

**ECONOMIC UPLIFTMENT
WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT THROUGH SUNFLOWER PROCESSING
MACHINE -KONDOA**



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PROJECT CATEGORY: ECONOMIC UPLIFTMENT- WOMEN EMPOWERMENT

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1. BACKGROUND

1.1 INTRODUCTION

Lalji Foundation is a Non-Government Organization registered and operating in Tanzania with registration number **00NGO/R/4407**. Founded by the Lalji family of Tanzania, the foundation is a testament to our commitment to giving back to the community and enhancing the quality of life for all. With a deep-rooted belief in the power of collective progress, we dedicate ourselves to developing an inclusive human society. Our Foundation aims to help people in different groups, especially those with special needs.

The primary aim of the Foundation is to work towards the development of an inclusive human society and improve the quality of their lives by empowering people to be self-sufficient economically using education, skills development and financial assistance.

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This project, sponsored by the **Lalji Foundation**, has significantly contributed to women's economic empowerment in the **Kondoa District** of **Dodoma Region** by donating **sunflower processing machines** to the JAI women's group. This initiative is aligned with the Foundation's broader mission to uplift underprivileged communities through practical support and livelihood opportunities. 18,409,000/= Tsh was spent on sunflower processing machines in the Kondoa District.

2. OBJECTIVES

- Enhance income-generating capacity among women in rural areas.
- Promote agro-processing industries at the community level.
- Encourage entrepreneurship and self-reliance among women's groups.
- Reduce post-harvest losses of sunflower crops by enabling local value addition.

Beneficiaries - 38 Women

JAI women's groups in Kondoa, who are engaged in sunflower farming and small-scale oil production. The recipients were identified in collaboration with local government authorities and community leaders to ensure sustainability and active participation.

The Acting Executive Director of Kondoa Town Council, Mr. Hassan Kiseto, commended the Lalji Foundation for its commitment to empowering women economically through the donation of sunflower processing machines. He emphasized the importance of community involvement and sustainability to ensure the initiative's long-term success.

Mr. Imtiaz Lalji, Chairman of the Lalji Foundation, stated:

“We believe that empowering women economically is key to breaking the cycle of poverty. These machines are not just equipment—they represent opportunity, independence, and a better future for the families of Kondoa.”

Local leaders and community members expressed gratitude to the Foundation, emphasizing the transformative role such initiatives play in rural development and women’s empowerment.

3. IDENTIFICATION METHODS

The methods used to identify the stakeholders are:

- Observation
- Surveys

METHODS OF IDENTIFICATION

SN	Methods of identification	Application of method
1.	Surveys	-Gather opinions and views from individual stakeholders -recoding baseline data, recording data and developing a database for monitoring impacts
2.	Observations	Gather data by observing behaviour and noting physical characteristics in their natural setting.

4. PARTNERS & STAKEHOLDERS

Partners/ stakeholders	
LALJI FOUNDATION	Project / Main Donor
JAI	Beneficiaries

6. PROJECT IMPACT

- **Increased income:** Women can process sunflower seeds into oil locally, increasing profit margins by eliminating middlemen.
- **Job creation:** The machines will create direct and indirect employment opportunities within the community.
- **Skill development:** Training in machine operation and small business management will empower women with technical and entrepreneurial skills
- **Community development:** Profits generated can be reinvested into community projects or savings groups, improving household welfare and children's education.

7. GENERAL SUGGESTIONS, CONCERNS AND COMMENTS.

- I. **Take Ownership and Responsibility:** The sunflower processing machines is a valuable community asset. All members, especially the beneficiaries, are encouraged to take full ownership, ensure proper usage, and protect the equipment from damage or misuse.
- II. **Ensure Proper Maintenance:** Regular cleaning, servicing, and maintenance of the machines will extend their lifespan. Assigning a responsible team for upkeep and technical support is essential for sustainability.
- III. **Form Management Committees:** Establishing a management or cooperative committee within each women's group can help in coordinating operations, handling finances, and ensuring transparency and accountability.
- IV. **Utilize Profits Wisely:** Encourage saving and reinvesting profits from sunflower oil production into expanding the business, supporting children's education, healthcare, or other income-generating activities.

8. MEDIA COVERAGE

- Television - IBN TV, TBC
- The Guardian Newspaper
- Sema tv
- Facebook, Instagram
- Nipashe
- Habari Leo.
- Daily news

9. MONITORING AND EVALUATION

JAI Group leaders will be responsible for monitoring the sunflower processing machine for maintenance plans, savings accounts, or cooperative business models in women's economic empowerment in Kondoa.

10. CONCLUSION.

The success of this project will depend on the commitment of the beneficiaries to work collaboratively, maintain the equipment responsibly, and make sound use of the profits. With continued monitoring, training, and support, these women-led enterprises have the potential to become models of rural transformation and inspire similar efforts across the region. The Lalji Foundation remains dedicated to creating lasting impact through practical and sustainable support. Together with the community, local leaders, and development partners, we look forward to seeing these women rise, thrive, and lead their communities toward a brighter future.

ORODHA YA WAJASIAMALI (JAI)

S/N	JINA	CHEO
1	HUSEIN MURTADWA	M/KITI
2	ISSA NDWATA	N/M/KITI
3	ZAINABU ATHUMANI	AMIRAT
4	HAMISA JUMA	N/AMIRAT
5	HADIJA NDIMBO	KATIBU
6	MADINA MOHAMED	N/KATIBU
7	SUKAINA RAMADHANI	MHASIBU
8	SAADA KOVA	AFYA
9	ZUHURA FATAKI	SHERIA
10	DHAMAIYA AYUBU	ULINZI
11	MARIAM MUSA	DAAWA
12	MWANAIIDI ABDI	DAAWA
13	FATUMA BILALI	DAAWA
14	HADIJA MAJALIWA	DAAWA
15	MWAJABU BALUTI	NIDHAMU
16	HAWA MAJALA	NIDHAMU
17	ZAUDA KIJAJI	U/JAMII
18	SAUDA NINGA	U/JAMII
19	ATHUMANI BAKARI	MAWASILIANO
20	PILI BOKI	AFYA
21	SAKINA RAMADHANI	MJUMBE
22	FATINA ATHUMANI	MJUMBE
23	HADIJA RAMADHANI	MJUMBE
24	JAMILA MUSA	MJUMBE
25	JAMILA MUSTAFA	MJUMBE
26	ASHA ATHUMANI	MJUMBE
27	HAWA IDD	MJUMBE

28	AMINA BAKARI	MJUMBE
29	REHEMA GWELO	MJUMBE
30	AZIZA NKUJI	MJUMBE
31	MARIAM YUSUFU	MJUMBE
32	AMINA JUMA	MJUMBE
33	MAIMUNA ISSA	MJUMBE
34	MWANAID ISSA	MJUMBE
35	IDD NYAMBWA	MJUMBE
36	AISHA BINDE	MJUMBE
37	ZANURA HASANI	MJUMBE
38	SOFIA IDDI	MJUMBE

11. SUPPORTIVE DOCUMENT

Why Lalji Foundation gave sunflower machine to Kondoa women's group

By DAILY NEW
Reporter

IN the heart of Kondoa town, Dodoma Region, a group of determined women is turning sunflower seeds into liquid gold. Thanks to a generous donation from the LALJI FOUNDATION, they have received a state-of-the-art sunflower oil processing machine, propelling them into the world of entrepreneurship and community empowerment.

Speaking during the handover ceremony held

at the Kondoa Town Council in Dodoma Region, the Chairperson of the LALJI FOUNDATION, Imtiaz Lalji, said the purpose of donating the machine was to economically empower the group, which provides various social services to the community.

The journey began when LALJI FOUNDATION recognised a hard-working women's group in Kondoa, especially their dedication to community service and thereafter the foundation decided to support them.

He said initially, the

plan was to provide sewing machines, but after discussions, the women expressed interest in an oil processing machine instead. The foundation listened, adapted, and delivered.

With the new machine, the women can now process sunflower seeds into oil, adding value to their crops and increasing their income. This venture not only boosts their economic status but also allows them to reinvest in the community. Profits are directed towards feeding underprivileged patients, assisting prisoners, and

providing for orphans with clothing, food, and hygiene supplies.

The Acting Director of Kondoa Town Council, Hassan Kiseto, praised the LALJI FOUNDATION for their support, emphasizing the importance of such initiatives in alleviating the government's burden. He urged the women's group to maintain the equipment, ensuring its longevity and continued benefit to the community.

On behalf of the women's group, Madina Mohamed expressed heartfelt gratitude to the LALJI

FOUNDATION. She highlighted their joy in serving the community, regardless of their financial status, and appealed for continued support to further their mission.

The collaboration between the LALJI FOUNDATION and the women of Kondoa exemplifies the power of community-driven development. By providing the tools and support needed, they've transformed a simple crop into a sustainable livelihood, proving that with the right resources, communities can thrive.



KONDOA Town Council Acting Executive Director, Hassan Kiseto (fifth right), receives a sunflower processing machine on behalf of the women's group from LALJI Foundation Chairperson, Imtiaz Lalji (third left), during the handover ceremony at Kondoa Town Council in Dodoma Region.



Kaimu Mkurugenzi Mtendaji wa Halmashauri ya Mji wa Kondoa, Hassan Kiseto (wa tano kulia) akipokea mashine ya kuchakata alizeti kwa niaba ya kikundi cha kinamama Kondoa kutoka kwa Mwenyekiti wa Taasisi ya Lalji, Imtiaz Lalji katika haifa iliyofanyika Kondoa, Dodoma juzi. (Na Mpigapicha Wetu).

Taasisi yakabidhi mashine ya alizeti kikundi cha wanawake

Na Mwandishi Wetu,
Dodoma

TAASISI isiyo ya kiserikali ya Lalji imekabidhi mashine ya kuchakata zao la alizeti kwa kikundi cha kinamama cha Jai mjini Kondoa mkoani Dodoma.

Akizungumza wakati wa kukabidhi mashine hiyo katika Halmashauri ya Mji wa Kondoa mkoani Dodoma, Mwenyekiti wa Lalji, Imtiaz Lalji alisema lengo la kukabidhi mashine hiyo ni

kukiinua kiuchumi kikundi hicho.

"Mwanzo tulitaka kuleta mashine za kushonea (cherehani) ila baadaye mkaleta pendekezo la kuwaletea mashine ya mafuta na ndio hii," alisema Lalji.

Alisema baadhi ya mapato yatakayopatikana katika mashine hiyo yataiwezesha jamii kupata huduma zinazotolewa na Kikundi cha Jai zikiwemo chakula kwa wagonjwa wasio na uwezo, huduma kwa wafungwa na watoto yatima kwa

kuwapatia mavazi, chakula, vifaa vya usafi vyombo na huduma vinginezo.

Kaimu Mkurugenzi wa Halmashauri ya Mji wa Kondoa, Hassan Kiseto ameshukuru Taasisi ya Lalji kwa kukabidhi mashine hiyo kwa kuwa itaongeza mapato na kukiinua kiuchumi kikundi hicho.

Alitoa wito kwa kikundi hicho kuitunza mashine hiyo ili iendelee kutumika kwa lengo lililokusudiwa na kukisaidia kikundi hicho kuongeza mapato na kureje-

sha kwa jamii ya wenye uhitaji.

"Lazima yawepo makundi kama haya ya kusaidia serikali katika kuihudumia jamii, watu huita matendo ya huruma. Kama tungeiachia serikali ifanye kila kitu basi ingeelemewa," alisema.

Mwakilishi wa Jai, Madina Mohamed kwa niaba ya wenzake ameomba taasisi ya Lalji iendelee kuwashika mkono ili waendelee kutoa huduma katika jamii.

Taasisi yatoa msaada mashine kuchakata alizeti

Na Mwandishi Wetu

TAASISI ya Lalji Foundation imekabidhi mashine ya kuchakata alizeti kwa kikundi cha kinamama wilayani Kondoa, ili kuongeza thamani ya zao hilo kwa wakulima.

Akizungumza jana wakati wa kukabidhi mashine hiyo iliyo-fanyika katika Halmashauri ya Mji wa Kondoa mkoani Dodoma, Mwenyekiti wa taasisi hiyo, Imtiaz Lalji alisema lengo la kutoa msaada huo ni kukiinua kiuchumi kikundi hicho ambacho kinatoa huduma mbalimbali za kijamii kwa wananchi.

"Niliongea na Dk.Majala akawa ametuambia kuna kikundi ki-moja anakifahamu cha kinamama kipo Kondoa ambao wanajituma sana na wapo karibu sana na jamii na wanafanya shughuli za kijamii, hivyo ikabidi nikijue zaidi kikundi hicho na ndio nipo hapa leo. Mwanzo tulitaka kuleta mashine za kushonea (cherehani) ila baadaye mkaleta pendekezo la kuwaletea mashine ya mafuta," alisema.

Alisema baadhi ya mapato yata-kayopatikana katika mashine hiyo yatasaidia kurejesha kwa jamii katika huduma mbalimbali zinazotolewa na kikundi hicho ikiwamo huduma za chakula kwa wagonjwa, huduma mbalimbali kwa wafungwa na watoto yatima kwa kuwapatia mavazi, chakula, vifaa vya usafi vyombo na huduma nyinginezo. Kaimu Mkurugenzi wa Halmashauri ya Mji wa Kondoa, Hassan Kiseto aliishukuru taasisi hiyo kwa kukabidhi mashine hiyo na kubainisha kuwa itasaidia kuongeza mapato na kukiinua kiuchumi kikundi hicho.

Aidha, alitoa wito kwa kikundi hicho kuitunza mashine hiyo ili iendelee kutumika kwa lengo lililokusudiwa na kusaidia kuongeza mapato na kurejesha kwa jamii ya wenye uhitaji.

Sunflower processing equipment boosts women's group in Kondoa

Guardian Correspondent, Kondoa

A women's group in Kondoa District,

Dodoma Region, has received a sunflower processing machine aimed at adding value to the crop and boosting local farmers' income, thanks for the support from the non-governmental organisation-Lalji Foundation.

Speaking during the handover ceremony held at Kondoa Town Council in Dodoma Region, Lalji Foundation chairperson, Imtiaz Lalji, said the donation was intended to economically empower the group,

which has been actively engaged in providing various social services in the community.

"We were informed about the handworking women's group in Kondoa that is deeply involved in community services but lacked a sunflower oil press machine. That's why we decided to support them with this machine," said Lalji.

He added that a portion of the income generated from the machine will go towards the group's community outreach efforts, including providing food for underprivileged patients,

supporting prisoners and orphans with clothing, food, hygiene items, utensils, and other essential needs.

Acting director of Kondoa Town Council, Hassan Kiseti, expressed gratitude to the Lalji Foundation, noting that the machine would help improve the group's income and contribute to local economic development.

He urged the group to take good care of the machine to ensure it serves its intended purpose and continues to support their work and their contributions to the society.

"We need more groups like this to complement government efforts in serving the community. People often talk about charitable donations, but if everything was left to the government alone, it would be overwhelmed," Kiseti said.

Some of the beneficiaries of the donation called on Lalji Foundation to continue supporting them. In a speech read on behalf of the group by Madina Mohamed, the women expressed their joy for being able to serve the community regardless of their own financial challenges.

**BISMILLAHİ RAHMANİ RAHİMÜ
SHUKRANI:
LALJI FOUNDATION**

Ndugu

Sisi **JAMII-YATUL-AKHLAAQUL ISLAAM(JAI)KONDOA**

Tunayofuraha kubwa kwa kuon umuhimu wa sisi wa wanajai kondoa kwa huduma za kijamii tunazozitoa bila kujali uchumi wetu tulionao. Huduma hizo tunazozitoa ni hizi zifuatazo

1. Huduma kwa wagonjwa hospital kila siku asubuhi ni chai,uji.vtafunwa na wale wasio na uwezo wa kulipia matibabu ya hospitali
2. Huduma mbalimbali kwa wafungwa (magereza) kila jumapili
 - I. Chakula kama mchele,maharage,mafuta,nyama, tambi n.k
 - II. Vifaa vingine kama sabuni dawa za meno,miswaki n.k
 - III. Mavazi kama vile nguo za kike na za kiume
 - IV. Vitabu vya dini na mikeka ya kukalia
3. Huduma kwa watoto yatima kama vile
 - I. Mavazi
 - II. Chakula
 - III. Vifaa vya usafi na kuwafanyia usafi
 - IV. Vyombo mbalimbali vya chakula kama vile vikombe,sahani,sinia na ndoo za maji
 - V. Huduma kwa wajane kama vile , mavazi ,chakula na fedha za kujikimu kimaisha.

Hivyo basi kwa kuona umuhimu wetu na kuwea kutusaidia ili tuweze kuwa na mtaji wa kutuwezesha kufanya huduma hizi tunazotoa shuktani za dhati kwenu kwa upendo ulionesha na kutujali kiasi ambacho hatuna neno ambalo linatosheleza shukrani zetu

Hivyo basi tunamwomba mwenyezi mungu awalipe pale mlipotoa na awazidishie ili mwendeleo kwa jamii nyingine

Na pia tunatoa shukrani zetu kwa viongozi wetu wa halmashauri mji kondoa kutujali na kuweza kujumuika nasi tunasema ahsanteni sana.

Asalaam alaykum wanajai kondoa

THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA

FORM S.A. 3



The Societies (Application for Registration) Rules, 1954

(Rule 5)

CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION
NUMBER S.A. 19612

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT **JAMIIYAATUL AKHLAAQUL-ISLAAM (JAI)** has this day been registered under the Societies Act (**CAP. 337 R.E. 2002**).

Dated this **13TH** day of **AUGUST, 2014.**


S.R. FELLA

For: **REGISTRAR OF SOCIETIES**
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12. ACTIVITY PHOTOS



JAI women's group before the project.



Lalji Foundation, JAI women's group, together with the Executive Director of Kondoia town Council, Hassan Kiseto, after the project.



JAI women's group in Kondoa



Lalji Foundation, community leaders together with the executive Director of Kondo City council



HABARI

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The Chairman of Lalji Foundation



Sunflower processing machine