

EASTERN PRODUCE KENYA LIMITED

Corporate Social Responsibility Report

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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.

During the 2nd Quarter, Hadithi continued with photography and filming of our operations including interviews with smallholder tea farmers and the OGM. This has given us a library of photos to work with when telling our stories and carrying out trainings among other documentary activities.

2.0 UPDATE ON CSR IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

Progress on implementation of CSR activities has been good, with coordination from the CSR committee. The 2nd quarter meeting was carried out focusing on community relations enhancement projects and implementation. Having assessed the need for Science labs in Junior schools, the committee agreed to implement 8 science labs in 4 estate and 4 community schools after signing an MoU with the Ministry of Education, Nandi East Sub-County.

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.

During the 2nd Quarter, we held our bi-annual Farmers' Field Day. It attracted over 4000 visitors, over 30 exhibitors and over 50 dignitaries. Farmers had the opportunity to learn different aspects of crop husbandry and best practices to improve their yield, environmental conservation measures, food security and diversification. This event brought the farmers close to the company with increased requests for new and renewal of farmers' registration.

Descriptions of projects approved and implemented during the 1st quarter and 2nd 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 1st quarter, 60 Primary school desks and 40 lockers and chairs were approved, made and handed over to 3 Primary schools and 2 secondary schools.

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



Impact

As a result, 320 learners – (240 primary school pupils and 80 Junior and senior 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 school administration receiving office furniture at Kipkoror Secondary 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 1st quarter, 11 computers were availed by IT team for donation to 2 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 Khartoum primary school administration receiving computers from Kapsumbeiwa Estate.

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 1st 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.

In the 2nd quarter, the committee approved equipping of Rain water harvesting systems to 3 learning institutions and 1 health facility.

Impact

As a result, sustainable supply of an average capacity of 70,000ltrs of water is available in the schools and the dispensary. This saves the learners time they would use to go fetch water to engage in academic and co-curricular activities. Access to supply of water has also facilitated hygiene solutions to health care facilities.

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





Photo showing Installed water tower at Kipkoror dispensary.

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 1st quarter, the committee approved construction of a 4 – door sanitation facilities at Cheptabach primary school, O'lang'ata primary school and Kaputi primary school.

In the 2^{nd} quarter, the committee approved construction of 4 – door sanitation facilities in 3 learning institutions and a double door latrine in one learning institution.

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 2800 pupils, teachers and school staff benefit from these facilities.





Photo showing a 4 door sanitation facility constructed and handed over at Lelwak police station 3.5 HEALTH

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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

During the 1st quarter we fabricated and installed 2 lightning arrestors at Kipchawat primary school.

In the 2nd quarter the CSR committee approved fabrication and installation of 6 lightning arrestors in 3 learning institutions; a vocational centre, an ECDE centre and a Junior school.

Impact

As a result, the safety of over 1555 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, the Committee approved donation of office furniture to learning, health care and administrative instituions.

Outcomes

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

In the 2nd quarter, 3 sets of office furniture (6 tables and 12 chairs) was made and donated to 3 learning institutions.

Impact



As a result, improved community service delivery, and working conditions continues to be enhanced



PHOTO SHOWING OFFICE FURNITURE DONATED TO MOGOON OFFICE

3.7 SPORTS

Intervention

Football kits and footballs were purchased for 17 football teams.

Outcomes

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

Estates continued to facilitate football matches over the weekends, keeping the communities engaged, physically fit, mentally and socially healthy.

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.

There're improved relations between management and employees, as well as fewer cases of alcohol abuse cases being reported among the youthful employees.

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 1st quarter, we donated 4800 running feet roofing timber to St Gregory Kaputi catholic church.

In the 2nd quarter, we donated 12,500 running feet roofing timber to Our Lady Queen of Peace 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 Our Lady Queen of Peace 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 1st quarter, 2000 adolescent girls received sanitary towels to last them 3 months at Savani Secondary School, St John's Chepkunyuk Sec school, Jean Marie Seroney Secondary school, Cheptabach secondary school and Cheptabach primary school.

In the 2nd quarter, we supported 1500 adolescent girls with a supply of sanitary towels to last them a term. The adolescent girls and their teachers were engaged in health talks around menstruation, busting myths and misconceptions allowing them to be well informed and empowered to participate fully in their academic and social lives.

Impact

We have availed safe supply of menstrual health and hygiene commodities to 3500 adolescent girls in schools to last them a term. This will help avert absenteeism, encourage full participation in school activities and empowered the girl's by improving their self-esteem and self-awareness.





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

Intervention

We continue to strengthen our values in environmental conservation and education in the communities with indigenous tree planting initiatives. 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 1st quarter:

- 100 indigenous trees were donated and planted at 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.

In the 2nd quarter:

- 100 indigenous trees were donated and planted at Lelwak water catchment and environs
- 100 indigenous trees were donated and planted and Kipkoror dispensary and Kaputi primary school
- 500 indigenous trees were donated and planted at Kimondi forest.
- 200 indigenous trees were donated and planted by the Chief, Chemomi location
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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 tree planting session at Kaputi Primary school.

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 Chepsire 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 1st Quarter, 2023. A graduation ceremony was held during the 2nd quarter. An end line survey report was shared that depicted improved behavioural outcomes in the areas of health seeking behaviours like family planning and Maternal child health, however there was a decrease in consumption of indigenous vegetables and use of kitchen gardens. On grievances, employees interviewed reported to have confidence on grievance handling procedures by the company and more men than women said they use or would use the mechanism should need arise.





Photo showing a participant receiving her certificate from the Company Director during the HER Health Graduation Ceremony in Chemomi.

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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7. CSR FINANCIAL RECONCILIATION 2023

EASTERN PRODUCE KENYA LIMITED									
SUMMARY OF DONATIONS QUARTER 2, 2023 (CSR COMMITTEE)									
ESTATE	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Total				
CHEMOMI	257,747	237,118.55			494,865.55				
NANDI OFFICE	2,293,959	1,094,698.00			3,388,657.00				
KABOSWA	-	259,000.00			259,000.00				
KIBABET	355,892	829,422.24			1,185,314.00				
SAVANI	131,314	336,879.56			468,193.56				
SIRET	623,424	431,711.00			1,055,135.00				
SITOI	195,000	304,613.00			499,613.00				
KAPSUMBEIWA	432,314	408,142.30			840,456.30				



KIPKOIMET	-	90,000.00			90,000.00
КЕРСНОМО	-	-			0.00
GCW		-			0.00
KIBWARI	-	298,000.00			298,000.00
KIPKEIBON		-			0.00
KAPRACHOGE					0.00
SUB TOTAL	4,289,649.76	4,289,584.65	0.00	0.00	8,579,234.41

GCW		-			0.00
KIBWARI	-	298,000.00			298,000.00
KIPKEIBON		-			0.00
KAPRACHOGE					0.00
SUB TOTAL	4,289,649.76	4,289,584.65	0.00	0.00	8,579,234.41

SUMMARY OF DONATIONS QUARTER 2, 2023 ESTATE DONATIONS IN CASH AND IN KIND

Quarter 2

Quarter 3

Quarter 4

Total

CHEMOMI	54,071	33,216.00	87,287.00
NANDI OFFICE	-	-	0.00
KABOSWA	13,776	3,198.00	16,974.00
KIBABET	12,732	3,504.00	16,236.00
SAVANI	100,335	44,136.00	144,471.00
SIRET	29,000	10,919.00	39,919.00
SITOI	61,490	48,555.00	110,045.00
KAPSUMBEIWA	58,763	67,861.00	126,624.00
KIPKOIMET	17,277	6,697.00	23,974.00
КЕРСНОМО	40,185	-	40,185.00
GCW		-	0.00
KIBWARI	163,862	-	163,862.00
KIPKEIBON			0.00

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SUB TOTAL

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Quarter 1

ESTATE

SUMMARY OF DONATIONS QUARTER 2 COMBINED

551,491.00

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769,577.00



ESTATE	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Total
CHEMOMI	311,818	270,334.55	-	-	582,152.55
NANDI OFFICE	2,293,959	1,094,698.00	-	-	3,388,657.00
KABOSWA	13,776	262,198.00	-	-	275,974.00
KIBABET	368,624	832,926.24	-	-	1,201,550.00
SAVANI	231,649	381,015.56	-	-	612,664.56
SIRET	652,424	442,630.00	-	-	1,095,054.00
SITOI	256,490	353,168.00	-	-	609,658.00
KAPSUMBEIWA	491,077	476,003.30	-	-	967,080.30
KIPKOIMET	17,277	96,697.00	-	-	113,974.00
КЕРСНОМО	40,185	-	-	-	40,185.00
GCW	-	-	-	-	0.00
KIBWARI	163,862	298,000.00	-	-	461,862.00
KIPKEIBON	-	-	-	-	0.00
KAPRACHOGE	-	-	-	-	0.00
SUB TOTAL	4,841,140.76	4,507,670.65	0.00	0.00	9,348,811.41

8. CSR ACTIVITIES SCHEDULED FOR 2023

PROJECTS	ACTIVITIES	TIMELINES	QUARTER 1 DELIVERABLES	QUARTER 2 DELIVERABLES	STATUS	P. RESPONSIBLE
RAIN WATER HARVESTING (RWH) SYSTEMS	Install 16 RWH systems in 2023	Install 4 RWH systems per Quarter	3 RWH & 1 metal stand – On target	4 RWH systems installed – On target	44% against 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	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	60 primary school desks and 40 lockers and chairs – on target	42% against target	Respective GMs



	secondary schools per quarter)					
COMPUTERS	Donate 20 computers to 2 schools – 10 per school to establish ICT classrooms	Establish 2 computer labs in the 3 rd and 4 th quarter – with availability of computers released	11 computers donated. 1 Junior secondary school. On target establishing a computer lab	Nil donated 1 computer lab established at Kaputi Junior secondary School	55% progress	Respective 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	3 – 4 door and 1 double door latrines approved – On target.	81% progress	Respective GMs
GENDER OFFICE	Construct a Gender Office at Nandi Hills police station	To complete and hand over by end of 2 nd quarter	Tenders awarded. Works to commence – on track	Construction complete; furnishing WIP; on target	90% progress	OD
LEARNING ITEMS FOR LEARNERS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS	Purchase learning materials for 2 schools supporting Special Needs Education (SNE)	Support 1 school with learning items by end of 1 st Quarter	Quotes sourced for support to one school – on track	WIP – on track	0% progress	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 2 nd , 3 rd and 4 th quarters respectively. To donate 7000 tree seedlings to government agencies and in marking international environment days	800 tree seedlings donated and planted – on track	2900 indigenous tree seedlings donated and planted – on track	29% progress	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 1 st 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	21 teams supported with footballs and football kits, including goal keeper kits – surpassed target	131% progress	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	4500 sanitary towels purchased and donated to 3 schools On target	44% progress	CSRM
HERO PROJECT – DAIRY FARMING	Support smallholder dairy farmers establish a cooling plant	Spread over the year. Hold engagement meetings in the 1 st quarter and start implementation in 2 nd quarter	Project on hold	Taken out		CD
TIMBER AND USED FURNITURE	Support construction of religious institutions	Per quarter depending on availability of Timber	Timber donated to St Gregory Kaputi – On track	Timber donated to Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic church – On track	Good progress	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	3 Sets office furniture donated – On track	38% progress	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	1 printer being sourced – on track	0% progress	HR&AM

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