



Chipunga Development Committee
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MEMO: follow-ups and decisions of the German GRACE Management / Questions to CDC

Dear CDC

Today we would like to inform you about the discussions made at our monthly management team meeting (held at January 6th, 2017).

Requests of laptops: We've received 5 submissions (from Madalitso, Jubious, Lumbani, Mphatso, and Esau). Although we understand the desire and the stated need for laptops, we are not willing to give money in addition to our school fee assistances. As long as students are studying at the same training centre and are located even in the same city, they can also share laptops.

An assistance deal to students from our side would be: We offer to the applicant(s) an interest free loan (repayable within 12 months after validation) of 50% of the total cost of their laptop. A MOU will be set only if a quotation is provided. Students must purchase the laptop themselves.

Credit request Lovewell Mkandawile: Due to the point that Lovewell has a transitory teaching agreement at Chipunga Primary School, we do not support his request for the moment. Once he has a permanent position, he can resubmit the application.

Budget overview: We are eagerly awaiting to see the budget tracking for the last physical year. Mphatso Banda, who is an accountant apprentice, and who is obliged by his MOU to assist you in preparing the annual budget overview (spending, turnover, return), shall work closely with you. Our accountant here is in desperate need of your details until End of January. Concerning the electronic file transfer from your laptop to us in Germany - please ask Eva or Timo for help.

By the way - we have not yet received your budget proposal for the new year.

School feeding system tracking: We do not comprehend the monthly need and your calculation. A proper calculation by term, by month, etc., and a tracking of the purchases is vastly needed. Probably everything is existing already, but we haven't seen any overview till now.

New CDC structure: Regrettably, we got no comprehensive feedback on our thought of CDC widening. As said we don't want to damage "responsibilities", or to set-up a "parallel structure". No local family should rule the CDC and farm employees should remain with a 50% voting option.

Happy New Year and best regards on behalf of the entire German Management Team,



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