

November, 2025 Programs Report



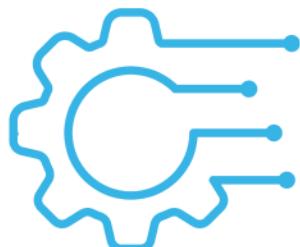
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Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Program

November at a glance



38
Preventive
Maintenance
sessions



0
Reactive
repairs



4
new
Boreholes
drilled



820
people
gained safe
water



Mazinga, Phaya, Kaleso and Moyonsana villages

Community Ownership in Action

Communities invested 2X more than OCA in pump maintenance this year.

This shows strong ownership, sustainability, and commitment to safe water access.

Borehole Progress

-  10 of 11 boreholes completed in 2025.
-  The final borehole will be drilled in Chilumpha this December.
-  Every new borehole means safer water and shorter walks for families.

Energy and Environment Program

Program Overview

- Ecological restoration
- Climate resilience initiatives
- Community empowerment



Key activities and achievements

1. Tree Nursery Monitoring



Ensured seedlings are healthy and suitable for planting.

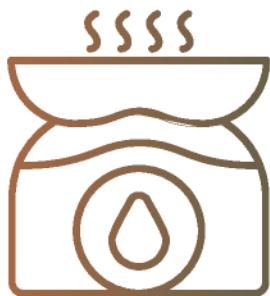


Promoted community ownership and transparency.

2. Land Preparation for tree Planting

- Sites evaluated for soil, fertility, and hazards
- Cleared weeds while preserving beneficial species
- Prepared soil, marked planting holes (2x2 m spacing)
- Supervised labor and documented activities

3. Fuel-Efficient Cookstoves (Nkhuni Pang'ono, Moto!)



128 of 162 stoves in use → 79% adoption rate

- ✓ faster cooking
- ✓ reduced firewood use
- ✓ lower indoor pollution



Challenges

- Inconsistent record-keeping
- Water shortages
- Limited organic inputs
- Cultural preference for traditional methods
- Limited maintenance of cookstoves

A Snapshot of Agricultural Progress: November Highlights

1. Mbeya Manure Training

Trained 82 farmers in Mbeya manure making and other organic practices

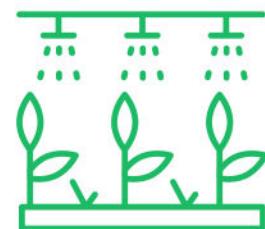
2. Rainy Season Demonstration Farming

- Partnered with seed companies to showcase improved seed varieties and best agronomic practices
- Demonstration plots prepared for maize and soya beans



3. Cooperative Annual general meeting

- 29 farmers attended
- Recognized and rewarded outstanding members with hoes, panga knives, and seed



4. Monitored 5 irrigation clubs

- onions, beans, maize, and tomatoes being grown
- Madzimayela irrigation club faced water shortage due to upstream dam construction

5. Agroecology Harvesting

Harvested garlic, carrots, and onions from the farm. Sold produce directly to the community, generating income and improving access to fresh produce.



6. Mwayiwathu Farm Club Land Preparation



- Prepared 30 acres of land for crop production (maize, soya beans, groundnuts)
- Focused on proper ridge spacing and alignment to minimize soil erosion

A Look into The Business Development Program



Skills Building Training

- 10 women entrepreneurs trained in value addition for groundnuts, soy beans, and tomatoes
- Participants will act as future trainers for their fellow group members



Weekly Village Savings and Loan meetings

- All 6 FEM groups conducted weekly VSL meetings
- Meetings foster savings habit, offer platform for peer-learning and support

Feedback Sessions with FEM Groups



Feedback meetings held with all six FEM groups to assess loan repayment progress



Sapeya FEM group achieved 100% loan repayment, with other groups lagging behind.



Challenges due to macroeconomic instability, scarcity of financial resources, and hunger crises

Education in Focus: November Progress Update

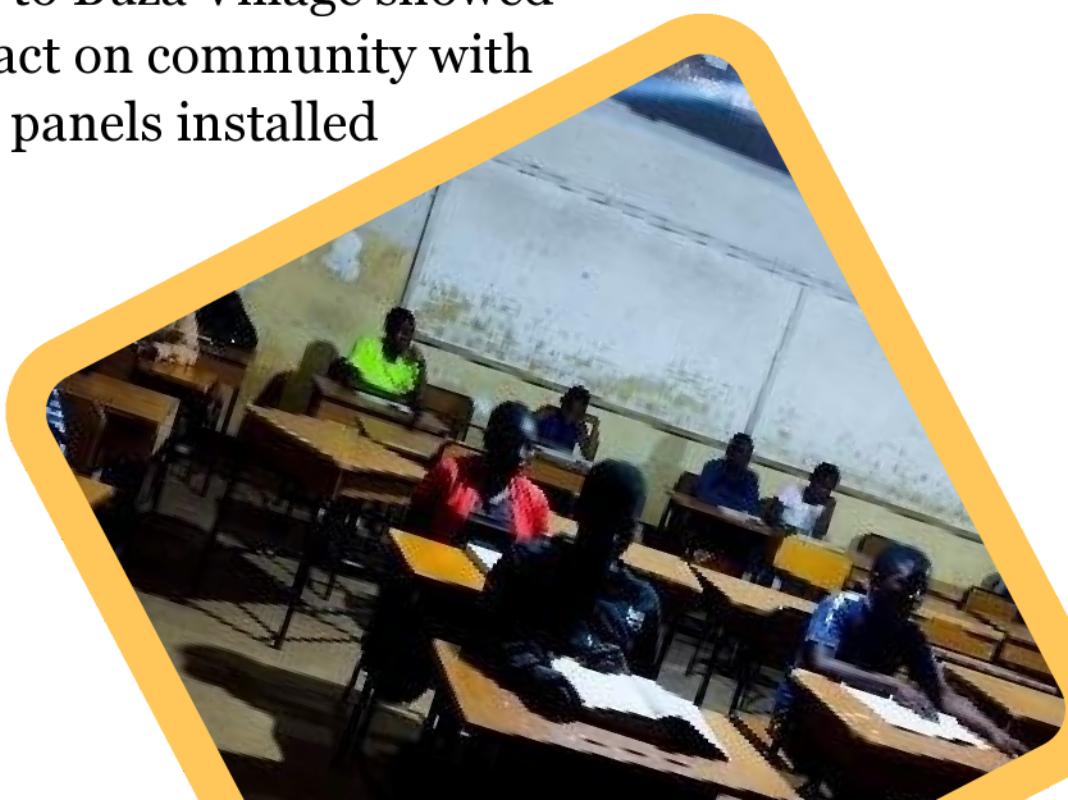


School Monitoring Visits

- Visited 3 secondary schools to mentor students
- Visited 4 primary schools to assess and identify support needs
- Distributed educational supplies to 14 students
- Visited Ngala CDSS library to discuss ways to enhance library system

Solar System Monitoring Visit

- Installed solar panels at Ngala CDSS are promoting night time studies
- Over 20 students utilizing solar panels to study from 6:00PM to 9:00PM
- Monitoring visit to Buza Village showed significant impact on community with 113 solar panels installed



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