



CULTURE INFORMATION AND PASTORALIST DEVELOPMENT

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REPORT HOUSE REPAIR OF FAMILY 0124

BACKGROUND

The initial problem was the wind blew off the iron sheet roof. MR Abdi visited the site immediately and took pictures of the status of the damages and reported. The project provided budget to repair the damages of the roof.

The task of providing materials and supervision was left to Abdi.

DAMAGES NOTED

The reported damages according to Abdi were

1. Iron sheet damages – 8
2. Timber for trusses and purlins all (the number was not provided
3. Weak walls due to the force of the wind and rots of poles dampness due to soaking water in the wall foundation

PLANNED ACTIVITY FOR REPAIRS

1. Reroofing by providing 8 new iron sheet
2. Provide more stronger trusses and purlins -30 to replace 2X2 timbers
3. Reinforce the wall with stronger poles to make it stable
4. Provide skilled labour for roofing and plaster

ACHIEVEMENT

1. The roofing was completed
2. The poles for reinforcing the wall was completed

COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTION

The community of Rammole refused to give support to the family 0124. After we intervened, few members of the community brought some building poles.it could not be classified as trust or poles for foundation. This brought misunderstanding between the project and Rammole community because they should assist one another during emergency..

Another reason was the family 0124 were not in good rapport with the members. They showed high level of dependency and negative attitude when you advise them to contribute labour like casual labour, to collect Sand and mud the house.

MY VISIT TO THE FAM 0124

I visited the family at around 12.20PM, except for 3 children, the father and mother have not yet woken up, and this was due to chewing Miraa.

OBSERVATION NOTED FROM THE HOUSE

1-

Roof – was complete the slope of the gradient was there. The roof is not even and level due to the trusses and purlins used for construction. It was not straight rather crooked. The advantages were it was stronger than 2X2 timber and the nails will not come off soon.

2-

Plaster – the plaster fell off after the wall was reinforced by new poles. The chicken wire detached from the mud wall and came off with the cement plaster.

3-

Old recovered materials 7 iron sheets and 2x3 truss timbers and 2x2 purlins timber was sold by the family according to the mother she sold to buy foods for the casual labour and skilled labour working on the house. Very few timber and 1 iron sheet was seen on the site

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The compound was bare no perimeter fence to provide boundaries and block strong wind. It has no trees to provide shade and act as wind breakers

5-

The compound is prone to floods making the house weak

WAYFORWARD

1.

The project to provide 1 roll of chicken wire to support the plaster @ 4000

2.

The project to take the responsibility to collect sand 30 wheelbarrows @3000

3.

Skilled labour from 4 days to 6 days =1500X2 days = 3000

Total request for approval = kshs 10,000

Note before plaster – the family must complete mudding as their end of the bargain and contribution.

CONCLUSION:

1.

To reduce dependency both from the beneficiaries and the community the project will enforce community contribution for the support on shelter construction or repair.

2.

The quality of the poles was low. It was not straight, the gauge or thickness cannot be measures. Availability is no easy. There is a ban to cut down live trees. Therefore we need to review which type of house we should build going forward. May be the same amount of fund can build a stronger and permanent brick or block house.

3.

This was a isolated case and situation which should not be judged on the quality of the shelter construction. The family was not cooperative to do their part of the contribution which delayed the completion to date. It should not be compared with the previous repair house because the nature of repairs' was different. The quantity of work is more

Photos of my visit is also forwarded for your verification

Thank you



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