



# SEECHILD's ANNUAL REPORT 2019

Activity Report 1st January 2019 to 31st December 2019

**Sustainable and Effective Empowerment of Children with Disabilities (SEECHILD) is a Social Enterprise mandated to work with children with special needs. The Enterprise launched her programs in 2018 at Bunamwaya Ngobe zone B, Wakiso District in Uganda, where her head office is located. The management started a Skills Training Centre for children with special needs called Bunamwaya Intergrated Skills Training Centre (BISTC). The organization also acquired some land in Mpigi, where she is constructing an Organized Centre where effective skilling for children from distant areas will take place. The management takes pleasure to introduce to you the detailed report of activities that transpired in the year 2019.**

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## SEECHILD's Annual Report 2019:

### **Preamble:**

Educating children with disabilities requires much more than imparting skills in them but going an extra mile to understand, accept, and lovingly help them to overcome the negative psychological impact of their disabilities so that individually they are helped to exploit their talents. The talents and abilities embedded in these children are quite many but usually hidden from us because of our wrong perceptions and biases other people have about them.

For any teacher or trainer to get the best out of them, one needs patience, one to one interaction, and continuous practice of a particular behavior one needs them to adapt.

This means that their learning environment needs to be more facilitated than that of other children. The syllabuses their trainers and teachers follow should not be over crowded with theoretical work but practical information which can easily be turned into hands on experience.

SEECHILD is very grateful to all her donors most especially Mirembe foundation, Wereld Missie Hulp, Tusaidiane and others for helping them to facilitate SEECHILD's projects / programs that have made 2019 a year of progressive achievements.

### **Background:**

**Sustainable and Effective Empowerment of Children with Disabilities (SEECHILD)** registered as a company limited by guarantee is a non-profit making Organization mandated to work with children with Disabilities. It has its head office in Bunamwaya Central, Mutundwe Parish in Wakiso District.

**Mission:** To empower families and children with disabilities through awareness raising, advocacy, skills training and research.

**Vision:** Celebrating a skillful and healthy people with disabilities.

**Motto:** Skilling disarms Disabilities.

### **Objectives of the Organization:**

1. Help Parents understand and handle well their children with disabilities.
2. Ensure that the communities become vigilant to eradicate stigma and bias which usually culminate in unfair treatment of children living with disabilities.
3. Run skills training centers for children and parents.
4. Promote awareness of children's various disabilities and their marginalization in communities.
5. Create avenues for financial empowerment of families, Organizations and programs with such children.
6. Run day and boarding care centers for children with special needs.
7. Work with various government and organizations to influence policy in order to create conducive environment for children with disabilities.

8. Participate in programs, activities that promote or support the realization of the above mentioned objectives.
9. Promote research development and innovation for solutions of the problems affecting children with disabilities.

#### Historical facts of the organization:

SEECHILD came into existence after four people led by Fred Kirigwajjo Matovu realized a big gap in education system in our communities where Children with disabilities are greatly marginalized and left out as far as their skilling is concerned. There are neither adequate educational infrastructures nor accessible formal education opportunities availed to them in our communities.

In order to establish facts of this problem, SEECHILD being helped by Mirembe Foundation carried out a base line survey around Bunamwaya town in 2017. The findings were alarming. In an area of 9Kms by diameter there was no operational training Centre availed for children with disabilities. However over 165 children with disabilities were registered in the area. All of these children were left at home sometimes behind locked doors while their siblings went for school classes.

This situation was not only traumatizing to the children but also a painful choice for the parents. The government of Uganda promotes integration education system where by children with disabilities are encouraged to study with other children who have no disabilities.

This system would be very effective for children with mild disabilities, however, it also implies the availability of technical personnel to handle such children with special needs which is currently not the case in many schools.

#### Bunamwaya Integrated Skills Training Centre BISTC:

SEECHILD started Bunamwaya Integrated Skills Training Centre (BISTC) in 2018, to bridge this gap and offer opportunity, to children with special needs to have an education Centre, where they can get the basic skills they need in life for self - sustenance. With the two years BISTC has been operational, a lot has been achieved and children are finding it a very conducive learning environment though a lot is still desired.



*The happy faces of pupils at BISTC Centre namely: Martin Kizito, Grace Namuyiga and Ignatius Miuro.*



**The objectives of setting up this Centre were as follows:**

1. To avail affordable qualitative basic skills training opportunities to children with special needs.
2. To inculcate in parents a culture of educating children with special needs other than denying them their right to education.
3. To sensitize the community about the rights of children with disabilities hence eradicating the negative bias the community holds about these children.
4. To provide marketable vocational and daily living skills that can enable these children to be self-sustaining or less dependent in case of severe disabilities in their Adult age.

**Activities:**

**Departmental Reports:**

**Music Dance & Drama:**

Music dance and drama is taken as an important activity on the day's program at BISTC. Its supremacy lies in its function of enabling trainees to relax and concentrate. We thank our donors Mirembe Foundation who injected some money this year to acquire musical instruments. A total of ten million has enabled us to buy a public address system with 4 micro-phones, a piano, a base guitar, 6 flutes and xylophone. This, in addition to what we had already acquired is making this department well facilitated.

So far, we have not yet got a trained music director who can help these children to get serious music skills, however the department head together with other staff have been taking children through dance drills. The speech day presentation, made many people aware and amazed of the potential these children have, when they saw their organized performance.



*The brand new public address system (two speakers, a mixer, 4 microphones) and Yamaha key board.*



*Brand new bass guitar. Kasaawe Phillip and Elvis Ssenkungu (Deaf) blowing the flutes.*

### **Dancing:**

This involved traditional / cultural, local and international dances;

Traditional/cultural dance. The best pupils were; Faith, Renitah and Elvis, those who tried were Kasawe, Edward, Belinda, Andrew and those who had little interest were; Miir, Martin, Vianney, Grace, Kirabo, Sarah and Joash. Douglas, Afran and Zziwa tried but with difficulty because of their physical disabilities.



International and local dances; this is the most liked category of dance where most of the trainees participated. This kind of music is played on local television and radio stations in their homes; The following was their performance starting from the best to the least performance: Phillip, Renitah, Belinda Faith, Elvis, Edward, Allan, Miiro, Vianney, Martin, Douglas and those who performed poorly were; Sarah, Joash, Kirabo

### **Singing**

This involves hits and common songs or played popular songs both gospel, local and international. The songs are collected and played at the Centre. Trainees are also encouraged to sing their own songs or those composed by the trainer. The best trainees were Zziwa followed by Grace, Edward and Belinda. The rest couldn't because of their disabilities

### **Miming and rapping**

All trainees liked using microphones and miming. The best trainees were; Zziwa, Edward, Grace, Miiro, Martin, Vianney and Faith some trainees can clam some songs and mime them like Edward, Grace, Belinda Miiro and Zziwa.

**Playing guitar;** we have not started seriously training children in this category because the trainer doesn't know how to play it.

### **Drumming**

This category hasn't been tackled well because the trainer is still learning how to drum. But nevertheless, trainees like Douglas and Martin have exhibited much interest in drumming than the rest.

### **Achievements;**

- The trainees performed well and entertained spectators on awareness day at Lugogo, parents' days and the speech day at BISTC.
- Children's self-esteem and team work spirit has been boosted.
- Some trainees like Ignatius have exhibited interest in music and can easily take it on as a skill in case we get a skilled trainer.
- We received the following items; Key board, public address system, micro phones, xylophone, a flash disk, adapter and battery cells for the microphone and the remote etc.



### **Challenges:**

The TV set we have got a mechanical problem towards the end of the year.

We need a DVD player to help in training.

### **Way forward suggestions:**

Music being an essential part of the training requires both skilled and leisure training. The management should seriously consider getting a music trainer.

### **Literacy or communication skills training:**

This involves equipping children with writing, sign language and reading skills.



*Julius training Douglas how to write using his foot.*



*Literacy class in progress.*



*Sharon guiding Joash to paint.*



*Martin and Ignatius in level two painting.*

## Vocational Skilling:

### Tailoring:



### Trainees undergoing tailoring sessions at BISTC.

This year, trainees have made significant improvements in tailoring. Even those with severe disabilities. Many surprised parents and other people who attended the speech day when they saw how neatly they mended the torn clothes which were given to them as a test.

### Crocheting:



### *Grace and Douglas using crocheting frames to make table cloths.*



## Weaving Mats:



### *Trainees making mats.*

Palm mats weaving is one of the home traditional domestic activity which produces sizeable income for home mothers. Nowadays, the business is becoming very lucrative because mats are very marketable especially in craft shops. The weaving is also very helpful to children with disabilities as it helps them to concentrate. At BISTC, trainees have learnt very well to make mats. This activity helps them to become self-sustaining as they can easily get income with a small capital.

## Sweater knitting:



### *(Florence Lwanga and Denis Muddu (staff) making Sweaters for the trainees.)*

BISTC got machines for Sweater knitting but no staff knew how to use them. During this period three staff members have been trained to make sweaters. The staff have already made sweaters for the trainees and next year they will seriously teach the children how to use the machines.

### **Book making:**

Some staff have also been trained to make books and have actually made some. However these skills have not yet been imparted to children.



*Florence Lwanga, Sharon Nakawungu, and Florence Nnasuuna (staff) making exercise books.*

### **Self Help Skills of Daily Living:**

Self-help skills involves bathing, brushing teeth, and washing clothes after classes. Two days were selected in a week for washing i.e. Tuesday and Thursday.



*Mutyaba and Joash cleaning plates after their meal. Martin washing his shirt.*



### Case Reporting by Sharon:

Kirabo Ssannyu is one of the mental disorder cases in the second group. The mother brought her at BISTC complaining that Kirabo was actually a problem at home. She was not only violent but very destructive. She could not stay peaceful with her colleagues, she used to throw stones at any person she felt was a threat to her, uprooted all plants she could see. This trainee knew nothing at all even holding a cup was a problem. Going to the toilet was also another problem. She could eat on her own but after eating she could just throw the cups or plates where ever she liked. Bathing was also another problem. She didn't know even how to hold a sponge, the same applied to brushing and washing.



*Kirabo in a green dress standing peacefully at BISTC .*

*Kirabo moving with staff and others at the ZOO*

When the staff assessed her, we recommended her to go to Butabika (the main psychiatric hospital in Uganda ) to see the doctors. The doctors recommended a therapy and also advised the parents to put her in an environment where she can be accepted.

The first time, Kirabo was admitted at BISTC, she uprooted all the plants and threw stones at people whom she never liked. But with time Kirabo has learnt to stay peacefully with people. She can now eat well, take plates where they are supposed to be, clean them with guidance from the trainers and concentrate in a class for at least some 20 to 30 minutes.



### **Wheel Chair donation from Mission for disability:**

During 2018, BISTC received many children who came at the Centre with mobility limitations and needed wheel chairs. SEECHILD made a project to another organization called Mission for Disabilities which gave us 10 new wheel chairs. So far 5 wheels chairs have been supplied to children from the community.



*Abdu Kharim, Prosy Nantongo, Hannington and Tendo are some of those who got brand new wheel chairs from BISTC.*



### **Outreaching Program / projects;**

#### **Mental disorders:**

This project involved finding people with mental problems from the community and support them to start medical therapy to contain the problem.

SEECHILD organized meetings for parents and care takers to counsel them for accepting to administer the therapy. In addition SEECHILD supported them to take them to Butabika hospital to receive the drugs.

**1<sup>st</sup> Group of 11 trainees:**

NO	NAME	SEX	AGE	Former Condition	Current Condition
1	Mutyaba Edward	Male	18	severe	Contained
2	Namutebi Faith	Female	24	severe	Mild
3	Ssajjabbi Vianey	Male	13	Significant	Contained
4	Namuyiga Grace	Female	13	Significant	Contained
5	Kiwewesi Joash	Male	10	Severe	Mild
6	Martin Kizito	Male	12	severe	Mild
7	Stuart Majimbi	Male	7	Severe	Left ( mother transferred)
8	Ebenezer Mirembe	Female	7	Severe	Mother died and transferred
9	Kauthara Muhindo	Female	7	Severe	Mild
10	Jacob Muwangi	Male	5	severe	Mild
11	Stanley Kakooza	Male	20	Severe	Severe

**2<sup>nd</sup> Group of 20 People**

NO	NAME	SEX	AGE	Former Condition	Current Condition
1.	Sarah Kukkiriza	Female	20	Very Severe	Mild
2	Sserunkuuma Allan	Male	17	Severe	Mild
3.	Kirabo Ssanyu	Female	10	Very severe	Contained
4	Nalukenge Hanifer	Female	24	severe	Mild
5	Nnasaazi Mariam	Female	20	Severe	Severe
6	David Mugema	Male	45	Very severe	Mild
7	Nabiteeko F.	Female	43	Very severe	Mild
8	Musisi Paul	Male	25	severe	Mild
9	Christine Nabirwa	Female	27	Very severe	Contained
10	Galiwango S.	Male	30	Very Severe	Severe
11	Abdu Kharim	Male	15	Severe	Severe
12	Senteza Mwebe	Male	35	severe	Mild
13	Kikomeko William	Male	30	severe	Severe
14	Sentongo Andrew	Male	18	Mild	Contained
15	Kizza Frank	Male	27	Mild	Contained
16	Joseph Mulo	Male	14	severe	Mild
17	Frank Isabirye	Male	15	Mild	Contained
18	Kizito Jombwe	Male	37	Severe	Mild
19	Philemon Obua	Male	18	severe	Mild
20	Josephine Mirembe	Female	23	Severe	Contained

NB.

1. **Very Severe** is intended to describe worst condition where a patient is constantly unconscious with lunatic symptoms (sometimes violent) which puts his /her life or other people's lives at a risk.
2. **Severe** is intended to describe a condition where a patient exhibits visible symptoms of lunatic behaviors but somehow controllable (sometimes on and off).
3. **Mild condition** this is where a patient has some symptoms of lunatic behavior but can allow him or her to function with less supervision.
4. **Contained** means the condition is under control and constant for a patient to manage normal behaviors.
5. It must be noted that **BI-polar** condition is not curable only controlled with drugs. Relapses are also expected so that is why we need the full participation of the family and guardians.

We have amazing successes for all those who have been taking their drugs on regular basis. One of them is David Mugema, who is about forty five years old. For over 20 years, David has been eating from the garbage on the streets of Kampala and sleeping where ever nights found him. He was always walking naked along the streets and very often bruised because of being beaten by by-passers.

We approached his step mum Mrs. Mugerwa and she accepted to take Mugema for medication to Butabika hospital. We offered transport and helped her with the cost of drugs.

David no longer sleeps outside. He sleeps home in his small room, eats from home and attends functions with other people without noticing that he has a mental disorder.

He attended our speech day function but many people could not believe that he is the other David who used to walk along Kampala streets very dirty, other times naked with piles of garbage around him.



*Hanifah Nalukenge in the black stripped dress, Mariam Nassaazzi in yellow Tshirt, Daivid Mugema in the jacket below and Kirabo Ssanyu are all mental disordered patients. They had been brought at the centre for registration.*





**David Mugema at BISTC**



**Sanyu Kirabo on her first day at BISTC**

## **Staff Training and Empowerment:**

### **1. First Aid Training for the Staff:**

#### **First Aid Training:**

**Trainees:** All the staff of BISTC apart from the Social Worker who was in her maternity leave. 10 staff members attended the training.

#### **Content of the training:**

1. Handling unconscious cases example: (epileptic, heart attack, accident cases etc.)
2. Handling broken limbs, injuries and bleeding wounds.
3. Handling Burns and scalds.
4. Handling cases of poisoning.
5. Handling electrocuted cases.
6. Handling choked cases.

The above package was given in a full two days training by trainers from Red Cross at a standard cost of 2,500,000/=. This cost involved the training and issuing each trainee with a certificate. The Red Cross also gave us an internet application which describe the details of handling these cases in case they do happen.

The training was introduced with a brief from the leader of the trainers Mr. Miti Lwanga. This one never participated in the actual training. He left us with the three trainers namely: Isaac Kimbugwe, Angella and Christopher Bbosa.

After the brief, trainees were given a questioner with questions which were answered individually and marked to assess their level of understanding issues concerning the first aid. From there actual training followed involving brief introductions of the cases and actual demonstrations from the trainers followed of how to handle such case.

All trainees were given ample time to practice both on the dummies and their fellow trainees. The training ended with an exam which was used to grade the trainees for certificate award. Certificates were given out afterwards.



*Staff members undergoing training drills.*



*Staff members with their certificates of attendance in first Aid training.*

## **2. Monthly Staff recollections and meetings:**

It's very essential for staff to be motivated and with the positive spiritual positioning to give such service to children with disabilities. At BISTC, we organize monthly recollections and staff meetings. The monthly recollections are given by outsiders namely our Parish Priest, lay counsellors and other people. These talk to staff with words of hope and encourage them to give their service with no reservations because it a noble work. Regularly, we organize spiritual services namely: Mass cerebrations, bible studies etc.





*Fr. Noah Sserunjogi (PP) celebrating mass at BISTC. Small Christian Eucharistic celebrations at BISTC*

Staff meetings are internally organized where staff deliberate on issues of concern.

**Roofing of the structure in the compound:**



**Building ramps to make Classes accessible to all Children:**



### **Netting working:**

SEECHILD as an Organization is now a full member of **Special Children's Forum** a platform that brings together organizations that work with children with special needs. This forum was started with an objective of giving more bargaining powers to member organizations so that their service become more effective and sustainable.

Members of this Forum meet twice per year at premises of any member Organization to discuss issues pertaining to their work. In February the Forum will hold her meeting at BISTC. The forum is planning to organize basket fundraising and advocacy programs to enable her members be more facilitated.

### **Training opportunities for the Parents:**

At BISTC, Skills training of the children is made concurrently with parents' skills training. This is to enable parents / guardians acquire good parenting skills to execute their duty well. Another reason is to enable them to accept their children as special gifts without regrets. We do this by giving them special training during holidays and involving them in special children's functions namely awareness programs and tours where they have opportunities of seeing children doing things by themselves. During these functions they get opportunity of seeing what their children are capable of doing and also interacting with other children with special needs.



*Parents during the training workshop at BISTC. Three parents of Mirembe, Elvis, and Joash went with us on the tour.*

### **Change the game Training:**

Two directors of SEECHILD namely Fredrick Kirigwajjo Matovu and Susan Nnamujjumbi attended a special training of organizations in skills to empower them in community support and financial mobilization. The meeting took place in Jinja town. Many Organizations attended and a lot of mobilization skills were shared. We thank our donors who facilitated that training.



## Special Functions celebrated during The Year:

**Awareness raising day:** It took place at Lugogo on 12 July. It was organized by special children trust whereby different organizations dealing with children with disabilities come to share ideas.



## Entebbe Airport tour and Uganda wild life education center visit:

This was one of the last activities we did towards the end of the year. It involved taking children, all staff and some of the parents to the airport and the zoo. Children, parents and staff enjoyed the day.



*BISTC children, staff and parents entering the ZOO. Joash ( Trainee) on the back of a Carmel.*

At the airport we were welcomed warmly by the airport staff and were taken around the airport in a big coach. All children, staff and parents were amazed, most of them it was their first time to get this experience. The airport staff were very much touched when they saw the condition of our children. Some shed tears looking at the love and care the staff gave these children despite their condition.



*Trainees enjoying their meal at the gardens of the ZOO. Douglas posing for a foto besides the Chimpazee's statue.*

At the zoo some children were very much scared at the sight of animals some wanted to run away but were held by the staff and their parents.

### **Speech day 30<sup>th</sup> November 2019:**

The management had planned to end the third term with an activity which would make the community aware of what was going on at BISTC. In order to make it impressive, we invited the minister of primary education and the Member of Parliament of the area. We also invited many other dignitaries from around.



This day was organized with the following objectives:

- Advertise BISTC as a skills training Centre for children with disabilities.
- Fundraise for the activities.
- Present appreciation certificates to all our donors and people who have helped us to offer this noble service to our people.

We sent letters to all stake holders and guests almost two months before the day. All preparations went on well. However, on the day, rain started in the morning and as our road is being constructed, almost all the main invited guests never turned up. Other guests came and we went on with the presentations.



**Doughalus in his wheel chair showing his rare strokes.**



**The trainees presenting their dance to the people.**

All people who attended were very much touched by the work done to the children. They said that this service cannot be paid for by anyone except God himself.



**Lydia Matovu receiving a certificate of appreciation for Mirembe Foundation. Mr. Kwebiha receiving a certificate for his voluntary service at BISTC.**



The presentation involved showing the day's program activities at BISTC. What mostly touched people was the progress of the trainees: many could write their names, present themselves smartly despite their disabilities, others could use sewing machines to make shirts and dresses and other various products they made.





*Cutting of the cake on the Speech day function 2019 at BISTC which was offered by a member from the community*

The chief guest never turned up but the Member of Parliament came in the afternoon, after the official departure.

During this speech day, we managed to get the total of 200,000 Ugandan shillings in cash and 550,000 Ugandan shillings in pledges.

### **Administrator's Report:**

We thank God for enabling us to complete the year successfully. Vote of thanks go to our donors Mirembe Foundation, Wereld Missie Hulp and the parents who entrusted us with their children. This report shows the activities, achievements and the way forward in BISTC.

**Table below shows the number of children attended term two 2019**

NO	NAME	SEX	AGE	ADMIN. NO	TYPE OF DISABILITY
1	Miiro Ignatius	Male	12	15	Down syndrome & speech problem
2	Mutyaba Edward	Male	17	1	Mental mild
3	Ssajjabi Vianey	Male		18	Down syndrome & speech problem
4	Kizito Martin	Male	13	4	Down syndrome & Speech problem
5	Namujuzi Berinda	Female		3	Lame & mild speech problem
6	Kirabo Ssanyu Akiiki	Female	10	19	Mental illness & speech problem
7	Sserunkuuma Allan	Male	15	12	Epilepsy & mental mild
8	Ssenkunga Elvis	Male	12	13	Deaf
9	Namuyiga Grace	Female	14	10	Mental mild & speech problem
10	Kasaawe Phillip	Male	11	6	Deaf
11	Namutebi Faith Bayiga	Female		11	Deaf
12	Ssentongo Andrew	Male		16	Speech problem
13	Kalyango Douglas	Male		20	Cerebral palsy
14	Zziwa Hunington	Male	8	8	Hydrocephalus
15	Kiweweesi Joash	Male	11	22	Mental slowness & speech problem
16	Kukkiriza Sarah	Female		14	Mental
17	Mukisa Glane	Male	12	23	Autism & speech problem
18	Namatovu Renitah	Female		10	Deaf
19	Kisaakye Justine	Female		25	Speech problem

Table below shows School fees collection term two 2019

N0	NAME	ADMISSION N0	ADMISSION FEE	SCHOOL UNIFORM	SCHOOL FEES	BALANCE
1	Ssajjabi Vianey	18			50,000	250,000
2	Mutyaba Edward	1			300,000	Nil
3	Namujuzi Berinda	3				Bursary
4	Kirabo Ssanyu Akiiki	19			240,000	Nil
5	Kalyango Douglas	20	10,000	60,000	300,000	Nil
6	Kiweweesi Joash	22	10,000	100,000	300,000	Nil
7	Namutebi Faith Bayiga	11				300,000
8	Sserunkuuma Allan	12			250,000	Nil
9	Kasaawe Phillip	6			40,000	260,000
10	Namuyiga Grace	10				Nil
11	Ssenkunga Elvis	13				300,000
12	Miiri Ignatius	15		100,000	170,000	130,000
12	Mukisa Glane	23	10,000			300,000
13	Kizito Martin	4			150,000	150,000
14	Ssentongo Andrew	16			50,000	Nil
15	Kukkiriza Sarah	14				300,000
16	Zziwa Hunington	8				Bursary
17	Namatovu Renitah	10				300,000
18	Kisaakye	25	10,000			
	<b>Total</b>		<b>40,000</b>	<b>160,000</b>	<b>1,850,000</b>	<b>2,290,000</b>

**Achievements:**

1. All children who reported for the training are doing well and parents have identified great change.
2. Some learners have acquired serious vocation skills like tailoring, knitting and weaving
3. We have managed to have a workshop for parents and guardians at the Centre where they have got the relevancy of training children with disabilities.
4. First Aid training for staff members was given and staff are now more equipped with emergency skills.
5. We started the payment of NSSF with effect from May, 2019 (National social security fund).

**PROBLEMS:**

- Poor payment of school fees by parents affects the children's diet and some other programs to be facilitated.
- Lack of enough space in class rooms
- Lack of school van limits the number of learners

**WAYFORWARD:**

- Look for sponsorship for learners.

- Acquire a school van for the learners.
- Complete the new building to avail more space.
- Speech days will be organized at the end of the second term to avoid competition.
- BISTC shall seriously start income generating projects to facilitate her activities in addition to fees payment and sponsorship.

**The following were the donations in kind during the year 2019:**

**2<sup>nd</sup> May 2019**

- Second hand Clothes from Mrs. Ssonko
- Donation of Educational materials from Tusaidiane Uganda.

- **20<sup>th</sup> June, 2019**

Received 10 wheelchairs from Mission for Disability

4 16 inches

4 14 inches

2 12 inches

- **25<sup>th</sup> June, 2019**

Received food from Engineer Suleiman Mayanja

5 liters of cooking oil

10 kilograms of rice

10 kilograms of maize flour

19 kilograms of sugar

5 packets of fruits

- **10<sup>th</sup> July, 2019**

Received 50 kg of maize flour from Mrs. Teddy Ishungisha

**Reported by:**

Florence Mukwaya

**Administrator BISTC**

## Way Forward

### Mpigi:

#### Agriculture:



*Our orchard garden has started producing some fruits for example: jackfruits, mangoes, bananas etc.*

#### Brick Making:



*Our bricks were baked and are ready for building.*

#### Building Classes:



*Two classes were built and roofed.*



Roofing Girls dormitory.



*The girls' dormitory was roofed.*

### Obituary

Towards the end of 2019, we got the sad news of the demise of our friend and donor Stella Ighodaro. Stella Ighodaro (a Nigerian living and working in London) supported us when we were working with Daughters of Charity. She built a library at Nsambya Home, roofed the girls dormitory at Nsambya and the matron's house at Kiwanga. By the time SEECHILD started her operations at BISTC, Stella was diagnosed with breast cancer. Despite her condition by then, she supported SEECHILD with one million Ugandan Shillings when we were starting. She had promised to help SEECHILD, set up a building in Mpigi, however, this promise never came to pass. May the soul of our beloved friend and donor rest in eternal peace.

### Vote of thanks:

Last but not least, allow me to extend our sincere appreciations to the following people who have made it possible for us to register such wonderful successes:

1. Our esteemed donors (Mirembe Foundation, Wereld Missie Hulp, Church in Action, and Tusaidiane Uganda). The financial, managerial and moral support they have given us have helped us to become relevant and realize our mission and vision.
2. Our Local individual sponsors and volunteers: Much of this support has been in donations in kind and their services.
3. Cooperating parents / guardians: The effectiveness and the sustainability of skills acquired by the trainees through our services is dependent on the parents / guardians' cooperation to pay fees, bring children on regular basis to the Centre for skilling and promote the behavior change acquired at home.



**Management Closing remarks and way forward:**

The management of SEECHILD recognizes, that implementing and sustaining the mission and vision of SEECHILD depends on availability of adequate funds, staff commitment and community support. We also realize that contributions from parents and guardians may not be sufficient in the near future. Our main focus in the year 2020, will be on income generating programs and sponsorship projects to support BISTC programs.

We shall continue to look for donors to help us complete the work in progress at Mpigi so that we extend our services to children from distant areas who are yearning for these services.

Above all SEECHILD shall continue to ensure quality service to our beneficiaries and also advocate for children's rights in collaboration with other partners.

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