

TRAINING THE NEXT GENERATION GERED GEREEDSCHAP IS MAKING IT WORK



CRAFTSMANSHIP AS A BASIS FOR SELF-RELIANCE



Quality vocational education is crucial for sustainable growth and employment in developing countries. It helps create jobs and fight poverty, but also reduces inequality and strengthens social cohesion within and between communities.

The craft and construction sectors are examples of branches where there are plenty of opportunities for large groups of people. Often also the materials are present to create a flourishing manufacturing industry.

However, to start as a craftsman or woman, young people must have the right practical and theoretical skills and experience. Unfortunately, the quality of vocational education in developing countries is often poor and unattainable for many. In addition, good tools and machines are expensive. This, along with lack of entrepreneurial knowledge and 'soft' skills, is a real obstacle.

VOCATIONAL TRAINING: SKILLS FOR LIFE

Gered Gereedschap is a NGO based in The Netherlands which has been making a consistent effort for craftsmen and women in developing countries for the last 37 years. Projects supported by Gered Gereedschap strengthen technical vocational education and promote entrepreneurship in Africa. In doing so, we aim to increase employment among craftsmen and women. For example by strengthening vocational training institutes as part of our EQUIP educational programme.

Quality education is the keystone of craftsmanship. This forms the basis. It is the way to learn both theory and practice. That is why we pursue good quality vocational education, available to everyone. We also ensure a good start and support young craftsmen after their training with their first steps into the labour market. We do this by supporting vocational training institutes with:



THE EQUIP - JINJA PROJECT: VOCATIONAL TRAINING



Aiming to maximise its impact, Gered Gereedschap focuses on a limited number of regions in Africa. We always cooperate with local partners to strengthen technical vocational education with various 'building blocks' from our programmes.

In the Jinja region, Uganda we launch a comprehensive five-year project for training and employment creation. As part of this programme, Gered Gereedschap support its partners to strengthen at least 14 schools for vocational training.



OBJECTIVES



3,500

main objective: provide 3,500 students acces to excellent vocational training



70

equip 70 classrooms with tools and machines



500

provide a scholarship for 500 students



50

train 50 technical vocational teachers



8

curriculum development for 8 trades



1

set up a training programme for technical teachers

TARGET GROUPS



500

main objective: give guidance to 500 graduate students into employment



250

realise 250 apprenticeships



250

equip 250 starting craftsmen with standard set of tools



250

provide 250 starting craftsmen with microcredits



age 15 - 30

Gered Gereedschap supports with her projects both men and women with special attention for marginalised groups.

DIFFERENT FIELDS OF WORK

With this programme we offer support for craftsmen and women working in the following professions:



car mechanic



carpenter



mason



plumber



metalworker



electrician



tailor



shoemaker

PARTNERING WITH LOCAL ACTORS

In implementing the Jinja Project, Gered Gereedschap cooperates with 14 schools that are members of the Uganda Association of Private Vocational Institutions. Local businesses, goverment and trade- and employers' associations are also involved. The programme is managed with the local organisation PEFO and the Dutch NGO Edukans, which specialises in curriculum development and teacher training.

TIMELINE

The project has a duration of five years.



2020 - 2024

CRAFTSMANSHIP CAMPAIGN



A campaign to promote the opportunities for craftsmen and women is part of this plan. This campaign is designed and implemented locally and will use different communication channels.

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