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Kaalo Nederland 2021 Annual Report

The Kaalo Nederland has been helping vulnerable communities in Garowe, the Puntland State of Somalia, to become self-sufficient in every aspect of their livelihood.

The following summary is key projects detail that KAALO Nederland implemented in the different sectors that Kaalo Nederland was focusing on in 2021. The significant programs KAALO Nederland implemented were: WASH, Protection, Livelihood and Food security, emergency projects, and education.

Stichting Kaalo Nederland (SKN) has a long history of supporting educational programs like; Building schools and capacity building of the education sector. Kaalo Nederland and our partner, Wilde Ganzen Foundation, funded education, notably the Puntland Institute of Management and Technology (PIMAT).

Generally, Stichting KAALO Netherlands (SKN) focuses on several core program areas includes Food and Shelter, Education and skill development Programs, Health facilities and supporting hospitals, Water and Sanitation Program, Livelihoods Projects of food security, Child protection and Human rights, and Empowering of poor women, and young people to reduce poverty and unemployment in Somalia.

Last year (2021), KAALO Nederland planned many projects to implement, but according to the COVID19 issues, KAALO implemented three projects. Covid-19 influenced globally, so KAALO Nederland made efforts to respond to the covid-19, so

half of our projects were concerned with Covid-19 response projects. In the previous year (2020), Although Kaalo Nederland implemented both Humanitarian and development projects includes.

Under the fisheries, and livelihood sector, Kaalo Nederland, with partner Wilde Ganzen implemented the " Future Fishermen in Puntland Project: "Investments in refrigeration: More turnover and more employment". The project objectives were to provide young and women with employment in the fishing industry and a better future, guarantee a steady and fair income for fishermen and their families through pre-purchase agreements and fair prices; fishermen supported by fisheries cooperatives and village associations, development of local markets to the increased level of trade, and have a social impact by improved business services within Somali communities. Application of sanitary and quality standards other can inspire agricultural export goods (e.g. horticulture). This was result in healthy competition and expansion of the fishing industry (incl. processing). The direct target group of this project are 40 fishermen (M/F) in Eyl and Bosaso. This concerns 190 families (62% women). 75% of them are young people. Indirectly approximately 200 poverty-stricken families living along the Puntland coast benefit. This project was changed the lives of large coastal community by helped to easier their way of living through Future Fishermen in Puntland Project in Bosaso and Eyl two ports and improved their opportunities in the market labour of fishing production and processing, and encourage self-employment of project targeted people in Bosaso and Eyl ports in Puntland. At least 70% of the population of Somalia is younger than thirty-five and the youth unemployment

rate is huge. Improved the lives of vulnerable women and youth from IDPs, poor coastal community, drought affected families, and fishermen in two ports of Bosaso and Eyl districts. This project reduced the level of poverty and unemployment rates, and improved their income generation activities of fishery production and reduced that young people join radical groups or leave their country with all the associated risks.

In 2021, Kaalo Nederland implemented solar energy project for schools “Basic Facilities Education Puntland Project”. The original aims of this project were to provide four schools some of necessary facilities including set up solar system, tables, chairs, computers and tablets of each one of four schools. Each school has about 120 students, which means that this project reaches about 500 students. KAALO Nederland provided four schools basic necessary facilities including: a) 40 solar systems (solar panels, batteries, etc.) each school received 10 solar panels, b) Classroom chairs and tables (240 tables and 480 chairs), c) 40 Computers for learning and administration purposes, d) Training of 8 solar technicians those maintain the solar systems of schools, and e) Four Refrigerators. This project achieved contribution of four schools getting solar electricity which is fully free of cost and friendly to the environment, schools got learning materials like tables and chairs which allows them to have equipped classes with enough learning materials. Although we achieved that skill competency, technological use improvement is needed in the four schools who received computers to manage their day to day activities administration activities and learning purpose for Somali pupils.

In 2021, with funding support from Wilde Ganzen in Netherlands, Kaalo Nederland continued implementing women skills

training project in Garowe, Puntland, Somalia. The goal of the Women Skills Training Project is to enhance girls’ skills, economic empowerment, and foster an enabling environment for women entrepreneurship and leadership skills. This will be achieved by training the students in the following fields: management, entrepreneurship, bookkeeping, computer application and English proficiency. In line with this goal, the project has three key objectives which are: **1)** to improve the quality of life of fifteen girls through providing basic trainings and entrepreneurial leadership skills, **2)** To create an employment opportunity for these girls through practical training of managerial skills, bookkeeping skills, entrepreneurial skills, computer applications and English proficiency, and **3).** to empower these fifteen girls through additional techniques and trainings and make them self-dependent and self-sufficient.

In 2021, with funding from diaspora community in Nederland’s, Kaalo Nederland implemented Emergency water trucking and food distribution project to drought affected community in Budunbuto Village of Dangorayo district in Nugal region, Puntland-Somalia. Stitching Kaalo Nederland (SKN) has been accomplished during the implementation of emergency water trucking and food distribution Project to drought affected community the following project objectives and goals: a) Provided emergency water trucking to drought affected community in Budunbuto village, and b) Provided food distribution items to the affected drought affected community and marginalized target groups in order to save their lives, an strengthened the livelihood of vulnerable IDPs including children, young marginalized girls, and boys, persons with disabilities, and women to overcome hunger, poverty, and to reduce pandemic diseases in Budunbuto Village of Dangorayo district in

Nugaal Region, Puntland-Somalia.. The Stitching KAALO Nederland in Somalia is committed to support the IDPs, and poor host community affected by severe drought in the region. The Kaalo Nederland has the vision to provide sustainable livelihoods projects to support the most vulnerable communities in the areas: food and shelter, education and skill development programs, health facilities, water and sanitation, livelihoods projects of food security, child protection, and human rights, and empowering of poor women, and young people to reduce poverty, and unemployment in Somalia. This active organization is one of the initiators of many reconstruction projects in Somalia.

About KAALO Nederland

KAALO Nederland is an international NGO, was founded in 1995 by Somali Dutch intellectuals. The purpose was to provide sustainable livelihoods projects to support the most vulnerable communities: food and shelter, education and skill development programs, and health facilities. The KNLD is the organization that initiates many reconstruction projects in Somalia. Stichting KAALO Nederland works closely with partners in Somalia. The starting point is always the vulnerable community's demand and needs and internally displaced peoples, including poor children, youth, and women. This has created an indispensable support base.

KAALO Netherlands works with local organizations to sustainable development projects for the people of Puntland in Somalia. Stichting Kaalo Netherlands supported and implemented many projects of

building shelters, schools, hospitals, the construction of water reservoirs, and the fishing projects in Somalia a huge impulse. Kaalo Netherlands is active with and for young people. Young people have in Somalia more chances of one hopeful future required to radicalization against to go and they too save for the dangerous one trip to Europe. The SKN focuses on sustainable development projects that directly meet the needs of the local population. For a long time, the emphasis was on projects in the area of education and health. Helping mothers and children from the nomadic and farming communities is another central theme. At the moment attention is focused on the (vulnerable) young people in the Puntland state, Started the capital, Garowe.

SKN MISSION

SKN enhancing and supporting the livelihoods of poor communities in Somalia through environmentally sound and sustainable development while focusing on solidarity with the poor neighborhoods, advocacy, transparency, human rights, and volunteerism.

SKN VISION

SKN strives to sustain a poor community's livelihoods in Somalia in a stable and economically vital Somali community living in peace, prosperity. The impoverished community has a strong to overcome hunger, poverty, and unemployment.

1. **Future Fishermen Project in Bosaso and Eyl, Puntland-Somalia** “Investments in refrigeration: More turnover and more employment”

Project Background

Stichting Kaalo Nederland (SKN) recently implemented the fishing projects impoverished nomads that our aim was to enhancing the employability of poor rural men and women through fishing project for impoverished nomads in Garowe and Eyl cities to create more jobs. The project was completed in the fishing town of Eyl in Puntland that offers nomads who had fled from the drought impact and income in fishing and fish processing. From the regional capital Garowe, the local support center of the Kaalo Netherlands Foundation monitors the activities of the fishermen involved in Eyl, so that sustainable exploitation is guaranteed.

Kaalo Foundation (Netherlands & Somalia) supported fishermen in Puntland (Somalia) in two fishing ports: Eyl and Bosaso through this project of Future Fishermen in Puntland “Investments in refrigeration: More turnover and more employment”. The direct target group of this project are 40 fishermen (M/F) in Eyl and Bosaro. This concerns 190 families (62% women). Indirectly approximately 200 poverty-stricken families living along the Puntland coast benefit. In 2019, the fishermen were provided with fishing boats and supplies (e.g. fishing nets, life jackets, on-board cooling equipment).

In a training program they have acquired the necessary knowledge which they now apply successfully. Most of these are young fishermen – 75% of Somalia's population consists of young people.

The project goals;

1. To provide young and women with employment in the fishing industry and a better future.
2. Guarantee a steady and fair income for fishermen and their families through pre-purchase agreements and fair prices; fishermen supported by fisheries cooperatives and village associations.
3. Development of local markets thanks to the increased level of trade.
4. Have a social impact by improved business services within Somali communities.
5. Application of sanitary and quality standards other can inspire agricultural export goods (e.g. horticulture)
6. This was result in healthy competition and expansion of the fishing industry (incl. processing).

The Kaalo Netherlands realized the following activities through the project of Future Fishermen in Puntland “Investments in refrigeration: More turnover and more employment”

- 1) Kaalo Nederland was collaborated with Yustan Sea Food Processing in Bosaso and Hodan Fish Cooperation in Eyl.
- 2) Yustan Seafood Processing is an import/export distribution company that markets fresh and frozen seafood products from Somalia to neighboring countries in the Horn of Africa and the Gulf. Yustan Seafood currently supplies

many seafood products to retailers, restaurants and supermarkets.

- 3) Our project aims was stimulated the development of the sector not only in the domestic market but also certainly in export markets. The project was tackled the poor infrastructure, raise the low domestic purchasing power and improve limited access to markets in neighboring countries. Yustan Seafood, with the cooperation of our foundation, wants to directly buy and sell significant quantities of Somali seafood at fair prices. This results in a sustainable livelihood for coastal communities in Puntland.
- 4) We made this success of improvements in the production process are needed, especially when it comes to sustainable storage (refrigeration).
- 5) After all, the market demands a good and continuous supply of fish. It is very sensitive to quality. Currently, very many products are lost through spoilage at remote landing sites. There is a clear decline in quality for each minute that seafood remain unrefrigerated.
- 6) The expansion of capacity was given us help scaling up and will the income of the (young) fishermen the benefit employment. To that end must invested turn into in cooling machinery. This project elaborated on that.

Fish Processing

Yustan Seafood Processing is an import/export distribution company that markets fresh and frozen seafood products from Somalia to neighboring countries in the

Horn of Africa and the Gulf. Countries such as: Ethiopia, United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Oman, Kuwait and Bahrain.

Yustan Seafood currently supplies many seafood products to retailers, restaurants and supermarkets. Yustan Seafood, for example, is the sole supplier of Somali seafood products to the large and fast-growing Ethiopian market.



The company's primary goal is to promote the development of the Somali fishing industry. Yustan Seafood works closely with Somali fishermen to increase their capabilities in support of commercialization. The company strives to improve relationships with the market, increase the

added value of traded products and promote compliance with product standards. To this end, more than 3000 fishermen have been trained and mobilized, most of them from the vulnerable segments of society, young people and women.

Our project aims to develop the sector to further stimulate this via the domestic market, but also certainly on export markets. We intend to overcome the challenges that are caused by poor infrastructure, low domestic purchasing power and limited access to markets in neighboring countries.

Yustan Seafood, with the cooperation of the Stitching Kaalo Nederland and Hodan Fishing Co-operation, realized to directly buy and sell significant quantities of Somali seafood at fair prices. Resulting in sustainable livelihoods for coastal communities.

We also strive to access remote areas on the coast of Puntland (inland), where many fishermen lack the capacity and access to sell their catch.

Hoddan Fishing Cooperation

HFC founded in 2011, Hodan Fishing Cooperative (HFC) is one of the largest wholesale fisheries companies in the Nugaal region of Puntland. The company harvests and processes fish in Eyl and distributes and sells its fish in Garowe. About 70% of the company's fish is caught by its own fleet, with the remaining 30% purchased by other

fishermen. HFC has developed a quality process for all its products in which the fish is first inspected, weighed and cleaned and then sorted, packed and frozen for transport. To transport its goods from Eyl to Garowe and expand its customer base in Puntland, HFC had to increase its harvesting capacity and get a more modern system of refrigerated transport. With support from Shuraako, HFC received sufficient capital investment to purchase additional fishing boats and utilize refrigerated transport. The additional capital has increased the supply and extended the life of the HFC fish to reach the highest market price.

In addition to processing and distributing fish, HFC is collaborating with Kaalo Nederland and Yustan Seafood to train more than 300 (mainly young) fishermen across the Nugaal region.

Our aim is to "Investments in refrigeration: More turnover and more employment"



Project Activities:

- This project of Future Fishermen in Puntland “Investments in refrigeration: More turnover and more employment “stimulated the development of the sector via the domestic market, but also certainly on export markets. We tackled the poor infrastructure, increase the weak domestic purchasing power and improve the limited access to markets in the region.
- Yustan Seafood and Hodan Fishing Cooperation realized to directly buy and sell significant quantities of Somali seafood at fair prices with the cooperation of the Kaalo foundation (Netherlands / Somalia). This project resulted more sustainable livelihood for coastal communities through better income for fishing families and more employment in the fishing industry.
- This project aim is to access remote areas on the Puntland coast (inland), where many fishermen lack the capacity and access to sell their catch. With the right investments, we can achieved significant improvements in all sectors of the Somali fishing industry (catch, shipping, transport, processing, and sale) and create significant employment opportunities.

Project Achievement and Results:

- Kaalo Nederland was collaborated with Yustan Sea Food Processing in Bosaso and Hodan Fish Cooperation in Eyl.

- Yustan Seafood Processing Company imported and exported distribution of different fish types that markets fresh and frozen seafood products from Somalia to neighboring countries in the Horn of Africa and the Gulf. Yustan Seafood currently supplies many seafood products to retailers, restaurants and supermarkets.
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sensitive to quality. At present, a great many products are lost at remote landing sites. There is a definite decline in quality for every minute that seafood is left unrefrigerated.

- Having a larger capacity for blast freezers and cold stores will not only be very beneficial, but it will also help to scale.
- As a result of these investments, production will triple and quality will improved dramatically.
- Yustan Seafoods has the scale and capacity to absorb the fish produced. With the strongly growing market in Somalia, for example, in combination with the domestic increase in consumption, this means that we can achieved our objectives of this project.
- Yustan Seafood can engage technicians and trainers from Ethiopia to assist with training and use of the equipment. The varieties that are in high demand in the market are, for example:
 - Crustaceans and cephalopods (lobster, shrimp, crabs, squid, beef fish, octopus etc.)
 - Pelagic fish (kingfish, tuna, jackfish etc.)
 - Demersal fish (snappers and groupers).
- We made guaranteed consistent availability of high-quality products by investing in refrigerators and blast freezers in Puntland fishing spots. We can scaled up with that extra equipment. This equipment will become the property of the fishing cooperative: Hodan Fishing Cooperative.

- By increased the cold storage capacity, we gain access to new markets and we can purchase from more fishermen. This also leads to more employment in the fishing sector.



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2. Basic Facilities Education Puntland Project “Solar Installation project for 4 schools in Puntland”

Project Background

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Kaalo Nederland provided four schools basic necessary facilities including: a) 40

b) Classroom chairs and tables (240 tables and 480 chairs), c) 40 Computers for learning and administration purposes, d) Training of 8 solar technicians those maintain the solar systems of schools, and e) Four Refrigerators.



This project achieved contribution of four schools getting solar electricity which is fully free of cost and friendly to the environment, schools got learning materials like tables and chairs which allows them to have equipped classes with enough learning materials. Although we achieved that skill competency, technological use improvement is needed in the four schools who received computers to manage their day to day activities administration activities and learning purpose for Somali pupils.



These four schools have benefited from this project in three ways: First, they got a free solar energy. Second, children who were learning only computer theory have now access to computers to practically see and do what they have been taught over the years. Third, the schools have received other teaching materials such as chairs & tables.

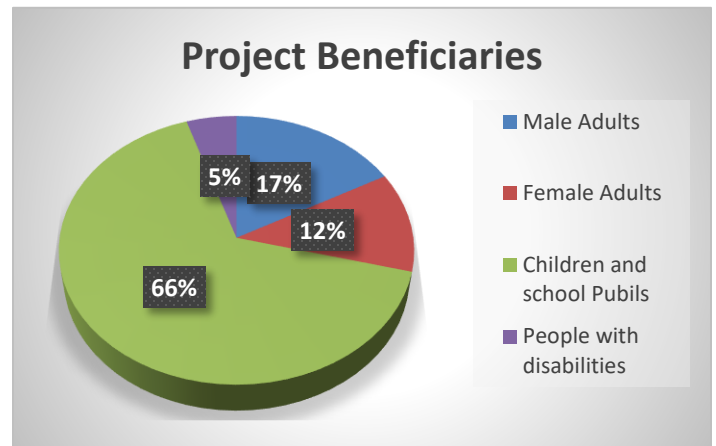
Project Activities and Achievement:

- Installed 40 solar panels in four schools, which provide free electricity. This also allows offices and classrooms to be used at the night time and the students can have remedial lessons, revisions and homework can be worked on in groups at school.
- Two of the schools for technical further education, the young people received training to install and maintain these solar panels. This created employment and work experience for these young people.
- In order to familiarize students with the digital world, we planned to make a

number of computers available to each school.

- 10 computers and 10 tablets provided per school for educational purposes.
- The teachers and students of each school are trained in how to use computer programmes.
- For each school we provided a computer especially for the student registrations, examinations and other administration duties.
- Pupils are given the opportunity to independently complete assignments with computers and tablets and to find information about possible courses.

Project Beneficiaries



3. Women Skills Training Project in Garowe, Puntland, Somalia.

Project Background



Image 1: Program Launching Ceremony in July 2021

For many girls in Somalia, the realities of extreme poverty manifest themselves harshly in their young lives. Often, their parents pull them out of school to make them work only at the household chores at young ages, a phenomenon that only perpetuates the cycle of poverty and unemployment. When these girls grow older, they are excluded from well-paying jobs due to their lack of skills. The small number of girls that gets the opportunity to learn and acquire skills are victims of the patriarchal Somali culture that favors men over women. They don't get good jobs.

In partnership with the Puntland Institute of Management and Technology (PIMAT), Kaalo Nederland is improving the lives of fifteen girls in Garowe, Puntland, Somalia by training them with highly demand well-paying skills such as office secretary, bookkeeping, entrepreneurship, computer proficiency and English language.

unemployed girls with no skills to provide for themselves to be financially self-dependent. The girls are selected in a fair process of examination and family background check.



Image 2: Students taking an accounting class

Currently, these fifteen girls are studying diploma in management at the Puntland Institute of Management and Technology (PIMAT), an institute owned and run Kaalo Nederland Garowe. The program was firstly intended to be implemented by Shabeelle Skills Square which is a TVET center also owned and run by Kaalo Nederland, but since PIMAT has better equipped classrooms, PIMAT has been chosen for the program.



Image 3: Computer applications practice class in November 2021

The overall status of the first phase of the project which was started in July 2021 is successful. All of the fifteen students are still joining the program, their managerial skills have been greatly enhanced and the program is implemented within the planned budget.

Project activities

The goal of the **Women Skills Training Project** is to enhance girls' skills, economic empowerment, and foster an enabling environment for women entrepreneurship and leadership skills. This will be achieved by training the students in the following fields: management, entrepreneurship, bookkeeping, computer application and English proficiency. In line with this goal, the project has three key objectives which are:

1. To improve the quality of life of fifteen girls through providing basic trainings and entrepreneurial leadership skills.
2. To create an employment opportunity for these girls through practical training of managerial skills, bookkeeping skills, entrepreneurial skills, computer applications and English proficiency.
3. To empower these fifteen girls through additional techniques and trainings and make them self-dependent and self-sufficient

This report describes key achievements during this reporting period according to their respective objectives.

Objective 1: To improve the quality of life of fifteen girls through providing basic

trainings and entrepreneurial leadership skills.

Activity 1.1: Outreach for potential candidates to apply for the program

On the 27th of June 2021, notice about the program was published on Puntland's public sites so that candidates who are interested in it can apply. The applicants were given the opportunity to apply either online or in person. Requirements such as applicant's level of education, availability and commitment to complete the program were included in the publication.

Activity 1.2: Selection criteria and hiring instructors

On the 7th of July 2021, a total of 75 applicants sat for the acceptance examination of the program at Kaalo's Youth and City Center main hall. Giving unemployed applicants who were from poor families, IDPs and out-of-school girls a special consideration, the top fifteen applicants were selected. Three instructors were also hired on the same date to train these fifteen girls.

Activity 1.3: Launching ceremony

On the 31st of July the launching ceremony of the program was held in Kaalo's Youth and City Center main hall. Puntland's minister of the Ministry of Women Development and Family Affairs (MoWDFA), the deputy minister of the Ministry of Education and Higher Education, the mayor of Garowe and other distinguished guests from different institutions attended the ceremony.

Activity 1.4: Kick starting the first semester of the program

Classes were started on the 1st of August 2021. The first three courses of the program which are (1) Introduction office management, (2) Introduction to Computer Application and (3) Fundamentals of bookkeeping were taught in the first semester. An Additional course with the name Communicative English Skills was also included in this semester. This was the start of a life-changing journey for these fifteen girls.

Objective 2: To create an employment opportunity for these girls through practical training of managerial skills, bookkeeping skills, entrepreneurial skills, computer applications and English proficiency.

Activity 2.1: Setting up an English-speaking online class



Image 4: Online English class taught by an American teacher.

As English is the primary means of communication in the working environment, we established a once-a-week online English class taught by a volunteer native American teacher based in California, U.S.A. The purpose of this class is to enhance the students' English proficiency. To make sure that the students can effectively express their ideas in English, we motivate them to speak with the foreign teacher, and many of them have already made a remarkable progress.

Activity 2.2: Familiarizing the students with the basic computer applications practically:

Taking advantage of a computer lab room we established last year, the students are practically taught the use of basic computer applications such as the Microsoft Office suite. The students are taught how to prepare professional-looking documents using MS-Word, preparing simple bookkeeping and management spreadsheets using MS-Excel and creating, modifying and managing simple office databases using MS-Access.

Activity 2.3: Training students on bookkeeping and office administration:

Students are given practical training on bookkeeping and office management skills at Kaalo's Garowe field office. Our office secretary shows students how files are managed, finances are kept track of, emails and business letters are written and other bookkeeping and office managerial skills. The students are also given practical assignment tasks on these skills. We also

invite guest lecturers from local universities once or twice a month to give the students additional trainings and workshops on the fields they are learning. Internships and work-placements are also in our next phase plans.



Image 5: Bookkeeping teacher during a discussion with a student

Objective 3: To empower these fifteen girls through additional techniques and trainings and make them self-dependent and self-sufficient

Activity 3.1: Training the students with personal development and employability skills:

In the first semester, **Julia Strijland** a project developer from the Netherlands gave the students a three months long online training on personal development and employability voluntarily.

This training which was facilitated by our counterpart at Amsterdam was delivered via zoom. The goal of this training was to equip the students to shape their ambitions and determine which careers will be best for them, as well as offering a specific guidance

on how to develop and the skills they will need to impress future employers, how to prove them during the application process and how to perform well in interviews.

Project Achievement



Image 6: Students in an accounting class

The overall status of the Women Skills Training Project so far is successful. It has met the requirements and the project deliverables are delivered and maintained on schedule and within budget. The project has achieved a number of important successes during this reporting period including:

⇒ **The number of students did not decrease**

The number of students planned to benefit from this program was fifteen. That number didn't change during this reporting period of the project. These fifteen students have completed the first two semesters of the program successfully, and looking at how

committed they are, all of them will graduate together.

⇒ **Students gained tangible managerial skills**

Although the program has two more semesters to come, the students have already acquired basic managerial skills that can be a good foundation for their career growth. They are now familiar with how to make basic data entry, bookkeeping, file management and other office administration skills. This shows that the short time they have been here has contributed a lot to their skills repertoire.

⇒ **Improved English and computer proficiency**

One of the most remarkable progresses our students have shown during this reporting period is a formidable change in their English language proficiency and computer literacy as well. Students who couldn't construct a single simple sentence are now able to confidently express their ideas in English. According to a recently published research paper by the East Africa University in Garowe, a large number of graduates fail to secure a job due to lack of good English proficiency. This won't be a problem for these students. They have also learned the Microsoft Office Suite programs well, and they can easily work with them.

⇒ **No major budget variance**

Apart from a few dollars a month increase in the students' travel allowance, there was no unexpected incurred costs or a cost overrun

in the project. All the other activities of the project were executed as planned and within budget.

⇒ **Broken the "there is no free high-quality education" stereotype**

In this part of the world, people believed that free services given by NGOs have poor or no quality at all. After two semesters of hard-work, dedication, quality assurance and accountability, this project proved that stereotype wrong. People who didn't consider benefiting from this opportunity or stopped others from applying for it because they thought that the program won't continue for more than a month are now regretting it. Nevertheless, the same people came to the center congratulating us and the students on the success of this project.

Key Challenges

During this reporting period, the project had no major challenges that hindered its progress. Everything went smoothly as planned. There was a slight change in the students' transportation fees due to the increase of the fuel price that resulted from the Russian war against Ukraine. These additional costs are covered by Kaalo Nederland Garowe by taking small deduction from the organization's budget.

Next steps of the project

Kaalo Nederland's priorities over the next 12 months include (but are not limited to):

- Implementing and completing the next phase of the program within the next 12 months.
- Hiring the most committed student with the highest grade as a paid intern for our offices in Garowe.
- Making on-job trainings for all of the 15 students to enhance their practical skills.
- Further enhancement of the fifteen girls' managerial skills by teaching them a more advanced courses in the field.

Project Success Story:



Farah is a 23-year-old student who didn't get the chance to study the faculty of her choice at university. As a child, Farah always dreamed of becoming an office secretary. Her plan was to join a management department at one of the local universities after graduating from high school. Due to some family issues, however, she dropped out of school after finishing grade eight. After being out of school for a few years, Farah got the chance of going to school

again, but to her despair, her former classmates were almost finishing high school by that time. She felt like she was left behind and that she couldn't be in high school while her friends were studying at university. That was why Farah had to join a non-formal Islamic institute that prepared students for university in two years. When Farah graduated from the Islamic institute, she found out that the students who graduate from this Islamic institute can only join Islamic Sharia Studies. As she had no other choice other than either joining the available degree or drop out from education again, Farah chose the latter. After three years, she graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Islamic Sharia, but she had no chance of getting employed.

One day, while sitting at home unemployed and with no hope getting hired, a friend of hers told her about this program. She immediately applied, took the acceptance exam and luckily became among the fifteen beneficiaries of this program. After one year of this program, Farah believes that she is finally on her way to her dream Job.

Now, she well understood about office management, ICT, leadership and basics accountancy. She has dreams to become office manager, and senior office manager, when she graduated this program of women skills training project implemented at PIMAT institute and funded by Stichting Kaalo Nederland (SKN) and Wilde Ganzen Foundation.

4. Emergency water trucking and food distribution project to drought affected community in Budunbuto Village of Dangorayo district in Nugal region, Puntland-Somalia

Project Background



Provision of food distribution items to the drought affected community and IDPs in Budunbuto village and surrounded rural areas in order to save their lives.

Somalia is experiencing its third consecutive below-average rainfall season since late 2020, which is worsening the current drought. Most of Nugal region have received little to no rainfall since June, as the October to December 2021 deyr rains are delayed. Somalia has been facing a series of life-threatening droughts for the past few years. Due to the ever-rising global warming and drastic climate changes, it doesn't rain as usual. As a result, livestock and crop production on which the majority of the Somali society depends have been endangered. Many nomadic pastoralists who have lived in rural areas, moving from place to another in pursuit of water and pasture are now living in refugee camps because their livestock is no more.

A large number of animals and even people have died of starvation and lack of water. In Nugaal region of Puntland State of Somalia and most of the other regions in the country, it has not rained for more than ten months. The last time it rained was in May 2021 and the rain kept off ever since. There is no pasture for the livestock to graze, wells, boreholes and ponds dried up and consequently, nomadic communities as well as their livestock are facing shortage of food and water.



Emergency water tanks to provide drought affected households in Budunbuto village.

Budunbuto Village in Dangorayo district of Nugal Region 120km away from Garowe Capital City of Puntland State of Somalia, and 20km away from Dangorayo District in Nugal, Budunbuto village falls east of Garowe District and South west in the

Dangorayo District. 520 Households most of them are IDPs live in Budunbuto Village & 300 households of surrounded rural areas at that village. Animals live in Budunbuto village and surrounded areas including; Camels, Goats, Sheeps and Cows, and estimated more than 5,000 of Animals living in Budunbuto and its surrounded rural areas.

The drought has brought with it a rise in water and food prices, restricted access to food as well as limited food stocks. The drought has also led to water shortages, and has led to a serious cycle of acute malnutrition which is worst in Budunbuto village and surround rural areas. The current drought has led to the loss of livelihoods for many people especially the pastoralist populations are particularly badly affected. Conditions for vulnerable communities have become even harsher, particularly in areas where the provision of humanitarian assistance has not still reached. Now, the communities in Budunbuto village and surrounded rural areas are facing in a serious humanitarian crisis which can lead severity of these communities if the Gu' rains in March and April in 2022 will not coming. The impending drought in Dangorayo district especially Budunbuto Village has caused a severe water shortage, food insecurity, and poor healthcare which affected poor households of both women and children in the village and pastoralists this leading to use of contaminated water and malnutrition, which, coupled with poor hygiene practices, has led to widespread outbreaks of water-borne diseases such as acute watery diarrhea and cholera. As a

consequence of the water shortage, water prices have skyrocketed making it difficult for the most vulnerable to access safe water. Water scarcity has also led to a high mortality rate amongst livestock and failed crop production, essential elements of household survival.

Based the data collected team in Budunbuto village and surround rural areas reported that the consequences of drought has become apparent that one of the most critical challenges facing the vulnerable communities and poor pastoralists in Budunbuto and Surrounded rural areas are in serious conditions and required urgent needs of water trucking, Food assistance, and healthcare to the affected drought communities in order to save their lives. Without proper access to urgent water, food assistance, and healthcare the rates of malnutrition will rise and children will suffer needlessly.

KAALO Nederland in Garowe enhanced the livelihood of underprivileged IDPs in Budunbuto through environmentally sound and sustainable development while focusing improved the livelihoods of IDPs and marginalized project target groups in Budubuto village in Dangorayo district, distributed of water trucking of tanks and food items to enhance the lives of IDPs and marginalized project target groups and change the lives of poor community and IDPs in Budunbuto Village of Dangorayo district in Nugal Region, Puntland-Somalia.

Stichting Kaalo Nederland (SKN) has been accomplished during the implementation of emergency water trucking and food distribution Project to drought affected community in Budunbuto Village of Dangorayo district in Nugal region, Puntland-Somalia the following project objectives and goals:

- a) Provided emergency water trucking to drought affected community in Budunbuto village
- b) Provided food distribution items to the affected drought affected community and marginalized target groups in order to save their lives.

The Stichting KAALO Nederland in Somalia is committed to support the IDPs, and poor host community affected by severe drought in the region. SKN strives the forthcoming to sustain the livelihood of vulnerable communities in Somalia to overcome hunger, poverty, and unemployment. Our mission is to enhance the livelihood of underprivileged communities in Somalia through environmentally sound and sustainable development while focusing, advocacy, transparency, human rights and volunteerism.

Project Goals:

Goal 1: Delivering of emergency water through water trucking and food distribution project to drought affected community in Budunbuto village of Dangorayo district in Nugal region to enabling access to potable water for drinking, and household consumption.

Goal 2: Providing of food distribution items to drought affected community and IDPs in Budunbuto and surrounded rural areas in order to save their lives.

Project Achievement

- ❖ Strengthened the livelihood of vulnerable IDPs including children, young marginalized girls, and boys, persons with disabilities, and women to overcome hunger, poverty, and to reduce pandemic diseases in Budunbuto Village of Dangorayo district in Nugaal Region, Puntland-Somalia.
- ❖ Delivered of emergency water through emergency water trucking and food distribution project to drought affected community in Budunbuto village of Dangorayo district in Nugal region to enabling access to potable water for drinking, and household consumption.
- ❖ Monitored the implementation process of emergency water trucking to select, support and appropriately implement the most suitable form of emergency water provision in Budunbuto of Dangorayo district in Nugal region.
- ❖ Improved the livelihood of underprivileged and drought affected IDPs in Budunbuto through emergency water trucking and food distribution Project to drought affected community in Budunbuto Village of Dangorayo district in Nugal region.

In response to these unneglectable famines and lack of water caused by the prolonged drought, Stichting Kaalo

Nederland has provided 100 households in Budunbuto village with food and water. Most of these people live diversified livelihoods i.e. they are both pastoralists and village dwellers. Each household has been given two bags of uncooked food (rice and sugar), food oil, and a tank of water (10,000 liters). These amount of food and water improved the livelihood of underprivileged and drought affected IDPs in Budunbuto.

Project Impact (Success Story)



Zainaba Abshir aged 41 years, is a mother of 7 children, 3 boys and 4 girls. She told her story when Stichting Kaalo Nederland implemented “Emergency water trucking and food distribution project to drought affected community in Budunbuto of Dangorayo district in Nugal region, Puntland-Somalia”. Zainaba was born and brought up in pastoral life near in Qarhis a small town near in Dangorayo district of Nugal region in Somalia. She moved with her mother and 7 of her children in Qarhis town where she was working with her mother and family small livestock farming but affected drought that has led to a critical decline in

food security and water shortage among the pastoral communities and poor village households. Due to the failure of the Deyr’ November 2021 long rains in some areas and below average rainfall in others and break the destructive cycle of drought and hunger that affected poor households and vulnerable rural pastoralists. She later moved to Budunbuto Village in Dangorayo District of Nugal Region 120km away from Garowe Capital City of Puntland State of Somalia, and 20km away from Dangorayo District in Nugal, Budunbuto village falls east of Garowe District and South west in the Dangorayo District where she opened a small shop of her own. The little she got from the shop she used to cover the fees of her children and family daily live expenses and to her part time formal education school in Budunbuto but all her livestock were died due to lack of pasture and water crisis and disease outbreaks. She is a mother who did not get an opportunity for livelihood projects in their village but now has got a chance of becoming 100 households’ Emergency water trucking and food distribution response project to affected drought community in Budunbuto of Dangorayo district in Nugal region, Puntland-Somalia implemented by Kaalo Nederland in Garowe, Somalia whose objectives **is to providing food distribution items to drought affected community and IDPs in Budunbuto and surrounded rural areas in order to save their lives.** She says *“we have enough food items including rice, flours, sugars, and oil food those covered our immediate needs in our daily lifestyle.*

This project changed our lives because we got enough food items which improved our livelihood of our households”.

She concluded an appreciation for the support of Stichting Kaalo Nederland of this project of emergency water trucking and food distribution response project to drought affected households in Budunbuto, Puntland-Somalia which strengthened the better livelihood of IDPs, drought affected communities and vulnerable people and. She has a hope to be one of the famous of business women in this village if she got a change of investment and entrepreneurship project in Budunbuto of Dangorayo district, Somalia.

Upon the handover of the food and water the mayor of Budunbuto **Mr. Ahmed Du’ale** said *“As the mayor of this village I know a lot about the situation of this area. There is an extreme shortage of water, food and pasture in the region. Today, 100 households received two bags of uncooked food each, one food oil and tanks of emergency water trucking. These food and water trucking have been given to the most vulnerable families”.* We thank Kaalo Nederland for the support, and these people need real help as this is just like stopping the bleeding. The situation is getting worse day after day, and as you can see, the nomadic pastoralists have moved in to the village. They are bringing their families to the town, the first words they utter are ‘water, water, water.’ I would like to ask the humanitarian organizations to help these people.”

The chairman of Budunbuto of Dangorayo district Mr. Ahmed appreciated to Kaalo Nederland for Provision of food distribution items to the drought and corona virus disease affected community and IDPs in Budunbuto village and surrounded rural areas in order to save their lives in Budunbuto. He requested to continue this support of SKN until the rain coming. He says *“this emergency project coming the time needed because this district affected drought and COVID 19 pandemic”* Thank You Kaalo Nederland for your immediate support and assistance to IDPs and vulnerable community in Budunbuto.

Shino Osman Alulle, a mother who is among the households that received the package of emergency water trucking and food distribution also said *“We are in a very difficult situation, in fact the hardest I have ever seen. We really needed this emergency food and water. We thank Kaalo Nederland for the support.”*

Kaalo Nederland has been working in the humanitarian field for a very long time, and will continue on do so, as helping the needy is our first priority. This will not be the last time Kaalo provides these people with food and water. We will be doing this until these people have enough food and water or until it rains. We would also like to call on other humanitarian organizations to take part in saving the lives of these poor people.

Conclusion

This project of emergency water trucking and food distribution response project to affected drought community in Budunbuto of Dangorayo district in Nugal region, Puntland-Somalia achieved the project goals, and objectives. This project delivered emergency of water trucking to drought affected community in Budunbuto village of Dangorayo district in Nugal region to enabling access to potable water for drinking, and household consumption. Provided of food distribution items to drought affected community and IDPs in Budunbuto and surrounded rural areas in order to save their lives and improved lives of many vulnerable households in Budunbuto village of Dangorayo district in Nugal region, Puntland state of Somalia.

The ongoing drought has led to a critical decline in food security and water shortage among the pastoral communities and poor village households. Due to the failure of the Deyr' November long rains in some areas and below average rainfall in others, the numbers in need of assistance are expected to rise in the coming weeks. But the humanitarian response in Puntland in particular Budunbuto village in Dangorayo district is hampered by funding shortfalls and new contributions are urgently needed. It is essential that we move quickly to break the destructive cycle of drought and hunger that affected poor households and vulnerable rural pastoralists Budunbuto Village and surrounded areas. An immediate need for emergency of water trucking, Food

assistance, and healthcare to the affected drought communities are in serious conditions and required urgent support due water shortage, food insecurity and lack of health care facilities in Budunbuto Village, and surrounded rural areas at the village.

Recommendations

- To provide an adequate of emergency water trucking provision to the drought affected vulnerable communities and poor households in Budunbuto Village, and surrounded rural areas at the village
- To provide emergency of food security assistance to the drought affected populations and poor households including vulnerable women and children who are in a serious conditions so within the following hours, there must be given support in order to be saved their lives.
- To prevent contamination water diseases during the drought emergency through supporting the healthcare facilities and essential drug supplies in the village MCH's.
- To support the Budunbuto Primary School and Village MCH's of solar lighting/solar panel's installation to facilitate daily work tasks at the school and village MCH's.



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