MAVHAIRE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TRUST

Monthly Report

Name of Project: Construction of silt traps (Gabions).

PLACE: Mavhaire Community, Chirumanzu District, Zimbabwe

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1.0 Executive Summary

The period under review saw Mavhaire Community Development Trust implementing activities towards the protection of Mavhaire weir dam in the area. Multiforce Pvt Ltd (Modrich) as the tasked company which constructed the weir dam , was also given the task to construct 2 silt traps one in Mavhaire river and the other one in Gurudze river. The construction of these silt traps is a solution to silt that was\would have been deposited to the dam hence reducing the dam lifespan. Employment was created for community people as they participated in the construction of the gabions.

Below are the activities that took place in the month of October.

1.1 CONSTRUCTION OF THE FIRST GABION.

Soon after the completion of the dam, workers shifted their attention to construction of the gabions (silt traps). The digging of the foundation where the first silt trap was to be constructed, which is in Mavhaire River, was already done in the previous month. So the first weeks of the month of October the first gabion construction was completed.



Figure 1: Showing the completed first silt trap, Mavhaire community, Chirumanzu

1.2 STARTING AND COMPLETION OF THE 2ND GABION.

On the 16th of October workers moved to the 2nd silt trap (in Gurudze tributary/river). Soon after completing the 1st silt trap, the attention was on the second silt trap which was constructed in Gurudze river. The gabions both in Mavhaire and Gurudze are 1.5 meters high. Stones were pilled inside the mesh wire forming 3 steps of 500 cm high each. On 21 October the gabion in Gurudze river was complete and that marked the completion of the 2 projects (dam construction and silt traps construction.



Figure 2: Showing silt trap 2 after its completion, Mavhaire, Chirumanzu.

<u>Recommendations/Way Forward</u>

We hope to continur working with Modrich on the next projects as they had showed that they are capable of doing their work perfectly and the complete their work within the agreed timeframe as on the contract signed. We also hope that Mavhaire Community Development Trust will as continue to work closely with its funding partners as to promote development in Mavhaire Community.

Challenges

Challenge	How Challenge was addressed
Unavailability of stones near the place where the gabions were constructed.	Workers had to gather stones from surrounding hills and the stones were carried using a Tipper.

3. Plans for Next Month

There are no expected activities in the Month of November.

Annexures

Annexure 1: Pictures from Activities of the month