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Stakeholders

18 Stakeholder, Government and Industry site visits was conducted on SFI Tanzania estates during Q3. Stakeholders included among others a Member of Parliament, Village Officers of surrounding communities, The Pangani Water Basin and the Director General of the Tanzania Sisal Board.

SFI Tanzania employees are a very important stakeholder and during Q3 employee consultations were conducted on both estates.



SFI Tanzania – a decade of agro-forestry

SFI Tanzania Ltd, established in September 2013 celebrated a decade of agro-forestry in September 2023. Hongera Sana!

SFI Tanzania received the 1st runner up award for Best Sisal Farmer (Large Scale Category). This was awarded by the Tanzania Sisal Board at the annual Nane-Nane Show. Kwaraguru Estate Manager, Mr Joseph Mboya (top left) represented SFI Tanzania at the annual Nane Nane show in Mbeya. The event was graced by the President Her Excellence Samia Suluhu Hassan.

SFI Tanzania furthermore received a Letter of Appreciation from the National Social Security Fund (NSSF) of Tanzania







Projects

Sisal Suckers

SFI Tanzania is proud to be part of re-establishing Tanga region as a world class sisal producer. During Q3 SFI Tanzania donated a total of

155 000

sisal suckers to sisal outgrowers. Recipients included the Tanzania Sisal Board (TSB), The Handeni District Member of Parliament, Hon John Marko Sallu for the district demonstration plot and the Handeni District Council through the Member of the Parliament for establishment of smallholder's sisal farms.

Teak Outgrowers

SFI Tanzania continues to manage 164 teak outgrowers. During Q3 various current outgrowers requested teak stumps for beating-up purposes.



Forestry

During Q3 SFI Tanzania collected Jacaranda Mimosifolia seeds as well as cleaning and sorting them ready for sowing. With the onset of the short rain season, the fruit tree trial in the nursery is growing well. The first round of weed slashing for Kwamdulu is finished and is now halfway of the planned APO (55%) whereas at Kwaraguru weeding is continuing due to the small size of the silviculture team. Pruning activity for Kwaraguru is at 87% coverage for the whole APO while Kwamdulu has a few hectares left. 2.5Ha of Eucalyptus was unfortunately damaged by a fire during Q3. The singling of eucalyptus coppices where immediately done. Two stems per stump were left to give them some more time before selecting the best single stem to grow to a full tree.

Training

117 SFI Tanzania employees benefitted from training during Q3 including 15 visiting students regarding sisal processes. Most training focused on safety procedures at work and the importance of personal protective equipment.

Renovation

While small renovations to housing units continued during Q3, SFI Tanzania focused on renovating the rain-water catchment and sisal waste channel following the monsoon rains.



Social and Environment

Social

SFI Tanzania promotes health and safety of its employees and implementing OSHA principles in safeguarding the environment. Training is conducted annually to employees and surrounding communities regarding hygiene, fire safety, rights of communities through social monitoring.

Apart from donating sisal suckers to outgrowers during Q3, SFI Tanzania Ltd assisted Kwedizinga village with a tractor to transport furniture and medical equipment from the old to the new dispensary. Furthermore, 2.5 acres of land at Kwaraguru Primary School was ploughed for maize planting following the onset of the short rainy season. Lastly, additional 2 acres of land at Taula Primary School was ploughed for maize planting in October.

Below images from the left: fumigation on water bodies to curb the spread of malaria. New concrete floor and grass removal for fire prevention and construction of a wet fibre trailer.



Environmental Compliance

SFI Tanzania conducts Annual Environmental Auditing for forestry and sisal. The company continues to promote environmental awareness through training and the management of a zero-hunting policy on the estates. Indigenous trees are protected on SFI Tanzania estates. This allows species such as Colobus monkeys to be protected.

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