

PROJECT REPORT – 1ST QUARTER, 2012

Organization: Daasgift Quality Foundation

Location: Takoradi, Ghana

Project Title: Help Over 50 Ghanaian Women Develop a Business

Background: Somewhere in 2011, DQF sought to raise funds through the GlobalGiving Platform to acquire a permanent piece of land for one of its women groups which depend on palm kernel oil production as their livelihood and source of income for supporting their children and families. This women falls within a minority group who migrated from the northern part of Ghana. The women need a budget of US\$11,500 to own a permanent land to do their work. So far US\$535 has been realized through the GlobalGiving platform – remaining \$10,965.

Current Situation: The Kwesimintsim Women Palm Kernel Oil Producers in the Sekondi Takoradi Metropolis faces growing eviction threats from owner of the present land on which they operate their business. The land owner has sold the plot to a private developer who has eventually commenced mobilization for fervent construction works on the said land.



As it stands now, the women are not able to operate at maximum. Their activities are restricted daily by on-going construction works by the developer – cutting down their profit margins close to \$1000 each month – a situation which has been persisting for the past 8 months. This is a critical treat to their livelihood and survival of their dependents – mostly children of school going age. With the current emerging oil industry in the Western Region of Ghana, the need for land by industry giants is growing by the day – pushing high the price of land at a rocketing pace.



“The consequences will be unbearable if we lose our only source of livelihood because we don’t have a permanent land to work on” – Fati Adam

Our deepest gratitude goes to the Team at GlobalGiving for allowing us to tell the world stories of poor and vulnerable groups – as in the case of the Kwesimintsim palm kernel oil producers through their platform. We are equally thankful to the many individuals around the globe who supports us through GlobalGiving. We will forever remain grateful!

We at Daasgift Quality Foundation is of the view that the need for partnership and donor support for this 50 vulnerable minority women is urgent now than ever. All over the world, there is clear evidence of progress made through determination, innovation and partnership. Until we are able to respond fully to the needs of these women, our efforts must not rest!

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