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When the clouds are full of water, they pour rain onto the earth surface; when the mountain is saturated, it spills lava; and when humans come face to face with excruciating pain and hardship, tears ooze down their cheek. Nature is becoming more and more saturated with our ruthlessness in the form of pollution, unsustainable consumption patterns, wanton depletion of biodiversity species and their habitats amongst others, and is expressing its anguish in different forms and very clearly.

From climate change and its resultant challenges like floods, landslides, and upsurge of climate-related diseases to water crisis and decreasing soil fertility amongst others, nature has been very clear in expressing itself. Despite the loudness with which nature is venting out its anger, many including most media houses in Cameroon seem to have ignored it or better still have not given it a commensurate attention. This is dangerous! Our welfare and that of generations is dependent on the welfare of nature.

When we launched Voice of Nature News in 2018 as an environment and conservation non-profit news platform with the slogan: speaking for nature & the voiceless, we did so out of a strong desire to raise awareness on environmental issues, stimulate debate and promote responsible natural resource management while grooming future environmental journalists. We wanted to amplify the voice of nature through investigative reporting, updates and analysis on climate change, species & ecosystems, environment, agriculture, religion & culture, health, and society.

Though access to environmental data and financial resources have deterred the smooth realization of this, thousands have been sensitized and educated about the serious state of our planet and implored to take actions that will culminate in improving the quality of air and water, and the sustainable management of our natural resources via our different social media handles.

In our strive to raise awareness on environmental issues, stimulate debate, it dawned on us that we needed to go beyond just investigating and bringing environmental concerns to the limelight to taking concrete actions that will build a greener, safer and more sustainable planet. This set in course a series of reflections that culminated in the creation of a biodiversity conservation and sustainable development non-profit organization simply called Voice of Nature (VoNat) in 2019. The organization was legalized in 2020 with Head Office in Buea, and has since then been engaged in deterring biodiversity depletion & environmental pollution, and fighting against climate change and food insecurity with community kids and youths through media & arts, capacity building, research, livelihood support, outreach and community engagement.

In a bid to reach out to interior communities and other key environmental stakeholders who may not be able to readily access our online platforms for timely environment and conservation news, we have resorted to kick-start the production of the Voice of Nature Magazine. This publication is coming to complement our online news platform Voice of Nature News: <https://voiceofnaturenews.com>.

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The maiden edition of this Magazine is being produced as part of a climate action project, Ecokids jointly implemented by Meg Wah and VoNat with funding from Earth Rising Foundation. With focus on climate change, youth empowerment and engagement in environmental protection, and biodiversity conservation, this maiden edition has well investigated, educative and inspiring articles like: Reversing Climate Change: Children on the Frontline, Nurture for Nature, Human-Elephant Co-existence in Mount Cameroon: How Possible? and Coping Mechanisms for Farmers as Climate Change Surge amongst others. Savour the magazine and contribute to efforts at building a greener, safer and more sustainable planet, as we and our partners look forward to ensuring that you keep having the Voice of Nature Magazine twice a year.

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Nurture for Nature

The fate of the future of planet earth is in the hands of kids. It is thus, crucial for them to be nurtured into the wise use of natural resources and to be able to contribute to the fight against climate change from an early age. These actions will no doubt build a more sustainable and habitable planet for all.

Conservation education therefore, becomes a key way to induce curiosity, love and passion for nature, environmental issues, and biodiversity conservation. Instilling such a passion at an early age is tantamount to raising a generation of environmental advocates who will spend the rest of their lives advocating for environmental protection and living sustainable lives.

Cognizant of this, the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) calls for the active participation of kids in actions against climate change and other environmental challenges. Voice of Nature (VoNat) is engaging community kids and youths in the North West, South West and Littoral regions of Cameroon in creating a greener and safer planet that they will enjoy as they grew into adults.

The organization has focused on taking the youngsters through experiential learning sessions critical to illuminate their understanding about global environmental challenges like climate change, biodiversity loss, and pollution amongst others, and what they should do to mitigate them. Climate and conservation education

media and arts, outdoor climate change and biodiversity information gathering sessions, tree planting in public spaces, radio sensitization programmes, and story telling with the kids have been helpful in boosting their appetites for conservation and taking actions to protect the environment.

With the understanding that educating and empowering school boys and girls to take action to protect the environment is essential to foster individual responsibility towards nature conservation and a sustainable future, VoNat launched the Green School Kids Initiative. The launch of this programme culminated in the kids planting some trees in their school after understanding the importance of trees. Meanwhile, a structured environmental awareness curriculum specifically tailored to each school's academic calendar is being developed.

VoNat is also running other initiatives like the Climate Action Kids, Keep the Apes Alive, Young Amphibians Conservation Stewards and Friends of Birds in the North West, South West and Littoral regions of Cameroon all dedicated to nurturing community kids and youths in Cameroon for nature.



Biodiversity Conservation Calls Taken to Streets



Increasing knowledge about environmental issues, the impact of biodiversity loss and the need for sustainable management of natural resources are a crucial way to deal with biodiversity conservation crisis. After using radio talks, public events and others for conservation education over the years environment-related civil society organizations and sectoral ministries resorted to taking the conservation message to the common man on the street of Buea, South West Region of Cameroon. This was a key way to commemorate the 2021 edition of the International Day for Biodiversity.

(VoNat) and other non-profit organizations reached out to hundreds of youths, men and women, educating them on biodiversity conservation importance. Using flyers, posters and charts, they implored the Buea denizens to fight against pollution through proper waste management, and to plant trees amongst others.

According to the Delegate of MINFOF-SW, Madam Delphine Ikome, street-to-sensitization is necessary "to deter the destruction of biodiversity, and to contribute to the global fight against global warming and climate change".

To Mr. Set Ekwadi Songue of MINEPDED-SW, preserving plants, animals and other natural resources for future generations is very crucial. The 2021 edition of the International Day for Biodiversity was observed under the theme: "We are Part of the Solution" for nature.

Staff of the South West Regional Delegation of Environment Protection of Nature and Sustainable Development (MINEPDED-SW), the South West Regional Delegation of Forestry and Wildlife (MINFOF-SW), Voice of Nature



Human – Elephant Co-existence in Mount Cameroon : How Possible ?

The Africa Forest Elephant (*Loxodonta cyclotis*), classified as Critically Endangered on the IUCN 2021 Red List, continue to compete with adjacent communities on resources in the Mount Cameroon National Park. The Mount Cameroon National Park is a 58,154-hectare IUCN Category II protected area created by the Cameroon Government in 2009. At creation, about 170 forest elephants were recorded. Official reports in 2019 indicate its population within the protected area now stands at 300. On the other hand, the human population around the emblematic Park and its 41 adjacent villages also witnessed an exponential increase within the past five years. This is motivated by its rich volcanic soil and a hospitable climatic condition, a stable educational system at the University of Buea and most recently, the security challenges amidst an armed conflict that has caused migration of many. The South West Regional Delegate in the Cameroon Ministry of Forestry and Wildlife, Delphine Ikome, says the increase in both elephant and human population in the Mount Cameroon Area has brought about competition for the same land and resources.

“Human elephant conflict is more evident today due to massive conversion of forested land for crop cultivation. Most of the areas, which elephants have memories of as feeding sites are now occupied by farmlands, houses, and plantations. When this wildlife species come to this forest-turned human habitat to feed, there is bound to be conflict,” she said.

Ugly Face of Conflict

Bakingili of the West Coast Cluster conservation zone of the Mount Cameroon National Park and Bomana of the Bomboko Cluster are two communities that have come face-to-face with the ugly face of Human elephant conflict.

In Bakingili, over 200 villagers organized a march in September 2021 and protested against what they termed the unbearable destruction of crops and homes by the Africa forest elephant. According to the villagers, this species stormed the village in August and September 2021 and destroyed over 250



banana, plantain, corn, bean plantations and dozens of homes. A similar destruction was recorded in Bomana in October 2021.

In retaliation, the villagers in Bakingili reportedly killed two elephants and openly depicted negative attitudes towards elephant conservation. Farmers and villagers in both communities have been unanimous that the Government join them to kill the elephants to save their lives and property.

On the contrary, Government authorities blame locals for occupying elephant habitats, and have cautioned them against killing the animal listed as Category “A” in the Cameroon Forestry Law.

According the 1994 Forestry Law, the maximum penalties for killing a protected species like the elephant are 3 years of imprisonment and/ or FCFA 10 Million.

Possibility of Human Elephant Co-existence?

According to the Conservator of the Mount Cameroon National Park, Charles-Innocent Memvi Abessolo, neither adjacent the community nor the elephants can be sent away. The Mount Cameroon National Park boss believes continuous funding to intermittently organize scaring missions where shooting is done in the air with fireworks will send elephants far into the forest. Also, creating pepper fence along the park borders and constantly refreshing the pepper, as well as bee fencing will also deter elephants from crossing the park borders to community farms.

Mr. Memvi Abessolo cautions communities against encroachment into the Park boundaries, under scoring the need for continuous community sensitization. He disclosed that the list of the August and September 2021 human–elephant conflict victims is being constituted for further compensation.

Why Conserve Elephants?

Elephants have been described by many as great engineers within the ecosystem. Their dung facilitates the growth of many plants and tree species like the acacia trees, with some plants totally dependent on this large mammal for their dispersal. This poses the elephant as a key architect in the regeneration of the forest which serves as a carbon sink and is very instrumental in fighting climate change, one of the world’s most dreadful crises. Beside these, elephants play a crucial role in improving the conditions of other species in the forest.

The presence of elephants and other wildlife species serves as a great source of attraction for ecotourists. This has increased the GDPs of many countries in Africa and provided jobs for many. In 2017, ecotourism increased Uganda’s GDP by 7.3%, with up to 19% of all jobs in Namibia directly or indirectly linked to ecotourism. Thus, eliminating elephants undoubtedly poses both environmental and economic challenges.



Reversing Climate Change :

Kids and youths are those who will have to deal with the effects of climate change in the future as well as cut down on greenhouse gas emission. Yet this category of people seem to have been ignored and are increasingly worried and helpless seeing the ugly face of climate change with relatively limited understanding of what is happening and what to do. Cameroon-based environmental non-profit organizations, Voice of Nature (VoNat) and Meg Wah (My Earth) have set out to change this narrative.

With the support of a US-based non-profit Organization, Earth Rising Foundation, these community-based non-profits have used folktales & storytelling, climate education, media & arts, experiential sessions on climate information gathering, nursing and tree planting to put over 120 community kids and youths in the North West and South West regions of Cameroon on the frontline of climate actions.

The kids and youths from Mankon and Nkwen in Bamenda, and Bakweri Town and Bonakanda in Buea are raising awareness in their communities, nursing and or planting fruit trees, and riddling rivers of plastics in support of sustainability and climate justice. They are already leveraging on the lessons learnt during the 3 to 4 months climate actions advocacy experiential learning sessions to make a difference for the climate in their communities.

As the first victims of climate change, and understanding the extreme consequences this crisis will have on them decades to come, VoNat and Meg Wah are building the skills of these kids and are causing them to demonstrate leadership in tackling climate change issue, not in the future but now.



Use of Folktales to Engage Kids for Climate Actions



Folktales about plants and animals are mechanisms that greatly contributed in species conservation in Africa during the pre-colonial era. Meg Wah and VoNat mimicked this age-old pro-conservation practice in the Ecokids project.

In a typical traditional setting at the Limbe Botanical Garden-South West Cameroon dubbed the jungle village, the kids, dressed in different traditional regalia, sat around the three-stone fire site eating freshly boiled groundnuts, corn and plump while listening to age-old tales about biodiversity species and the changes in the climatic conditions from old folks. The youngsters listened to “Boutobora”, a special messenger sent from the gods of Mount Cameroon narrate stories about the importance of trees and animals.

Fai Ella Pauline from Buea, like many youngsters at the Ecokids Programme said she was happy being reconnected to nature and understanding the underlying importance of trees and animals in fighting against climate from the folktales.

Climate Education

Climate education remains a key tool in reversing climate change and its impact both now and in the future. In the Ecokids program charts, power point presentations, storytelling, photos, and videos were used to instill in the youngsters the appetite to act against climate change. The youngsters in Bamenda and Buea gained understanding on the causes, impacts and future risks of climate change, and how they can tackle and or adapt to this global crisis and the challenges it is posing in their communities. “The program has inspired me and other kids to think about the climate and the role we can play; to think about nature in our actions,” Che Bianka Victory said after seating through different climate education sessions.



Climate Change information Gathering



Seeing, they say, is believing. Kids in Bamenda moved round their communities and got proper picture on the role of trees in fighting climate change. They watched how vehicles emits gases that contributes to climate change. The kids also moved round their communities, identified, and took images of the impact of climate change while interviewing locals on how climate change is affecting them. This stimulated in the youngsters the desire to be part of the solutions to climate change. “The water volume is very low because of the cutting down of trees. I will nurse and plant trees in our compound and sensitize my friends and neighbors to do same. I will also sensitize my community not to dump plastics and refuse in the river.” Helga wafa said.

Children on Frontline



Tree Planting



Trees play a crucial role in removing air pollutants, absorbing Carbon dioxide that induces climate change, reducing rising temperatures amongst others. With this understanding, the kids were drilled on seed selection, nursery management, trans planting and maintenance. In Buea, the kids established an orchard of indigenous trees, while those in Bamenda planted trees in public spaces. “We are very grateful to you for choosing our environment to carry out such a laudable activity. These

children will grow knowing the various procedures involved in planting a tree and the importance of trees in our environment,” Camille Paul, a Bamenda-based religious leader said.

Media & Arts for Environment



The youngsters translated the lessons learned into dramas, articles, stories, debates, songs, drawings, and paintings with great environmental lessons and a call to shun actions that contribute to climate change. These were presented to their parents, friends, and key environmental stakeholders. They were also broadcast on CBC Radio, STV, Legacy TV and others for a community-wide sensitization against climate change and environmental pollution.

Recognition of Kids for Climate Actions



Kids who distinguished themselves in taking different climate actions during the Ecokids program in Bamenda and Buea, were offered prizes. This was in a closing ceremony where the children also exhibited some of the activities carried out to the admiration of their parents and other environmental actors.

Government Pledge Collaboration



Officials of the North and South West Regional Delegation of Environment, Protect of Nature and Sustainable Development (MINEPDED) and the Bamenda Council lauded the children-centered approach taken by VoNat and Meg Wah to tackle the climate change crisis. They promised to accompany both organizations in their strive to solve the different environmental challenges in Cameroon using kids and youths “who are the leaders of tomorrow”.

Eco Innovator Programme : Making Real Youths' Environmental Protection Ideas



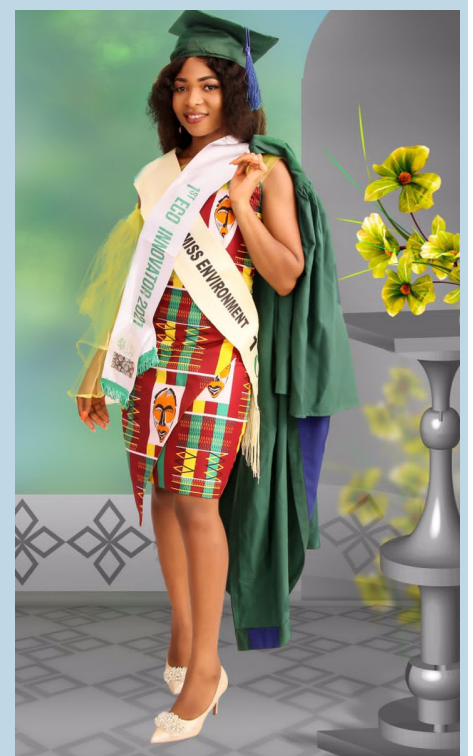
Deforestation and forest degradation in Cameroon resulted in the loss of 201 hectares of natural forest in 2020 alone, Global Forest Watch report. This brings about soil erosion, poor quality of pasture land, and desertification in an incremental and exponential proportion affecting the youth, who are now forced to cope with the postponed effects of deforestation.

The Eco Innovators programme was launched in 2021. Some 20 youths between from 15 to 25 years from Buea, Limbe and Tiko were selected based on the strength of the environmental conservation/protection idea they applied with from a pool of applicants. They were trained to further fine tune and develop their ideas and these ideas were presented to a jury during the Eco Innovation fair. Five best ideas were selected and received seed funding and are currently receiving mentorship from the Meg Wah team,

which will last for 6 months. Generational change that utilizes the influence of young people to positively impact their communities is key to transformative behavior. This reduces the risks associated with the rapid, unsustainable disappearance of forests. Meg Wah is engaged in mentoring five youths; equipping them with the knowledge, skills, and resources they need to help facilitate environmentally conscious and passionate communities in Cameroon. This is being carried out within the framework of the Eco Innovators Programme, which seeks to improve awareness regarding the unsustainable exploitation of natural resources and contribute to an increased presence of preventative interventions.

These ideas will be implemented independently by the beneficiaries themselves, after the 6 months mentorship. The implementation of the five projects of these youngsters

will contribute to reducing the risks associated with the rapid, unsustainable disappearance of forests in Cameroon and the Mount Cameroon National Park area in particular.



Coping Mechanisms for Farmers as Climate Change Surge



Agriculture is the backbone of Cameroon's economy and one of the main sources of livelihoods to many homes in the country. Changes in the rainfall patterns and atmospheric temperature in an unpredictable fashion is serving as a threat to this sector and greatly affecting farm yields.

Such unpredictable change in the weather pattern cost by climate change, has generated grave frustration among farmers who see this as a threat to their livelihoods.

"Rainfall used to be between 2000ml to 2500ml per year. When it starts falling early or falls and stops abruptly at a certain period when heavy rains is expected, it becomes a problem. In 2021, the rains started falling by February 13 and by March 13 there were heavy rains. By September 2021 however, there was little or no rain fall," The South West Regional Delegate of Agriculture and Rural Development (MINADER), Mr. Jackson Ntappi said.

Plants need the right quantity of water at the right time. If there is too much water at the wrong time, it will rot the seed in the ground leading to poor farm

he added. The absence of rainfall also gives the leeway for the armyworm to evade farms and destroys crops.

Way Out

To help farmers cope with the dilemma of changing climate, the Cameroon Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MIN ADER) produces an estimate of rainfall patterns for the different agro-political zones. There is need to make this publication accessible to farmers in all the 10 regions of Cameroon, most especially those at the grassroots to avert the increasing food insecurity in the country.

Mr. Ntappi is also encouraging farmers, like those in Buea and other parts of the South West Region, to plant around August so that before October the crops must have germinated.

"Last year the rain stopped abruptly around October and there was a lot of losses. The most affected were maize and cocoa farmers," he noted.

MINADER has equally implored farmers in Cameroon to practice irrigation. The Ministry believes that if water is properly managed, farm yields will still increase amidst changing climate. The ministry has over the years provided water pumps to some farmers in the country to assist them carry out irrigation.

Mr. Ntappi recommends that farmers should use drought and insect resistant seed varieties. To those involved in tomatoes cultivation, the MINAER-SW boss prefers they use the baker tomato seed, which has proven to be more drought-resistant than the cobra.

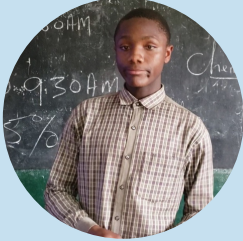
The Cameroon Government and agricultural experts have repeatedly called on farmers to accelerate second generation agriculture. This involves modernizing farming techniques, acquiring knowledge on climate-smart agriculture and securing innovative financing. Meanwhile, MINADER has dispatched community representatives to different communities in the country to advise and mentor local farmers.

While deriving different strategies to cope with the dilemma of posed by climate change, farmers will have to shun practices that contribute to ozone layer depletion. These include but not limited to deforestation and bush fire.



Green Poetry

Nature is Like Human



Nature is not different from human
Nature has life like human
Nature communicates like human;
the blowing wind, the chirping birds,
the sunrays are nature's messages.

Nature is a universal language and a language of love
It is so beautiful and mind blowing
One can completely lust in its beauty
Oh nature is wealth and it is everywhere we go, protect it!
By Leonel Asch, Bamenda

Nature needs Protection



Nature needs protection; think twice before
destroying it
Destroying nature leads to climate change

Plant trees and make nature beautiful
Plant trees to solve climate change challenges;
Plant trees to secure a good climate for us all
Plant tree to out a smile on nature's face again
By Yong Quinivette, Bamenda

My Forest My Heaven



My forest is a heaven;
please do not damage it.
My forest is a heaven,
I shall fight for it.

My forest is a mother.
Please do not burn it.
My forest needs a Saviour
to put destroyers away.

My forest is a doctor;
my forest my is a wind protector;
my forest is a home.
I will replant, and protect you.
Molua Eposi Martha, Buca

Environment Day



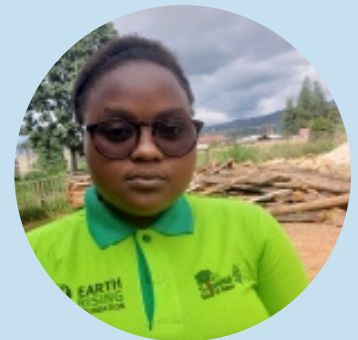
Environmental day comes but once a year
We should make our message clear to everyone
Make that plant a plan to stay
Love and care for your environment
Love and clean your environment each day
Safe time, Save Earth, Save Lives.
By Victory Sakang, Buca

Trees



Oh, Trees, how wonderful you are;
you give me shelter, you give me food
You give me energy, You give me oxygen
You purify my water, you protect me from
hazards
You make my environment green and
beautiful.
I will love and protect you for generations to
come.
By Sulem Tina and Namondo Bella, Buca.

Protecting Today's Gold for Tomorrow's Fold



Once beautiful but now ugly
Its beauty is almost history
So strong and powerful but now pitiful;
Now fragile and on exile

We see our future in it but hasten its
departure
We appreciate its beauty but fail and
lose interest in its protection.
We cherish it for vacations but hasten its
evacuation
Nature brings life like water
Nature saves lives
love it, cherish it, Protect it
Protecting today's gold for tomorrow's
fold
By Ndongi Bernice Lon, Bamenda

Waste Management in Our Environment

Stop the dumping plastics and waste into the water body's
It pollutes our environment
It reduces volume of water flow.

If you keep the environment healthy
Our crops will grow well
We will breathe fresh and clean air
The beauty of the environment will be intact.
By Ngwi Destiny, Bamenda

Volunteerism & Youth Mentorship at VoNat



Voice of Nature (VoNat) is grooming young university graduates from Cameroon and beyond into refined professionals and providing them with the experience and skills much-needed in the job market through its Volunteering and Youth Mentorship Programme. This Programme also serves as a platform for devoted and passionate individuals across the globe to use their skills, knowledge, experience and resources to contribute to building a healthy and safer planet for current and future generations, as well as put smiles on the faces of vulnerable children and women in forest communities in Cameroon.

At least two young Cameroonian university graduates are gainfully employed thanks to the skills and experience gained through the Volunteering & Youth Mentorship Programme. Some 15 youths and other individuals passionate about building a healthy and safer planet and putting smiles on the faces of vulnerable children and women in forest communities in Cameroon have participated in this programme between May 2021 and January 2022; one from USA, two from India and 12 from Cameroon.

The Volunteering & Youth Mentorship Programme of VoNat is open to any individual above 18 with least a University Degree or Diploma, who is passionate about building a greener and safer planet earth, our only home, and or is intentional about building a career and gaining the necessary skills and experience needed in the job market.

Volunteers are welcome both onsite or online for 1 month or more in the domain of conservation education, research, climate change, regenerative agriculture, vegetable gardening, project management, proposal writing and resource mobilization, environmental reporting, arts & design, communication, administration, information management

etc. Beside getting the much-needed skills and experience required in the job market, individuals who join the VoNat Youth Empowerment and Volunteering Programme get connected with like minded individuals in their career for fruitful networking while using skills and experience to proffer solutions to global environmental challenges.

To be part of the VoNat Volunteering & Youth Mentorship Programme, please submit an application including a letter of motivation, Curriculum Vitae, and a general statement on your area of interest, start and end date of volunteering, and what you expect to gain at the end of your stay. The application should be sent to: info.voiceofnature@gmail.com



Inside VoNat



Voice of Nature (VoNat) is a Cameroon community based biodiversity conservation and sustainable development non-profit organization created in 2019 by a group of youths with a strong desire to use their skills, knowledge and experience to finding solutions to biodiversity conservation and sustainable development challenges in their communities while engaging other community kids and youths to do same. It was authorized by the Cameroon Ministry of Territorial Administration following Reg. No.1125/G.37/C84/VOLI/SASC to operate as an apolitical, nondenominational and non-profit organization on September 30, 2020.

Vision

A planet where every individual intentionally treats nature with love and respect, understanding that their very existence and that of generations is dependent on nature.

Mission

Building a greener, safer and more sustainable community planet with community kids and youths through media & arts, livelihoods supports, capacity building, research, outreach and community engagement.

What We Do

Species Conservation & Environmental Sustainability: This programme seeks to deter biodiversity depletion and environmental pollution with community kids/youths through media & arts, livelihoods supports, capacity building, research and community engagement. Projects within this programme include: Keep the Apes Alive (KAA), Young Amphibians Conservation Stewards (YACS), and Friends of Birds (FoB).

Climate Change Mitigation & Adaptation: This programme is dedicated to finding solutions to climate change challenges with community kids/youths via tree planting in public spaces/catchments, research, climate education & effective communication etc. Projects carried out within this programme include: Climate Action Kids (CAK), Tree Planting in Public Spaces and Green School Kids Initiative.

Sustainable Agriculture & Community Development. This programme seeks to enhance food security and improve on the incomes and basic needs of poor resource farmers via public awareness and experiential sessions on agricultural innovations, and income generating strategies. Key projects include: Micro-Kitchen Vegetable Gardening (MVG) and Regenerative Agroforestry.

Environmental Reporting & Communication: This programme seeks to raise awareness on environmental issues, stimulate debate and promote responsible natural resource management while grooming future environmental journalists. Key projects include Voice of Nature News & Magazine and Environmental Journalism Mentorship.

Outreach and Relief Support: The programme is dedicated to reducing over dependence on natural resources via the provision of relief and alternative sustainability strategies to underprivileged and vulnerable children, youths and women in forest communities.

Volunteering and Youth Mentorship. It is dedicated to grooming young university graduates from Cameroon and beyond into refined professionals and providing them with the experience and skills much-needed in the job market. This Programme also serves as a platform for devoted and passionate individuals across the globe to use their skills, knowledge, experience and resources to contribute to building a healthy and safer planet for current and future generations, as well as put smiles on the faces of vulnerable children and women in forest communities in Cameroon.

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Inside Meg Wah(My Earth)



Meg Wah (My Earth) is a registered non-profit and non-governmental organization that seeks to create an environmentally conscious & passionate community in Cameroon.

Vision

We want to see a Cameroon and a world where humans live and thrive in harmony with nature.

Mission

To empower and enable local communities, children and young people to take care of our natural environment through endeavours such as engagement, policy changes and restoration activities.

What we do

- Organic Farming
- Agroforestry
- Tree Planting
- Policy Level Advocacy
- Youth Leadership Training
- Outdoor Environmental Education (Eco - Camp)
- Building Of Community Orchards For Kids By Kids
- WASH Activities

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