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PROJECT DIPUPO



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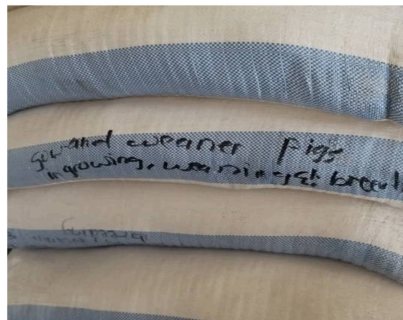
Report agriculture



We started working on the garden and the associated field in December 2022 with great expectations. The rainy season normally starts at the end of December and lasts until March/April. However, this year there was very little rain throughout the country and this also had an impact on agriculture nationwide. It was not possible for us to water the fields sufficiently, so we concentrated mainly on the garden. The inhabitants of the neighbouring villages, who worked their fields with painstaking manual labour, also failed to achieve a yield on their fields, just like us, and the drought once again brought hunger with it.

We are dependent on working the sandy soil so that the garden can produce a yield. To get the cow dung we need, we have to hire a pick-up, which is expensive. Unfortunately, both of our means of transport are old and we always have problems that we cannot solve or can only solve inadequately because we do not have the necessary replacement material.

Report animals



For over a year now, we have been allowed to collect the expired, unsaleable food from Choppies in Divundu and feed it to the animals. Mr Malasa can collect the rubbish bin provided twice a week. However, this is not enough. The state agricultural project Shadikongoro, 10 kilometres away, also informs us when their field is overgrown with purslane/root weed and our workers are called in to weed their fields. The juicy leaves with the fleshy stems feed not only the pigs but also the poultry.

Unfortunately, we have not yet been able to procure the necessary machinery for the animal feed pellets and so we have to keep buying concentrated feed for the pigs. Our supplier recently took Mr Malasa to Zambia, where he buys the concentrated feed. The trader there emphasised once again how important it is to feed the animals with rich concentrates to make the investment and yield worthwhile. As long as we are not able to produce concentrates ourselves, we will continue to be dependent on expensive imported products.

Report project



This year we had spotted elephants in the countryside. We were worried that they would get as far as the house and approach the water tanks. The land had not yet been completely fenced in. Large animals such as cows, donkeys, goats and even elephants trample on the land and eat the young plants and trees. Wire was also repeatedly stolen so that the animals could run around unhindered. We cut down trees, their trunks and branches were hammered into stakes and placed around the entire piece of land. A whole 15 kilometres of wire were needed to build a solid fence. Agraftes, which are new to Namibia, make the work easier, so we sent friends to hardware stores all over the country to get agraftes for us.

The two local football teams, to whom we were able to give a complete kit and footballs, agreed to bring stakes for the fence in return for the gift we received. We gratefully accepted the additional help. The rethink of supporting each other is slowly finding its way into people's consciousness. And the self-help that we want to promote with our project is taking shape.

Report shop



Towards the middle of the year, the shop and the surrounding area were ready for us to use. However, all the interested parties we had previously promised were suddenly no longer available. Procuring the inventory was beyond our means. So we decided to make the shelves ourselves. We bought the materials and started making the shelves.

The shop is now run by a young woman from the neighbourhood. Her investment is small. Food and everyday products are in short supply, so we are still looking for an investor who can take over the shop. Initial discussions have already taken place and we very much hope that we can bring them to a successful conclusion.

Report water



This year, there have been an increasing number of reports of thefts of solar pumps for water extraction throughout the country. As the reports came closer to our region and water pumps were stolen, we decided to secure the pump with a lock. The workers made a frame, concreted it in and secured it with a padlock so that it is impossible to remove the pump and steal it.

More and more people are coming to us for their daily water needs. The radius has increased to 3 kilometres. We have now switched off the water supply at night so that no water is wasted. There are always residents who complain when they have to wait for the pipe to fill up with water.

REPORT KINDERGARTEN

Report kindergarten



This year, 13 children regularly attended kindergarten. Our classroom has enough space for 20 to 25 children. Parents often only send their children to school on days when they know that we offer them a meal. We have now commissioned a woman to bring fresh fatcakes to the kindergarten every day from January 2024.

The requirements to register the kindergarten are becoming increasingly complex. Together with the teacher, we have drawn up a list of the children who regularly attend the kindergarten and a map of the area. However, the associated toilets do not fulfil the requirements. The authorities require the toilets to be equipped with a flush toilet. I was keen to discuss this requirement with the employee of the state authority in Divundu, as the children who attend our kindergarten have neither running water nor electricity at home, let alone a flush toilet. Unfortunately, I was unable to contact him as he was not available in the office or by telephone. Simple hygiene rules are more of a priority for me. Nevertheless, it would be good to register the kindergarten so that the teacher has access to school materials and general information.

Report cooperation/workplace



When I first heard about Wapa-nawa Recycling in Rundu, I immediately got in touch with Ladislauf Shikerete. His small company produces bricks from plastic and sand. Our co-operation involves people in our area collecting plastic waste and selling it to Wap-nawa.

We have bought 4 large bags for the first time. Mr Shikerete will take these to Kangumbe and explain to the residents why it is important to recycle plastic and not simply dispose of it somewhere.

Dipupo as a project will remain in the background. We want the workers to realise their own responsibility and contact Wapa-nawa directly if they have any questions or disagreements. We have created a bridge to jobs and hope that the effort will be worthwhile for both sides.

Financial statement **Project Dipupo****Balance from 01.01.2023****Projekt Dipupo**Rüttistrasse 3
4912 Aarwangen**per 31.12.2023**

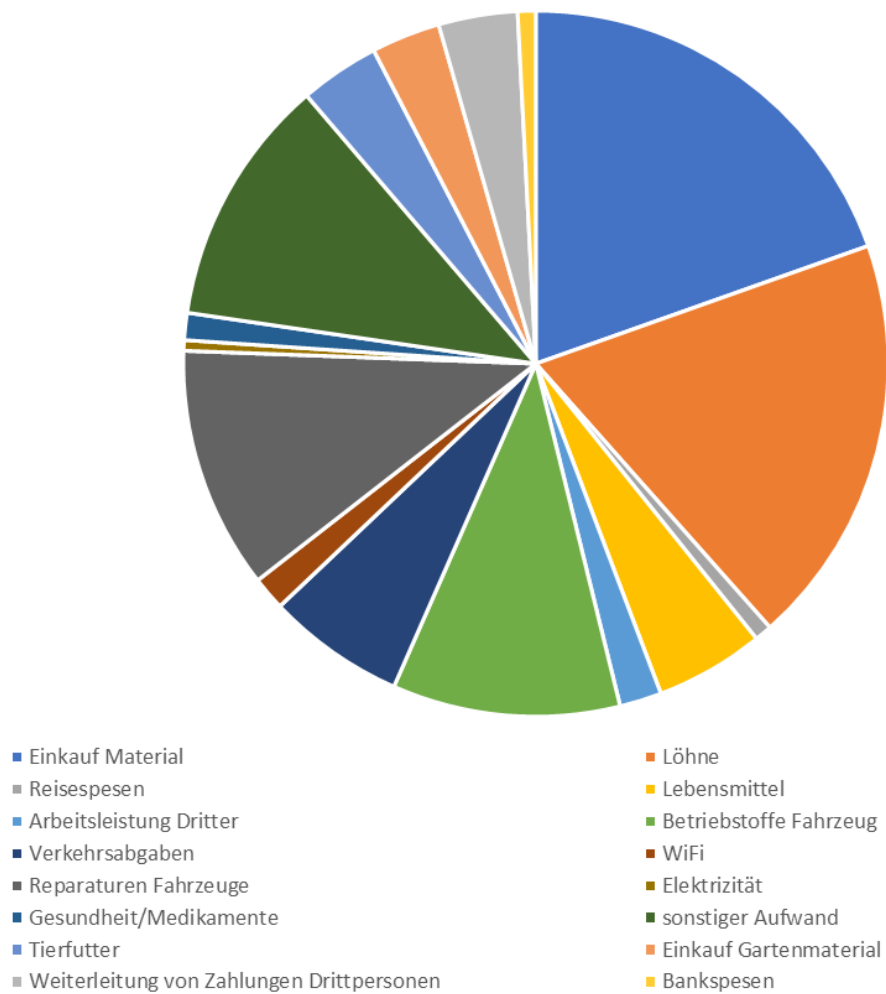
		in CHF	in CHF
Aktiven			
1000	Kasse	0.00	
1020	Bank	215.00	
1100	Bank Costody	0.00	
Passiven			
2000	Kreditoren		0.00
	Passive		
2300	Rechnungsabgr.		0.00
Total Fremdkapital			0,00
2970	Gewinnvortrag (Vermögen per 01.01.2023)		891.68
Total		215.00	891.68
Verlust/Gewinn			-676.68
Bilanzsumme		215.00	215.00
Vermögensentwicklung			
Vermögen per 01.01.2023			891.68
Ausgabenüberschuss			-676.68
Vermögen per 31.12.2023			215.00

Income statement

Project Dipupo
Kangumbe
Namibia

Financial year 2023

Income		in CHF
3200	Spenden	4282.50
3400	Einlage Patrizia	2205.00
3640	Übrige Einnahmen	88.24
Total income		6575.74
Expenses		
4000	Einkauf Material	1420.55
5400	Löhne	1367.19
5405	Reisespesen	57.48
5700	Lebensmittel	362.31
5790	Arbeitsleistung Dritter	139.77
5800	Fahrzeugkauf	0.00
5840	Betriebsstoffe Fahrzeug	757.46
6000	Verkehrsabgaben	459.90
6030	Transportaufwand	0.00
6040	WiFi	111.59
6200	Reparaturen Fahrzeuge	805.31
6220	Elektrizität	35.27
6260	Gesundheit/Medikamente	89.94
6280	sonstiger Aufwand	828.61
6300	Tierfutter	265.31
6360	Tiermedizin	0.00
6400	Einkauf Gartenmaterial	229.10
	Weiterleitung von Zahlungen	
6503	Drittpersonen	262.63
6940	Bankspesen	60.00
8500	Ausserordentlicher Aufwand	0.00
8510	Ausserordentlicher Ertrag	0.00
Total Expenses		7252.42
Deficit		-676.68



Financial statement friends of Dipupo

Balance from 25.07.2023

Association friends of Dipupo

Rüttistrasse 3
4912 Aarwangen

As of 31.12.2023

		in CHF	in CHF
Active			
1000	Cash register	0.00	
1020	Bank	41.76	
1100	Bank Costody	0.00	
Passives			
2000	Conditors		0.00
2300	Deferred income		0.00
Total debt capital			0.00
2970	Profit carried forward		0.00
Total		41.76	0.00
Loss/profit			41.76
Balance sheet		41.76	41.76
Asset development			
Assset per association foundation*			0
Profit			41.76
Asset as at 31.12.2023			41.76

*Foundation oft he association: 25.07.2023

*Opening of bank account: 01.08.2023

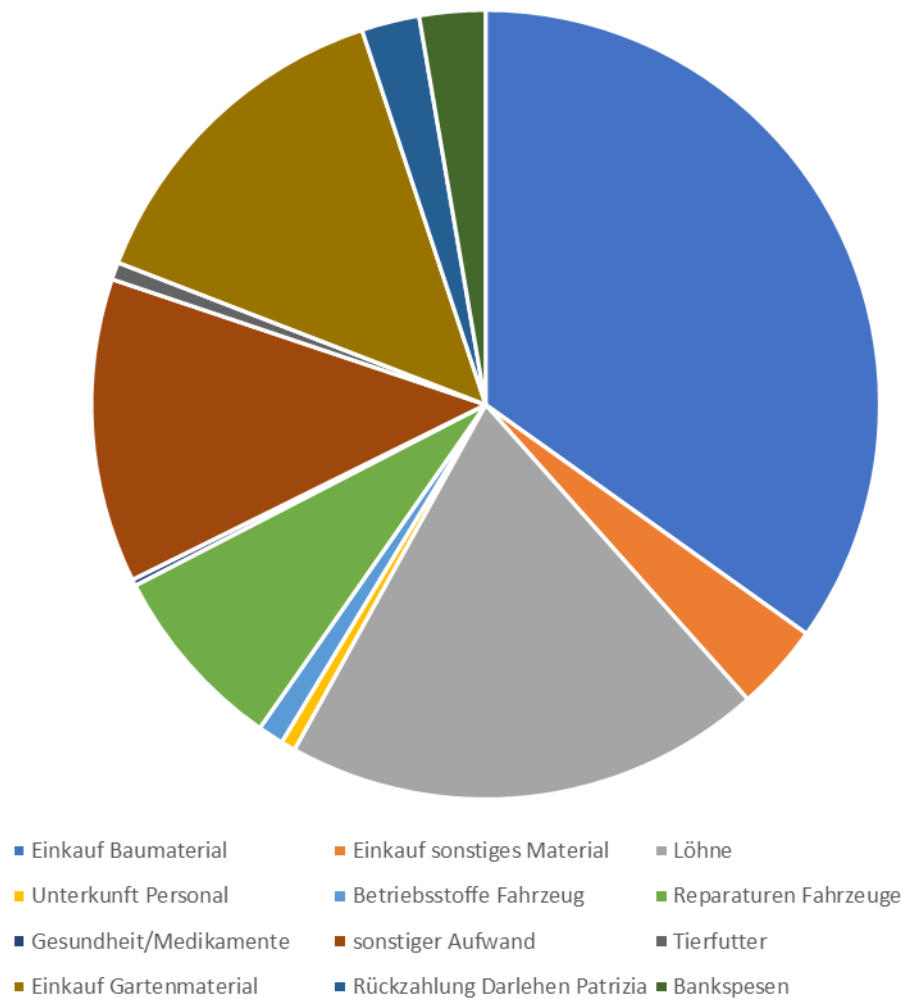
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Association friends of Dipupo

Rüttistrasse 3
4912 Aarwangen

Financial year 2023 (from 25.07.2023)

Income		in CHF
3000	Account transfer	42.63
3200	Donations	8'421.56
3400	Patrizia insert	0.00
Total Income		8'464.19
Expenses		
4000	Purchase of building materials	2'935.89
4200	Purchase of work materials	0.00
4400	Purchase of other material	300.00
5400	Wages	1'654.62
5405	Travel expenses	0.00
5720	Accommodations staff	50.00
5740	Food	0.00
5790	Work performed by third parties	0.00
5800	Vehicle purchase	0.00
5840	Vehicle fuels	88.73
6000	Traffic charges	0.00
6030	Transportation costs	0.00
6040	WiFi	0.00
6200	Vehicle repairs	649.50
6220	Electricity	0.00
6260	Health/Medication	21.96
6280	Other expenses	1'050.00
6300	Pet food	60.19
6360	Veterinary medicine	0.00
6400	Purchase of garden materials	1'183.78
6500	Repayment of Patrizia loan	200.00
6501	Printed matter	0.00
6520	Contributions, donations to other institutions	0.00
6940	Bank charges	227.76
Total expenses		8'422.43
Profit		41.76



Audit report

Audit report

The accounts were audited for the accounting period from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023 for both accounts ("Project Dipupo" and "Friends of Dipupo Association"). According to the audit, which was carried out by means of spot checks

- the balance sheet and income statement are consistent with the bookkeeping;
- the accounts were properly kept;
- the accounting entries correspond to the available supporting documents under the given circumstances (spot checks).

The **"Project Dipupo"** annual financial statements close with an expenditure surplus of **CHF - 676.68** as at 31 December 2023. The assets amount to **CHF 215.00** as at 31 December 2023.

On 25 July 2023, the "Friends of Dipupo" association was founded and a new bank account and accounting system were opened.

The annual financial statements of the **"Friends of Dipupo"** association closed with a profit of **CHF 41.76** as at 31 December 2023. The assets amount to **CHF 41.76** as at 31 December 2023.

The assets of the "Project Dipupo" in the amount of CHF 215.00 will be transferred to the bank account of the "Friends of Dipupo" association at the beginning of January 2024 after the bank account has been balanced.

Sabine Schomburg, Aarwangen, 16.01.2024

Conclusion

We did not achieve all of last year's visions. We could not afford to realise some of them, but we were able to consolidate others. The residents of the neighbouring settlements can already be found on the property more often. For example, one woman works in the garden while her husband offers his manual skills in the fields, forest and animal care. They also receive a small wage, which we are able to pay thanks to the monthly donations. The owner of the pick-up, who always offers his services, charges less if he can shower at our place after work, as he has no running water at home. The mutual help is appreciated by both sides.

We are aware that the workers earn very little and so we have unfortunately experienced an increase in theft in and around the house. Tools disappeared and vegetables from the garden were sold without our knowledge. As a result, shortly after the rainy season we had to sack the two field workers and look for new labourers. The high unemployment rate in the region worked in our favour and we found a young, motivated man in Mike.

There is always envy among the local residents and many untruths are told, which I learnt during my stay. The meeting of the people involved was intense, but it also showed me that the problems were being tackled head on.

We have had a difficult year and have only made a small step forward. What has nevertheless developed positively is the importance of self-help. We had to prioritise, because we couldn't afford everything that was necessary. There are more and more local residents who are benefiting from our project and are embracing the idea of helping people to help themselves and offering their help for a very small wage so that the project can move forward.

In order to continue successfully, we need a pick-up truck that can be used for any transport (work assignments, patient transport, aid, school transport) for and around our project and its residents, and we need sufficient food for the animals.

We would like to realise these two purchases (**pick-up CHF 25'000 and pig fattening CHF 230 per pig**) next year and look forward to receiving donations.

Thank you very much for your trust and support!



Patrizia Bevilacqua, Aarwangen, 31.12.2023

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