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INTRODUCTION

This report gives a brief update of how the orphanage is progressing. Most projects are in progress although there is a lot of rainfall here in Serenje. Children are on school holiday and hence went stay with their guardians and are expected to come back at SOSH on 10th January, 2011.

HOUSE CONSTRUCTION

The foundation building for the house/sickbay is now finished and it is now being filled with soil to make it on slab level.



soil filling in house foundations

FISHPOND

Fish pond digging has been finished and now construction against dyke walls is being done to make the dyke more strong.



Position of fishpond



construction in progress

GARDENNING

The garden is in progress but it was a bit affected by the position of the fish pond as per advised by the Fisheries officer. However, fishpond and garden are nearly one farming project and there is a great expectation that they will progress together.



Garden affected by fish pond and is expected to surround fish pond now CHILDREN'S WELFARE

Children are currently on holiday but they are expected to be back at SOSH on the 9th of January. During the holiday all care takers report for work once per week to make sure the surrounding and the orphanage rooms are clean. The mosquito nets are treated to protect children from mosquito bites when they are back.



Surrounding made sure is clear

PLAYGROUNDS

The play grounds are still in good conditions and some checking will be done again one week before children are back from holiday so that there is an assurance that they will be fit for use. The donated play grounds from Chibobo are not yet fixed because some fixing materials such as fixing video and nuts and bolts are yet to be identified by the Chibobo Director, Staivous.



Play grounds fit

EDUCATION

Children had so far written end of year examinations. Grade 7 pupils wrote national examinations set by Zambia Examination Council. The good news is that all grade 7 pupils, Obray, Mercy, Haggai, Allan and Erison, at the orphanage have passed and have been upgraded to grade 8. The results for other pupils in other grades are not yet released. Nevertheless we expect better results compared to last year.

CONCLUSION

Basically, this is the update of what has so far been done at the orphanage and gives a view on how the orphanage is progressing. Currently there is a lot of grass that has grown in the surrounding since it is rainy season. It is expected that slashing maintenance will be done one week before opening of Orphanage.

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