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# Welcome to our Annual Newsletter



## Transformative Impact and Continuous Growth

As we draw the curtains on 2023, we're delighted to share some of the remarkable milestones we collectively achieved throughout the year. Here's a snapshot of the diverse initiatives that made a tangible difference in the lives of many.

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# HIGHLIGHTS

## HEALTH INITIATIVES



- More than **5,604** essential services offered by our health centers.
- Nutrition Programs impacted **294** children
- Pink October Seminar held within Vinmart Group with VMF doctors support.



## EDUCATION



- Plugged In Program: **147** beneficiaries certified
- English Program: **29** certified
- Scholarships: **13** individuals supported for higher education



## INFRASTRUCTURE



- Borewells (Lupoto & Kimpe): **7** drilled
- Road Rehabilitation successfully done (Somika Kipushi): **22** kms
- School Rehabilitation (Seleyi & Lukangaba): **600** students benefited
- Educational infra enhancements: plastering, painting, repairs.



## ENTREPRENEURSHIP



- Chicken Breeding: **5,000** chicks given to **228** entrepreneurs
- Beekeeping Project: **60** individuals supported
- Agriculture Impact: **200** hectares, **1,345** farmers impacted
- Financial Inclusion: Trained farmers, **111** opened bank accounts



## STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS



- School fees for **800** students provided
- GMF School & Maison Amani: Over **400** girls benefitted
- Jack Foundation: **146** primates assisted
- Old Age Home: **6** elderly supported



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# As they say, Health is Wealth

## 2023 Surgical Campaigns



Campaign	Specialisations	Location and Date	Outcome
Maisha Ni Macho	Ophthalmological	Goma, Kisangani, Lubumbashi, Malemba-Nkulu From April 24, 2023 to September 20, 2023	<b>3975</b> Consultations <b>528</b> Surgeries
Matunzo Ni Uzima	General and Gynecological	Lubumbashi, Kolwezi, Kasumbaleka, Likasi From July 17, 2023, to August 28, 2023	<b>1122</b> Consultations <b>105</b> General, <b>55</b> Gynae
Nyunzu, in partnership with Pact/USAID	Ophthalmological	Kalemie From September 25, 2023 to November 02, 2023	<b>605</b> Consultations <b>205</b> Surgeries
Bunkeya, in partnership with Médecins du désert	Fistula	Kolwezi From September 25, 2023 to October 14, 2023	<b>1754</b> Consultations <b>389</b> Surgeries
Kisengo, under Kisengo Foundation	General	Kisengo From August 23, 2023 to September 19, 2023	<b>347</b> Consultations <b>115</b> Surgeries

# HEALTH INITIATIVES



## Nutrition Campaign

In the realm of Nutrition, we impacted the lives of children, with **294** young ones benefiting from our programs in :

Lupoto : **129**  
 Kimin : **119**  
 Lubunda (near Terra) : **46**

## Health Center Management

Our **health centers**, both CSR Somika and Lupoto Clinic, continued to be pillars of support, recording a total of **5,604** service utilizations for local communities, including **prenatal** and **curative consultations**, as well **vaccinations** administered to newborns and mothers.

Health Center	Consultations	Vaccinations	Non-Camp Surgeries
Somika Reference	Curative : 2624 Prenatal : 396	Women: 380 Babies : 923	<b>58</b>
Lupoto Clinic	Curative : 981 Prenatal : 460	Women: 275 Babies : 637	<b>11</b>

## VMF Contribution at Group's Pink October Campaign



The doctors from the Vinmart Foundation, **Dr. Damien KISIMBA** and **Dr. Manuella MUKENDI**, played a significant role by conducting breast cancer awareness seminars in various companies within the group during the Pink October campaign.





# Education is the compass of life!

Franck Somkine



## Plugged-In Program

Plugged-In saw **147 beneficiaries** with students receiving certificates :

- For the Jan. to June 2023 session, **69 students** registered and **44** were certified from both Notre Dame du Travail and Groupe Scolaire Charitable.
- In the Oct. 2023 to June 2024 session, **289 students** registered, and **103** are currently undergoing the program.

Additionally, **6 teachers** of the Plugged-In Program have been under training during September.



## English Program initiatives

This program aims to empower students through an english proficiency, fostering holistic development.

**Enrolled:** 199 students

**Certified:** 29 students (not including ongoing sessions)

### Notre Dame du Travail (Somika Kipushi)

- Jan. to April 2023 session: **20 students** enrolled, and an impressive **16** successfully passed.
- Oct. 2023 to June 2024 session: A remarkable **76** students registered, in the currently ongoing batch.

### Seleyi School (Somika Lupoto)

- Apr. to July 2023 session: Witnessing active engagement, **30 students** enrolled, with 13 successfully certified.
- Oct23 to Feb24 session: Currently underway, **43 students** registered, and **13** are actively progressing.

### Kipopo School

Oct. 2023 to Feb. 2024 session: An enthusiastic cohort of **30 students** has registered, eagerly working towards certification pending successful test completion.

## Teachers Training Programs

Equipped **20** educators at Lupoto schools with enhanced teaching methodologies.

## Scholarship Program



Our program enabled **13** students to pursue higher education, partnering with reputable universities like Symbiosis and UNH. Here's the institution-wise break-up:

**3** at MSU, **4** at Symbiosis University in India; **4** at UNH University in Lubumbashi and **1** at Kolwezi University in Kolwezi.



# EDUCATION







# BECOME A VMF DONOR TODAY !

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of those who are in need...

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# All about Constructions and Rehabilitations

## Borewells implementation

Our commitment to community infrastructure materialized through the successful drilling of solar-powered borewells in Lupoto and Kimpe, providing essential water resources. Here's a location-wise break-up:

- 1 Mutwamina (Kimpe)
- 1 Zakeo (Lupoto)
- 1 Kitanfya (Lupoto)
- 1 Mukoma (Lupoto)
- 1 Yoano (Lupoto)
- 1 Kipopo (Lupoto)
- 1 Kafunda (Lupoto)



In partnership with **Pact/USAID** : construction of **1** borewell to provide water to Kawama village in Kalemie. Inaugurated on Dec. 08, 2023.

## Road Rehabilitation Program

The **Road Rehabilitation initiative**, covering **22 km** around Somika Kipushi, not only improved connectivity but also symbolized progress.



## Schools Renovated for 2023-2024 Scholar Year

The rehabilitation of Seleyi Primary School at Lupoto and Lukangaba Primary School at KIMPE not only impacted approximately **600** students but also reflected our commitment to educational infrastructure enhancement. The rehabilitation of both schools consisted of exterior plastering, reconditioning of the pavement, exterior and interior painting, placement of the ceiling, fixing of doors and windows, and repair of sanitary facilities.



## Inauguration of a new school

An equipped primary school including **6** classrooms, **1** administration bloc, and washrooms has been inaugurated at Kimpe on Nov. 04, 2023. Musoya Primary School will provide education to approx. **300** students.

# INFRASTRUCTURE



# All about Entrepreneurship of the Foundation

## Agri-Projects

In the poultry sector, our Chicken Breeding initiative distributed **5,000** chicks, benefitting **228** entrepreneurs.

The Beekeeping Project, in partnership with Pact & USAID, supported **60** individuals.

Agriculture saw multifaceted growth, from distributing Irrigation Kits to facilitating market gardening as well as maize, soya, beans, and peanut cultivation across various regions, impacting hundreds of beneficiaries



We extended our support to approximately **280** farmers in **7** villages around Kimin; **297** farmers in **4** villages around Kimpe; **478** farmers in over **15** villages around Lupoto by donating seeds, fertilizers, insecticides, and agricultural equipment for the cultivation of Maize/Soya/Beans/Peanuts on a total of **200** hectares of land.

Through our market gardening, we supported approximately **69** farmers around Kimpe and **590** farmers around Kimin on a total of **65** hectares of land.



## Open Markets

were organized at Lupoto, Kimpe, and Kimin to showcase the production of local farmers, promoting their businesses through our CSR entrepreneurship projects. The Open Day aims to connect farmers with vendors from nearby markets, fostering a network for mutual benefit. The focus of the presentation is on maize harvest and vegetable cultivation.

## Financial Inclusion initiatives

In collaboration with the Equity Foundation, we have empowered local agri-entrepreneurs in Lupoto and Kimin. Our comprehensive approach includes financial education, access to financing, entrepreneurship training, and the establishment of bank accounts for farmers. By deploying banking agents in villages, we strengthen proximity to services, evaluate farmers' progress, and address financial and

During our collaboration, we successfully trained **200** farmers on essential financial tools such as Budgeting, Saving, Investing, and Business Administration. As a result, **111** farmers opened bank accounts for the first time, marking a significant step toward their financial inclusion.



# ENTREPRENEURSHIP

## Summary

These strategic partnerships reflect Vinmart Group's commitment to making a positive impact on the lives of individuals across diverse communities, contributing to education, well-being, and conservation efforts.

Students with covered school fees: **800**  
Elderly supported in the Old Age Home: **6**

## GMF and Bumi Collaborations:

### **GMF School (430 girls):**

Monthly VF contributions for teachers' salaries and school supplies, with **3** girls benefiting from VF scholarships at Symbiosis University, India.

### **Bumi Home (181 children):**

Monthly VF contributions for teachers' salaries, school supplies, training materials, doctors' and nurses' salaries, groceries, and general expenses.

## Maison Amani Initiatives

Maison Amani benefitted from Back to School Kits (for their **60 girls**) and ongoing rehabilitation (external plastering, interior and exterior painting, door and window fixing) initiated by Vinmart Foundation through a contractor. Additionally, **2** girls received VMF scholarships at UNH University in Lubumbashi/DRC.

## Jack Foundation Collaboration

Jack Foundation (**146** primates): VMF's monthly contributions support groceries and medicines in their dispensary, contributing to the protection and care of **146** primates.

## Education Partnerships

Notre Dame du Travail (NDT) & Institut Technique de Kisanga (ITK): Monthly subsidisation of school fees for **400** students, promoting access to quality education.

## Old Age Home and Medical Support

Old Age Home (**6** elderly): VMF's monthly contributions cover food, cleaning products, and general well-being. Free trimester medical consultations and support extended to **6** individuals at Old Age Home in Katuba, ensuring their well-being and comfort.



In 2023, Vinmart Foundation continued to evolve as a catalyst for positive change. These accomplishments are not just numbers but stories of transformation, resilience, and shared progress. As we step into the new year, we express our deepest gratitude for your unwavering support. Together, we'll continue to script stories of impact, hope, and brighter futures.

**Wishing you and your loved ones a joyous and fulfilling 2024 !**



# STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS

