



# THE TREE

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Is a monthly newsletter Published by TIST Uganda, a project area of The International Small Group and Tree Planting Program.

### MISSION STATEMENT:

TIST Uganda is a community initiative dedicated to empowering small groups of subsistence farmers to combat the devastating effects of deforestation, poverty and drought.

### OBJECTIVE STATEMENT:

Combining sustainable development with carbon sequestration, TIST supports the reforestation efforts of over 25,000 subsistence farmers. Sales of carbon credits generate participant income while TIST today also addresses

Agriculture,

HIV/AIDS, Nutrition and Fuel Wood challenges.

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## **WHY WE NEED CLUSTERS AND WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF CLUSTERS**

A good cluster has 30 to 50 Small Groups and needs to practice rotational leadership. A good cluster meets every month and each Small Group sends two representatives to the meeting.

A good cluster should have enough land to plant at least 200,000 trees.

- Within a cluster, Small Group's member trees are well qualified in transparent way annually.
- Small Groups receive training and they are voluntarily practicing sharing the best practice. The training includes, among others, C.F, energy saving stoves, raised seedbeds, and good soil management.
- Small Groups receive the monthly newsletter "The Tree", which has information about TIST and the best practices developed.
- Small Groups will get tree payments done in clusters. And this will be payments during the cluster meeting, so we appeal each Small Group to always attend the meeting. Vouchers will be distributed during the cluster meeting, so we expect the Small Group representative to come and sign vouchers. Those Small Groups who did not turn up, their vouchers will be taken back until the next cluster meeting, when they will be brought back for signing.
- The cluster leader and cluster servant will make sure that payments are smooth.
- Small Groups will share good, accurate and useful information that the trainers have got through their trainings.

Therefore, we appeal to the old Small Groups to start to recruit more new Small Groups to plant high value trees like fruits and nut trees and also plant indig enous trees as well.

Together we need to make our clusters very strong and multiply and make this world greener.

### **RAISED NURSERY BED**

- Soil is prepared and mixed with manure.
- Seeds should be covered by at least one inch of sandy soil mixed with manure, for easy penetration of water.
- Ensure weeding of the bed when weeds grow before and after germination of tree seeds.
- Watering is done every day up to the time of transplanting when the bed is constructed.
- Soil is potted in 4 by 6 inch polythene bag open both ends i.e. top and bottom.
- Tree are transplanted from a mother bed to the pollythens, well arranged in the raised bed.
- Watering should be done regularly, up to the time when seedlings, are ready for planting

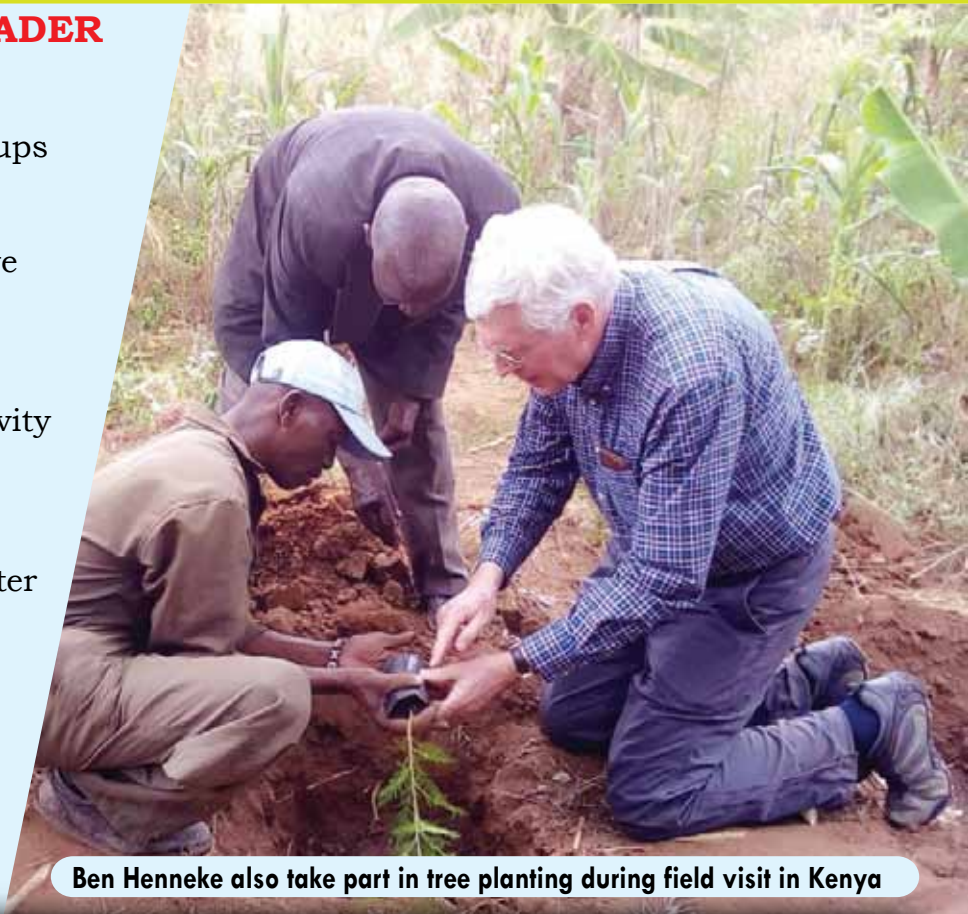
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## ROLES FOR TIST CLUSTER LEADER

- Be a servant and follow TIST best practices
- Mobilize farmers to form new groups
- Chairs cluster meetings
- Welcomes visitors in meetings
- Motivates Small Groups to achieve

## OBJECTIVES AND GOALS

- Delegate when absent
- Organizes members in the Small Groups in his cluster for any activity like training
- He monitors and reports his findings about cluster needs
- He should be updated on his cluster
- Should work with cluster servant to serve clusters better like accountability person and co-leader.



Ben Henneke also take part in tree planting during field visit in Kenya

## ROLES FOR CO-LEADER

- Chairs the meeting when the leader is away
- Takes the record about the meeting in the cluster
- Acts as a time keeper
- Puts the leader in order
- Helps to train newly accountability person
- Reads the previous minutes in a meeting

## WAYS TO RECRUIT, FORM NEW GROUPS AND EXPAND TIST PROGRAM

- Mobilize through churches
- Explain to the community the importance of TIST and importance of trees
- Give the information about TIST through existing groups
- To set up nursery beds so that more seedlings are available
- To do things in the right way as TIST teaches
- By using CF and let people be informed that it was taught and trained by TIST program
- Share the benefits of TIST to our neighbors.
- Mobilize through clan meetings
- TIST posters with information about TIST and how it works
- Sharing newsletter with other people (The Tree) TIST newsletter
- Practicing raised nursery beds which can motivate others
- To work with other local leaders while implementing their program to give TIST information
- Use our fellow members also to mobilize
- Use of local radios available



Cluster meeting and payments in Rukungiri

## IMPORTANCE OF PLANTING DIFFERENT TREE SPECIES IN YOUR CLUSTERS

- Avoid complete damage of trees
- Balances income from different tree species
- Different soils favors different tree species for proper growth
- Soil erosion is controlled through planting different tree species
- Through the tree leave shade they decompose to improve on soil fertility
- They attract tourist and hence create income
- Some trees are medicinal to human life
- Fruit trees promote good health to people when eaten e.g. Mangoes, oranges, lemon, etc.
- Promote natural beauty of the environment
- Some trees act as wind breakers
- Most trees help in study purposes
- Controls pest and diseases



Raised Nursery beds established by TIST small groups

## LOCAL LANGUAGE

### OMUGASHO GWA GURUUPU ZEMPAGARA

- Guruupu enungi ezempagara neba erimu za guruupu 30 kuza ahari 50 kandi nibabagana ahabwebeembezi. Nibashutama buri kwezi kandi buriguruupu enkye nejwekyeza abantu babiri.
- Guruupu yempagara neba eine eitaka rihango ririkubasa kubyarwamu emiti 200,000 burimwaka.
- Nibatendekwa kandi bejumbira omubwebeembezi
- Nibatendekwa omukuhingira okurinda eitaka, okukora amahega garikukoresa enku nkye, okusiga emiti, nokureeberera eitaka.
- Zaguruupu nizitunga eihurire ry'omuti Harimu amakuru gokubyara emiti nemihingire mirungi.
- Nizitunga akasiimo kesente z'okureeberera emiti kandi zishemereire kugiraho enkiiko kureeba okubatunga akasiimo kaabo.
- Nituteerera omuranga zaguruupu enkuru kutendeka ba memba abandi kubaasa kubyara emiti eyebijuma hamwe n'eyobuhangwa.



Women Small Groups are also encouraged in TIST Program to ensure Gender balance

### OKUKORA NASARE Y'OMUTINDO

- Eitaka Niriteebekanisibwa gye harimu orwezo.
- Ensigo nizishwekwa eitaka ryomushenyi haihi kandi oteiremu orwezo kwenda kutaasya amaizi
- Zomberere buri kanya ensigo zitakateguukire .
- Shukyerera amaizi burizooba
- Ensigo zite omu buveera bushazire ahamutwe na hanshi
- Tandika kufurura ensigo kuruga omu nasare kuza omu musiri omuhanga.
- Zishukyerere amaizi buri kanya waaheza kubyara

Nebya

Atuhire Prudence – Kanungu



### **EMYOGA Y'ABAKURU BA GURUUPU ZEMPAGARA**

- OKuba omuheereza kandi kukuratira emutwarize mirungi ya TIST
- Okuhwera abahingi kutandikaho guruupu.
- Okwebeembera enkiiko za guruupu
- Nayakiira abagyenyi
- Naajwekyeza yaaba atariho
- Nashwijuma emirimo y'ekigombe ayanjurira bamemba
- Naakoragana n'omuhwezi we kukora embariirira y'ekigombe



**Small Group meetings**



Small Group members reading TIST Newsletter

## OMWOGA GW'OMUHWEZI WE

- Naakora emyoga yamukuru w'ekigombe yaaba atariho
- Naahandiika ebyatensebwa omurukiiko
- Naarinda obwire omukigombe
- Naatendeka omubazi wekigombe
- Naashomera enkiiko ebyenyima(Minutes)

## OKUTANDIKAHO EBIGOMBE BISYA N'ENKORA YA TIST

- Okukumakuma abantu omumakanisa
- Okushoborera abantu ahabikwatiraine na TIST
- Okuheereza amakuru ga TIST omu bantu boona na za guruupu
- Okutaho za nasare zensigo z'emiiti
- Okukorera omumitwerize mirungi ya TIST
- Okukoresa empinga nungi yokurinda eitaka nka oku TIST erikwegyesa.
- Okubagana amakuru marungi ga TIS omu bataahi
- Okuza omu bigombe byebika
- Okuhanika ebipande byemikorere mirungi ya TIST
- Okubagana amakuru marungi ga eihurire aga TIST
- Okutaho obusiri bwa nasare bwemiti
- Okukora na abeembezi abandi kuhisya amakuru aga TIST
- Okurabira omu mpurizingana nka radiyo

## OMUGASHO GWOKUBYARA EMIRINGO MINGI Y'EMITI

- Nikihwera emiti obutahwaho yoona
- Nikireta entasya kuruga omumiti y'ebika bingi
- Nikiretera emiti etarikushushana kukurira omumataka ago
- Nikiretera eitaka obutatwarwa mwegyemure
- Nikiretera amababi mingi gareetaho orwezo omwitaka
- Nikiretera okushendashenda abarambuzi
- Emiti yebika birikutaana harimu emibazi mingi
- Emiti eyebijuma nereetaho endya nungi
- Emiti neeshemeza amaisho
- Emiti neetanga omuyaga
- Emiti neehwera omukugyegeraho ahabwa abashomi
- Emiti neerinda endwara n'ebikooko.



Grafted Mangoes by Apex Agro Farm and Nuserybed in Bushenyi ready for planting