## ON-FARM RESEARCH AND DEMONSTRATIONS NETWORK

WHY IS AGRIBUSINESS IMPORTANT IN FARM RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT ESPECIALLY IN THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

When we talk about poverty, we talk about people who cannot feed themselves enough!

But poverty can also include lack of information and knowledge; this also include pure ingnorance.

In agribusiness, we call it lack of proper Innovation

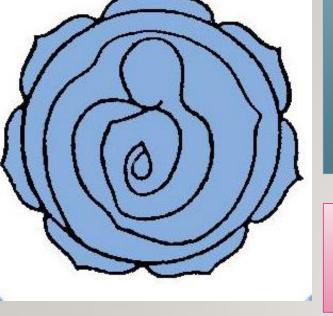




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Youths Entrepreneurship, agribusiness, Education and capacity building



#### HIFA – Hilfe Für Alle

Verein für Entwicklungszusammenarbeit und Hilfsprojekte

## **Association for Development Cooperation and Aid Projects**



#### With HIFA, we were able...

- 1. to provide agribusiness training for young men and women, especially Rev fathers and sisters of the umuchieze community in Abia state of Nigeria
- 2. to help in establishment of farm projects to support families in many regions
- 3. to render material support such as farm tools, livestocks and improved seedlings to the people of the communities.

#### **General activities of HIFA**

- 1. Awareness raising and public relations, especially in the area of natural economic development in Agricultural and handwork training
- 2. Youths entrepreneurship
- 3. Sponsorship program for destitute school children
- 4. Medical help for small health centers
- 5. Water-Well Construction
- 6. Construction and expansion of training workshops
- 7. Developmental support for disabled and chronically ill persons in developing countries

#### **HIFA targeted groups:**

the poorest in the community as well as disabled and chronically ill persons in the Fraternity worldwide

#### HIFA agribusiness multiüplication idea:

To train and support 12 farmer families in production and marketing,

with the yield and knowledge, the 12 farmer families will support and train other viable farmer families, who will eventually transfer the support and training to others.

The multiplication effect is reached, if the community is able to feed itself with the production

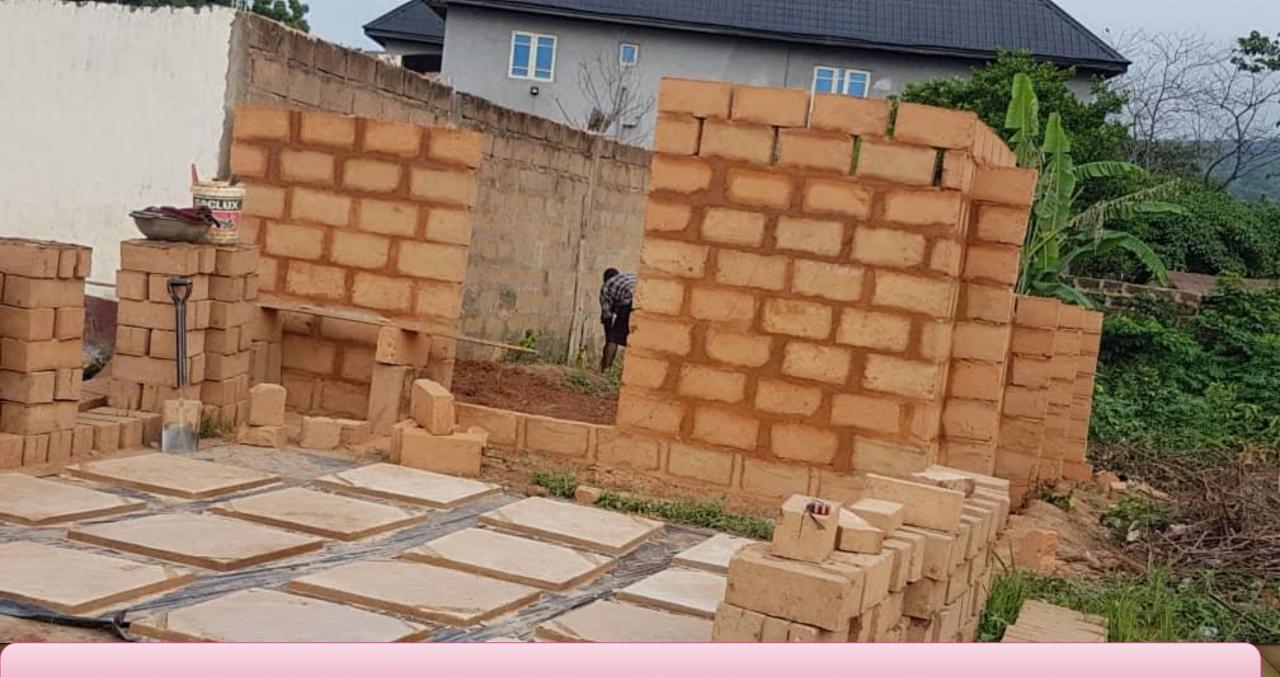
HIFA will only be doing monitoring, evaluating and giving knowledge support to those needed







HIFA project site in Abia state for the small animal production



**Constructing HIFA Grasscutter shed in Umuchieze** 





#### **Grasscutter production**





### How safe is our soil?







How healthy is our soil?





searching the best way of cultivating a healthy soil



Proper soil preparation and food production in many parts of Africa is very important.

Groundnuts farming to generate income



Groundnuts production is high and it is also sustainable

#### **Groundnut harvesting**





managing less pesticides in cabbage production





Ugu fruit and leaf production for human consumption and animal feeds



#### HIFA is using available resources in farm research and production to enhance:

- 1. food for the poor
- 2. food sustainability
- 3. empowering people in agribusiness
- 4. motivating people to embrace small scale farming
- 5. creating awareness of the importance of maintaining the soil for better production
- 6. economic development for individual, groups and community
- 7. rural development
- 8. raw material production
- 9. diversified training opportunities

# Thank You DI. Festus

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