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Special Report

Thank you for your generous support of CPAR’s Donate-a-Day Campaign. The following report was prepared specially for you and illustrates the impact your partnership has on the lives of people living in rural Africa.

World Health Day- Christina’s Story.

In Migungani Village, Tanzania, expectant mothers and mothers, like Christina, are faced with constant concerns about their and their children’s health. In Tanzania, every hour at least one woman dies as a result of pregnancy and childbirth. And for every woman that dies, another thirty suffer a debilitating injury, often with life-long consequences. CPAR’s work in Tanzania’s Mara region has changed this reality for at-risk women in 118 communities. Because of the support of donors like you, we have distributed 1,800 Safe-Birth kits, containing life- saving medicine for new mothers, sterile equipment, and blankets for both mother and baby. These Safe-Birth kits combined with our work training community health workers has helped decrease infant mortality in these communities by 87% and child mortality by 72%.

World Environment Day – Limbu’s Story.

Poor, rural farmers like Limbu depend on natural resources for their livelihoods, making them among the first to feel the negative effects of climate change.

By establishing tree nurseries, introducing controlled grazing, and demonstrating alternative energy sources, CPAR is helping farmers mitigate the effects of climate change on their lands and livelihoods.

Over the past two years CPAR has:

- Constructed eight bio-gas and two energy saving stove demonstration sites.
- Established two tree nurseries and supported the planting of over 180,000 tree seedlings in schools, households, and open land areas.
- Established 33 gender balanced Farmer Field School (FFS) groups (with 916 total participants). Provided trainings and equipment on the Ngitiri Fodder Management System for controlled livestock grazing.
- Conducted three Training of Trainer (TOT) sessions on bio-gas systems, and energy saving stoves in three communities.





World Food Day – Azagne’s Story .

“Feeding myself and my children is my number one priority,” says Azagne.

Azagne, and millions of people like her, are suffering from droughts that have scorched harvests and transformed once-fertile farmland into dessert. The resulting soil degradation and hard, dry ground cannot absorb water when the rain finally comes. CPAR is helping Azagne, and famers like her, mitigate the effects of climate change by providing drought-resistant seeds and trainings on improved agronomic techniques.

CPAR’s agronomic techniques are derived from an integrated and holistic approach to increased crop production. CPAR’s agronomists develop these techniques based on considerations of climate, soil, water availability, crop variety, and non- biological considerations, such as economic requirements and consumer and farmer behaviour. As a result, farmers are trained in row planting, proper weeding, timely sowing, timely harvesting, and post-harvest handling and processing practices. These techniques combined with improved drought-resistant seeds have resulted in farmers in Ethiopia increasing their crop yields by up to 250 per cent.



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