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OVC SOLOLO PROJECT
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INTRODUCTION

The year 2015 had high hopes and expectation for OVC Sololo project the number of OVC would increase and quality of services improved. Where out puts is realized timely. The period was experienced drought which extended up to end of March. Donkey water transport from Ramata dam to the green house was planned, the green house activity was seriously affected due to drying up of the pans. The quarter was a busy one; Obbitu received volunteers who supported in agriculture photographic documentation of Sololo project. Dr Pino and Andrea participated in Project budgeting and planning of various activities together with CIPAD. This was concluded and forwarded for approval the donor

The year began with planning to update various categories of children this included update on school enrollment, transition to the next class, children with special needs and challenges.

PLANNED ACTIVITIES

1. Routine OVC services
2. OVC management committee meetings
3. Health assessment activities
4. Obbitu farming unit
5. Obbitu children home
6. Completion of ongoing construction

QUANTATIVE SUMMARY OVC SERVICES

SERVICES AREA	ACTIVITIES	NO. OF OVC	Remarks
Education	Schools Enrollment updates	260	Most children are in public schools. Physical visit to school registers at school inspected
	School fees for Obbitu children	22	20 in academies while 2 in nursery school
	Transition to secondary school	13	School fees will be paid from APHIAPLUS contribution
Health	Obbitu children treatment	9	Children treated at Obbitu dispensary. With few referral to Sololo hospital.
	HTC	8	Children tested during prize giving day at Obbitu children No reactive case was identified
	De-worming	206	Carried and given to children during normal health assessment

			session
	Children with special needs	12	Mostly have retardation, slow learners and hearing impairment
Food and nutrition	Provision of monthly food ration for HBC	110 household served with 326 children	No case of underweight was reported, the food have increased the nutritional status of children
	Nutritional assessment	206	Most children received on the new year when they came together for prize given day. The others are following up.
Psychosocial support	General counseling	165	Children above 10 years targeted with messages against FGM, early Marriage improving education performance
Legal protection	Processing of birth certificate	0	53 children without birth certificate. the caregivers have been sensitized to fill in the forms
WASH	Hygiene education	165	Hygiene education was given to the children and caregivers. Hand washing was demonstrated
	PUR distribution	10 boxes	The dam was drying, the water was highly polluted. No case of diarrhea outbreak was reported among OVC households
Shelter and Care	Provision of clothes	12	Abdi identified the needs and the collects was provided

MONTHLY OVC HOME VISITS

This was a monthly activity with a target set to be achieved and it is a core activity of OVC service provision. It was also a monitoring of services provides and a primary source of data on the outcome of the services provides and new needs identified. The table below provides summary of the OVC and family visited and seen during the quarter

MONTHS	TARGET OVC	NO OF FAMILIES	NO. Of Children seen	Not seen	Coverage rate %
JANUARY	39	15	39	0	100
FEBRUARY	60	22	60	0	100
MARCH	71	21	71	0	100

2.0. FOOD VOUCHER

This is a special activity for the families who are the most vulnerable and children are underweight and lack adequate food and HBC food ration was not adequate. It was a supplementation of the HBC food to the beneficiaries to have food for the whole month. This year 35 families were identified and provided with food voucher attached to shops where they can collect food of they need valued at 2,000/= per month.



House renovation of family 086

3.0. SHELTER AND CARE

The family 064 and 059 had their shelter improvement during last year. The construction continued in the month of January and February. The 2 houses were completed and already the family has moved in. it has changed the live of the children with warmth and provide security and adverse weather. According to the family need with shelter 22 families will require new houses no shelter improvement was done due lack of adequate funding.



HBC children provided with home clothes as identified through children information collected during home visit by Abdi and updated in the OVC database. Provision of clothes is on need basis.

4.0 HEALTH



Paul Guyo conducting nutritional assessment for an OVC child. He is measuring the height and weight of the child. MUAC measurement is also done. Data will be used to monitor underweight and malnutrition level among OVC supported by Sololo project. No case of underweight or malnutrition was reported

HEALTH ASSESSMENT

MONTHS	TARGET OVC	NO. Of Children seen	Not seen	Coverage rate %	REMARKS
JANUARY	72	165	0	229	OVC station days at Obbitu children many activities like HTC, counseling, health education, presentation of rewards, and distribution of PUR for water treatment and sanitary towels for girls
FEBRUARY	47	0	47	100	Activity not done by PFL
MARCH	47	41	6	100	The 6 who are absent were away from home. But parents reported well

This entails health assessment, nutritional assessment and treatment of minor ailment during the exercise and referral to Sololo hospital. This service was sub contracted to PFL where Paul is the services provide. The data above give the performance and the children seen during health assessment done at school or at home.

Obbitu children dispensary was equipped with basic drugs and has greatly reduced the cost referral to hospital and low absenteeism from school.

During the period of drought diarrhea with amoebiasis was the common condition. Government dispensaries continued to provide treatment of sick children free when they had drugs.

NHIF

97 families continued to access quality health care on admission at Sololo hospital. The monthly contribution has been increased to 500/= per month starting from April. The fees will cater for both outpatient and in-patient. This will greatly reduce the cost of health services at

outpatient at Sololo hospital and increase accessibility and quality care for the patient. 10 of our OVC caregivers were registered under Guido villa NHIF program.

5.0. FOOD AND NUTRITION

1. HBC MONTHLY FOOD RATION

106 families were provided with cereals, cooking oil, sugar and tea leaves, salt and a bar of soap. The food is expected to last for 2 weeks. The other half was contribution from World food program and government of Kenya. The food ration was the main source of food for the OVC families and has prevented malnutrition among the OVC in the program.

6.0. EDUCATION

Update on the number of children enrolled or are in school and have transited to the next class was done in the month of January and February. Most children were enrolled in Public schools within the children's locality. 51 children were enrolled in academies Obbitu children included. 2 children from the same families were enrolled in special unit at Sololo primary school.

Below is the summary of enrollment per school

NAME OF SCHOOL	NO. OF CHILDREN ENROLLED
Sololo primary	42
Hawechea girls primary school	17
Sololo Makutano primary school	26
MadoAdi primary school	26
Wayegoda primary school	6
Ramole primary	6
Golole primary school	16
Karbururi primary school	5
Anona primary	12
Uran goda	3
Uran lataka	1
damballafachana	2
Mukha gura	1
Academies	51
Nursery school	45
Secondary school	13
Total in school	272

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7.0. OBBITU CHILDREN HOME

Obbitu children home continued to provide residential services for 22 children. They were provided for with all their needs. Children have grown broader, taller and developed intellectually. The children's houses have beds and beddings for each child. Food was adequately provided which ratio of carbohydrate, proteins, vegetables and fruits. Facilities in Obbitu children were well maintained.

The home experienced shortage of water during the month of February and March. One tank at house 1 has a leak and on many occasion repaired but the pressure from water loosen the repaired point and leaks started.

7.1. EDUCATION



Abdi with OVC students in Obbu Girls. The program is paying secondary school fees

The children's performance was lower than our expectation. Except 5 children the other performed below average. Children had enough stationeries and reading book including course books. The library has books though old ones. Every few children borrowed them.

FIRST TERM 2015 PERFORMANCE OF OBBITU CHILDREN

Names	Clas s	GRADES									remarks	
		Maths	Eng.	Kisw.	Scie.	S/S	read	kusoma	total	Pos.		
Guyatu wario	4	58	47	60	70	59			294/500	14/44	Average	
Lasi Jarso	4	34	50	57	68	52			261/500	28/44	dropped	
Diqo Racha	5	56	45	46	32	45			224/500	39/48	Very poor	
Ruqia Guyo	5	48	49	50	34	53			234/500	32/48	Very poor	
Tume Godana	5	50	45	39	40	44			218/500	41/48	Very poor	
Jamal Mohamed	6	78	70	65	64	79			356/500	5/47	Very Good	
Dido Wario	7	54	68	66	78	67			333/500	8/79	Very good	
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Guyo Gollo	2	66	70	58	76	77	70		417/600	13/29	Improved	
Hadija loko	2	12	38	38	42	37	55		222/600	29/29	Retarded	
Fugicha amina	3	30	48	46	62	43	70		299/600	25/29	Dropped	
Qabale Abduba	3	90	92	72	94	87	76		511/600	8/18	Very good	

Darmi Dida	4	52	43	44	56	52	-	-	247/500	19/23	dropped
Galgalo Dida	4	50	62	41	52	48	-	-	253/500	17/23	average
Ismael suku	4	60	49	43	42	38		-	232/500	20/23	dropped
Buke Ali	4	64	58	41	52	56	-	-	271		average
Halima Hadija	5	64	59	66	44	48	-	-	281/500	22/28	average
Dansa Qabale	5	56	57	63	52	72	-	-	300/500	13/28	Above average
Abdirahaman Golo	5	66	58	64	66	80	-	-	334/500	2/28	Very good
Jarso Guyo	6	68	46	67	70	64	-	-	315/500	9/28	Good

7.2. HEALTH

7 children complained of diarrhea and amoebiasis. 2 children were diagnosed with Malaria. 3 children complained of URTI. All the cases were managed at Obbitu children dispensary. 4 of them were also referred to Sololo hospital. Obbitu children dispensary has not yet operational from PFL. We still keep our drugs in the office.

7.3. WATER

Roof harvest remains the main source of water. The dry period extended from November and December last year resulting into prolonged drought. We exhausted all the 8 tanks at children's houses, playground, abdi's office and 2 at father's house. We filled 2 tanks each for the children house by water boozer. Children drink filtered water provided for each house. The same was not available on the school compound hence children likely drank contaminated water which caused diarrhea and amoeba.

7.4. FOOD AND NUTRITION

Obbitu children were provided with adequate well balanced diet. Vegetables like pumpkins tomatoes were provided from the green house. Fruits were bought from the market sometimes due to cost. Children eat meat twice per week. Qabale and Halkano were provided with Milk. Qabale has increase her body immunity and put on weight.

7.5. CLOTHING

Clothing was provided every quarter on need base. Children have grown big that they grew out of their clothes. Obbitu children have adequate clothes. The entering their adolescence age hence wants fancy clothes and shoes based on gender.

7.6. MAINTENANCE

BUILDING:

Discussion and review of Bonaya's activity was done after arrival of Dr. Pino and Andrea. The outcome from the previous year was not satisfactory to CIPAD. But the management felt the

knowledge and skills from Bonaya is important and should be given another chance with more close supervision and improving the recording for evaluation and monitoring purpose.

Some of the activities which were done for maintenance included plumping in the guest house and water pipes, gutters, the main gate repair of some beds in the children house

GENERATOR MAINTENANCE

The generators, solar systems have been functioning well. Kalili have been able to service the main generator, the small generator at the father's houses and maintained Mzee Kobe when called upon. The vehicle KAH was not put in previous agreement and hence we had to pay for any services or repair of the land rover. Kalili has said that he does not do wiring of vehicles or generator. We should hire and pay for someone he will call to do the wiring

7.7. OVC MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

OVC management committee sat at the last week of March and the occasion was addressed by Dr. Pino. The committee was updated on the status of the OVC Sololo project, Obbitu farming unit and the welfare of the children both the HBC and Obbitu children. The committee discussed on the secondary school fees bursary and approved a list of 28 children.

8.0. GREEN HOUSE PROJECT

The drought from November to March affected the output from the harvest of vegetables and moringa. The water diminished from pan 2 reducing water for irrigation. Donkey water transport from Ramata dam was one way used to do irrigation. Long rain started in the fourth week of March on low note, the irrigation of greenhouse and open field. 1 nursery shade was constructed and nursery beds prepared and planted. 60 moringa seedlings were planted near father's houses and guest house. As April began Kales and Spinach was harvested and cooking for Obbitu children.

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES IN THE FARMING UNIT

ACTIVITY	STATUS	ACTION TAKEN	WHEN	REMARKS
Weeding the moringa plants	Drought caused the trees to start drying, ground covered with dry weeds. Adjust areas was bushy	Weeds was cleared, soil loosened, moringa was pruned to 2m height. Areas was cleared of bush	February and march	Moringa trees have flourished after the rains. Harvesting of leaves was done and cooked for children as vegetables. The open area was planted with Miaze
Cleaning of	Water channel to	The soil deposit	February and	Water inflow to

water channel	the pan was deposited with soil, dry leaves, branches and sand. Check dams was silted with sand	was removed, leaves, tree debris was cleared from the foot of the hill to the pans Check dams was cleaned of sand and debris.	March	the pans was increased
Preparation of green houses and open fields	2 green houses was not ready with seed beds, 2 open field was not prepared for seed beds	3 green houses ready and planted 3 open fields ready and planted	March and april	Harvest and sale of spinach, Kales, peppers, melons were done. Obbitu children have fresh vegetables in their diet
Water harvesting into the pans	Pan 1 leaked at the base Pan 2 water was finished for irrigation and was dry	Repair of pan 1 at the base Clean and digging of 1 new channel for pan1	March	Pan 2 full with water currently pan 1 half full
Pumping of water from pan 2 to pan1 and to irrigation tanks	The pipes were not laid some pipes broken and leaked	Replaced the broken pipes, digging of new channel line and completed the pipeline to pan1 Connected the pans to the irrigation tanks	March	Water from Pan 2 was successfully pumped to pan 1. This assisted in avoiding overflow from pan 2. irrigation tanks are filled in 3 minutes
Construction and preparation of nursery shade	The shade was not constructed	The nursery shade constructed to completion. 16 Nursery beds ready and planted	March	Variety of vegetables seedlings are growing in the beds – spinach, kales, sugar rose, moringa, carrots, onions, etc. Heavy down pour affected the weak seedlings
Increasing the number of moringa trees	Few moringa trees in Obbitu compound	42 more trees planted in fathers house	March	All trees have grown well

Fetching water using donkey for green house	Water in Pan 2 was finishing. Inadequate water to irrigate the green house and open field	4 trips of 80 litres fetched from ramata dam by the day watchmen	February and March	Tomatoes in the greenhouse 1 and 2 survived. Moringa seedlings in the nursesey, onions, green pepper also survived
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BEEKEEPING PROJECT

Bees have not moved into the hives. The hives have been treated well to attract the bees, sugar syrup was put in the hives, aromatic smoke was done in the hives, and fresh honey was smeared in the hives. Water was provided daily. Bees come eat up the syrups but do not form colony in the hives. Some people say it was not their season of moving. We still have hope and make repeated effort to attract the bees

11.0. PROGRESS ON ONGOING PROJECT.

The mechanical workshop was not completed but the work was kept aside due to poor budgeting from the contract. The Bay for vehicle was not dug. Despite this 50,000/= has not been paid to Bonaya up to now.

Family3 has been completed except for final touches. Two 10,000lit capacity tanks have been procured together with 2 Mobi toilets.

STAKEHOLDERS SUPPORT

The project continued to have support from Government ministry, early marriage was a concern this quarter. The police managed to arrest one man who married a class 8 girl after we complained to them, community leaders and the parents agreed to cancel the marriage, despite the couple vanished while going to Moyale for a court session. The head teachers were supportive during health assessment by allowing children from class to attend. We have been sharing information on the activities and report with DCO. No meeting was conducted between CIPAD and stakeholders

OVC MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING





DR. Pino addressing the OVC management committee

The committee is part of the Sololo OVC project structure which supervises quality services to OVC, link and bridge the project and the community. They share information on the project to the larger community and other stakeholders.

The committee was majorly addressed by Dr. Pino who informed the members the hard time to fund raise for the project and the fear into the future. The committee was updated on the status of the activities the routine services provided for the OVC and the management of Obbitu children. They were updated on water shortage affecting the green house and ongoing construction of Mechanical workshop and house family 3.

The committee vetted and approved the beneficiaries for secondary school fees support.

THANK YOU

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PICTURE GALLERY



Gufu addressing the guardian of Hassan Gufu on his mandura foot in Anona



Mr Gufu addressing guardians on the list of OVC without birth certificate



