

DEVELOPMENT AID FROM PEOPLE TO PEOPLE

GIRLS TRAINED IN REUSABLE SANITARY PADS MAKING



Alex Mukowa a teacher and the Assistant Centre Coordinator at Folopensi Teacher Development Centre (TDC) led a team of over 50 female learners from within Folopensi education zone in a reusable sanitary pads making activity that took place on 15 April 2019.

The activity had been organised to impart skills in adolescent girls from the schools on how they can produce the sanitary kits. This is expected to reduce the learners' absenteeism from school when they are experiencing their menstruation periods due to lack of proper sanitary kits.

The activity took place at Folopensi TDC and was attended by learners from 8 primary schools who were led by 8 teachers from their schools.

Mukowa is a member of DAPP Teachers Training College (TTC) graduated teachers network who voluntarily stick together to share knowledge and skills on how they can improve the learning environments around their schools.



SUPPORTING AFTER-EFFECTS OF NATURAL DISASTERS

Community development has been a long-standing priority of DAPP. The organization utilizes the "Child Aid" integrated model which has been developed by the Federation Humana People to People and tailored to Malawi context.

Following the devastating cyclone Idai effects in areas where the Child Aid project is implementing, DAPP has been mobilising communities to construct permanent structures which include latrines to promote hygienic practices.



Houses destroyed by heavy rains and winds

Apart from reconstructions, the project is also encouraging the mounting of handwashing practices and dishracks to promote sanitary practices.

Around 6500 families were affected in the two districts of Machinga and Neno where the project is currently being implemented.

Child Aid builds capacity in communities to reduce poverty and give families the best conditions in which to raise their children.

The current Child Aid projects in Machinga and Neno are working with communities to improve the life of children and their families by mobilizing, organizing and training the community on how to improve their own sanitation and living conditions. The projects are employing the community participatory approach, Community Led Total Sanitation (CLTS) and seek to move traditional authorities to Open Defecation Free statuses.

PROGRESS IN GROWING MACADAMIA NUTS TREES



From the 16 to 17 April 2019, DAPP Macadamia project in Thyolo district held a joint field visit with the Districts Agriculture Extension Committee (DAEC) to showcase progress made in the Macadamia Nuts project DAPP is implementing in the district.

Mr Jackson Nkombezi, the District Agriculture Development Officer (DADO) for Thyolo district who attended the open day expressed satisfaction towards the beneficiaries' hard working spirit in training and taking care of the Macadamia trees.

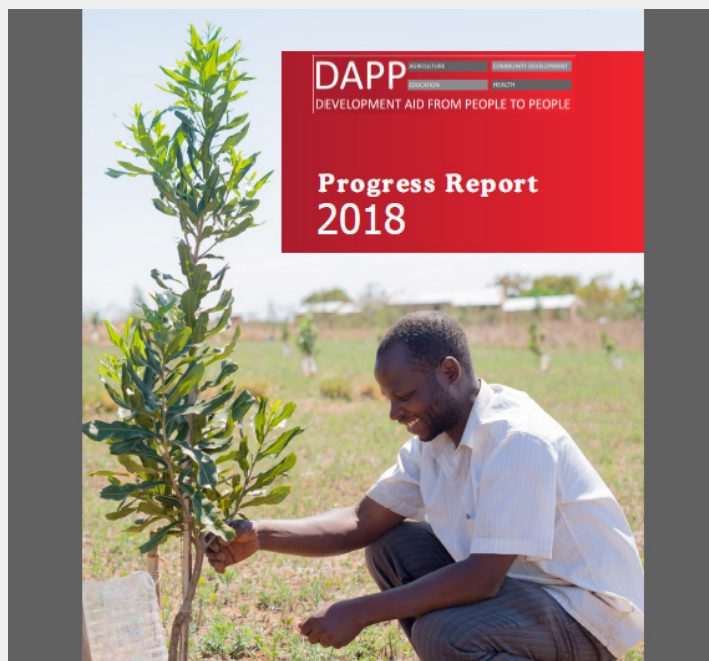
Since commencement in 2016's growing season, 226,766 trees have been planted by 3000 farmers who form clubs of 30 to 50 members.

The project works with 1500 farmers each in Thyolo and Mzimba districts and it is expected that the first harvest will be in 2020.

The project is expected to increase the quantity of macadamia nuts production and processing in Malawi and to supply good quality macadamia nuts that meet the national, regional and European Union Food Laws.



2018 PROGRESS REPORT OUT!



We are pleased to announce the release of DAPP Malawi Progress Report 2018.

The report highlights the activities, achievements and progress made in 2018 together with people in the DAPP projects within the four key areas of education, agriculture, health and community development.

We greatly appreciate the support and assistance rendered from all development partners and stakeholders who have been recognized in the publication and look forward to continued work relationships and new developments in 2019 and beyond.

We hope you will take a moment to read the full report to learn more about DAPP in Malawi's work as we continue contributing towards the Malawi Growth and Development Strategy, with the aim of improving the life for and together with the Malawian People.

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