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WATER PROJECT IN TANZANIAN SCHOOLS SEMI ANNUAL REPORT

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FOREWORD Dear esteemed partners and stakeholders,

I would like to express my gratitude to all WASH gala partners, the government, and any other stakeholders who have contributed to our agenda of prevention and control of WASH-related diseases through Afyaplus's third WASH Gala that was conducted on March 24, 2023. The funds raised, have helped Afyaplus to successfully implement the project of the Water project in 10 Tanzanian schools in reporting this year. The completion of these 10 schools marks a total of 35 schools reached by this project which is funded by Afyaplus WASH gala stakeholders.

I would also like to extend my sincere appreciation to the school management for their collaboration and commitment during project implementation along with the students for the attention and cooperation with the Afyaplus team during the session, as the majority of them were very interested and happy with the session.

Afyaplus acknowledges the need to make community service systems more efficient, accountable, and responsive to those in need, and we actively gather feedback from various stakeholders to guide future directions.

We express our sincere gratitude to our donors, partners, and staff for their support and dedication, because without them the mission would have not been fulfilled. Afyaplus looks forward to partnering with collaborators to create more productive and robust WASH and empowerment programs in the future.

Regards,

Suzan Yumbe
Executive Director



ABOUT AFYAPLUS ORGANIZATION

AFYAPLUS is a not-for-profit organization operating its core development agenda of prevention and control of diseases through the promotion of water sanitation and hygiene (WASH) and empowerment of girls and young women.

The main goal of the organization is to improve school performance and create a community free from diseases caused by lack of safe and clean water, poor sanitation, and hygiene and empower adolescent girls and young women in a community.

Our mission

To cultivate behavior change and build a strong community through the promotion of water sanitation and hygiene services and empowerment of adolescents girls and young women through engaging relevant stakeholders.

Our vision

A responsible healthy Tanzanian community free from diseases caused by unsafe water, poor sanitation and hygiene services; and where adolescent girls and young women are empowered.

Where we work

We operate within the Iringa region, specifically in the following council.

- Iringa Municipal Council
- Iringa District Council
- Kilolo District Council
- Mafinga Town Council



STRATEGIC GOALS



Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) Services Improved in Schools and Community.

Afyaplus Organizational Capacity Improved.



Adolescent Girls and Young Women Empowered to Exploit their Potential to the maximum.

WATER PROJECT IN TANZANIAN SCHOOLS

Afyaplus Organization through the Water Project in Tanzanian Schools has continued with its development agenda of prevention and control of WASH-related diseases by promoting the construction of hand washing stations in Schools, provision of WASH training to promote behavior change together with advocacy and lobbying for support from decision-makers, other WASH stakeholders, and the community as a whole for improved WASH services in schools and the communities.



Fig 1: Students of Kalenga Secondary School in Iringa District Council practicing proper hand washing procedures during the hand washing hygiene session.

Based on research conducted by UNICEF in 2017 it was reported that about 70% of government health budget spent on preventable WASH related diseases as majority of population doesn't have access to WASH facilities including school children. Therefore availability of quality hand washing facilities in schools will increase hand-washing behavior and will help to reduce number of infectious diseases that can be spread from one person to another through contaminated hands and hence improve the health and learning performance of school-aged children.

In efforts to achieve sustainable development goals number 4 and 6, the Afyaplus organization implements a project that is inclusive for school children and profits more than 10000 school children, teachers, and other school workers in the Iringa region. The project funds depend on the fundraising events called Afyaplus WASH GALA, the main contributors are individuals, other WASH stakeholders, institutions, and business owners from the Iringa Region. In this reporting semi-annual report, the Afyaplus organization through the water project in Tanzanian schools has been able to achieve the following progress.



Fig 2: At the Miyomboni Secondary School in Iringa Municipal Council, students are diligently washing their hands thanks to the efforts of AfyaPlus WASH Gala stakeholders.

To promote WASH services in schools through the construction of a hand washing station in 1 school.

In this semi-annual Afyaplus organization has succeeded in constructing 1 hand washing Facility in one school called Igingilanyi Primary School in Iringa district Council which is going to serve 431 students (217 boys and 214 girls), teachers, and other workers. The completion of this hand-washing facility makes a total of 10 facilities constructed in 10 schools that will serve 6381 students (2924 boys and 3556 girls), and allow them to wash their hands frequently and reduce the chance of WASH-related infections that can be spread from one person to another through contaminated hands.



Fig 3: The Executive Director Ms. Suzan Yumbe demonstrate proper hand washing procedures to students at Igingilanyi primary School

The Afyaplus 3 WASH Gala was resounding success, thanks to the collaboration of stakeholders from various sectors who came together to find sustainable solutions for improving WASH services in Iringa. Once again, we extend our deepest gratitude for your support and we are looking forward to continuing our work with you in the future.

Provision of education on good sanitation and hygiene practices in two schools of the Iringa region

In this reporting period, Afyaplus has managed to create awareness of good sanitation and hygiene practices among 976 students (459 boys and 517 girls), 29 teachers, and other workers. Out of 976 students, 431 students (217 boys and 214 girls) were from Igingilanyi Primary School, and 545 students (242 boys and 303 girls) were from Miyomboni Secondary School. The major aim of these sessions were cultivate behavior change among school boys and girls in the Iringa region.



Fig 4: Students of Kalenga primary school demonstrating proper hand washing procedures during the sessions.

Since the implementation of this project from the first WASH Gala to the third WASH Gala, a total of 12981 students (4610 boys and 8371 girls) from 35 schools have been reached and equipped with skills on hand-washing, and the importance of proper hand hygiene to maintain cleanliness and protect against the spread of germs and disease.



Fig 05: Students of Kalenga Secondary School demonstrating proper hand washing procedures.



Fig 6: M&E officer, Mr. Nickson Shoo, demonstrating proper hand washing procedures, and its crucial role in maintaining good health to pupils of Kalenga Primary School.

A STORY FROM HEADMASTER OF MIYOMBONI SECONDARY SCHOOL

"I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude and appreciation to the partners, Government and other stakeholders for supporting AfyaPlus efforts to improve school water sanitation and hygiene (SWASH) services. In collaboration with my school management team, we promise to ensure proper utilization of the facility, its management, and maintenance of the facility in case of any damage, **Said Mr.Msigwa the Headmaster of Miyomboni sec**".



Fig 07: The Headmaster of Miyomboni Secondary School shares how the water in school project impacted the lives of students and their performance.

MILESTONES ACHIEVED IN THIS SEMI-ANNUAL

1. Through the water in schools project, a total of 2364 students (986 boys and 1378 girls) from two schools namely Miyomboni Secondary School and Igingilanyi Primary School were capacitated on good sanitation and hygiene practices.
2. Afyaplus Organization has successfully constructed one hand washing station in Igingilanyi primary school. and hand over one hand washing station in Igingilanyi primary school that marks the completion of 10 hand washing facilities constructed in 10 schools of the Iringa Region.

FINANCIAL UPDATES

SEMI ANNUAL INCOME

ITEM	USD (\$)	TSH
Transport cost	6.39	16000
Plumber allowance	25.95	65000
Constructor allowance	67.86	170000
Drawing cost	11.98	30000
Construction materials cost	150.90	378000
Plumbing materials cost	157.68	395000
Architectual fee	19.96	50000
Handing over cost	4.79	12000
TOTAL	445.51	1,116,000

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