

# **Culture Information Pastoralist Development**

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#### INTRODUCTION

This quarter was busy for the project. This was also the election period with a lot of campaign activities. There was no major hindrance to implementation of the planned activities. Long rain started in the 3<sup>rd</sup> week which was a blessing.

## **PLANNED ACTIVITIES**

- 1. Routine activities and facilities Obbitu village
- 2. Routine HBC food distribution and supplementary food voucher
- 3. Routine OVC and family information monthly update
- 4. HBC school stationeries
- 5. HBC school uniform distribution
- 6. OVC secondary school fees payment
- 7. Health assessment by PFL
- 8. NHIF medical cover for OVC and guardians
- 9. Green house project
- 10. OVC management committee meeting

## 1. OBBITU CHILDREN'S VILLAGE

The village provides accommodation for 22 children. One girl was admitted from Golole after her mother died and she became total orphan. The children have grown taller, broader and are developing physically, mentally and intellectually. There was tranquility in Obbitu village. The daily life and activities were carried out without any disturbance; everybody was living in

harmony with each other and the environment. The green environment has improved the serenity of the village. Basic services provided by Obbitu children village is summarized below.



Behind from left: Galgalo, Hadija, Tume, Diqo, Guyatu, Lasi and Ruqia.

Front line From right: Dansa, Buke, Halima, Darmi, Ismail, Fugicha, Guyo, Jarso and Abdirahaman

# 1. FOOD AND NUTRITION

Food was provided adequately and in varieties. Children have 3 meals and 1 tea break after school per day when in school and 5 meals when in Obbitu village weekends and those who were left in Obbitu as day care. Food served includes Rice with beans stew, Ugali with beans and vegetables, beefs, chapatti, githeri and spaghetti.

Fruits available include bananas, sometimes oranges, mangoes and once water melon cultivated in Walda.

Health assessment done in January for Obbitu children did not shown any underweight though Halima and Ismail showed boarder line. The two were put on supplementary supervised feeding at the house. Milk and eggs were provided for them, they have shown marked improvement.

No	Food details	QTY.	QTY	QTY	TOTAL	UNIT	TOTAL
		JANUARY	FEBUARY	MARCH		COST	COST
1	Sugar	2	2	1	5	5500	27,500
2	Cooking oil	3	3	3	9	2700	24,300
3	Maize flour	3	2	3	8	1600	12,800
4	Wheat flour	3	3	5	11	1900	20,900

No	Food details	QTY.	QTY	QTY	TOTAL	UNIT	TOTAL
		JANUARY	FEBUARY	MARCH		COST	COST
5	Rice	2	1	2	5	3500	21,080
6	Beans	100kgs	100kgs	100kgs	300kgs	64	19,200
7	Maize	50kgs	50kgs	50kgs	150kgs	33	5,000
8	Camel Milk(cups)	420	420	420	1260	20	25,200
9	Meat	27kgs	27kgs	27kgs	81kgs	387	31,320
10	Tomatoes(tins)	4	6	0	10	550	5,500
11	Sukumawik(bundles)	330	90	70	490	10	4,900
12	Onions	7kgs	8kgs	10kgs	25kgs	122	3,040
13	Oranges	50pcs	110pcs	160pcs	320	27	8,700
14	Tomato paste	1 box	1box	1box	3 boxes	1,367	4,100
15	Cabbages	25pcs	15pcs	45pcs	85pcs	100	8,500
16	Potatoes	5tins	4tins	7tins	16tins	563	9,000
17	Pasta	3boxes	2boxes	2boxes	7boxes	1,171	8,200
18	UHT milk	25boxes	30boxes	22boxes	77boxes	512	39,440
19	Mangoes	0	70pcs	160pcs	230pcs	22	4,950
20	Carrots	0	10piles	0	10piles	50	500
21	Avocados	0	0	70pcs	70pcs	30	2,100
22	Bananas	0	0	40pcs	40pcs	10	400
23	Bread	0	600pcs	0	600pcs	5	3,000
24	Biscuits	6boxes	0	5boxes	11boxes	500	5,500
25	Soda	0	0	6crates	6crates	1000	6,000
26	Sweets	0	0	6packets	6packets	300	1,800

No	Food details	QTY.	QTY	QTY	TOTAL	UNIT	TOTAL
		JANUARY	FEBUARY	MARCH		COST	COST
27	Blue band	0	0	1kg	1kg	500	500
28	Cow's Milk	0	220 cups	0	220cups	20	4,400
29	Tins of Omo	3tins	3tins	3	9tins	850	7,650
30	Tissue paper	3bundles	2bundles	0	5bundles	910	4,550
31	Bar Soap	0	1 box	0	1box	1,500	1,500
	GRAND TOTAL						321,530



Obbitu food store.

Obbitu children having joint lunch

Mothers receiving next day's food from Hadija Chahcole

## **EDUCATION**

Access to education is a right for every child. Obbitu children go to 2 academies in Sololo town. 19 children are in school, only 3are left in Obbitu as day care. The older children go to Gada academy and the young once go to Starehe academy. The HBC children attend public primary school nearest to their home.

Obbitu children were provided with the entire requirement for quality education. Adequate school stationeries was provided and replaced as they filled it or lose it. To protect from adverse weather like rain the children were issued with umbrellas.

School uniforms were provided for each child 2 pairs.

To monitor their school progress their tests are checked and filed by the day care teacher. Uniforms were distributed both for HBC and Obbitu children.

The children were average in performance. At the end of the term examination results, children who will perform better position 5 and above will be rewarded to motivate the child to have competition among their classmate.

Preparation for purchase of textbooks is ongoing. Compilation of course books for different classes and in different school is being done. It is expected to completed over the Holiday period.

The secondary school fees the children are being listed and admission to school collected. A total of 18 children have been identified

Stationeries distributed is tabulated below

No	Items descriptions	Obbitu children	HBC children	Total cost
1	Exercise books	1 box	7 boxes	28,100
2	Bic pens	1 box	8 boxes	9,000
3	Pencils dozens	5 dozen	25	4,300
4	Rubber/erasers	1 box	7 boxes	4,300
5	sharpeners	30 pieces	0	300.00
6	Mathematical set	3	0	600
7	School uniforms		234 pairs	234,000
8	textbooks	0	0	0



Obbitu children with umbrellas

HBC children with their new school uniforms



HBC with new uniforms from different schools

**OVC** issued with stationeries

## **FACILITIES IN OBBITU VILLAGE**

## 1. CHILDREN HOUSE

The 2 houses are in good state of repair; there were no Major defects structurally. The lighting is working well. The bed rails were repaired to protect children from falling. Mosquito net were replaced for each bed.

The kitchen requires a repaint of the walls and a new grass roof cover. Battery for the solar panel on both kitchens is not functioning. Wash room of the 1<sup>st</sup> house lighting is defective

## **SANITATION**

The 4 latrines are functioning well and no defects

## **FATHER HOUSE**

Structurally no much effects except for the front room with chipped floor which would require to be redone. The leaking roof has been repaired. The mosquito wire on the windows has been replaced by Bonaya. Some window panes still not fixed

## **OVC OFFICE READING ROOM AND DISPENSARY**

There were no defects, the window panes have been fixed but curtains rod not yet put over the windows.

## **FOOD AND NON FOOD STORE**

Light in this store do not work completely. The power is small and also a disconnect between wires.

## **GUEST HOUSE.**

The guest house was used for 10 days by visitor from INTERSOS who came to carry out community need assessment. There were no major problems or defects in the guest house. The bottle trap of the Kitchen sink was repaired. The timber for ceiling corners was replaced.

#### **WATER**

The main source of water for Obbitu village was rain water harvest. There was adequate water available in our water tanks.

Water boozer was hired to refill the overhead tanks on the hill.

The gutters have been repaired and re directed to harvest water inn to the tanks. Few leaking roofs have been sealed with bondex.

Now it has started to rain we believe and hope all out tanks will be full soon

#### LIGHTING

The 3 generator are all working well, with no mechanical problem. The battery of the main generator was replaced a new. The security lights are working after replacing the bulbs

## **OVC AND FAMILY HOME VISIT INFORMATION UPDATES**

Abdi Okotu routinely collects family and children information on monthly basis. There is a monthly target for both the family information and children information. Timeline reporting was set and we have been able to maintain the reporting time of  $25^{th} - 30^{th}$  of every month. This activity was carried through home visits to the household of the HBC children in the OVC program. The data collected was entered in the access computer program and emailed to the donor by Abdi who collected the information. The main issues to look for during home visits include the following

- 1. Physical health of the child
- 2. School attendance and Performance of school aged children
- 3. Nutritional status of the children and regular receiving of HBC food
- 4. Check the condition of the house and sanitation
- 5. Water storage, kit casa
- 6. Availability of mosquito nets.

## Data is summarized below

	target	No seen	No. seen	No. seen	Total seen
		January	febuary	March	
Families visited	65	19	26	20	65
Children seen	215	54	70	80	204
Children not seen	0	6	3	2	11

Children who were not captured during the home visits, revisits are planned back to the family home or school.

Summary of the observation during home visits

- 1. Kit Casa material were available when asked for
- 2. 20 litre jerkens were missing, answers given were it was broken. The 100 liter storage container was mostly available in the house
- 3. Mosquito net have all worn out and not enough per family
- 4. Most households lack basic latrines in their compound
- 5. 60% of shelter was dilapidated and poorly constructed might fall down due to adverse weather like rain or strong wind
- 6. Children were poorly dressed, with worn out clothes
- 7. School stationeries and uniforms were their immediate concerns but now they have been provided with

## **ENTERTAINMENT**

The routine cinema show was on going from Friday and Saturday. Play materials were available though few. The football field, play shades were used by the children. Football and volley ball with nets donated by UNICEF Garrisa office. Children were actively growing and healthy.

## **OVC MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING**

The committee conducts their meeting on quarterly basis, this 1<sup>st</sup> quarter they sat on 16/3/2013. The Major role of the committee was to link OVC activities to the community. They are provided with information on the activities implemented on quarterly basis so that transparency and accountability between the implementing organization and the community is enhanced. They also support in selection of beneficiaries for the program.

The agenda for the meeting were mainly

- 1. Approval of the previous minutes and raising any matters arising
- 2. Providing them with information on current activities of OVC both Obbitu and HBC
- 3. Show summaries of expenditures for the whole activities implemented this quarter
- 4. Identification and approval of secondary school fees beneficiaries.



OVC management committee meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> March, 2013

# **HBC FOOD DISTRIBUTION**

This was a main activity for the HBC children. The guardians look forward to food distribution as a main source of income. Most of them are old and weak. Others were young with children but abandoned together with their children.

Foods distributed were in different variety to have at least near balance diet. Each month the management plan for the type of food to be bought and in what quantity.

Malnutrition case has greatly reduced. 52 families who were more desperate than others were put on supplementary food voucher. This gave the guardians more choice to buy other foods they may require to improve the nutrition of the children. Food voucher values was 2000/=, with 2 families getting 4000/= each. The difference was based on malnutrition case and the family size. One case of malnutrition child 0045 in Mado adi was further put on extra food support monthly and directly supervised by Abdi Okotu. The child has greatly improved.

Family no 103 had 2 children who were malnourished they were now put on supplementary food voucher, replaced from family no.091 when the mother passed away and qabale Abduba child No. 0234 was admitted to Obbitu village

The table below summaries food purchased during the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2013

ITEMS	JANUARY	FEBUARY	MARCH	TOTAL	UNIT	TOTAL
DETAILS				IN KG	COST	COST
Maize	2,200kg	3,300kg	0	5,500kg	32.00	176,000
BEANS	660 kg	880kg	1,540	3,080		183,700
Cooking oil	10 boxes	10 boxes	20 boxes	40 boxes	2,800	112,000

sugar	3 bags	3 bags	6 bags	12 bags	5,625	67,500
Tea leaves	10 stakes	5 1/2 stake	6 stake	21 ½		14,850
				stakes		
Bar soap	0	3 boxes	5 boxes	8 boxes	1,500	12,000
salt	0	3 bundles	3 bundles	6 bundles	600	3,600
transport	0	950	1,950			2,850
Supplementary	0	0	Assorted			2,500
food ( Qabale			food stuffs			
Waqo)						
				TOTAL COST		575,000

Mothers getting ready to go home after receiving their food



## **OBSERVATION FROM HOME VISITS**

1. Qabalae waqo – 0045 was physically challenged which contributed to the severe malnutrition.

Action taken: provided with extra food on monthly basis and routine supervision.

2. Family No. 103 with 2 children malnourished.

Action taken: registered them on supplementary food voucher

3. Child No. 0234 Qabale Abduba mother passed away the child was Left with very old and blind man.

Action: Qabale was admitted to Obbitu village. Qabale is on ARV treatment, this is being supervised by the mother caretaker

# **SECONDARY SCHOOL FEES FOR OVC**

CIPAD have a budget for secondary schools fees for 15 children @10,000 per child per year. 18 children have been identified and all are in the OVC program. The fund has not yet been sent to

the respective schools because admission letters and fees structures to each school have not been received from all the children. This activity will be completed in the course of this month

## **HEALTH CARE AND HEALTH ASSSEESMENT**

Health service is a routine activity for Obbitu children and HBC children. CIPAD pay for treatment of all sick children attending Sololo hospital and private clinic. NHIF medical cover has come in handy to provide insurance health cover both for the guardians and the children



# Paul Guyo of PFL conducting health Assessment for HBC at Sololo primary school

## **HEALTH ASSSESSMENT**

Health Assessment is done by agreement between CIPAD and PFL a local CBO. The children were visited at home and school. During the exercise MUAC, height and general health condition was observed. Minor ailments were treated on site and Major cases referred to health facilities including Sololo hospital. 1 child has madura foot and was referred to Sololo hospital. Another child has Pulmonary tuberculosis and was put on treatment and responding.

The number of children seen during health assessments is tabulated below

PERIOD	TARGET	NO. SEEN	NO. NOT SEEN	MALNUTRION CASE SEEN
JANUARY	85	69	16	3
FEBUARY	0	0	16	-
MARCH	132	48	84	0
total	217	117	100	

According to the figures 100 children were not seen. This translates to 46% of the quarterly target not seen. It was poor performance from PFL.

There is need for PFL to make a serious follow up of children not seen during the month.

#### **NHIF BENEFITS**

15 Guardians of OVC and 9 children benefitted from the NHIF medical cover. The cost of the children would have direct impact on the OVC Sololo project. But it has been offset by NHIF. Additional guardian's benefit is appreciated because they take care of the wellbeing of the OVC children and their medical cost was not covered by the project.

Hadale Godana was referred to a hospital to which otherwise would be a very expensive venture for Sololo project. The young girl is now well and fine

## **PAN GREEN**

The pan has collected more than high full of water from the last rainy season. With the current rainy season the pan was almost full to the brim. Cleaning of the water channel to the pan was done by scoping of sand, soil and dry leaves. The pan is ready awaiting the commencement of the green house project

## **GUFU GUYO**

# **CIPAD COORDINATOR**