

Chipunga Development Committee

P.O. Box 611
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5th October 2005

GRACE Charity
Friends of Chipunga
Helmerdingen
Germany

Dear Friends of Chipunga in Germany,

Application for support of our livelihoods

We thank you for your willingness to support us in the coming agricultural season. Usually the rains start in November and we want to get prepared for the coming season.

We had three meetings in the past 2 months to discuss our needs and we came up with the following seven items for which we would like you to consider to help and support us:

1. Improvement of our houses
2. Sunflower growing scheme
3. Fertiliser Scheme – SACCO
4. Farming equipment
5. Household equipment
6. Improvement of our well
7. Blankets for each family

Please find attached a detailed breakdown of the items and costs.

For all of the seven points we have discussed and agreed that there is always a contribution from our side which should be around 25% in cash or in kind or both.

Again we want to thank you very much for your support and we will make every effort to make the best use of your help.

May our God reward you for your generous assistance.

We greet you from Chipunga



Watson Msisya, Chairman of the CDC

WITNESS: Winstone Mgombere Jere.

Application for assistance

1. Improvement of our houses

This comprises of redoing the floors and painting the inside and outside with lime. In total we have 18 houses which need the package outlined below in the budget.

Budget estimate for each house

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| • 1 bag of cement | MK 1,500 |
| • River Sand | MK 600 |
| • Payment for bricklayer | MK 200 |
| • 1 bag of lime for painting including painting | MK 1,000 |
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| Total per house | MK 3,300 |
| <u>Total for 18 houses</u> | <u>MK 59,400.00</u> |

All labour will be provided by ourselves

2. Sunflower Scheme

Some of us have started to get involved in the sunflower scheme during the last season. All of us have realised that it is very useful and that the ones who participated had gained in having oil and/or cash. Thus we want to continue with the sunflower scheme.

We will provide the seed ourselves and want to apply from GRACE for half a bag of fertiliser (25 kg).

50 workers, 1250 kg of fertiliser, 25 bags at MK 3,275 each

Total sunflower scheme **MK 81,875.00**

3. Fertiliser SACCO

We have a wide spread system of saving clubs for fertiliser purchases.

We would like to suggest to have a SACCO in which we as workers contribute 50% and that GRACE will contribute 50% as well.

We usually have two different fertilisers, one at the beginning (23:21:0) and another on for top dressing (Urea, 46% N).

For each farm worker we would like to have one bag of each fertiliser available with the 50% payment by the workers themselves.

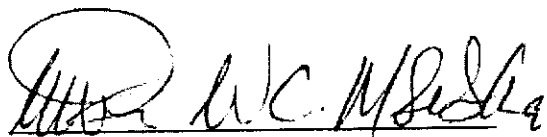
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| 50 bags of 23:21:0 at MK 3,275.00 each | MK 144,500.00 |
| 50 bags of Urea at MK 2,890.00 each | MK 163,750.00 |

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| Total | MK 308,250.00 |

Contribution from GRACE **MK 154,125.00**

We know this is a lot of money and we are so thankful that you consider helping us so generously.

Again, may our Lord in heaven bless you for your assistance.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Watson Msisya'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'W'.

Watson Msisya, Chairman of CDC

WITNESS: Winston Mqombeni Jene.

PS: We have got now addresses where we might find dairy goats. However, as of now we cannot inform you about prices since we have not received feedback from the people. We will inform you as soon as we have detailed information on the goats.