that includes two other partners – Joseph Gituma and Jotham mwiiri – has embarked on intensive trainings in areas so far captured. Such trainings have focused mainly on Small Group formation, eligibility requirements for registration, nursery establishment and management, tree planting best practices- spacing etc, conservation farming, construction of energy efficient stoves among others.

Mary attributes the success she and her team has achieved to cooperation of the residents and interest they have for the program. “We cannot forget to enlist immense support we have received from Government Departments such as Agriculture, Forest, Adult Education, and Provincial Administration. Religious institutions have also played an important role in assuring us a success.” She adds. The team further gives special gratitude to Rev. Anampiu of Thitha Methodist Circuit for his superb support.

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Kabari Widows TIST Small Group looks into future with confidence.

We are a TSE Small Group. We are in Ngariama location of Kirinyaga district.

Our Small Group is mainly composed of widowed mothers. We have a vision to focus on a positive future whereby we want to secure better future for our children and ourselves.

We have 12 members. All widowed ladies who have a strong will and strength to better our environment.

When we heard of TIST program at first time, we knew that it was an opportunity for us to realize our goals. But then we had little information about TIST.

When Bernard Githui, a TSE leader in entire Kirinyaga district, introduced the program to us, we quickly embraced it and committed ourselves to work hard. He, together with his two other partners, Ms. Ann Wangui and Mr. Na’taly Muchiri, have been training us in a number of helpful topics. We have been taught about nursery preparation, conservation farming and a new leadership style in TIST Small Groups.

So far, we have established two trees nurseries with a total of 2,000 seedlings. Beginning next month, we plan to start transplanting them in our fields. The local chief has been of great support to us. We have been provided with fencing materials to fence around our tree nurseries. A major species we have put in our nurseries is an indigenous Prunus africanas, locally known as Muíria. It is a good tree for medicinal purposes as well as protecting the soil among other benefits.

We have started with two demonstration plots for conservation farming. They are our pilot project. We intend to replicate the experience to our own individual farms.

We are now encouraging our neighbours and fellow church members to join TIST program. A new Small Group, Ten Fingers, has now joined TIST. We want to recruit more.

TIST participates at NEMA Fair.

On 22nd - 24th May 2008, TIST Program was among other Non-Governmental Organizations and Government institutions that took part in an exhibition organized, courtesy of National Environmental Management Authority (NEMA) held in KICC Nairobi.

The theme of this fair was, ‘Kick Carbon out of Kenya.’

TIST program, a leading global an afforestation and re-afforestation program aimed at sequestration of carbon through tree planting, actively exhibited its technology in serving the small–scale farmers who have now benefited from the world carbon market.

The TIST stand was a bee hive of activity as guests, including Assistant Minister for Environment, Hon. Abraham Kiptanui and NEMA director, Mr. Mwinzi took interest to see how TIST technology works. Use of Palm held computer and GPS equipments fascinated many. Each day, TIST stand received over 1,000 guests.

TIST Quantifiers, Kimani and Duncan from Naro Moru represented TIST in this exhibition.

As many guests streamed into TIST stand, numerous requests were made to expand the program in North Rift, Lower Eastern, Western and Nyanza provinces. We are considering these requests and very soon we will have TIST program rolled out in their respective areas.

We are grateful to HELP international for their kind support and giving us a space.

TIST: The Best Practice in Conducting Weekly Meetings.

It is important too, for your Small Group to be having regular meetings. For instance, once a week or once after two weeks. This will give all members in your Small Group an opportunity to strengthen your group and also share and learn new ideas.
Meeting Schedule.

In managing our time better, a small group should have well-organized meeting schedule. This is important because it will help your small group keep focus of your agendas and other activities. Since we are farmers, time is important to us, and we need to make sure we hold efficient meetings that do not take up most of the day light hours.

During your meeting, it is necessary to focus on important issues. To be able to accomplish this, other TIST small groups have practiced the below steps when conducting their meetings;

Kibirichia TIST cluster farmers in a First cluster M-PESA meeting.

Step I.
Greetings and introductions for any new members (5 – 15 minutes): Make sure everyone feels welcomed. Make it brief but let each of you introduce himself or herself.

Step II.
Opening prayer (2 minutes):
It is important to begin your meeting with a word of prayer. Keep it short.

Step III.
Songs (5 minutes):
These could be songs written by your group, or songs that encourage people such as religious songs. A song sung by all will relax us and put us in a better mood.

Step IV.
Agreement on task and time (5 minutes):
The leader explains what will be done in the meeting and the group members agree to do the task. The time spent should be agreed so that the co-leader can help keep the meeting on time.

Step V.
Group work on tasks (1 hour):
Ideally the tasks should have been discussed at the end of the last meeting. Tasks might include sharing what each person has done to help TIST activities, sharing best practices, training and any other important issue that will help your small group to prosper.

Step VI.
Kujengana (5 minutes):
Each group member makes one positive, specific statement to that week's leader about his or her observable leadership of the meeting. In addition, anyone may identify a gift seen in the leader.

Step VII.
Closing prayer (2 minutes):
End your meeting with a word of pray.

TIST Kenya invites Small Groups members to prepare and submit their articles for publishing in this Newsletter. Such articles should feature activities carried out by your Small Group, Achievements, Success, Challenges and opportunities.

We would like to hear from you the benefits you have achieved since joining TIST and areas that you would like us improve.

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Thank you.
Among the things you can give and still keep are your word, a smile, and a grateful heart.
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Gakundi kaniini ka Kabari wisows nandi igagutegeera igita riria rikeeja na guciitikia.

TIST kwithirwa iri kiri NEMA Show.

TIST Njira injega ya kuthithagia micemaio yetu ya o kiumbia

Amemba a cluster ya Igwanjau magithomithio njira ya kuriha ikundi kuhitura M-PESA.
Kurea ikundi na njira ya M-PESA nandi nikurita ngugi. Buu ni untu ugeni bubwega kiri tukundi ngiriinyingi twa TIST.

Mwanka nandi cluster mugwanja kuma kiri ubici cietu mugwanja nirii na njira iji. Iji ni Kithoka kuuma ubici ya Chugu,Male cluster ya Lamulila,Kimahuri cluster ya Narumoro, Mpuri cluster ya wendo. Ingi ni Igwanjau, Kinyaritha na Kibirichia iri clustene cia Kirimaara, Kinyaritha na Ntugi ithingatene.

Amamba a cluster ya Kithoka magithomithio njira ya kuriha ikundi kuhitura M-PESA.
Cluster iria itiri ikariwa ithiuruka ria jairi na jathatu riria rikwambiria Mweri ya June. Inkuria ikundi biumirie tontu no twijite kuburiira clustene cienu.


Mbere ya kurea, ariti ngugi ba TIST bakamba kwija mbere kuburitana uria njira iji ikurita ngugi. Mucemano juju bukaegwa kaanya gakeega ga kuria biuria na kumba gututetheria na mathuganio ja uria tumba kuthithia kenda njira iji ibua nkururuki. Mucemanejone juju, ariti ngugi ba TIST bakaburitana mantu jariia jakwenekana kenda bumba kuriwa na njira iji. Kwa mung’uwanano no mwanka miti ya gikundi kiêni ithiurwa itari ni Atari ba TIST na ithiurwa iri nkuruki ya miti 500. Bwa jairi no mwanka gikundi kithirwe gigainite GHG Contract ja bwa jathati no mwanka gikundi kithirwe kithingatite mono mantu jariia TIST ikagira ja kwithiura ura mwikwika, muntu wa weru na mutumikiri wa bangi.

Kenda kumenyenkana kuri na weru, gikundi no mwanka kionanie form yenu ya contract. Iji igitumirwa ni staff ba TIST kung’unanithia caini kenda bona atu bau nibo amemba ba gikundi ba ma. Tutikwenda antu ageni beeja guciethe ati ni ba gikundi kieni. Bukethiira butanenkerwe form yenu ya contract ariti ngugi be TIST bubakuretera mucemanejone juju. Kuuma au, gikundi kieni gikaegwa kaanya ka kiimia kimwe gia gutegereera maritwa bwega kethira bau nibo amemba eene ba gikundi kieni.

Angi, mucemanejone juju, o gikundi kiria gikaegwa mbeca na njira iji, gikaegwa form ya kujiruia kenda betikaniriia kuriwa na njira ya M-PESA iria bakathoma, na bumaticine. Kiri form iji, bugetikaniria nuu umwe kiri babwi ugeeka SIM CARD. Oo gikundi gikaegwa SIM CARD imwe ya Safaricom. Kenda kwitrhero kuri na weru na utari bubwega gikundine kieni, gikundi kieni gikhathura muntu ungi wa bairi uria ukanenkerwa namba ya PIN. Kwou ikwonania gutirio muntu umwe wa gikundi akagira mbeca arwienka.


Kuuma au, nio gikundi gikaegwa SIM CARD ya Safaricom na kuandikithia muntu uria bukethiira buthirwe abwikira SIM CARD. Ta uria kwirani au iguru, gukendekana muntu wa bairi uria ugekira gikundi namba ya PIN. Antu bau bobairi bethirwe bari baria bugwitikia. Kuuma au tugekira mbeca cia marii jenu kiri SIM CARD ya gakundi kieni.

Ni njira imputhu mono iria iti na ugwati, ya mpui, weru na ya ngarama inkai. Riria Nancy Karoki uria uri mwiki wa SIM CARD wa Kamiti Women Group, etire kujukia mbeca bari na Eva, mwiki wa namba ya PIN, ibangaire mono uria njira iji ikuria ngugi. Nancy auga, “Gikundi gietu kiaria nkuruki ya Kshs.25,000 .Tontu amemba bamuwe benu amewali bari kuraajja twatumire njira o iji ya kubutumira mbeca ciao. Mbeca ciabakinyire na mpui mono na njira injege mwanka amemba benu bonthe barang’anirwa. Itugucokeria TIST nkaatho na itugwitikaniria na njira iji. Itu igweni buri na uhuru bwa gutwa mathuganio uria njira iji tumba kumithihi kenda ibua nkuruki. Thimu cietu ugaciona nyuma ya gazeti iji.
Tukundu tuniini twa ubici ya Kinyaritsha kugawanira na marii ja njira ya M-PESA.

Riria cluster ya Kinyaritsha yariiwe marii ja miti na njira ya M-PESA nkuma netambire ta mwanki jwa rugundu taano. Clusters ingi ta Mikinduri, Kagaene na Mithene bari na hamu mono beterete njira iji njera ya kurea ikundi.

Mberene arimi bamwe ibaari na nkanja na kurea kwa muthemba juju. Baria batatumira M-PESA ibaari na nkanja. Indi cluster ya Kinyaritsha ikurwa na arimi bagiira mbeca ciao kiri agent wa M-PESA, nkanka iciathiriere na antu babainingi nandi ibagwitiika ati njira iji niyo njega.

Mukuru Zakayo Muriithi ariuga," nyuma ya kumba kuritira gikundi gietu mbeca ciao nirio ndaciukiirwe ati njira iji ni injega na nikurita ngugi bwega. Nandi nkurugura SIM CARD yakwa iria ndatumagira mwari wakwa mbeca College Nairobi, iria athomagira. Nandi nkunokua murigo jwa gutumagira acoore mbeca na njara kana rugendo rwa gwita mwanka Nairobi kumwikiria mbeca."

Cluster ya Kinyaritsha nkuruki ya ikundi 26 ibiariiriwe mbeca na mathaa jatigukinaya jatano. Batwi turi ba ubici ya Kinyaritsha itwagwirirwe mono ni uria njira iki kumbikika. Ni njira iti na ugwati, njira injega ya weru na iti na ngaruma.


Tukundi tuniini itubwirite gutumagia antu bairi micemanione ya cluster bakigurukanagia na njira ya kithiuuro. Micemanione ya cluster, niyo baritanagwa na kwira mantu jameerujwa ya murundi jwa TIST. Ibethagirina bari na kaari na kuuria biuria na kwejana mathugunio ja gukuria TIST. Au nio mobatu jao jombaga kwingirua.

Cluster ya Nyweri kureta tukundi tuniini amwe kenda barita ngugi bagwaranirite.

Cluster ya Nyweri ithagirwa iri na tukundi tuniini 40, tunthe turi arii umba gwita na maguru, kilomita imwe mwanka inya. Turi District injeru ya Meru Central.


Amamba a cluster ya Nyweri mari macemanio wao wa o mweri.

Tuthighiria micemanio yetu ya mweri nya ya mkurumwe witagwa Robert Muthomi, mumemba wa gakundi kamwe gakeega geetagwa PAA-A. Amemba ba PAA-Aibelite na mbere gukamenyeera na gugekira mwoyo kenda komba gukara turi gakundi kaniini gakeega.

Kuuma tugutonya kiri TIST, ituukuirite uria guntu guku gwitite na mbere gukubuja. Miti iria twaandwe imiureru niambiritwe kuthithia guku gwetu mwanka nduuji iria iri ikwamiiiria kugwa ciambira gucoweera. Nandi itwambiririe kwona ngai nkuruki ya iria miti iri ikunyiia.

Kumania na marii ja miti, antu ibambiritwe kujukia waandi bwa miti na njira ya iguru nkuruki. Mbeca iria bonaga nitumaga arimi bathiithia nursery ciao. Riria gikundi kiri na mbeu, ya kwaanda na bagatigaria, ibendagia na bakomba kwongeera ubatu bwaao.

Ituritani urimi bubwega (CF). Amemba betu babainingi ibambiritwe urimi buba na ibagukuiira ibukiirite maketha jao na 100%. Mukuru Robert Muthomi ariuga,"Ngaine iria irathirire ndakethete nkunia 7 kuuma kiri robo ika (1/4 acre) na ntwire
guketha nkunia ithatu.

Cluster ya Nyweri nikwigika marii ja njira ya M-PESA. Itugwitikana na njira injeru iria cijaga. Turi na njira innerText igaturitira ngugi bwega.

Amemba a cluster ya Nyweri makinyua ucuru wa gukurugwo na mutu wa nduma.

TIST nandi niumbite gukinya kuraaja ndene ya Igembe District

Riria Mr. David Labaruu muritani wa kithomo kia antu baanene Laare, aigirwe ati TIST igukinya kwao nja, atombire kwitha kugwirua kwagwe. Kuuma kagita gakaraaja atwire akiuragia ari ngugi ba TIST baikie murandi Igembe.

Mr. Labaruu ari na wirigiiro ati antu banau bakoona bairina na batige kunogia mwitu jwa Nyambene juria juri akuko nabo naria antu baria baingi baunaga nku. Ariuga “TIST ikwija kwonokia mwitu jwetu, “itang” njuu riria ritwonagira ruuji kumania na ithima biria biumaga irimene.

Mary, IgembeTSE leader agikira kirore contract ya TSE.

Gakundi kaniini ka Kabari Widows nandi igagutegeera igita riria rikeeja na guciitikia

Turi gikundi kia TSE. Turi ndene ya Location ya Ngariama Location District ya Kirinyaga.

Gikundi gietu ni kia eekuru ntigwa. Turi na kionei kia gutegeera uria gukethirwa gukari kenda twi na aana batetheka igita riria rijite. Turi Amemba ikumi na bairi. Twinthe turi aciere ntigwa tukigagua turi na inya niuntu bwa mazingira jetu.

Riria tsagirirwe TIST ria mbere, itwamenyere ati nirio kaanya getu gakinya ga kujuuria ubatu bwetu. Indi twaiji TIST aniiini.

Riria Bernard Githui mutongeria wa TSE Kirinyaga kionthe aretere TIST, itwagwirirwe na twaciejana kurita ngugi na inya. We amwe na aritithania bagwe ba ngugi, Anne Wangui na Naftali Muchiri ibombite
guturitana uritani bwa gututethia. Ituritani kuthithia nursery, urimi bubwega (cf) na utongeeria bwa ikundi bia TIST.

Mwanka nandi itumbite kuthithia nursery ijiri cia miti iria iri na mbeu ngiri ijiri. Kuuma mweri juu jwijite tukambiria kuthamiria mbeu cietu miundene yetu. Munini wa Chief nethirite ari na utethio mono kiri batwi.


TIST kwithirwa iri kiri NEMA Show

Kuuma tariki mirongo iri na ijiri mwanka tariki mirongo iri na inya mweri jwa itano mwakene juju turi jwa ngiri ijiri na inyanya, TIST irari imwe ya ikundi biria biti bia thirikari (NGO) nabia thirikari biria bironanagia ngugi iria bita raga ithuraniri ni National Environmental Management (NEMA) iria irari K.I.C.C Nairobi.

Yerekeria (theme) ni “Kick Carbon out of Kenya”, (Inga ruugo ruthuuku ruume Kenya)

TIST iria iri iguru mono na waandi bwa miti kenda yumba kunyia ruugo ruthuku nironanagia technology iria bari nayo iria batumagira kuritira ikundi ngugi baria mwanka nandi bombite kwona faida kiri biashara iju ya wendia bwa ruugo.

Kiri kibanda kia TIST ageni neka barakurukanaga. Umwe wa ageni bai ni Minister umunini wa Environment Hon.Abraham Kiptanui na mutongeria wa NEMA,Mr.Mwinzi uria wagwirirwe ni kwona into biria TIST iritaga ngugi nabio. Umwiri bwa Computer ya njara (Palm Computer) na GPS ibiaragarirí babaiingi mono. Oo ntuku kibanda kia TIST ikithaginwa kiri na ageni nkuru ki ngiri imwe.

Atari miti ba TIST (Kimani na Duncan) nibo barí ari TIST yekeite into biao. Oo uria ageni babaingi batonyaga kibandene kia TIST nou kwethagirwa kuri na iromba ria gwikia TIST North Rift, Lower Eastern, Western na Nyanza Province. No tukuthuganiria iromba riri na kagita gati kuraaja TIST igakinya nau.

Turi na nkatho GUTETHIA nthiguru yonthe niuntu bwa gutugwata mbaru.

TIST: Njira injega ya kuthithagia micemaio yetu ya o kiumia.

Ni uritu bubwega Gikundi kieru kwithirwa gigicemanagia o kiumia kana nyuma ya biumia biiri. Uu gugagiteithia gwikira Gikundi kieru inya kenda buumbakuthoma thaantu jameeuru.

Mutaratara jwa mucemanio:

Kenda tuumba gutumira mathaa yetu bwega thabwiri twira mibango jwa mathaa yetu. Kenda twimba kuthithia mantu yetu jari the Gikundi gietu kibwiri kuthingata mantu joa micemaniioine yetu.

Nkeethi na kumenyithania amemba babeeur kethirwa kuri bo (Dogika 5-15)
Tigiira agucimeninyania wegwa na agatwa ugeni.

Iromba ria mbere (dogika 2)
Ni untu bubwega kwbwiria micemaio na iromba.

Dwimbo (Dogika 5)

Dwimbo iji no cithinwe iria citungi ni amemba kana cia gwikira amembe inya.
Gwitikaniria kiri utumiri bwa mathaa (Dogika 5). Mutongerya okeera amembe ngugi iria ikonaitwa ni amemba nabo beetikaniirie. Mathaa muteetheria omba gwikia mathaa.

Kurita Ngugi (Dogika 60)
Mantu jaja jabwirite kwithirwa jaaririthe mutemano muthiru. Ngugi iji ita; mathithio ja o muntu kuri TIST, urita kana mantu jangi jaria Gikundi kieru kiendekia.
Gwakana (Dogika 5)
O mumemba aka rita untu bubwega bwa mutongeria wa kimia kiu na aritu bungwa kana untu buria wona kiri mutongeria uu.

Iromba ria kuthiria (Dogika 2)
Niuntu bubwega kuthiria muceemanio na iromba
Ikundi nini cia TIST riu ciramukira mbecha kuhitukira M-Pesa.

Ikundi nini cia TIST riu ciramukira mbecha kuhitukira M-Pesa.

Gikundi kinini gia kinyaritha gukenera mutaratara wa marihi wa M-Pesa.

Gikundi gia Nyweri kunyitithania tukundi tunini turute wira hamwe.

TIST gutamaba nginya Igembe.

Kabari Widow kugia na mwihoko wa matuko mathutha.

TIST kugwatanira na NEMA Fair.

TIST: Mibango miega ya o wiki
Ikundi nini cia TIST ruo cirumukira mbecha kuhitukira M-Pesa.

Mubango wa MPESA wa kuriha ikundi nini niuraruta wira wega. Uu ni uhoro mwega muno kuri amemba makiria ma ngiri igiri a ikundi nini.

Ikundi muganja niciamukiriti marihi mao, ikundi ici nicio, Kithoka kuma wabichi ya chugu, Male kuma wabichi ya Lamulia, Kimahuri kuma wabichi ya Narumoro, Mpuri kuma wabichi ya Wendo. Ikundi ingi nita Igwanjau, Kinyarita na Kibirisia kuma wabichi ya Kirimara, Kinyarita na Ntugi.

Ikundi iria itamukiriti marihi ni cikarihwo gisiribyo gitu gia keri kiria gigakorwo mweri wa June. Turoria ikundi ici cieterere tondu nituguka kumuriha icigoini clianyu.

Amemba a cluster ya Kithoka magithomithio njira ya kuriha ikundi kuhitura M-PESA.

Kuringana na utwina hitu, andu ingi nimanyiitiite mbaru mutaratara uyo wa marihi. Ann Wambui kuma Marumati wabichi ya Lamulia aru na uu wakuga “Nitukenete na tukagega ni utaaramu uyo. Tuiguaga turi na ugiriri munene muno tugikua mbecha tugathii nachio muchii.. Twitagikundi, tukwamba kubanga uria tukuhuthira mbecha ici twamukira umuthi- tondu ningire wega thimuini cliitu.Kwaria ma uyu ni mutaratara mwega”

Mbere ya kwanjia kurihwo, atongoria a TIST makamba kumucherera mamuthomithie uria utaaramu uyo wa M-Pesa ururata wira. Michemaniioni ino nimukaheo kanya ga kurih ciuria na oro hamwe na kuruta mawonangi mungiteithiria kwagirithia mutaratara uyo wa marihi. Nimukamenyithi mbataro maria no nginya muhingie nigetah muhote kwamukira marihi. Ta ngerekano, miti yothe no nginya itarwo ni Atari a miti a TIST na ikorwo iri makiria ma 500 orogikundi. Wakeri, no nginya gikundi gikorwo ki-iguithanirie na gigekirira kiore GHG na wagatatu no nginya witikanirie na mawatho ma TIST nimo, Whokeku, utheri, waragania na utungata.

Nigetha guthingata waragania, ikundi nini no nginya cionanie uiguithaniria wira GHG. Thutha wabichi ya TIST nika huthiria uu nigetha kumenya kana aya nio amemba a gikundi giki. Totikwenda andu mateandikithitie moke matwe ati nia gikundi kianyu. Angikorwo uiguithaniria uyu nduchokereiro, nimukarehero ni arugamiri ni A TIST muthenay ucio wa muchemani. Thutha ucio nimukaheo kiumia kimwe nigetha muthii murore kana acio nio amemba a gikundi kianyu.

Uromuchemanio-ini uyu, ikundi, iria cigakorwo ihingite mawatho ni cikaaheo fo muo ma M-pesa iria mugathoma na muikire kiore. Hari fo muo ino, ni mukandika uria urikoragwo arugamiriire kandi ya thimu. Gikundi kikirikoragro na kandi imwe ya thimu. Niundo wa waragania na utheri gikundini kianyu, mundu unji niarithuragwo aigaze nama ya thira ya M-Pesa. Uu nitakuga ati gutiri munyu wa gikundi kianyu angirira mbechaarihiki.


Ni musbana muhuhti, wanaihona, wina ugiriri, waragania na mahuthiro manini.

Nancy Karoki, uria uigaga nama ya thiri ya gikundi kia Kamiti Women, riru mathire kuoya ambecha mari na Eva- uria uigaga kandi ya thimu ya gikundi ni mamakire muno kuona uria utaramu ucio ururata wira. “Gikundi gitu kiamukirire makiria ma 25,000.00, na tondu amemba angi aiut makoragwo mari kurya na kogwo twatumiriire mutarataru uyu kumatumira mbecha ciao.” Ni njira yarutire wira wega muno. M undo wothe wa gikundi gitu ni akenire ni musbana uyo. Turachokia ngatho niundo wa TIST.

Mundo orowothe ungikorwo na maoni mangiteithiria kwagirithia mutarataru uyu. Thutha wa ngathet ino hari na nama iria ungikutinyiri.
Gikundi kinini gia kinyaritsha Kunyita mbaru mutaratara wa marihi wa M-Pesa.

Riria amemba kuma wabichi ya Kinyaritsha mamukirire marihi mao kuhutukira M-Pesa. Ndeto icio citambire na iheny a muno na ikundi nini cia Mkinduri, Kagaene na Mithene ni ciakenirio muno ni njira ino njuru.

Mbere kabitha arimi anini mari na nganja iguru ria mubango uyu. Aria matari mahuthira utaramu uyu wa Mpesa ni magire na nganja. No thutha wa kuriha wabichi ya kinyaritsha na makanjia kuruta mbecha kuma Mpesa, aingi a arimi aya nitemikirie utaaramu uyu.

Mzee Zakayo M'Murithi ouigire “Thutha wa kuruta mbecha cia gikundi giakwa kinini, ni ndagire na umenyo uria utaaramu uyu uratuta wira. Riu ni nyandikithie kandi yakwa ya thimu iria huthagira gutumira mware wakwa uria urithukuru Nairobi. Riu ni njeguti-irio murigo wa gutuma mbecha kuhitukira arata kana ngetawara Nairobi.”

Gikundini gia Kinyaritsha makiria ma ikundi 26 niciamukirire marihi machio hari kahinda ka mathaa Matano,. Ithui ta amemba a Wabichi ya Kinyaritsha nitukenete muno ni utaaramu uyu niundu wina ugitiri, ni waraithi na wina utheri na waragania.

Nituntuorina amemba a gikundi gitu mahannde mitimakiria na makiria miti ya matunda na ya kinduure. Niwega kuhanda miti na utugana wa mita 2 kana makiria tondu miti iria irina utuganu watiiya mita 2 nditaragwro.


**Cluster ya Nyweri kunyitithania tukundi tunini turute wira hamwe.**

Cluster ya Nyweri gikoragwo kiri na ikundi nini 40 iria iri handu mundu angithii na maguru ha 1 – 4 km. riu turi gichigoini kiero kia Meru ya gatagati.

TIST yambiri-irie gicigoini itu mwaka wa 2005. Twamiamukirire na ukungurie mune na tugikena niundu wayo guka gicigoini itu. Kumia hindu yo nitukurite na riu turi na ikundi makiria ma 40.

Amemba a cluster ya Nyweri mari mucemanio wao wa o mweri.

Tuthiaga michemanio oromweeri muchii kwa muthuri ti Robert Muthomi uria ukoragwo ari wa gikundi kinini gia PAA—A.. Amemba a PAA—A nimaoreto magitumiria nigetha tutwike gikundi kinini kiega.


Arimi aingi riu mahandaga miti mari na wirutiri munene kuhitukira TIST. Mbecha iria magiaga cihottighia ikundi nini kuhanda tumemera tuingi. Riria gikundi kiagia na tumemera tuingi ni kiendiga na kogwo gikagia na mbecha makiria.

Nituthomithito irugri ria urimi mwega. Arimi aingi aria mahuthiriite urimi uyu mari na uria ati niwongagiriria irio na 100%. Ta uria muthuri Robert Murithi aroiga, “Kimeri githiiru nindagethire ngonia mugwanja kumanu na uriumi uyu na mbere iyo ndagethaga ngonia ithatu.”

Ithui ta gikundi kia Nyweri nituranyita mbaru utaaramu wa Mpesa na turehoka niugutwika wa guturehera maungu maingi meru na turehoka niugututungata wega.

Amemba a cluster ya Nyweri makinyua ucuru wa gukurugwo na mutu wa nduma.
TIST gutamaba nginya Igembe.

Riria muthuri ti David Labuaru kuma Laare, aiguire ati TIST ni itambite nginya kuu ari na giken kinene muno. Gwa kahinda karaya niakoretwo akiuria anene a TIST matheremie mutaratara ucio gichigoini giki.

Mary, IgembeTSE leader agikira kirore contract ya TSE.

Mthrhi ti Labuaru arehoka TIST niikuguna aikari a gichigo giki namakiria irugamie wanangi wa mutitu wa Nyambene kuria aingi methaga ngu. Oigire, “TIST yukite kuhonokia mititu itu na matangi maitu kuhitukira mai ma njui.”

Riria Mary Wanyoike, mutongoria umwe wa TSE agiire na muchemania wambere gichigoini giki, niagegire ni gikundi kia andu aria merutiire kuwigira TIST.Gukinyiria hau makiria ma ikundi 120 nini niciendakithitie. Matura maria tukinyite riu ni Laare, Igembe East, Igembe North, Mutuati, Igembe South, Igembe South- East, Igembe South- West, Ndolele na Igembe Central. Turi onjiraini gutamba nginya icigo ingi nyingi.

Gikundi giki kia Mary kiri gikoragro na Joseph Gituma na Joath Mwitiri nimambiti gutomithania gichigoini icio nyandikithie. Urutani uyu makiria ni wa Uthondeki wa tukundi tunini, Mabataro ma wiandikithia, Tuta, Uhandi wa miti, Urimi mwega, waki wa mariko makathughagira ngu nyingi hamwe na mangi maingi.


Niundu wa uhoro makiria iguru ria gikundi gitu no waranirie na Mary Wanyoike – 0724 625 795 or Joseph Gituma – 0735 449 453 kana Joath Mutwiri – 0722 879 428.

Kabari Widow kugia na mwihoko wa matuko mathutha.

Turi a gikundi TSE na tumite gicigo gia Ngariama - Kirinyaga.

Gikundi gitu gikoragwo na makiria atumia a ndigwa. Twiruti-ire nigetha kwagiria miturere itu naya ciana citu.

Tukoragwo turi atumia 12 a ndigwa na meruti-ire kwagiria maria matuthiuruki-ire.

Riria twaiguire riambere iguru ria TIST nitwamenyiire ati nikahinda kega gakumenya iroto cito anagutwika tutoi muno iguru ria TIST.

Riria Bernard Githui, umwe wa atongoria a TSE gichigoini giki Atari-ire iguru ria TIST, twanyitre TIST na wendo munene muno na tukianjja nakwirutira kunene muno. Githui hamwe na timu yake niyo mutumia ti Ann Wangui na Muthuri ti Naftaly Muchir, nimakoretwo magituthimithia iguru ria uhariria wa tuta, urimi mwega na mutaratara mweru wa utongoria.

Gukinyiria riu nituhanditi rita igiri iria iri na tumemera 2,000 na turenda twanje kumihanda mweri ukite. Chufu wa gichigo giki niakoretwo agituteithia makiria. Niatuteithitie na indo cia kugiria haria tuta citi iri. Muti umwe uria tuitite tutaini citu ni muiria uria nimwega na ndawa orohamwe na kunyitirira tiri.

Nitwanjitie kurima urimi mwega tuchig twiri arinjira ya gutuonereria na thutha uci mudo agathii ahuthire mutaratara uyu lwake mugundaini. Nituroriria ameba a kanitha hamwe na andu anga a matura kuwingira TIST Gikundi kinini gia, Ten Fingers, nikiingirite TIST. Turenda gutomithia makiria.
TIST kugwatanira na NEMA Fair.

Kuri mweri 22\textsuperscript{nd} - 24\textsuperscript{th} May 2008, TIST yari imwe ya ikundu iria itakoragwo iria cia githikiri. Hamwe na cia githikiri iria cio ire kanya hari wonania wahariririo ni Urugamiriria wa maria matuthiururuuki-irie wa bururu (NEMA) iria yari KICC Nairobi.

Wanania uyu waragiriria iriguria ria “Turuke Carvon nga ya Kenya.”

Mubango, uyu wa TIST uria ukoragwo uri wa kuhinda na guchokerera miti, ukoragwo uri wa kwagiria riera. Kuhitukira uhandi wa miti hamwe na guteithiriria arimi anini, aria riu mateithikite muno kumana na wendia uyu wa riera ithuru.

Kibandaini kia TIST kiari na wira munene mumo makiria riera Minister wa urimi ti, Hon. Abraham Kiptanui na murugamiriria waNEMA muthuri ti Mwinzi monagio uria palm hamwe na GPS irutaga ira. Omuthenyi kipanda gia TIST nikiamukagira makiria ma andu 1,000.

Atari a miti nio Kimani na Duncan nio marugami-rire TIST monanioini maya.

Ouria ajeni angi macheragira kipanda gia TIST noguo moragia uria TIST ingitherema nginya ichigoini cia North Rift, Lower Eastern, Western na Nyanza. Nituoete mawoni maya na njira nene muno na gwa kahinda kanini TIST ni igutamba nginya ichigoini ici.

Nitwiruti-ire guteithia ari marugamiriri-ire mubango uyu niundu wa uria oronao matunyitite mbaru.

TIST: Mibango miega ya michemanio ya o wiki.

Kwina bata munene inyui ikundi nini gukoragwo na micemanio kaingi. Ta ngerekano, rimwe hari wiki kana rimwe thutha wa wiki igiri. Uu ngikuhe mweke mundu wothe wa gikundi kianyu gukuria gikundi orohamwe na kumenya maundu meru.

Mibango ya michemanio.

Hari kubanga mathaa maitu wega, gikundi kinini kiagiri-ire gukorwo na michemanio ibangitwo wega. Kwina bata munene muno tondu nigugutuma muike mukimenyaga maria mukariiria na maundu mangi.