



Intergovernmental Institution for the use of Micro-algae Spirulina Against Malnutrition

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“There are people in the world so hungry that God cannot appear to them except in the form of bread”

Mahatma Gandhi



IIMSAM`s EXPANSION REPORT FOR KAMPALA, UGANDA AND MOMBASA, KENYA.

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The main objective of IIMSAM East and Central Africa is to fight malnutrition. It is therefore partnering with other interested and willing countries in helping to combat malnutrition. IIMSAM`s Ambassador at large for Africa H.E. Mr. Raja Harshad and IIMSAM`s Goodwill Ambassador for Uganda Mrs. Sylvia Shepherd spearheaded IIMSAM`s Official Delegation along with IIMSAM`s Technical Director and Spirulina Expert Mr. Fundi Malombo to analyse and make expansion plans for IIMSAM to initiate the opening of another Spirulina Centre in Uganda and expanding the present Centre in Kisumu to the Mombasa region in Kenya.

The IIMSAM Delegation also visited orphanages and in particular St. Paul Children Care Centre in existence for 25 years in Nairobi, headed by Mrs. Jayne Mutahi. The Centre has been using Spirulina donated by IIMSAM through the support of its Ambassadors Harshad and Shepherd which culminated in very positive results which has led to a full official arrangement with the orphanage to begin Spirulina cultivation under IIMSAM technical expertise.

The IIMSAM Cultivation will start about 50m² later it will be expanded to 25 x 40m =1000m² the Centre has 70 children ages from six months old to fifteen years old. There are also boarding and day school children.

These children are orphaned while others come from disabled parents. VCT services are available in this centre and this help them manage we those that have been infected by HIV/AIDS virus. Through JAYNE MUTAHI there are about four hundred groups who have orphanages and all have showed interest in working with IIMSAM Spirulina cultivation. IIMSAM will be conducting training seminars about Spirulina know how and cultivation techniques applicable to the local environment.

IIMSAM will also be partnering with GATSBY foundation concerning large scale Spirulina cultivation in Kenya. The Honorable Member of Kenya`s Parliament H.E. Mr. Hassan Joho has confirmed that there`s a one hectare land in Mombasa that will help start the cultivation of Spirulina in Mombasa. IIMSAM delegation headed by Amb. Raja and Shepherd and Mr. Malombo will be visiting the area of Mombasa to make an assessment to where is the most appropriate setting to start the spirulina cultivation the visit is scheduled for the 26th/06/09.

The IIMSAM delegation also visited Kampala home of IIMSAM`s GWA Mrs. Shepherd where her family lives. The family agreed to facilitate to IIMSAM one acre from the farm in order for IIMSAM to start cultivating the Spirulina. Farm is located within Mukono District which is twelve Km from Kampala.

An IIMSAM Spirulina Centre modeled after the IIMSAM Kisumu Centre in Kenya will be suitable for a feeding programme for children, adults, the disabled and conducting training seminars on the benefits of Spirulina and the cultivation of Spirulina which leads to employment opportunities for the locals.

IIMSAM also met with Minister of Home Affairs who expressed the critical malnutrition problem in KARAMOJA and TORORO areas and urged the IIMSAM delegation to put up a Centre as soon as possible in those particular areas.



Part of the home farm where Spirulina will be cultivated about 25 x 40m =1000m² Above is Mr. Alloysius Sherpherd Amb. Sylvia's father at the site being facilitated to IIMSAM-ECASP for Spirulina cultivation

