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Background:

Dandamale and Geed xagar are among the villages that surround the GOLIS Range Mountains in Kandala and Alula areas. The existence of these mountains affects movement or transport and communication between the coastal area and inland. The area has lagged behind in economic activities as there is no link between the coastal area and Blocked area where most of the frankansince plantations are produced. The frankinsence farmers are not able to transport their yearly produce to the nearest available road unless they employ a pack of camels or donkeys and most times men carry the load on their own. To overcome this communication challenge Danadamale and Geed xagar and surrounding villages agreed and proposed to open this important linking feeder roads to frankinsence farming communities. The upper part of Dandamale village and its surrounding areas are endowed with tremendous natural resource like frankincense and various animal stocks that are mainly their secondary income generation activities. Despite the fact that this area has such huge resources, transportation of the resources to the markets are hindered due to poor communication link. In view of the above, TSS a local community organisation proposed this project to open these feeder roads of Dandamale and Geed xagar villages.

Introduction

Al Ta'awun Social Service (TSS) is a NGO working in Bari region since 2010; its Head quarter office is in Bosaso town. In response to the current difficult situations that Somali society are facing including drought, civil war, piracy and lack of governmental institutions (such as: health centers, schools, roads) in Somalia for more than twenty years. We felt that it is vitally important to set up a charitable relief organization to help those in need in the rural and urban areas most in the society for essential service. This charity was set up by Somali intellectuals and Educationalist in beginning of the year of 2010 to facilitate reconnect brotherhood within Somalis and create a platform for better

social service. The charity recognizes the need for essential basic service to every member of the society including access to education, health care and clean water. The organization has collaboration with UN agencies particularly WFP and international organizations.

Project Objectives:

- ✓ Improved access to social, health, education and administrative service.
- ✓ Trade stimulated by the construction and rehabilitation of all-weather possible roads resulting into affordable price for agricultural inputs and reasonable price for agricultural produces.
- ✓ To improve the food security situation of the vulnerable people within the village and the surrounding areas.
- ✓ To improve livelihood conditions of the target beneficiaries and stabilize the food prices in the project area by the end of the project.
- ✓ Small cooperatives organized and trained in rural roads maintenance being contracted by local governments for rural roads maintenance.
- ✓ To create increased income and employment opportunities for 428 unemployed persons in the community during the project period.

Project Input:

- 1) WFP contributed around **171.542** MTs of assorted commodities which is based on working days for 4 months and signed the agreement of FLA number CP/TSS/148/FFA/2014.
- 2) WFP has also contributed certain amount of LTSH cost (8752.0 \$) to cover the expenditure of food storage and distribution. Though the payment has not been released to the CP
- 3) Community in Kandala & Aluula districts contributed hand tools, work force and constructive advice in the entire project continuation.
- 4) TSS contributed the agreed budget allocation necessary to supplement the amount to be paid by WFP.
- 5) TSS contributed hand tools/transport/community awareness costs and other financial gaps deemed to be necessary for the completion of the project.

Project Output:

- 1) 428 of project participants (workers) from the local community have received assorted food commodities in the project period starting from June 2014 to Oct 14.
- 2) A road of 12 km was rehabilitated and successfully completed.
- 3) The receipt of food to the local community has improved their food security situation in Hagaa season when the local economy is in declining stage and people are most needy in food support.
- 4) The project has created a job about 428 project workers who earned monthly rations depending on calculation of the amount of work they put in the project activities.

Project outcome:

- A road of 12 km was rehabilitated and successfully completed in the project area.
- Good condition road is created for the pastoralist people living in the village.
- Local community who were directly involved in the project activities departed with the technical knowledge on how to rehabilitate and construct the roads which will enable them to utilize in other areas in the period of seasonal migration.

Conclusion:

TSS, the implementing organization, with the support of Dandamale & Ged hagar community completed the implementation of the project activities and successfully achieved the anticipated results of the project. Community in Dandamale & Ged hagar including local authority and project beneficiaries expressed their gratitude to the funding agency (**WFP**) for this valuable livelihood project in their area.

TSS would like to gratefully acknowledge the collaborative support that has been awarded over the years from the international community specially WFP as well as the bilateral donors and governmental agencies for the fulfillment of our cherished goals.

Finally TSS is confirming a successful Project completion and express thanks to all stakeholders for the participation and the role they played for the implementation of this fruitful project.

Attached are project photos.



Thanks and Best Regards
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