

# EASTERN PRODUCE KENYA LIMITED Corporate Social Responsibility Report 1st Quarter, 2023

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# 1.0 CURRENT SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The CSR committee discussed plans to improve/update EPK's website. The website improvement plans include getting photographers to film the business for a fresh look. Engagements with a website developer took place, and a run through of contents of the website were discussed. A photography firm, 'Hadithi', has been engaged to take photos.

# 2.0 UPDATE ON CSR IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

Progress on implementation of CSR activities has been good, with coordination from the CSR committee. The first quarter meeting was carried out focusing on community relations enhancement projects and implementation. The committee agreed to assess the need for Science labs in Junior secondary schools as well as senior secondary schools, for consideration in the subsequent meetings.

# 3.0 COMMUNITY RELATIONS

We continued to align all our community projects and activities to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) demonstrating our commitment to care for our community and remaining relevant. Focus areas that have recorded good progress through CSR are SDGs 3 (Improved Health and well-being), 4 (Quality Education), 5 (Gender Equality), 6 (Water and Sanitation), 13 (Climate Action) and 17 (Partnerships for the Goals)

Community projects implemented so far have made a positive impact to the communities leading to appreciation and good relations between the company and our neighbours. Descriptions of projects approved and implemented during the 1st quarter are outlined in the report below.

# 3.1 EDUCATION

#### Intervention

To promote lifelong learning opportunities for all, as per the SDG 4 – Quality Education, the CSR Committee approved provision of classroom furniture to identified primary and secondary schools.

#### **Outcomes**

During the quarter, 60 Primary school desks and 40 lockers and chairs were approved, made and handed over to 3 Primary schools and 2 secondary schools.

#### **Impact**

As a result, 160 learners – (120 primary school pupils and 40 secondary school students) were reached with classroom furniture facilitating a conducive learning environment, enabling them to sit comfortably and participate actively in class.





Photo showing Classroom furniture received by pupils at Kaptumo Primary School

#### 3.2 ICT IN LEARNING AND YOUTH LED COMMUNITY INSTITUTIONS

#### Intervention

We continue to abide by our commitment to narrow the digital gap in the community.

#### **Outcomes**

During the quarter, 11 computers were availed by IT team for donation to 3 learning institutions for administrative purposes as well as learning

#### **Impact**

As a result, 1 primary school is now able to track, monitor and set assessments tests internally of the learning progress of its pupils whilst 1 Junior Secondary school is in the process of establishing a computer lab.





Photo showing teachers and board members at Kepchomo primary school receiving computers from Kepchomo
Estate, that will improve administrative work at the school

#### 3.3 WATER - RAIN WATER HARVESTING SYSTEMS

#### Intervention

To enable access to water, the CSR Committee approved installation of Rain Water Harvesting Systems in learning institutions.

## Outcomes

During the quarter, the CSR committee approved equipping of Rain water harvesting systems to 3 learning institutions; Kapsean Primary, Temso primary and Kabirirsang secondary schools, and a 5000litre capacity water stand for Kipkoror health facility.

#### Impact

As a result, sustainable supply of an average capacity of 30,000ltrs of water is available in the schools. This saves the learners time they would use to go fetch water to engaging in academic and co-curricular activities. Access to supply of water has also facilitated hygiene solutions.

The Kipkoror dispensary now have access to water inside the maternity as a result of the raised steel water tower/stand.





Photo showing Rain water Harvesting System Installed and handed over at Kapsean primary school

#### 3.4 SANITATION

#### Intervention

To enhance sanitation and access to sanitation facilities within our communities, we continued to put up latrines in schools and community facilities.

#### Outcomes

During the quarter, the committee approved construction of a 4 – door sanitation facilities at Cheptabach primary school, O'langata primary school and Kaputi primary school.

#### Impact

As a result, access to sanitation facilities in the schools has reduced public health hazards associated with a lack of the facilities. An average 1200 pupils, teachers and school staff have benefitted from these facilities.





Photos showing a previous facility used by stuedents at Savani secondary school before our intervention
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#### **3.6 LIGHTNING ARRESTORS**

#### Intervention

To address safety from lightning strikes in the community, we fabricated and installed lightning arrestors at Kipchawat primary schools.

#### **Outcomes**

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#### Impact

As a result, the safety of over 355 learners and the neighbouring school community is now assured of safety during lightning strike risk seasons.

#### **3.6 OFFICE FURNITURE**

#### Intervention

To improve working conditions and improve community service delivery, we made and donated office furniture to 2 local administration offices – Kilibwoni and Mogoon Chief's offices and 1 community health facility, Mugundoi Dispensary.

#### **Outcomes**

During the quarter, 3 sets of office furniture (6 tables and 12 chairs) was made and donated to 2 local administration offices and 1 dispensary.

#### **Impact**



As a result, improved community service delivery has been enhanced.

#### 3.7 SPORTS

#### Intervention

Football kits and footballs were purchased for 17 football teams.

#### **Outcomes**

During the quarter 15 estate teams (6Female, 9Male) teams and 2 community teams (1Male 1Female) teams received footballs and football kits/jerseys.

#### **Impact**

This has improved the morale of the team members and communities that watch them during matches, improving their physical and mental health as well as keeping the society healthy.

#### 3.8 SUPPORTING DIVERSIFICATION

#### Intervention

We participated in the Kenya National Chamber of commerce and Industry (KNCCI) trade fair, held at Kapsabet show ground.

#### Outcomes

We had the opportunity to showcase to smallholder tea farmers how quality green leaf supply results to good quality made tea, that is acceptable in the market. Also, on display was our community development interventions and the Operational grievance mechanism – Tweguu Akase, that visitors were happy to learn about.

Our tent had 500 visitors during the 2 days, with the President KNCCI, the Governor and the Deputy governor, Nandi County being among the high-profile visitors received.

#### **Impact**

The team picked lessons on organisation of our upcoming field day.

We reached over 300 smallholder farmers with information and referrals to respective factories for further guidance. A number of grievances/issues were also logged in by the Grievance officer.





Photo Showing the Group manager Outgrowers explaining EPK's role in the Nandi county business community to the President KNCCI and the deputy governor, Nandi County.

## 3.9 TIMBER DONATIONS

#### Intervention

To improve social health in communities, we have donated timber to local religious institions for construction.

#### Outcomes

During the quarter, we donated 4800 running ft roofing timber to St Gregory Kaputi catholic church.

#### Impact

This support enables community members to have a conducive environment for their religious activities and in return improved social health in communities.





Photo showing roofing timber donated to St Gregory Kaputi catholic church

#### 3.11 FOOD SECURITY

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#### 3.12 SANITARY TOWELS – COMMUNITY TABASAMU

## Intervention

We expanded Tabasamu to adolescent girls schooling in the neighbouring communities including adolescent girls with disability.

## Outcomes

During the quarter, 2000 adolescent girls received sanitary towels to last them 3 months at Savani Secondary School, St John's Chepkunyuk Sec school, Jean arie Seroney Secondary school, Cheptabach secondary school and Cheptabach primary school.

## Impact

We have availed safe supply of menstrual health and hygiene commodities to 2000 adolescent girls in schools to last them a term.





Photo showing adolescent girls at Savani Secondary school receiving supply of menstrual absorbents
3.13 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION AND EDUCATION

#### Intervention

We continue to strengthen our values in environmental conservation and education in the communities with indigenous tree planting intiatives. We are raising indigenous tree seedlings at Sitoi nursery (10,000) and Kapsumbeiwa nursery, following a high number of tree seedlings requests from the community.

#### Outcomes

During the quarter,

- 100 indigenous trees were donated and planted and Kobujoi, Nandi south forest during the marking of international day of forests
- 100 indigenous tree seedlings were donated and planted by the Ladies Open Golf Tournament team at Nandi hills primary schools and other community areas.
- 600 cypress tree seedlings were donated and planted along the school fence of Taboiyat Secondary school as part of school science and environmental project.

#### **Impact**

As a realisation of our commitment to the tree planting initiatives, environmental conservation has been taken up in schools and communities. We have over 90% success rate in growth of trees planted.





Photo showing students from Kaptumo Kenya Medical Training College after a tree planting session at Nandi South Forest during the marking of International day of Forests.

# 4. PARTNERSHIPS

#### 4.1 Developments with Twinings Tea - UK

Twinings Tea carried out a Community Needs Assessment at Kibwari PLC. A report is yet to be shared.

To address underutilisation of the health facility, the County Government in partnership with Twinings will train Community Health Volunteers (CHVs) who will then market the facility to the community.

#### 4.1 a) HER Health Project

HER Health trainings sessions in Chemomi came to an end during the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter, 2023. Graduation and closeout session yet to be held.

- 4.2 Developments with Taylors of Harrogate
- 4.2.1 The Refurbishment of the Kobujoi Community Forest Association (CFA) Resource Centre.

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# 6. ESTATES DONATIONS' SUMMARY

Donations summary is as depicted in the table below. We donated in cash and in kind, goods and services worth **Ksh. 551,491.00** 

## **EASTERN PRODUCE KENYA LIMITED**

SUMMARY OF DONATIONS QUARTER ONE, 2023 ESTATE				
ESTATE	Quarter 1	Total		
СНЕМОМІ	54,071	54,071.00		
NANDI OFFICE	-	0.00		
KABOSWA	13,776	13,776.00		
KIBABET	12,732	12,732.00		
SAVANI	100,335	100,335.00		
SIRET	29,000	29,000.00		
SITOI	61,490	61,490.00		
KAPSUMBEIWA	58,763	58,763.00		
KIPKOIMET	17,277	17,277.00		
КЕРСНОМО	40,185	40,185.00		
GCW		0.00		
KIBWARI	163,862	163,862.00		
KIPKEIBON		0.00		
KAPRACHOGE		0.00		
SUB TOTAL	551,491.00	551,491.00		

# 7. CSR FINANCIAL RECONCILIATION 2023

#### **EASTERN PRODUCE KENYA LIMITED**

SUMMARY OF DONATIONS QUARTER ONE, 2023 (COMMUNITY CSR)			
ESTATE	Quarter 1	Total	
CHEMOMI	257,747	257,747.00	
NANDI OFFICE	2,293,959	2,293,959.00	
KABOSWA	-	0.00	
KIBABET	355,892	355,891.76	
SAVANI	131,314	131,314.00	
SIRET	623,424	623,424.00	
SITOI	195,000	195,000.00	
KAPSUMBEIWA	432,314	432,314.00	
KIPKOIMET	-	0.00	
КЕРСНОМО	-	0.00	
GCW		0.00	
KIBWARI	-	0.00	
KIPKEIBON		0.00	
KAPRACHOGE		0.00	



SUB TOTAL 4,289,649.76 4,289,649.76

# **EASTERN PRODUCE KENYA LIMITED**

SUMMARY OF DONATIONS QUARTER ONE COMBINED				
ESTATE	Quarter 1	Total		
CHEMOMI	311,818	311,818.00		
NANDI OFFICE	2,293,959	2,293,959.00		
KABOSWA	13,776	13,776.00		
KIBABET	368,624	368,623.76		
SAVANI	231,649	231,649.00		
SIRET	652,424	652,424.00		
SITOI	256,490	256,490.00		
KAPSUMBEIWA	491,077	491,077.00		
KIPKOIMET	17,277	17,277.00		
КЕРСНОМО	40,185	40,185.00		
GCW	-	0.00		
KIBWARI	163,862	163,862.00		
KIPKEIBON	-	0.00		
KAPRACHOGE	-	0.00		
SUB TOTAL	4,841,140.76	4,841,140.76		

# 8. CSR ACTIVITIES SCHEDULED FOR 2023

PROJECTS	ACTIVITIES	TIMELINES	QUARTER 1 DELIVERABLES	P. RESPONSIBLE
RAIN WATER HARVESTING SYSTEMS	Install 16 rain water harvesting systems in 2023	Install 4 RWH systems per Quarter	3 RWH & 1 metal stand – On target	Respective GMs
CLASSROOM FURNITURE	Donate 480 classroom furniture to 24 schools (16 primary and 8 sec sch) in 2023. (4 primary schools and 2 secondary schools per quarter)	Donate 80 primary school desks per quarter and 40 secondary school lockers and chairs per quarter	60 primary school desks and 40 lockers and chairs – on target	Respective GMs
COMPUTERS	Donate 20 computers to 2 schools – 10 per school to establish ICT classrooms	Establish 2 computer labs in the 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> quarter – with availability of computers released	11 computers donated. 1 Junior secondary school. On target establishing a computer lab	Respective GMs



CANITATION	Construct 9 4 door	Construct 2	2 - 4 door latrings	Pospostivo GMs
SANITATION FACILITIES	Construct 8 – 4 door sanitation facilities in schools, dispensaries and/or market communities.	Construct 2 sanitation facilities per quarter	3 – 4 door latrines approved. – On target	Respective GMs
GENDER OFFICE	Construct a Gender Office at Nandi Hills police station	To complete and hand over by end of 2 <sup>nd</sup> quarter	Tenders awarded. Works to commence – on track	OD
LEARNING ITEMS FOR LEARNERS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS	Purchase learning materials for learners with special needs	Support 1 school with learning items by end of 1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter	Quotes sourced for support to one school – on track	Respective GMs
CLIMATE ACTION	Raise 10,000 indigenous tree seedlings for planting in schools and donation to County Environment office	To donate and plant 1000 trees in 2nd, 3rd and 4th quarters respectively. To donate 7000 tree seedlings to government agencies and in marking international environment days	800 tree seedlings donated and planted – on track	TDM
SPORTS	Support recreational activities. Purchase and donate footballs, kits, goal posts and maintenance of grounds	Support estate and community football teams with sporting equipment throughout the year. 16 teams to be supported in the 1st quarter with training and match footballs as well as kits.  Maintenance of play fields to be done every quarter.	Items purchased – schedule for handing over in place – On track	CD/CSRM
TABASAMU	Purchase sanitary towels to support and keep 2000 adolescent girls in school during the year. Train adolescent girls and employees in the workplace on menstrual health and hygiene	Purchase 6000 sanitary towels every 4 months	6000 sanitary towels purchased and donated to 5 schools. On target	CSRM
HERO PROJECT – DAIRY FARMING	Support smallholder dairy farmers	Spread over the year. Hold engagement meetings in the 1st	Project on hold	CD 14



	establish a cooling plant	quarter and start implementation in 2 <sup>nd</sup> quarter		
TIMBER AND USED FURNITURE	Support construction of religious institutions	Per quarter depending on availability of Timber	Timber donated to St Gregory Kaputi – On track	Respective GMs
OFFICE FURNITURE	Donate 16 sets of office furniture to local administration offices	4 sets (2 tables and 4 chairs) per quarter	3 Sets office furniture donated – On track	Respective GMs
PRINTERS AND PHOTOCOPIERS	Donate 1 black and white printer to Nandi county football association	Donate 1 black and white printer to Nandi county football association	1 printer being sourced – on track	HR&AM

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