



# CENTRES for HEALTH & EDUCATION PROGRAMMES

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## CHEPs UPDATE

July - September 2014

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### About Us

The Centres for Health and Education Programmes (CHEPs) is a registered Non-Governmental Organisation (NGO) in Kenya. Its goal is to empower, promote access and improve quality of health and education for the benefit of under resourced individuals and communities.

CHEPs organises health/eye care screening and treatment camps, provides assistance for emergency medical and surgical care, sponsorship and career mentorship to deserving students, emergency relief and rehabilitation efforts in drought/famine disaster affected areas of Kenya, undertakes development and humanitarian projects in underprivileged areas of Kenya.

### Vision

CHEPs envisions the underprivileged across Kenya empowered with equal access to quality health and education services, improved agriculture and environment for a dignified lifestyle.

### Mission

CHEPs' mission is to empower the underprivileged individuals and communities of Kenya, while instilling hope and dignity, by providing sustainable and quality health, education, agriculture, environment conservation, development and humanitarian projects through local initiatives, resources, and involvement of local volunteers willing to serve the community.

### Our projects include:

#### Health care

eye camps, emergency medical treatments, limb prosthesis



#### Education

student sponsorship, student mentorship centre, library set up, desk, chair, solar lights & books distribution



#### Agriculture

farming support, irrigation projects, animal husbandry



#### Environment

trees planting, organizing cleanup/hygiene projects in villages

#### Development

microfinance & infrastructure for promotion of health and education, improving water supply through digging & rehabilitation of wells



#### Humanitarian

emergency relief during famine & drought



Limb prosthesis



Solar lights in Wajir



CHEPs Talent Street Kids

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## SUMMARY OF THIS QUARTER'S ACTIVITIES BY CHEPs:

### Health Projects

#### Medical treatment

- Reconstructive surgery done for Blessing, a 5 year old girl who fell into hot oil that left her severely disfigured.
- R.A.M was supported by CHEPs for cataract surgery at Lions eye hospital, Nairobi.
- Treatment of street kids in Kawangware slums is being sponsored by CHEPs
- Three disabled children in Kawangware slums are being supported for physiotherapy by CHEPs. They require specialized appliances to enable them to walk.
- A 40 year old lady in Mombasa developed a heart disease after hemorrhage following childbirth five years ago. Arrangements are being made to send her to India for treatment.

#### Limb prosthesis project

The third group 8 amputees from Wajir County were brought to Nairobi and fitted with limb prosthesis on 5<sup>th</sup> August 2014.

#### Wheel chair donation

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### Education Projects

#### Solar Lights distribution

1008 solar lamps have been donated by Beta Charitable Trust of UK. These were distributed to schools in Wajir through support from an anonymous well wisher.

#### Education support

CHEPs is currently sponsoring 49 students in total, of which 14 are at Secondary school level and 35 at College & University Level. Two other children in Lamu were supported with payment of fees for a term to avoid them being expelled from school.

#### CHEPs Kawangware Student Mentorship Centre

Weekly classes at the centre are continuing. The mentees will sit for their Kenya Certificate of Primary Education (KCPE) in November this year.

#### Books distribution

200 books were donated by a well wisher and were distributed in Wajir

#### Library renovations

A new library is being set up in the main Lamu town. CHEPs has partly sponsored renovations of this library.

### Agriculture Projects

#### Kitchen gardens

Plans have been finalized for 100 kitchen gardens to be set up around CHEPs wells in Wajir. All these have been sponsored by World Federation of KSIIJ.

### Development Projects

#### Wells digging & rehabilitation

CHEPs has so far dug 203 wells & rehabilitated (cupped) 461 wells in Wajir out of which 5 wells were dug and 4 were rehabilitated this quarter.

### Humanitarian Projects

#### Ramadhan Food distribution

The Centres for Health and Education Programmes (CHEPs) partnered with Erach & Roshan Sadri Foundation (ERSF) for distribution of food during the Muslim holy month of Ramadhan. The target groups were orphans, widows and destitute elderly of Garissa, Wajir & Mandera Counties in North Eastern Kenya. These were the areas most affected by drought & famine in 2011.

### Conferences & Presentations

Two presentations were made at Jaffery Islamic centre in July 2014. These were on charity in action and update on CHEPs activities. These were accompanied by a poster exhibition.

### Other Activities

#### CHEPs talent kids project

15 street kids are now been provided shelter in a rented room in Kawangware slums of Nairobi. Here they are provided 3 meals a day and given lessons in literacy, numeracy & drawing every day. It is hoped that this support will enable these children to go back to school and brighten their future.

#### Sewing machine for amputee

A 39 year old male resident of Wajir, Bishar Bule is a husband and father of 4 children. He is also the sole provider of his family. He underwent below knee amputation of his left lower limb in the year 1989, aged 15 years then, following a road accident that severely injured his limb. Having tailoring skills, he requested for a new sewing machine to replace his old broken one, this was done and Bishar is now earning working hard and sustains his family from his own earnings.

## Health

### Medical treatment

In the CHEPs update 006, Blessing's story was highlighted. She is a 5 year old girl brought up by a single mother in the Kawangware slums. She fell into hot oil that left her severely disfigured. Since then she has been stigmatized in society and has no friends and doesn't play with the neighbours as a normal child would.

In August 2014, specialist plastic surgeon at Kenyatta National Hospital undertook reconstructive surgery on the nose and around the eyes. There is now significant difference in her looks, she feels much better and more sociable. The surgeons advised that since she was still very young, subsequent facial reconstructive surgeries should be undertaken after she is 15 years of age.



*Blessing after surgery*



*Blessing before treatment*



*Blessing with CHEPs volunteer Noel after surgery*

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CHEPs welcomes donations for such adhoc needs for healthcare of the destitute.

A 40 year old lady in Mombasa developed a heart disease after hemorrhage following childbirth five years ago. Recently her condition worsened and she is continuously breathless and very weak. The cardiologist advised her to go to India for urgent surgery to save her life. The family has been collecting funds from various sources to make this possible. CHEPs received some donation from Muslim UN staff in Nairobi and sent to the family. Once the required is collected the lady will be able to travel for her treatment.

## Limb prosthesis project

People in remote villages of Kenya usually have no access to modern healthcare facilities much less specialized care for the disabled. Children and adults can have their legs amputated because of accident, infections, and snake bites they are then left to suffer for life without any hope of being able to walk again. Many of them do not even know that limb prosthesis can be fitted to enable them walk on their own.

The CHEPs Jaipur foot project comes as a hope for such people in remote Wajir county of Kenya.

The third group 8 amputees from Wajir County were brought to Nairobi and fitted with limb prosthesis on 5<sup>th</sup> August 2014, thanks to support from Beta Charitable Trust, UK.



Below is a brief profile on the beneficiaries:



**Name & Age:** Abdi Mohamud Ibrahim, 21years

**How & when amputated:** Born amputated

**Source of living:** Dependant on relatives after being orphaned 7years ago.

**Expectations:** He is form 4 school leaver and intends to look for a job, though he wanted continue with education and do a course on Community health if supported for as his relatives are poor and cannot afford the cost. His KCSE mean grade was D.



**Name & Age:** Bishar Abdi Hassan, 54years

**How & when amputated:** Suffered cancer and was treated last year in Mombasa

**Source of living:** He was working at a hotel in Mombasa (Reef hotel) where he worked for over 20years as a housekeeping staff but could not continue after being amputated thus is now jobless

**Expectations:** He looks forward to getting a job again and working as a cleaner, office messenger or any other respectable job after getting a prosthetic limb.

He did not want to reveal information that his son is working as an administration police in Nairobi but doesn't take care of the family back home where his sister is a form 4 student in Waberi Mixed Day Secondary school and is sometimes chased away from school due to non-payment of fees.



**Name & Age:** Saney Gedow Omar, 65years

**How & when amputated:** He had a road accident in 1966 in Nairobi and was treated at Kenyatta National Hospital

**Source of living:** He relies on handouts from friends and relatives as he is a retired old man.

**Expectations:** He intends to have a small business like a canteen if supported with capital.

He has 8 children out of which two sons are living with him, the eldest being a form 4 leaver and the other 10 year old.



**Name & Age:** Nuria Ahmed Abdi, 62years

**How & when amputated:** She was attacked by an elephant about 12years ago. She was treated at Kenyatta National Hospital in Nairobi

**Source of living:** She does small business like cooking and selling mandazi and collecting fire wood, her husband is a casual labourer. She has 8 children, the eldest being 20years & youngest 5year old

**Expectations:** She wants to try and be independent on other people. She will now be able to manage her business better with the prosthetic limb. She wants to get support for medical health care (when attacked by an elephant, the reason for amputation, she ran around the bushes during which a thorn pricked inside her hand, which can be felt when inside).



**Name & Age:** Ismael Mbare, 15years

**How & when amputated:** Snake bite in 2010

**Source of living:** He is an orphan; father passes away a year ago and he lives under the care of his relative who are very poor and with no constant source of income. He had to leave his studies at Std 7 because of being amputated and the death of his parents. He is now he is a Std 4 pupil at Got Ade Primary School due to the gap in study and being traumatized after the death of his parents and being amputated.

**Expectations:** He aspires to be a doctor and he is trying to make ends meet to achieve this goal. He is happy that he now has a prosthetic limb and will be able to walk to school with pride.



**Name & Age:** Mohamed Mohamed Sarey, 56years

**How & when amputated:** Cancer treated at Wajir Sr. Irshad hospital

**Source of living:** He is retired and relies on handouts from family and friends. He has 4 children and his wife passed away a few years ago therefore he got support from relatives. His eldest child is 16years and youngest 10 years who does not go to school as he take care of him during the day.

**Expectations:** He intends to do small business of being a broker and help people sell/buy animals at market for commission. Now that he has a prosthetic limb he has promised to send his smallest son to school as he can now walk around and does not need care anymore.

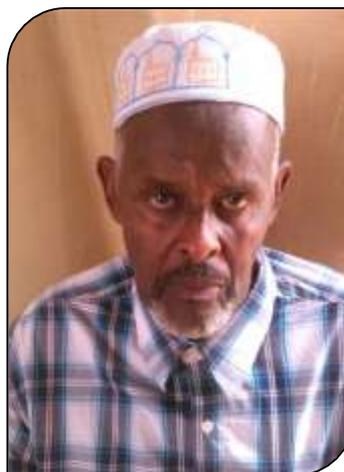


**Name & Age:** Dagan Ali Bule, 51years

**How & when amputated:** unknown illness 25years ago and was treated at Garissa hospitals. *(She had a Jaipur foot since 5years ago which needed replacement)*

**Source of living:** She does small business like making and selling food stuff and charcoal/firewood. She takes care of her 3 orphan children and 3 other orphan children who are her brothers children.

**Expectations:** She intends to continue her business and make sure she takes care of her children until they finish their studies and become independent.



**Name & Age:** Mohamed Abdi Idow, 63years

*(Jaipur foot currently don't have the material for diabetic thus he will have to come again next time)*

**How & when amputated:** Diabetic

**Source of living:** Jobless and relies on handouts from friends & family relatives

**Expectations:** He expects to start hawking if he gets some support in terms of capital



*CHEPs volunteer Hamza who is also a student sponsorship beneficiary helps an amputee take his first steps after getting a prosthetic limb*

### Wheel chair donation

Abdullahi Adow, a resident of Garissa town had a stroke sometime ago and has been in bed since then. His family had requested for a wheel chair so he could move around.

This was sent by CHEPs through donation by family of Late Muntazir Khimji. The family of Abdullahi is very grateful and say that he is now a happy person



*Abdullahi on his wheelchair*

## Education

### Solar lantern distribution

1008 solar lanterns have been donated by Beta Charitable Trust of UK. These were distributed to schools in Wajir through support from an anonymous well wisher. Below is the distribution list:

School / Institution	Number of solar
Catholic integrated primary school	170
Barwaqo Girls primary school	30
Kalkacha primary school	90
Furaha primary school	78
Wajir special secondary school for the Deaf	15
Wajir Girls Intergrated Primary School	78
Leheley secondary school	75
Arbaqeramso primary school	36
Adhibohol primary school	64
Waradey primary school	25
Elnur primary school	30
Jogbaru primary schoool	72
Wagalla Memorial Secondary school	224
Balad Amin Primary School	13
CHEPs Talent Street Kids	8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1008</b>

### LIGHTING UP OFF-THE-GRID

A couple of hours drive on the dusty road on the eastern town of Arbaqeramso, Wajir county, you'll find Arbaqeramso primary school, 30km from the closest electricity grid, there is a little hope of government power coming this way anytime soon.

In Arbaqeramso, like so many other villages across Wajir, the main source of light is Kerosene-which is not only expensive but has a myriad of negative health side effects and the risk that always comes when you place open tin lamps in a straw thatched dwellings.

Typically, when the sun goes down, the days chores are done-children's studying is over and the few shops close.

Not anymore-CHEPs Kenya, a Kenyan NGO, with support from BCT UK, has brought free solar lights to the pupils of Arbaqeramso primary school.

The head teacher Mr. Mohamed Idow could not hide his joy as he explained how the lamps have changed the learner's lives.

"My std.8 pupils previously studied using kerosene tin lamps or torches and they were expected to sit for the same national examinations with other candidates who are endowed with electricity all round the clock-how ironic" he laments.

He added that since CHEPs donated solar lights to his school, his pupils have seen tremendous improvement in their school work and hoped this will be reflected in the KCPE performance.

Generally, the solar lanterns have made a tangible impact on the pupil's lives. During an impact assessment on the beneficiaries, we concluded the following-

- \*About 85% reported health improvement-mostly in terms of eyes, cough and breathing related issues caused by kerosene fumes.

- \*98% are saving money (about ksh.140 per week) as they no longer buy kerosene/candles/torch batteries.

- \*95% enjoy more light hours per day(on average 5hrs) which has led to an increase in social and income generation activities such as tending livestock, weaving, reading Quran etc.

- \*Study time in 90% of homes with school aged children have reported improvement in grades and completion of school work on time.

- \*Finally 100% of beneficiaries are happy with the solar lamp provision.

In the light of the increased demand for solar lights generated by CHEPs, the organization should pursue another phase of solar distribution with a view to reach all poor school children in remote locations of Wajir County.

### SOLAR LIGHTS BRIGHTENS UP WAJIR VILLAGES

On a humid Saturday evening in Makaror Village of Wajir County, 13 year old Ali is searching for his solar lantern.

This is the time when Makaror children return home from the grazing fields to surround their lanterns-every day since the solar lamps were given to them almost three weeks ago.

The solar lights have not only brightened up the dark evenings here, but have made better economic sense.

The local Quranic School (duksi) is lit up with same lantern. Ali says the kerosene lamp's vapour gave him headache but now he is alright and can study longer.

His mother says that "after getting this solar light, we have all benefitted- the children can study and we can work in the evenings. It's amazing".

Ali's younger sister Khadija reluctantly sits with her school text book while the other siblings help bake pan cakes for their mother to sale the next day.

The dark evenings of Makaror are now all lit up.

Their father Mzee Kassim used to spend about Ksh.150 a week to buy kerosene but now that cash is diverted for other family use.

The villagers have no idea how this wonder lights arrived but they are forever thanking its sponsor.

The solar lights were donated by Erach and Roshan Sadri Foundation (ERSF) and BCT in conjunction with CHEPs to lighten up the lives of rural homes with school aged children.

At least ten villages around Wajir do not have electricity- but the idea of solar lights and the willingness of good people to come out and change lives has actually changed lifestyle of about 1500 people in Makaror village alone.

From children studying, to men working and women weaving, it's literally been a change from darkness unto light.



Catholic integrated primary school



Barwaqo Girls primary school



*Kalkacha primary school*



*Wajir Girls Intergrated Primary School*



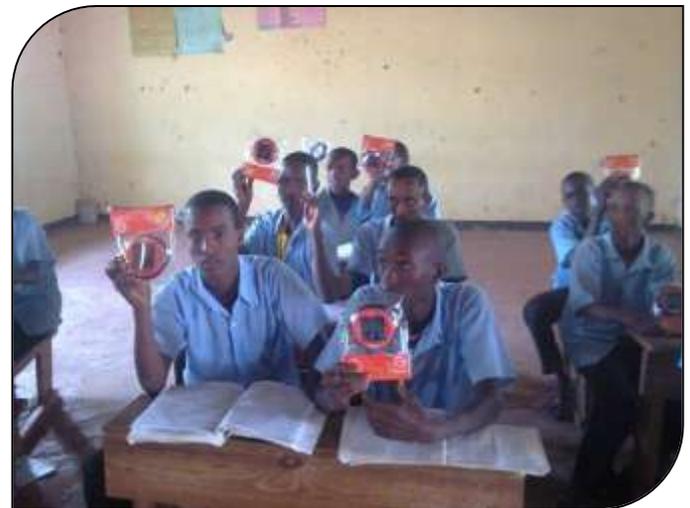
*Wajir special secondary school for the Deaf*



*Leheley secondary school headteacher receives solar lights*



*Furaha primary school*



*Elnur primary school*



Arbaqeramsa primary school



Waradey primary school



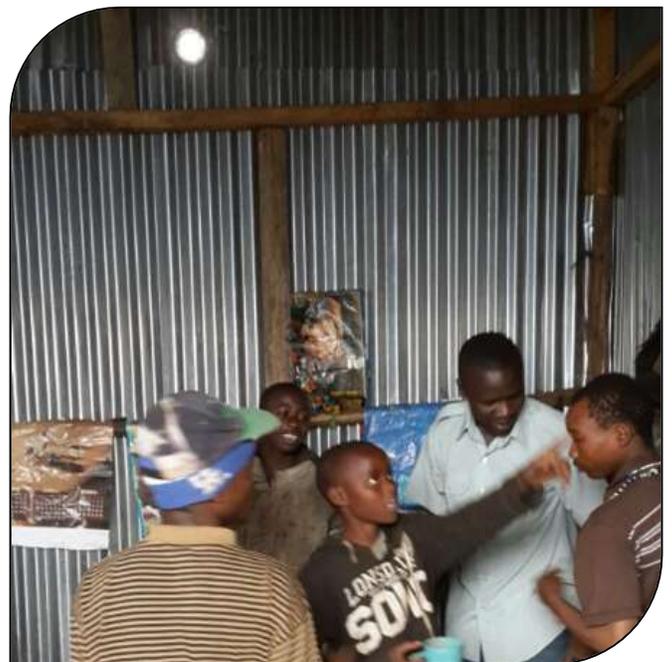
Adhibohol primary school



Wagalla Memorial Secondary school



Jogbaru primary school



CHEPs Talent Street Kids in Kawangware, Nairobi

## Education support

Two children were supported with payment of fees in emergency

### Student Sponsorship Programme

CHEPs is currently sponsoring 49 students in total, of which 14 are at Secondary school level and 35 at College & University Level.

The students come from different parts of the country & are pursuing various courses. The students are required to do community service for which they send CHEPs a report every quarter.

Below is the testimony of one of the students:

**Mohammed Matano Zuma, Bachelor of Education at Marist International University College**



"My name is Mohammed Matano from Kenya. I am a Muslim belonging to the Shia school of thought. I studied at Rasul Al Akram Academy in Nairobi. Currently I study at Marist International University College, a constituent college of Catholic University of East Africa (C.U.E.A) Situated in Karen (Kenya).

I started my studies on 14th May, 2014. Initially, I had difficulties in raising the school fees since my parents are not financially stable and I do not have a stable job. I had to put in an extra effort and save the little, I have earned so I may be able to raise my school fees. I started looking for an alternative and that's when I was introduced to CHEPs Kenya by a close friend after having narrated to him my story. I was asked to submit all my credentials by the organization. I thank God that I was considered by the organization. I no longer have the problem of school fees since I was assured by the organization that they will assist me where possible. I am now working towards my semester paper where I have already submitted three of my term papers to the lecturers concerned for marking. I am still

working on the remaining term papers. I thank the organization for their continued support.

As part of my community service I mentor students at the CHEPs Kawangware mentorship centre, where I teach Kiswahili and at times mentor the students. I always make sure that the objectives are met after every single session. A session lasts for one hour. The students participate in class by responding to oral questions, copying some notes where necessary as well participate in group discussion based on teacher's direction. The writing of Insha is a weekly endeavor and it is aimed at improving their creativity in writing. The students take home the assignments which are marked the next Sunday. Students get corrected on the areas of weaknesses and guided on the right things by the teacher. Past papers, K.C.S.E sample exams and other academic materials are used to in preparing the students for the final examination.

### EDUCATION SPONSORSHIP

CHEPs believes that education is the key to elimination of poverty. Join us in this endeavor, one bright student at a time.

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### CHEPs Kawangware Student Mentorship Centre

Weekly classes at the centre are continuing, the mentees will sit for their Kenya Certificate of Primary Education (KCPE) in November this year.

### STUDENT MENTORSHIP CENTRE

Help the young slum students to attain mentorship/education as they grow up to be better individuals.

Be a part of improving lives of these young students

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### Books distribution

Books were donated by a well wisher and were distributed in Wajir. Below is the list of distribution:

School / Institution	Number of books
Jogbaru Primary school	200
Wagalla Memorial Secondary school	60
Ahmed Liban Day Secondary school	100
Barwaqo mixed day secondary school	55
Majabow location mosque	65
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>480</b>

## Library renovations

A new library is being set up in the main Lamu town. CHEPs has partly sponsored renovations of this library.



*The library before renovations*



*The library after renovations*



*The library during renovations*



*The library ready for opening*

## Agriculture

### Kitchen gardens

Plans have been finalized for 100 kitchen gardens to be set up around CHEPs wells in Wajir. All these have been sponsored by World Federation of KSIIJ.

## Development

### Wells digging & rehabilitation

CHEPs has so far dug 203 wells & rehabilitated (cupped) 461 wells in Wajir out of which 15 wells were dug and 35 were rehabilitated this year.

### Wells dug this quarter



*Well number 199 dug in the love of those whom the Prophet Muhammad (saww) wanted us to love. Holy Quran Sura 42:23. Say: I do not ask of you any reward for it but love for my near relatives.*

This well is dug at Wagalla Memorial Secondary school. The beneficiaries are more than 224 students and school neighbours who do not have a regular source of water.



*Well number 200 dug in memory of Marhuma Lailabai Abdulasool Alarakhia Rahim*

This well is dug at Yussuf Osman's plot in Bulla Isiolo. Yussuf is a 40-year old blind who stays with his aged mother and divorced sister. His wife abandoned him when he became blind two years ago. He had lost his sight after he stepped on a landmine while herding livestock. This left him as a beggar dependent on hand outs from relatives and well wishers.



*Well number 201 dug with support from students of Nairobi Jaffery Academy*

This well is dug at Barwaqo Girls primary School in Wajir. It is the only girls' school in Barwaqo location. The school is both a day and boarding school and has an enrollment of 450 pupils.

The school earlier received trees from CHEPs but the girls had to fetch water for trees from their homes as the school did not have any well.

This well took longer to dig owing to the hard rock structure in the area. The diggers had to sharpen their digging implements every other day hence extra financial burden on them.

Now that they have a well inside the school compound, they promised to nurture and take care of their trees up to maturity. They were extremely happy to have water for washing, drinking, ablution etc. The school administration and committee expressed their appreciation and praised CHEPs for the excellent work.



*Well number 202 dug with support from students of Nairobi Jaffery Academy*

This well is dug at Mau Mau Early Childhood Development-ECD. It took longer to dig owing to the hard rock structure in the area. The area is rocky and hard to dig. The well serves the 350 Maumau ECD and primary school pupils. The school also received trees and pupils previously fetched water for trees from their homes.



*Well number 203 donated by the children of Hujjat Saturday Workshop, Stanmore and Qfatima*

This well is dug for Omar Ahmed of Bulla Makaror. He is 70 year old widower with four young daughters aged between 5 and 13 years. He is frequently ill and does menial jobs to earn a living. With a well inside his plot, he says his daughters will no longer go far to fetch water at the expense of school time. He is very grateful and promised to plant trees around his compound. He says he has enough water for cooking, bathing and washing. God bless CHEPs he prays.

### Wells cupped this quarter



*Well no. 458 cupped with support from Marhuma Lailabai Hasham Manek, Marhum Husein Fazel, Marhum Ahmad Abdul Husein & Marhum Husein Walli.*

Husein Dere is 54yrs old resident of Maumau location. He ventured into farming 4 years ago after he lost his livestock in

the drought. He grows corn, water melon, pawpaw, lemon, vegetables etc. He used to face acute shortage of water for his crops and thus dug a well for himself a year ago. However he could not complete it for lack of finances. That's when he approached CHEPs for help. The newly cupped well is already helping him better irrigate his crops, water his livestock and for domestic use. He is very grateful and blesses the donor.



*Well no .459 cupped with support from Marhum Jafferali Abdulla Janmohamad, Marhuma Zehrabai Abdulla Hashim, Marhuma Masuma Jafferali Abdulla Janmohamad, Marhum Aliasger Jafferali Abdulla Janmohamad & Gulbanu Ladha.*

Shelley Abdirahman is 60yrs old grandmother. She is the chairperson of Makaror women farmers, a group of mothers who have engaged in farming activities to fend for their families. The group grows various crops and fruit trees. The farmers lacked adequate water to irrigate their 5 acre farm. They contracted laborers to dig the well but run out of funds before they could complete it. The farmers have already seen the benefit of the well as their dying farm was revived once more following the sufficient water. The chairlady promised to work harder in order to double their yield. They are profusely thankful to CHEPs.



*Well no .460 Cupped with support from students of Nairobi Jaffery Academy*

Shukriya Dore is a widow in her early thirties. She is a mother of four and has one disabled child. She sold a piece of land for ksh.40,000 and used part of the money to dig a well while the rest for family use. Her well was uncapped for about a year and posed risk to the children and stray livestock alike. She used to fetch water from the neighbours well and this has often caused conflict between the families. She was extremely happy on seeing her beautifully cupped well claiming that her children will no longer be humiliated by hostile neighbours. She blesses CHEPs for making her dream come true.



*Well no .461 cupped with support from Marhuma Hamida Mooloo, Marhum Raza Manek. Marhuma Khairunbai Manek, Marhuma Sherbanubai Noorali Chagpar. Marhuma Fatmabai Habib Abdullah Janmohammad*

This well belongs to Wagalla Duqsi (Madrassa). The institution has about 35 pupils who are taught writing, reading and memorization of the Holy Quran. The well was dug by the Duqsi teacher in conjunction with the parents but they lacked the funds to complete it. They have since approached CHEPs for capping assistance. Both parents, pupils and institutions neighbours were so happy since they will have water to drink, bath and to wash their wooden blanks in preparation for a new lesson.

## Humanitarian

### Ramadhan Food distribution

The Centres for Health and Education Programmes (CHEPs) partnered with Erach & Roshan Sadri Foundation (ERSF) for distribution of food during the Muslim holy month of Ramadhan. The target groups were orphans, widows and destitute elderly of Garissa, Wajir & Mandera Counties in North Eastern Kenya. These were the areas most affected by drought & famine in 2011. Considering high mortality and morbidity in these areas, these special vulnerable groups still require food handouts for their sustenance. Last year BCT had fully sponsored Ramadhan food distribution in these areas. This year again their support helped provide food relief to these groups during the important month of fasting. The beneficiary institutions, children & elderly expressed joy & gratitude on receiving this much needed assistance. The food provided included, rice, flour, oil, sugar, beans, dates etc

Below is the distribution table:

Institution	Number of beneficiaries
Ummul Kheir Girls Centre, Garissa	140
Al-Hidaya Orphanage, Mandera	240
Ihtisam Orphanage, Wajir	100
Widows and elderly, Wajir	100
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>580</b>

## Other Activities

### CHEPs talent kids project

15 street kids are now been provided shelter in a rented room in Kawangware slums of Nairobi. Here they are provided 3 meals a day and given lessons in literacy, numeracy & drawing everyday. It is hoped that this support will enable these children to go back to school and brighten their future. 2 of these kids who are now off drugs were supported to get admission into a school and provided a separate shelter.



*Dr. Muhsin visits CHEPs talent street kids this morning on 17<sup>th</sup> August 2014*

### Sewing machine for amputee

A 39 year old male resident of Wajir, Bishar Bule is a husband and father of 4 children. He is also the sole provider of his family. He underwent below knee amputation of his left lower limb in the year 1989, aged 15 years then, following a road accident that severely injured his limb. He was at that time a standard 7 student, and returned to school following amputation and recovery. He however later dropped out of school at form 1 due to inability to meet his school fees. He was one of the beneficiaries of the 2<sup>nd</sup> CHEPs limb prosthesis project in March 2014.

Having tailoring skills, he requested for a new sewing machine to replace his old broken one, this was done and Bishar is now earning working ahrd and sustains his family from his own earnings.



## Presentations

Two presentations were made at Jaffery Islamic centre in July 2014. These were on charity in action and update on CHEPs activities. These were accompanied by a poster exhibition.

## Donations received

CHEPs received 2 cupboards for the Office use. Thanks to a well wisher for helping CHEPs organise its office.



# Impact

To date CHEPs has achieved the following:

Sr.No	Indicators of activity progress	Units
1	Number of people provided with food support in emergencies:	129,000
2	Number of villages provided food support in emergencies:	37
3	Amount of food distributed in emergencies:	Over 140 tons
4	Number of eye camps organised:	25
5	Number of people screened for eye conditions:	5091
6	Number of people provided eye glasses for refractive errors:	1768
7	Number of people provided with eyedrops for various eye conditions:	2694
8	Number of cataract blind people operated to see again:	383
9	Number of individuals assisted for emergency medical treatment:	11
10	Number of amputees provided with limb prosthesis:	24
11	Number of students ever supported with fees:	131
12	Number of students currently supported with fees:	49
13	Number of university students ever supported with fees:	74
14	Number of university students currently supported with fees:	35
15	Number of disabled (deaf) students ever supported with fees:	13
16	Number of disabled (deaf) students currently supported with fees:	12
17	Number of boarding schools in rural areas supported in food for fees project:	13
18	Number of students benefited from food for fees project:	524
19	Amount of food distributed in food for fees project:	Over 40 tons
20	Number of student mentorship centres set up:	2
21	Number of books distributed:	1200
22	Number of schools/institutions given books:	11
23	Number of libraries set up for schools/communities:	3
24	Number of desks given to schools:	429
25	Number of solar lights given to schools:	2004
26	Number of solar lights given to institutions:	41
27	Number of trees planted:	10,395
28	Number of wells dug:	203
29	Number of wells rehabilitated:	461
30	Number of dried wells re-dug:	50
31	Number of 'berkets' water storage tanks constructed:	2
32	Number of new farmers supported:	200
33	Number of large irrigation/farming projects:	1
34	Number of goats distributed to poor families:	50
35	Number of official presentations made at scientific conferences:	6
36	Number of workshops, seminars & community presentations:	6
37	Number of conferences and workshops organized:	1
38	Number of clothes distributed:	470
39	Number of schools/institutions given clothes:	10

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