

here are my first considerations:

SIGN OF HOPE ACTIVITES

Good as done so far. The increase in food has been given precisely to limit the weight loss that will have in the coming months the children who must face the certain and predictable famine now at the door. Medicine and past experience has shown us that weight loss is followed by loss of body mass; very difficult to recover. In fact the guardians of the minors, after the recovery of the weight consider the need for extra food not necessary; they do not consider the change in body mass as a concept that is more complex and challenging to evaluate than the simple muac that has always been in use. Conclusion: when the child's weight loss comes to involve his body mass it becomes very difficult then to restore it, also because of the local cultural components.

LIVESTOCK

If the village is left without donkeys, how can you collect water and transport water and wood in the future? If this is not done now, it means that the water inside the tanks to be used for drinking is now also used for cleaning. The current Italian government that supports "first the Italians" and no longer "the most needy", changing the common mentality of Italian society less and less sensitive to problems outside Italy. So our donors slowly continue to decline. Make your choices, but keep in mind that today the probability is high that next year's budget will be reduced by no less than 30% of current revenues; as I told you last January. Can the village always remain without donkeys, even when it is in greater economic difficulties?

SERIOUS ACTIVITIES

The two Pans must be "re-covered" as described in my report after the last trip. Unfortunately we do not have the funds. We have difficulty putting together even for the main activities of the project.

CLEANING OF VILLAGE AREA

There is no money for these jobs. However, for the areas already dealt with, two estimates have been made which have proved to be wrong because both times are already insufficient; the donors will not believe the next quotation as if it were the last one; for this reason it is not really possible to authorize it.

BEEES

Well, ok and hopefully.

MAINTENANCE ACTIVITIES

I'm sorry for the lighting problems, but too much money has already been spent many times and all the interventions made with local staff, besides being expensive, have not proved satisfactory. We cannot make other expenses without the certainty of the results. We do not know when Mauro will be able to come to assess the situation. Keep us also informed on the security situation of the area, so to understand if and when it will be possible for us to risk it in order to come to the place.