

# OTHER USES OF VETIVER GRASS





Historically an aromatic plant, it now has  
over 20 different applications



# Forage for livestock



**Provides feed value during drought period**



# Construction material



**Tongue & groove clay/vetiver blocks (Thailand)**

**Thatch (Zimbabwe)**



# House constructed almost entirely of vetiver-derived products (Thailand)

- Floor tiles
- Counter tops
- Wall panels
- Blocks
- Transparent panels



# Ornamental & environmental



# Mushroom grown in cut-leaves of vetiver



# Dried leaves used to make Artisanal products (Thailand)





# Cooling effects – vetiver blinds



**When sprinkled with water & hung in windows and doors, material provides cooling effect and pleasant aroma.**



# Successful handicraft program with funding from the Polar Foundation (Venezuela)



Has impacted 11,000 rural women and children



# Vetiver biomass for energy source (Dominican Republic)



Between 70-120 tons per hectare per year of vetiver leaves as boiler fuel in small regional power plants



# Vetiver roots in drinking water (Senegal)



- Disinfects
- good taste
- nice odor
- eliminates pathogens



# Medicinal use and drinking water - Senegal



- **Traditional medicine**
- **Herbal drinks**
- **Fragrance**
- **aromatherapy**

