

The Riimenze Community

Newsletter - February 2023

Sustainable Agriculture Project and Community Development



Monthly newsletter is one of the tools used by the Solidarity Community in Riimenze (Agricultural Project, Kindergarten Project and Elderly Project) to report on ongoing activities

Preparation of nursery bed



Jenty Moses in her garden



Martin Ismail in his cabbage plot

Capacity building to local farmers

Naweneangua, a newly established farmer group near SAP-R Demonstration Farm in Riimenze, received training on preparation of nursery bed for their tomato, eggplants and green pepper seeds.

Sustainable agricultural techniques training is an activity constantly carried out to increase the capacity of farmers in the six locations involved by the projects.

Jenty Moses is one of the group members from Gitikiri farmer group in Bazungua who has initiated her own vegetable garden of okra, eggplants and cowpeas after acquiring training at the demonstration plot in December 2022.

Martin Ismail a progressive farmer in Bazungua is the chairperson of 2 farmer group working in Naduru who produce tomato, eggplants, cabbage and green pepper in the area.

Nutrition program

Mothers and their children received soya flour for porridge and other food additives, after attending training held by the nutritionist Mr Robert, on better nutrition and preparation of healthy food with local resources.

Juliana is a casual worker who is in charge to process the soya beans into powder for porridge.



Juliana preparing soya flour



Mothers receiving soya flour after training



Mothers posed for group photos in Bazungua

Livestock training

5 progressive lead farmers participated in 3 days intensive training on livestock production and management at SAP-R demonstration farm (from 22- 24 Feb-2023)

Participants learn various husbandry animals technique, such as how to measure the right amount of medicine for them, or how to inject a sick young pig. In addition, after the end of the training, they received farm tools (tape measure, planting rope and register book) to practice and implement the techniques learned.



Training on livestock production



Farmers received farm tools

Sleeping room under construction

Construction of 4 roomed structures for SAP-R staff is in its final stage, thanks to Misesan Cara. They are being built in order to help Solidarity Agricultural team to accommodate workers and boost security for the farm with a constant presence near the farm. These rooms in addition provide accommodation to trainees during intensive training to Progressive Lead Farmers.



New dormitories for the SAP-R

New goats for families!

On 26 February, 20 families received 20 pairs of goats at SAP-R. They will raise and breed them to have their own small livestock for family use and perhaps to increase their livestock and derivative products in the future.



Families received goats

Desire to learn in the kindergarten of Riimenze

The children at the Saint Paul kindergarten in Riimenze love to color in the shapes drawn on a sheet of paper with crayons. It is an interesting activity that enables the children to recognise the shapes and learn their names. The little girl in the photo is the youngest in the kindergarten class but has already realised that if she is ready and prepared, she will soon be able to move on to the next class. Her enthusiasm is touching, communicating the idea of progress in life, of moving on to a new place to learn something new, to acquire more knowledge in a given learning environment.



The little scholar of Saint Paul nursery school