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Afyaplus  
Organization

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# About Afyaplus

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## Short history

**Afyaplus Organization** is a non profit and non-business organization registered under the NGO act dealing with its core development agenda of the prevention and control of diseases through Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) together with Adolescence and Young Women Empowerment.

Initially, The Organization was established and registered in June 2017 as a Community Based Organization (CBO) operating in Iringa region. Later, in June, 2020 it attained registration as a Non-Government Organization (NGO) under the NGO act, No.24 of 2002 as ammended from time to time.

Afyaplus Organization is dealing with prevention and control of diseases through Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH), Adolescent girls and young women empowerment and also Sexual reproductive health. The main goal of the organization is to improve school performance and create a community free from diseases caused by lack of safe and clean water, poor sanitation and hygiene and empower Adolescent girls and young women in a community.



***Suzan L. Yumbe, Founder  
and Executive Director  
Afyaplus Organization***



## Vision:

A responsible healthy Tanzanian Community free from diseases caused by unsafe water, poor sanitation and hygiene services and where adolescent girls and young women are empowered.

## Mission:

To cultivate behaviour change and build strong community through the promotion of water sanitation and hygiene services as well as empowerment of adolescent's girls and young women through engaging relevant stakeholder.

## Strategic goals:

1. Water ,Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) Services Improved in Schools and Community.
2. Adolescent Girls and Young Women Empowered to Exploit their Potential
3. Afyaplus Organization Capacity Improved



*Students at Mivinjeni Secondary practising Hand Washing Procedure at the Hand Wash Station Constructed by Afyaplus Organization.*

# Water Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) Services Improved in Schools and Community

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In promoting water sanitation and hygiene, Afyaplus Organization managed to facilitate promotion of WASH facilities in Schools, provision of WASH training and promote behaviour change together with advocate and lobby with support from decision makers for improved WASH Services in schools and community. During this quarter Afyaplus Organization in collaboration with the government and other stakeholders managed to facilitate construction of hand washing stations in 5 Schools namely Mivinjeni Secondary, Igumbilo Primary, Kibwabwa Primary, Lipuli Secondary and Luhindo Primary. This project is on-going and until now 3 Schools are complete and remaining 2 is still in progress.



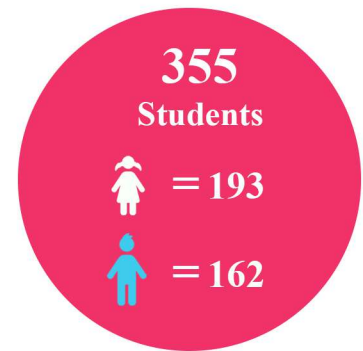
*Implementation of hand washing facilities construction project at Mivinjeni Secondary.*

The hand washing stations constructed by Afyaplus Organization in collaboration with government and other stakeholders are expected to support a total of **2848** Students (Boys and Girls) where by a total of **1486** are girls and **1362** are boys from these five (5) Schools in Iringa region, this total is stipulated as follows as per school:



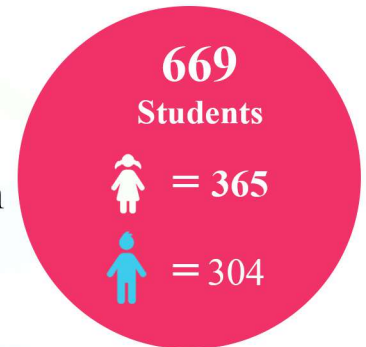
## Mivinjeni Secondary School:

A school consist a total number of 355 Students ( Boys and girls ) where by a total of 162 are boys and 193 are girls expected to be supported through Hand Washing Station Constructed by Afyaplus Organization.



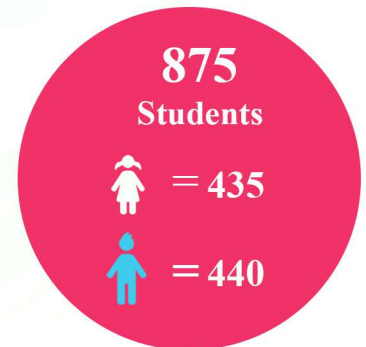
## Lipuli Secondary School:

A school consist of 669 studests (Boys and girls) where by a total of 304 are boys and 365 are girls expected to be supported through Hand Washing Station constructed by Afyaplus Organization in collaboration with the goverment and other stakeholders.



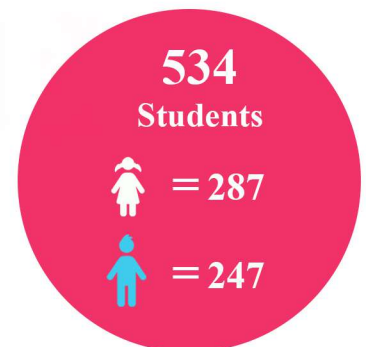
## Kibwabwa Primary School:

A school consist of a total number of 875 students where by 440 are boys and 435 are girls expected to be suported through Hand Washing Stations Constructed by Afyaplus Organization.



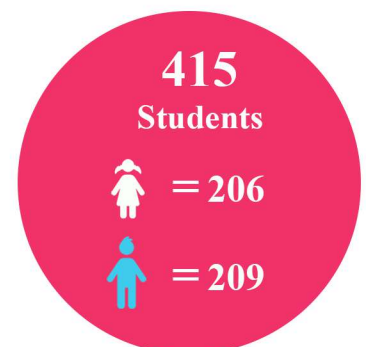
## Igumbilo Primary School:

A school consist of a total of 534 students where by 247 are boys and 287 are girls by which through Hand Wahing Stations Constructed by Afyaplus Organization are expected to be supported.



## Luhindo Primary School:

A school consist of a total of 415 Students ( Boys and girls where by 209 are boys and 206 are girls which are expected to be covered and supported through Hand Washing Station Constructed by Afyaplus Organization.



In line with that Afyaplus Organization collaborated with Global Outreach Tanzania in the Project of WAHI and provided training on water Sanitation and Hygiene as well as Adolescent Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) to the students.



*Afyaplus Project Officer conducting training to primary and secondary students on water sanitation, hygiene as well as sexual reproductive health and menstrual hygiene management on WAHI project where by Afyaplus partnered with Global Outreach.*

A total of 183 students were reached where by 58 were boys and 125 were girls from both primary and secondary school. The purpose of this project was to create awareness about prevention of diseases through water sanitation and hygiene, sexual reproductive health and menstrual hygiene management to girls' students and cultivate behaviour change. The beneficiaries of this project were students from both primary and secondary schools together with Global Outreach Tanzania Staff and Household Members who are indirect beneficiaries from the project conducted. The Project started on 05/04/2022 and ended on 09/04/2022 and the venue was in Global Outreach Tanzania Office.



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*Menstruation is not a problem ,  
poor menstrual hygiene is.  
said Catherine Peter  
(Afyaplus Project Officer).*



# Afyaplus Organization Capacity Improved

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In Jan 2022 Afyaplus Organization capacitate its volunteers on Improve 100 curriculum and guidelines on Village Savings and Loan Association (VSLA) in order to strengthen staff capacity and ability to explore Organization's Strategic plans together with the ability to implement the coming project of "Improve 100". Staff were capacitated on five sessions/ topic namely Mindset growth ,nutrition ,Sexual Reproductive Health ,Entrepreneurship and Personal Finance Management together with VLSA guideline.



*Afyaplus team in training about Improve 100 Curriculum to strengthen Staff Capacity and ability to implement the Improve 100 project.*

Internal trainings and coaching were conducted by Afyaplus team. The major aim of these trainings is to equip Afyaplus team with necessary skills related to project objectives and implementation. Afyaplus team were capacitated on issues of expenditure control management, Source of finance, Problem tree analysis ,how to prepare good proposals ,how to prepare MOU, Organization team-work as well as participation.

In line with that Afyaplus Organization participated on Stawi Lab Training conducted by Her Initiatives and Twaa Community. This Training was conducted to 18 youth led organization with the aim of capacitating youth led-organizations with skills on how to develop organization structures,policies,resource mobilization and organization development skills. As an organization this program helped us to grow in different ways and achieved the development of the organization structure,policies, conducting organization development skills,updating organization websites as well as social medias and build new team through hiring volunteers.



*Founder and Executive Director on the left receiving Stawi Lab Awards on behalf of Afyaplus Organization*

As an impact from all training conducted, Afyaplus Organization won a total of **five (5) Millions** from Stawi Lab Awards as an organization which participated well during training, implemented issue learned and managed to submit 4 funding proposals to different donors.



*“Stawi Lab Trainings have capacitated Afyaplus Team on different aspects which has significantly facilitated development of Afyaplus Organization”  
Said by Suzan L. Yumbe  
(Founder and Executive Director Afyaplus Organization)*



# Organization Long-term Sustainability Programs

## Fundraising Event

On every International World Water Day 22<sup>nd</sup> March Every Year, Afyaplus Organization always Celebrates by preparing Water Sanitation and Hygiene Event Known as Afyaplus WASH Gala. For the year 2022 the theme for WASH Gala was **“Multi-sector collaboration to support water services in Iringa”**. The major aim for the event is to collaborate with different stakeholders and come up with sustainable solution for improving WASH Services in Iringa as well as to raise enough funds for initiating 5 reusable sanitary pad Laboratories as well as construct hand washing stations in 10 schools with in Iringa where by Seven (7) girls or boys can access and wash their hands at once together with One (1) girl or boy with physical disability.



*Afyaplus Staff with Iringa District Commissioner who was the guest in Afyaplus WASH Gala*

By doing so it will help to reduce time spent for fetching water thus increases health standards and ensure favorable environments which increases students school performance.

The event was conducted at Royal Palm Hall and was attended by Iringa District Commissioner who was the guest of honor.



*Iringa Municipal Health Officer one of our panelist team in WASH Gala event, sharing experience and ideas on sustainable ways to improve WASH Service in Iringa Schools*

Afyaplus Organization give special thanks to the all panelist team for nice presentation on how to come up with sustainable solutions ,for the purpose of increasing school attendance,performance as well as reduce time spent for fetching water.



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*In Improving MHM Services in schools, It is important to strengthening the relationship between parents/guidelines, teacheras and students/pupils said Head Teacher Mkwawa Secondary*

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The panelist team included Sophia Mbeyela, Miriam Laizer, Khadija Haroun, Herman Mjengi, Suzan Yumbe and Gaudence Haule. Through the discussion it was concluded that the government, private sectors as well as individuals have to take a considerable part in improving WASH services.

The Afyaplus 2<sup>nd</sup> WASH Gala was hundred percent partner's contribution and we would like to thank the entire partner's list for their tirelessly contributions in improving WASH Services in schools.

Also, Through Afyaplus WASH Gala, Afyaplus Organization received a total of 5,650,000/= Tsh Cash from partners who joined hands to achieve the aimed goal of improving WASH services in schools. Mentioning their names are **ASAS Group of Companies, Global Outreach Tanzania , Vikapu Bomba Tanzania, SOS Village Children's and A promise of 500,000/= Tsh from Buyegi Trust Fund.** Other partners were **Makutano TV, Asili Wine Company, Mount Royal Villa, Toyota ,Bonnie Sly Events and Crave Company** which provided the in-kind contribution to help the events take place.

The following Table describes the contributions of every partner's

S/No	PARTNERS	DESCRIPTION	TYPE OF CONTRIBUTION
1.	GROBAL OUTREACH TANZANIA	Contributed a total amount of 250,000/= to support WASH Services in Iringa Tanzania	CASH
2.	ASAS GROUP OF COMPANY	Contributed a total amount of 4,500,000/= to support construction of hand washing facilities in schools.	CASH
3.	VIKAPU BOMBA	Contributed a total of amount of 900,000/= to support water services in Iringa Tanzania	CASH
4.	SOS VILLAGE CHILDREN'S	Contributed a total amount of 300,000/= to support water services in Iringa Schools.	IN-KIND

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5.	BUYEGI TRUST FUND	Promised to contribute a total amount of 500,000/= to support water services in Iringa schools	PROMISE
6.	CRAVE COMPANY	Contributed in preparation and design of posters, banners and awards	IN KIND
7.	ASILI WINE COMPANY	Contributed the drinks for the event	IN KIND
8.	COCACOLA COMPANY TANZANIA	Contributed drinks for the event.	IN KIND
9.	MOUNT ROYAL VILLA	Contributed the hall and decorations for the event	IN KIND
10.	MKUTANO TV	Contributed the documentary of Afyaplus Wash Gala Event as well as project implementation in one school	IN KIND
11.	BONNIE SLY EVENTS (BSE)	Supported in Public Announcement Systems (PA) and Master Ceremony	IN KIND



# Organization in partnership with Media's

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In project implementation our organization has been partnering with different media's to document achievement of project events. For instance in Afyaplus 2<sup>nd</sup> Wash Gala medias invited are Makutano TV , Shamba FM and Channel Ten. Working with media has increased organization's visibility as well as publicity to partners, donors and other stake holders.



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*Herieth E. Mwambene  
(Afyaplus Project Officer)  
in Jicho la Mwanamke at  
Furaha FM Radio*

Moreover , Afyaplus Organization was invited in “**Jicho la Mwanamke**” Session by Furaha FM Radio to create awareness about challenges school girls face during menstruation especially those in schools, What needs to be done as well as what has been done by Afyaplus as well as other stakeholders to solve the issue. Through this session Afyaplus managed to present challenges facing adolescents girls during menstruation especially those in schools which are Lack of Sanitary pads at schools .Lack of water supply, Lack of improved Sanitation facilities in schools as well as lack of changing rooms to help school girls have privacy especially during their menstruation period.

These challenges hinder school girls from finishing their studies because of poor attendance in class at school which led to poor performance and school dropouts. This session also allowed the discussion about how the whole community involved in the menstrual hygiene management whereby listeners or audiences of the radio were enabled to present their ideas and thoughts about the inclusion of the whole society in ensuring conducive environment

To the girls during menstruation period.

The audiences also discussed the challenges which hinder girls to meet conducive environment during menstrual period such as lack of safe water, lack of changing rooms in schools and Expensiveness of Sanitary pads and poor involvement of men in the issue of menstrual hygiene management. And then the discussion concluded by giving up ways forward to solve challenges discussed which are To create demand awareness to the community in order to have budget of changing rooms construction in each school as well as to provide education about menstrual hygiene management to the community and schools.

## Milestones achieved in this Quarter:

- 111,036 people increased their knowledge and understandings on challenges facing Adolescent girls during menstruation especially those in schools and what needs to be done as well as what has been done by Afyaplus Organization and other stakeholders to solve issue. This has been achieved through the session conducted in Furaha FM radio Iringa during “**Jicho la Mwanamke**”
- A total of 183 students ( 58 boys and 125 girls) increased knowledge and understanding on sanitation, menstrual health and sexual reproductive health and rights through training sessions conducted in collaboration with Global Outreach Tanzania.
- Through Afyaplus WASH Gala, the organization received a total of **5,650,000/= Tsh** cash from partners who joined hands with Afyaplus Organization to achieve the aimed goal of improving WASH services in schools which are **ASAS Group of Companies, Global Outreach Tanzania, Vikapu Bomba Tanzania and A promise of 500,000/= Tsh from Buyegi Trust Fund**
- In this reporting quarter Afyaplus have won an award of 5 Millions from Stawi Lab Program as an organization which practised well during training and implementing issue learned during Stawi Lab Training.
- As a result from all training and capacity building conducted , the organization managed to submit 3 proposal to different donors.



# Roadblocks/ Challenges/Issue and Lesson Learned

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## Challenges

- i. Deduction of schools for implementing the project from 10 schools planned to 5 schools due to rapid increase of construction materials and delaying of some partners who were promised to contribute for the construction of hand washing facility. As an Organization we have learnt that there is an importance to have palm B in case of price inflation
- ii. One of the six schools selected for project implementation didn't show the cooperation due to poor understanding of their responsibilities as school which lead to delay on project implementation. Project Lead Contacted Primary Schools Coordinator to share the challenge and discuss on the possible solution. At the end the problem, wa solved and project implementation continues. From this challenge as an organization we have learned on the importance of having clear and signed memorandum of understanding with the implementing partners in order to describe the roles of each partners.
- iii. Failure to expand the implementation of the project of Improve 100 to Iringa DC in this reporting period as it was planned in annual work plan due to long bureaucracy of approving the permit to carry out the project. After receiving the permit the project will be implemented starting the next quarter. As an organization we have that learned all the approval procedures need to be done early at least 6 months before project implementation.