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## Rafiki - SDO WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FOR March 22 - 26, 2021

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#### **RAFIKI - SDO MOURNED THE LATE PRESIDENT MAGUFULI'S** DEATH. March 18, 2021

ollowing the public announcement made on Wednessday March 17 2021, whereas the Vice President of the United Republic of Tanzania Ms. Samia Suluhu Hassan announced informing Tanzania citizens about the death of the President of the United Republic of Tanzania Dr. John Joseph Pombe Magufuli followed by the Vice President announcing 14 days mourning, Rafiki -SDO joined other Tanzania community all over the country to mourn for the loss of President Magufuli.

As a way of honouring the good things President Magufuli did in his life and wishing him a peaceful rest the Executive Director of Rafiki - SDO Mr. Gerald S. Ng'ong'a reached out to all staffs calling for

short morning prays before prowith other activities. ceeding Also through their communication platforms Rafiki - SDO shared their condolences to the family, friends, government and all Tanzanians by prepairing and shairing a Comemoration posters.



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As per country's Constitution whic instruct that if the President dies in between his ruling phase, the Vice President will imediately be inaugurated to take over the President's position, Ms. Samia Suluhu Hassan was therefore inaugurated on friday March 19, 2021to be the President of the United Republic of Tanzania whereas Rafiki - SDO took their time to congratulate the first ever female President of the United Republic of Tanzania also through shairing digital posters.



### MALOBE ONE OF THE RAFIKI - SDO SUPPORTED CHILDREN IS NOW AN ACE ELECTRICIAN.

March 24, 2021



On Wednessday 24 March 2021 our journalist traveled to Mwakitolyo Shinyanga to meet Said i Malobe one of the supported children Rafiki - SDO sponsored to be trained in Electrical skills at Mwanhala FDC in 2018 to see how he is progressing after he graduated.

Saidi Malobe was one among ten children who were the first to be supported by Rafiki - SDO under the Ending Child Labour project from mine sites for futher studies at Bwangija FDC in the year 2018. While attending college Saidi took a one year Electrical course whereas he was trained and graduated in december 2018 then went back to his home place Mwakitolyo Shinyanga where he begun practicing his skills.

In the discussion Malobe told our journalist that the support that Rafiki - SDO gave to him is one of the great things that happened to change his life, he said " Before the support that Rafiki - SDO gave me I used to work in mines under people who took the work offer then paid us to do the work, but now I work on my own and my name is well known in Mwakitolyo so I recieve different offers from different clients."

Speaking about his achievements Malobe said he has achieved his all time dream of self-employing and having a carreer which helps him taking care of his family and his parents. Also through his trainings he has helped other children to acquire electrical skills mentioning one of them Ibrahim Kaji who is now a well known electrician arround Mwakitolyo.

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#### Let Us discuss precautions to take to reduce risks of Covid-19 infections

At times like this when the whole world is busy batling against Covid-19, every one has a part to play on this fight and this includes Us Rafiki - SDO.

To prove this, Rafiki - SDO have been encouraging their staffs to take all precautions and through this message we share with you the precautions you need to observe during this time.

- Washing hands; Wash your hands with clean water and soap or use hand sanitizers your hands clean and safe.
- 2. Cover your face; Always wair a face mask when in contact with other people. Also cover your face when caughing or sneezing
- 3. Social distancing; You are adviced to keep a distance of at least 1 meter away from other publics.
- 4. Stay at home; Always stay at home unless you have an important reason to leave the house.

And for emphasize this Rafiki -SDO created this guiding poster to remind people about the precautions



In the period of two years Saidi Malobe has achieved working with different clients both individual clients and institutions, to mention few he has already worked with Mwakitolyo dispensary, Mwakitolyo primary school Mwakitolyo mineral ofice and the Miners Union ofices and many other clients.

Now his biggest concern is opening his very own ofice to make it easy for the clients to find him and also it is a place where he will be able to train and employ other children to help them out of child labour in mines.



# Rafiki - SDO helps Bandari primary school to save water expenses ensuring an access to clean and safe water to pupils

#### March 25, 2021

Rafiki - SDO donated a 2,000 litres plastic water tank to Bandari Primary School Isaka in the 19th February of 2021 as a way to help the school provide clean and safe water to the pupils to maintain good health within the school and the community as whole.

Through the supportive supervision done by the program officer from Rafiki - SDO, Rael Joseph on the 25th March 2021 to see the implementation of core goals of the donation we found that the tank has been very useful to the school as well as the pupils are benefiting from it.

At the discussion with the head teacher of Bandari Primary School Mr. Robert Edward Masumbuko, he said before Rafiki donated the tank to the school the had a



challenge providing pupils with clean drinking water as they were facing a great challenge of high water expenses, to avoid it they decided to lock the water tape which led to scarcity of drinking water to the pupils. "We were receiving a very costiful water bill of at least 30 units a month, but since we istalled and started using this tank our bill has gone down to at least 10 units thus we have managed to reduce water expenses but still we are able to provide clean and safe drinking water to the pupils." Said the head teacher



The water tank that Rafiki -SDO donated to the school is all propery installed and we had a chance to see pupils comfotably using it, fatching water to drink as well as washing their hands.



During the supportive supervion the Program officer also visited Isaka dispensary to meet with the community heath workers to see the progress made from the education they are providing to families.

Going through the data recorded by the heath workers and listening to their explainations it shows since the education hhas been provided to the families people of Isaka are changing and there is an increase in the number of pregnant mothers and children attending health clinic and the number of women giving birth at the dispensary is being increasing every month they record data, also men are now willing to take their women to the clinic and receiving family planning education.



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