

ANNUAL REPORT ON ACTIVITIES AT TENEBBA'S HAVEN IN  
KOIDADUGU DISTRICT, NORTHERN SIERRA LEONE-2014



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## INTRODUCTION

Since its inception in 2012, Teneba's Haven being a non-profit, non-political and non-governmental organization has undertaken quite a lot of charitable activities in Koinadugu District. The funds for such activities were provided by the Founder and CEO of Teneba's Haven and Board Members. This report covers activities that were undertaken in 2014.

## ACTIVITIES

- A. BACK TO SCHOOL FEEDING PROGRAM FOR KABALA SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND.

This life-changing feeding program/party was held in January 2014 on the school grounds. A total number of one hundred blind pupils and teachers benefited from this highly successful kind gesture. Everyone present had enough to eat and drink, and they danced to musical sounds organized by Teneba's Haven. The blind expressed their appreciation for the love and support shown and they felt their importance in our community. The sum of two million and twenty-five thousand leones (\$ 500 equivalence) was expended on the said party.

The routine feeding program organized by Teneba's Haven (which is to the knowledge of stakeholders in Kabala) continues to uphold the integrity of the poor, including a vast majority of disabled persons in Koinadugu District who do not get the degree of care and attention they need to feel that they are important part of our society.

## B. EBOLA SENSITISATION IN KABALA

As its contribution to the fight against the dreaded Ebola Virus Disease in the country, Teneba's Haven embarked on sensitization campaign for one month (July, 2014). Volunteers of Teneba's Haven visited communities such as Ismaia, Mamoudya and Sulaimania and raised awareness about the deadly Ebola scourge. It is estimated that about two hundred and fifty people benefited from that campaign. Funds (Le 2,000,000.00 about \$ 500.00) were provided by the CEO and Board members of Teneba's Haven for that exercise, which contributed a lot to the district being one of the least affected.

### C. OXEN PROJECT

In order to alleviate the suffering of the farmers at Mamoudya Village and its surroundings, Teneba's Haven had committed Oxen project so as to enable farmers to cultivate vast areas of land for crop production. A two-room structure worth two million, nine hundred and eighty-five thousand Leones (about \$ 675.00) has been built to house the oxen. Tools such as hoes and ploughs have also been secured. However, the project is yet to kick off because the organization is financially constrained to purchase the cattle that are required to do the work. This project is in progress.

### D. SAVING LIFE

In its life-saving drive, Teneba's Haven provided funds amounting to \$ 300.00 for surgery to be performed on two hernia patients in March and September of 2014 in Kabala. Both surgeries were successful.

### E. CHALLENGES

In the year under review, Teneba's Haven was faced with some financial constraints. Additionally, the Ebola outbreak in Sierra Leone affected a major activity at Teneba's Haven. The CEO and his Board Members were in the process of shipping to Sierra Leone large quantity of clothing and assorted items, including medical supplies for an out-patient clinic and for distribution to the needy people in Koinadugu District. This shipping was brought to a

halt by the initial measures put in place to help contain the Ebola Virus.

## F. CONCLUSION

Teneba's Haven hopes to continue its sensitization campaign on the deadly Ebola Virus Disease in Sierra Leone. In addition, Teneba's Haven is hopeful that the disease would be contained quickly so that the Board members of this organization could easily facilitate the shipment of the available charitable items to Sierra Leone for both short and long term benefits. It is also hopeful that with funds from the founder, Board members and well wishers, Teneba's Haven could assist Ebola Orphans in the country, enhance farming opportunities by providing oxen and tools, as well as an out-patient clinic to care for and educate our local communities about Ebola, Malaria, HIV/AIDS, to name but a few.

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