

Cameroon Vetiver Network (CAMVETNET)
Belo, Boyo Division, Bamenda – Cameroon.

**TECHNICAL REPORT
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Summary:

CAMVETNET has been fully and will always be committed to provide vetiver system support all over Cameroon and neighboring countries especially Nigeria training farmers and others interested users in the technology in all related areas of its application. These include: Soil and water conservation in the forestry and agricultural sectors; earth work stabilization in the engineering and construction sector; bio-remediation for the reclamation of polluted areas; water quality improvement; handicrafts and any other use that may be applicable to the people of Cameroon and its border countries. Thus sharing all the information it generates with TVN and other interested users or groups.

TVN sponsorship has played a very big part in the success of Vetiver in Cameroon. Many thank to Richard Grinshaw and the entire TVN board for their generous support to CAMVETNET

Soil erosion is a major threat in a mountainous Country where 75% of populations are farmers. In Northwest of Cameroon, the altitude varies from 500 to 2000 meters with steep slopes, which sometimes reach above 50%. Annual average rainfall between 2500-3000mm and soil develop from granite, which are often rocky. Soil fertility is poor with a low organic matter content and high rainfall often lead to nitrogen shortages and insufficient phosphate. Poverty from over use of soil, slash and burn farming methods and a poor health system in the rural areas, are all problems, which the subsequent promotion and use of vetiver over the last 13 years have started treating. Vetiver is now found all over the Country with active individuals and NGOs encouraging its use in all 10 provinces.

Targeted audience:

The targeted audiences have been the training of students and individual interested persons on how to make craft using vetiver grass. Training 30 Agricultural staff in the 7 divisions of the Northwest province. Introduction of vetiver technology to 2 secondary schools in Belo subdivision and Intensive visits to different ministries to introduce vetiver technology.

Training primary school children in Fundong how to make handicrafts from vetiver. Our training field staff in our BERUDEP office has carried out this training in Fundong for 9 months doing it once a week. It was very successful.

Training 30 staff in the seven Division of Northwest province was not easy for this year was a year for election and so it took us a very long time. Now the staff knows about vetiver grass and we have hand to each staff a handbook on vetiver Grass. The hedge AGAINST Erosion. We hope they will now help Cameroon Vetiver network with promoting the use of Vetiver.

The introduction of Vetiver in two secondary school in Belo has been done to the following schools:- BCHS Njinikejem – Kom and GHS Belo. They are growing it now in their school farms

All the training were successful and below is the analysis of the audience visited in different Ministry and NGOs

I have visited this Ministries concern i.e. Ministry of public work, Ministry of Environment, Ministry of Agriculture and Rural development, Ministry of livestock. Also visited and carry out training to the following NGOs.

- 1) Agence De Voyage, De Tourism Et Bureau De Change
C/O Tataw Emmanuel Ayuk
Phone (237) 75 63 89 03 = Yaounde
- 2) North West Development Authority
C/O Nkem Samuel Penn
Ba Agric. Msc 9agric Econs)
Phone (237) 77669751 = Bamenda.
- 3) Integrated Engineering Associates (Iea) Tel (237) 776 221 99 = Bamenda
- 4) Dr. Roger C. Fotso
Director – Cameroon Biodiversity Programme BP 3055 Messa Yaounde
Cameroon. Tell (237) 9987 45 47.
- 5) Centre pour L'environnement Et Le development – Yaounde
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- 6) Dr. Guillaume Dzinoute Dzission programme development officer
Cameroon biodiversity Conservation Society BP 3055 Yaounde – Messa
Phone 7764 19 37.
- 7) Daniel Knoop c/o FAD BP 281 Yaounde Cameroon.
Phone (237) 7453 18 73.

Cameroon Vetiver network and BERUDEP is presently carrying out a project in Boyo Division, which is to train 10 CIGs group in ten villages.

No Words or letter of thanks could accurately describe our appreciation for the grants to CAMVETNET sine 1993 to the present time which has help us in achieving many of our goals and objectives Working with farmers

Thank you
Sincerely
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Summary of expense

No.	Description	Total cost
1	Training (resource person) and materials on crafts	1,000
2	Training for Agricultural staff (resource person, feeding, accommodation and training materials)	1,200
3	Introduction of vetiver grass Technology to schools (resource person, Demonstration plot and materials)	800
4	Intensive visit to different government Ministries (transport, feeding, accommodation and documentations)	1,500
5	More research on the uses of vetiver roots as medicine	1,000
	Total	US \$ 5,500

PHOTOS.



Field vetiver demonstration with farmers in the Mezam



Vetiver craft at Big Babanki in Mezam Division



End of vetiver workshop with village based volunteer in Ndonga-mountain Division



Introduction of Vetiver to government primary school in Fundong



Workshop and Exhibition of vetiver craft at Njinikom



World environmental day in Mezam Division, Bamenda



Contact visit with the ministry Agric.and Rural Develop't



End of workshop with the staff of Agriculture and Rural Development.



Vetiver craft with school children in Fundong



Planting of Vetiver at District Hospital in Fundong on the world Environment day.



Field visit with NECOFAC (NGOs union) in a vetiver demonstration farm



Exhibition of Vetiver and vetiver grass thatch roof in a soil and water conservation workshop in Bamenda.



End of Workshop with Village based program promoter in
Mezam Division working with the ministry of Agriculture and
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