



Starting up the next project, construction of water harvesting tanks

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Singida town

We have arrived to Singida town, our new “home” for the next coming 4 weeks. Singida are located north of Dodoma and it takes 3-4 hours on the road, depending on the weather. At the moment they are constructing a new road which will have tarmac and this will speed up the travelling time enormously and make life easier for the trucks. This is especially good news for the drivers of WFP food trucks. The road is expected to be ready in 2007.

Singida is a big town having approximately 400.000 citizens. The city can not be compared to Dodoma when it concerns the types of buildings “down town”. Many buildings are old and the shops are mostly sheds. And as elsewhere in Tanzania, people are friendly. The best way to get to know a city is to walk around and find out where necessary shops and services are located. The most of the shops are selling a variety of goods, some are specialized only selling shoes and bags, but nearly no shop are specialized in that way you might be used to. If you are visiting Singida, you must take a walk within the market area, here you will find most interesting things and people. In the surroundings of the town (and some places within) you will find lots of rocks, some with most fantastic look, you can find rocks with another rock on top in fantastic positions.



The Project

1. Objectives

1.1. Long-Term Objective

The long-term objective is make WFP interventions to schools more effective and efficient as well as to contribute to Government effort in providing quality and equitable education to all children through improved school infrastructure and environment.

1.2. Immediate Objective

The immediate objectives of this project is to improve the school infrastructure and its environment by the construction of 3 rain water harvesting tanks of 60,000 litres on average to 3 primary day schools under the CP school feeding programme in Singida rural district

1.3. Environmental Intervention Objectives:

- 1.3.1. The provision of water harvesting tanks will reduce the incidence of infectious diseases carried out by the water supply and/ or the lack of clean water as the schools have no way of controlling the quality of the water brought in.
- 1.3.2. The provision of water rain water harvesting tank will the workload of women and schoolchildren from walking a long distance for fetching water.

1.4. Environmental Intervention Outputs

- 1.4.1. Three (3) rain water harvesting tanks constructed in 3 schools (Sagara, Mgori and Mapinduzi) in Singida rural district.
- 1.4.2. Improved environmental sanitation and personal hygiene for girls and boys students
- 1.4.3. Reduced the incidence of incidence of infectious diseases carried out by the water supply and/ or the lack of clean water



2. Implementing modalities

- 2.1. The project will be implemented under the overall responsibility of the Ministry of Education and Culture (MOEC) and the President Office Regional Administration and Local Government (PORALG) in close collaboration with the Prime Minister Office (PMO).
- 2.2. At the district level, the District Education Office (DEO) will represent MOEC. Project activities will be implemented by DEO through the implementing partner (HAPA¹).
- 2.3. The DEO, through DED, will provide the necessary financial, technical support and technical monitoring to the project activities in the district. He/she will be in charge of the overall co-ordination of the project within the district as well as the supervision of material deliveries, field monitoring and review/approval of the reports prepared by the implementing partner. Participating district council has agreed to provide technical expertise, allowance and transport for their monitoring and supervision visits.
- 2.4. DEO through DED will ensure that the Implementing partner will follow the construction standard Ministry of Education regulations for the mentioned construction. Therefore DEO will be responsible for regular monitoring at construction site and will advise implementing partner on quality construction standards.
- 2.5. At the school level, the schoolteachers and school committees will work closely with the implementing partner and district officials. They will participate in decisions relating to the proposed activities and will work hard to promote parental involvement and ownership.
- 2.6. All the activities must be completed by the mid of April 2006.

Activity Summary:

District	School Name	Activity 1
Singida rural	1. Mapinduzi	Construction of rainwater harvesting tank of 90,000 liters capacity (3 top surface tanks each 30,000 litre capacity or 2 top surface tanks each 45,000 litre capacity)
	2. Sagara	Construction of rainwater harvesting tank of 60,000 liters capacity (2 top surface tanks each 30,000 litre capacity)
	3. Mgori	Construction of rainwater harvesting tank of 30,00 liters capacity (1 top surface tank) and connect a pipeline of 1 km from a borehole source to fill the same in dry season

3. Training

The training will comprise of community mobilization for the collection of locally available materials for construction purpose (sands, stones, water etc) as well as community to provide labour, security. Also during training technical issues such as, maintenance of the tank and water harvesting structure, operation and management including the formulation of water management committees will be carried out.

The training shall also address water-related sanitation problems such as water purification and protection of water source from contamination. Trainers from HAPA comprising district multi-disciplinary team (WAMMA) will facilitate this training.

4. Monitoring and evaluation

WFP staff and district council technical person will make regular visits to each project school site to assess the construction progress works. The team will assist in resolving implementation constraints if any, and will prepare field visit reports in collaboration with HAPA. The implementing partner will collaborate with the DEO to prepare the final progress report on works undertaken. This report will then be submitted to WFP Country Office

¹ HAPA, Health Actions Promotion Association



Dreadful facts

Hunger and malnutrition kill more people every year than AIDS, Malaria and Tuberculosis combined.



Do not forget this important event; the walk this year is taking place in May 21st in your city or a city nearby. You can register your attendance by visiting <http://www.fighthunger.org/signup06>.

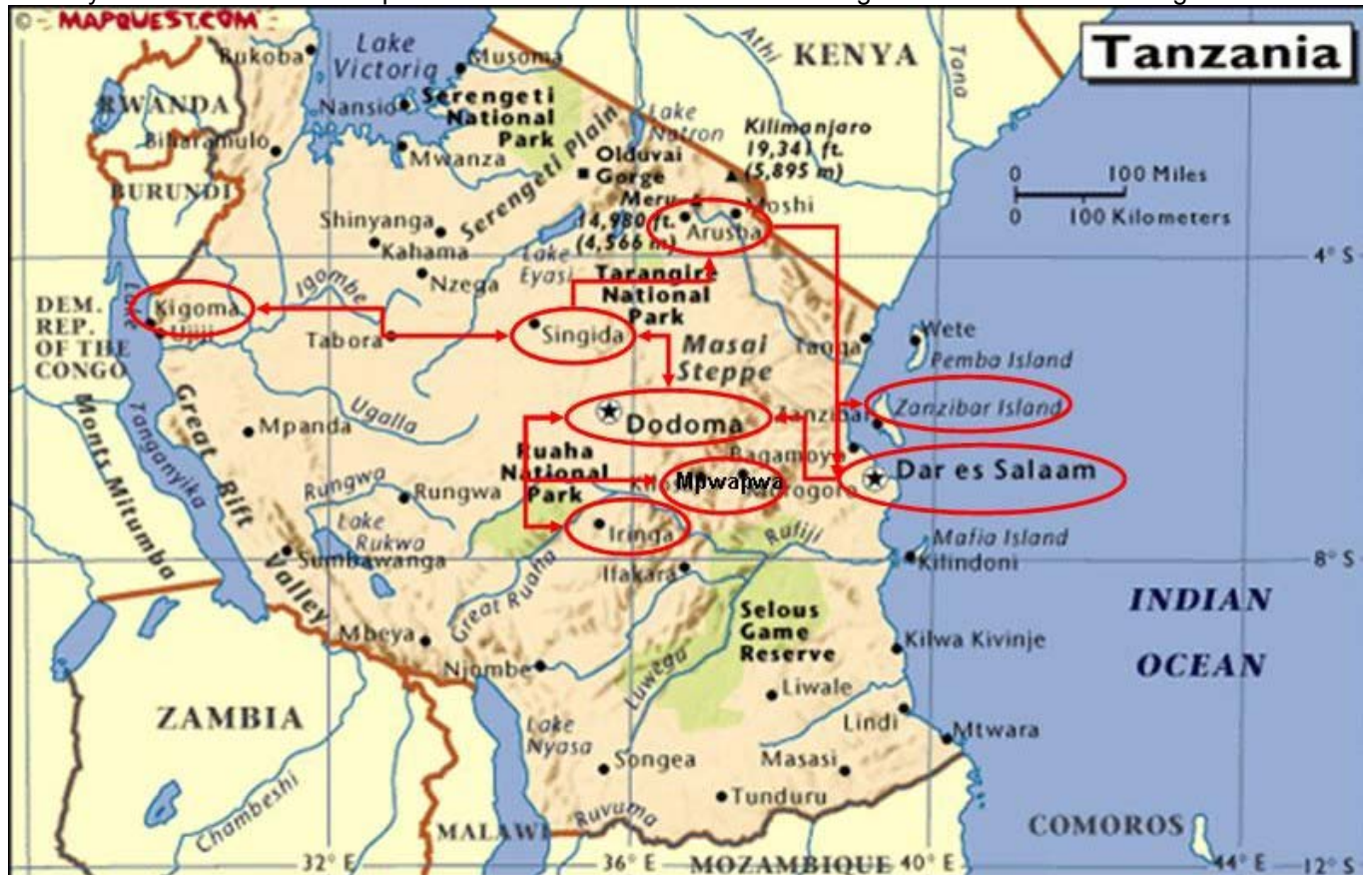
Positive facts

WFP acts quickly in emergencies, like war and drought, to prevent people from slipping into starvation



The Route so far and for the rest of the mission

Below you can follow on the map how and where we have been travelling and where we are still to go



That's all for today folks.



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