

To: TKMP Advisory Committee

From: Project Manager, Siaya Rural WASH Projects

RE: - Quarterly Progress Report- 1st April – 30th June 2013

1. Introduction:

The report provides status of planned WASH activities and their outcome and statement of monies received and expenditure during the quarter ending 30th June 2013. The activities in the period include:-

- 1. Safe Water projects general repairs.**
- 2. Organization for WASH projects.**
- 3. Statement of income and expenses.**

The total amount of money received during these quarter was Kshs 2,081,400 whereby Kshs 1,460,500 was for Kubar toilet and Manyasi safe water 5 project and Kshs 620,700 for TKMP Siaya program support and operations. In all the planned activities are 90% complete.

2. Significant socio-economic incidences

The major challenge in the quarter was rainy season that caused significant delays in materials transportation, affected community participation and ultimately delayed project completion.

The other significant incidences taking place in the quarter were:

- Flooding caused by the heavy rains that destroyed infrastructures, displacement of people and loses of lives.
- Teacher's national strike starting from 28th June 2012 that affected construction work of Kubar toilet.

The teachers were striking demanding for salary increment and release of some allowances that the government has been sitting on since 1997.

3. Planned activities and progress

3.1 Safe water projects general repairs:

Repairs and maintenance were carried out in Tinga and Ochilo safe water projects. The plans were to replace 4 no. sky hydrant filters for Tinga and installing disc filter for both Tinga and Ochilo water projects.

During the quarter we managed to repair water kiosk door and leakages both in Tinga and Ochilo. TKMP has not yet received the filters including the ones for Manyasi, hence filter replacement have not been carried out. Moreover there is need to clarify if we are replacing Tinga filters.

3.2 Community Organizing for WASH projects

Preparation for wider community and Kubar School for the WASH projects was carried out throughout the quarter. This was however hampered by the rains, teachers strike and poor communication.

TKMP staff made efforts to engage the school and community and create an understanding of the project, community ownership and contribution.

Given that the project was taking place at the backdrop of the March 2013 election characterized by cash payments to voters by politicians to win voters- these attitudes tended to feature in during our engagements with the people who would have attempt to make demands for payments.

The entire area of our operation is organised and so many people have requested to be assisted on toilet construction. We have 6 requests from, Ochilo, Upanda, Lwala Ka-Aor and Kanyaboli primary schools. We have not got clearance from you if funds for constructing individual latrines are available. We can discuss this more when I come in September.



The completed Kubar Primary School toilet block

The lessons for TKMP were the need for timing, close interaction/relation and continuous education of the community about the project.

TKMP WASH officer will take this as part of her work going forward and to include also community and school hygiene and sanitation issues.

Project outcome:

- Kubar toilet block is in place and ready to use:- several schools have approached TKMP for support .
- Both school and community are very happy at last with project.



Parents, students and teachers at toilet block opening ceremony

3.3 TKMP/Committee network meetings

These are several meetings they include:

- (a) Meetings organised by different bodies i.e. world water day.
- (b) Meetings organised by Dam water users association. We normally facilitate their meetings by providing all the logistics needed and facilitate their representatives to attend forums even outside Siaya like water and development forums. Which are organised by ministry of water/ Water Resource Management Authority.

Participating in these forums and helping community attend is helping communities advocate for better government services and support local people to understanding management of water and sanitation projects.

3.4 Staff Capacity and Motivation

This activity has been discussed in several occasions in our day to day planning of activities of the quarter.

I found that my fellow staff need some training about community work because they have not been dealing with this kind of community.

We have identified potentials persons in community work that will be giving us a talk in community work approach. This will actually develop them in our work and we hope for changes.

4. Safewater Kiosk and Project Updates

4.1 Manyasi Dam Safewater Project

The community has been quite impatient because the projects delays, TKMP have facilitate several meetings to explain the situation. In our last meeting the committee was demanding to know from us the exact date their project will be complete. Unfortunately, we do not have any answer.

It would have been good to get information/communication from Sky Juice or TSC about delays and the status of Manyasi filters and kiosk.

4.2 Gona Dam Safewater Project

The project is operating well despite a few challenges with the pump. The pump develops mechanical problem every time when it pumps water. The pump is working except it is weak. We have taken it to pump expert whom advised that we need to change propellers from the pumping chambers. He has not told us how much that part will cost.

The four sky hydrant, disc filters and two water tanks are in good condition. The dam was flooded during the rain but there was no significant damage.

The fence is still very ok and firm; in fact the fence attendant is very keen and does some minor repair to some parts damaged by cattle. The issue of taking care of the dam featured when some herds- men used to lead their cattle into the dam through the fence. We have however informed the Committee/community in the last month meeting that they should take care of the dam themselves as there will be no payment for the care-taker.

During rainy, season a fewer people than usual fetched water from the project as people resorted to roof catchment and water puddles near their homes. This suggests that distance and time are significant factors in water access, not water quality.

As at 30 June 2013, water sale at Gona was Kshs 500/- while 5100 liters of water had been consumed. Gona water sale very low- During rainy seasons most people get water from roof catchment and some get from water puddles around their homes. A minor number of communities get water from the dam direct complaining that they do not have money for buying water. But this does not qualify them to get water free because there will be no money for buying fuel and oil for the pump. You can advise on how to go about it.

Gona has management problems that are being addressed at level of community and by area administration.

Gona management problems – Managing committee for the project has not been active especially Chairman and Secretary. This is because the chairman joined another local NGO that pays him so nobody calls meeting. The secretary who was retrenched from teaching was re-called back for teaching and he is very busy to attend meetings.

We have talked to the community and area administration and have arranged for election before the end of this month (September).

4.3 Tinga Safe water project

The project operates well despite of the numerous challenges mainly filters and management.

The management issues are being addressed through committee meetings and involvement of local administration.

The four sky hydrants are working relatively well though they will need replacement. We management to install disc filter that Mr Rob brought during his trip.

In the period Tinga collected Kshs 2726/- where Kshs 1260 was banked and the remaining Kshs 1510 used for buying fuel, chlorine and oil – Noted this is an important achievement for the project.

The committee of Tinga is active and maintained monthly meeting and weekly project visit. This enables them to identify problems that might be affecting operations of their project.

The threat to this project is the rising level of silt in the dam putting at risk the lives of 3000 people depending on the project.

TKMPand community has raised this with District Water Officer and Water Resources Management Authority.

4.4 Ochilo safe water project

This project is working well and is fully under school management. The filters are in good condition and whole system is in good state. The project also got a disc filter installed when Mr. Rob came with.

Towards the end of last quarter we were not able to have access to the project due to teacher's strike that caused schools to close.

4.5 Jigger campaign

This activity still moving on by local health workers through our supervision. We provided drugs at the beginning of the quarter.

So far no serious cases on jigger outbreak reported except Kanyaboli and Manyasi villages have been reported worse invaded by jigger Menes.

The planned Kenya Health visit/free medical services could not happen. The activity was also affected by TKMP emphasis on Kubar toilet and Manyasi safe water projects. However TKMP continued to supply the health workers with drugs to treat people in case of an outbreak.

No budget for jigger campaign and sanitary towel is included in this budget request. During the time when Mr. Robert was here we received 100 pieces of sanitary towels from Kenya Health for this reason I thought I should not request for their funds. At that same period Kenya Health promised to attend a two day clinic using their drugs. Unfortunately they could not manage to reach Siaya though they promised to come back.

4.6. Sanitary towel- status report

The rain and teachers strike greatly affected this activity. There were enough materials for this activity for the last quarter but the activity has been facing several challenges from the beginning and towards the end of the quarter.

TKMP received 100 pieces of reusable sanitary towels from Kenya Health during Rob visit. These will be distributed to girls through WASHE Officer once the schools re-open.

4.7. TKMP indigenous trees and seedlings nursery

So far we have over 500 seedlings with 11 different species to be distributed to schools and homes, and safe water project areas.

TKMP and safe water representative has been attending district environmental forums and have push on for Manyasi valley catchment management.

It is still early but slowly the environmental conservation awareness and message will emerge.

5.0 Key activities planned for July - September quarter 2013

1. Completion of previous scheduled activities
2. Network Meetings
3. Committee workshop
4. Travel to Australia to attend River Symposium and meeting Tweed partners for training and evaluation

6.0 Statement of Income and expenses 1st April to 30th June 2013

Date	Income Particular	Amt (Kshs)	Expense Particulars	Amt (Kshs)
23/4/13	IRF transfer	672,501.25	Bank charges	2,000.00
			Allowance Project manager	210,000.00
			Allowance WASH officer	75,000.00
			Allowance Acct officer	90,000.00
			Allowance Community Officer	90,000.00
			Internet/phone	15,000.00
			Sub-total	482,000.00
			Office rent/security	45,000.00
			Safe water Operators allowance	21,000.00
			Training Committee	Nil
			Gona fence security	6,000.00
			Sanitary pads	10,000.00
			Jigger support materials/community	20,000.00
			Leaders Networking meeting	35,000.00
			Staff Transport support	40,000.00
			Tree nursery	5,000.00
			Staff training	Nil
			Filter cleaning	Nil
			Sub-total	182,000.00
		672,501.25	Total expense	664,000.00
			Balance carried forward	8,501.25

7.0 Budget for the next quarter 1st July- 30st September2013

Particulars	Unit	Unit cost(Kshs)	Total Cost(Kshs)
Office support			
Rent/water/electricity/security	3.00	15,000	45,000.00
internet/phone call	3.00	5,000.00	15,000.00
		Subtotal	60,000.00
Personnel costs			
Project manager	3.00	65,000.00	195,000.00
WASH officer	3.00	25,000.00	75,000.00
Community officer	3.00	25,000.00	75,000.00
Accounts officer (GNet)	3.00	30,000.00	90,000.00
		Subtotal	435,000.00
Safe water support			
Operator allowance	3.00	7000.00	21,000.00
Safewater maintenance			30,000.00
Safe water leaders network meeting	1.00	35,000.00	35,000.00
TKMP Network meetings	1.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
Staff transport support	3.00	20,000.00	60,000.00
		Subtotal	156,000.00
Community health			
Sanitary pad support -materials and f/up		0.00	00.00
Tree nursery/ demonstration nursery		0.00	00.00
Jigger campaign -materials and f/up		00.00	00.00
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Total amount			651 ,000.00
Less balance			8,501.00
Total amount requested			642,499.00
AUD \$ rate @1AUD =85/-			\$7558.00

We request AUD \$7535. for 1st July to 30th September 2013 Quarter

Thanking you,

Yours truly,

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