

## **Progress report**

Centre de recherche pour l'éducation et l'environnement (CREPE)

Progress report on nursery

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We, the directing members of CREPE, send you our regards and take the opportunity to present you with our report.

The project started in November in Arcahaie, 3ème Des Vases, at Carrefour Poy, by the preparation of the land and a feasibility study for planting trees in the area.

For the month of January the person in charge for the nursery, Norvius, had prepared more than 6 varieties of plants for bagging such as lemon, a variety of mangoes, coconut palm, Chinese almond, papaya, sea grape (*Ephedra* plant also known as joint-pine and jointfir), Haitian grapefruit etc...

We had decided to prepare 1000 plants and 500 papayas. For the vetiver plants, we are going to proceed otherwise as we did not produce any.

For March, we have already prepared : 140 lemon seedlings, 21 coconut palm and 100 mango seedlings. The others are still germinating.

We plan to prepare 7 grades of plants, 160 of each species, which will amount to 100 plants and 500 papayas.

Our biggest difficulty seems to be the customary motives of the Luloise population to freely pick from the land. It is a challenge to overcome. Now we are starting to educate the population and are taking care of purchasing material for the project. However, the big difficulty is that our economic resources are limited, given that we would like to start planting beginning May, particularly 1 May because it will be the Labre festival.

Finally, concerning the awareness raising and clean-up activities, we have 2 people in charge : Mr. Constant Larisner and Gué Robert. We need financing for the preparation of the meetings and for the clean-up which will start today and continue until the big planting which will take place 1 May 2007.

Renting the land	2500 GDES
Preparation of the land	1000 GDES
Soil fertilisation	500 GDES
20 feet of coconut palm a50 gdes	1000 GDES
Fee for going to St Marc	300 GDES

#### FUTURE EXPENSES FOR MATERIAL.

- Pickaxe	350 g
- Rake	350 g
- Wheelbarrow	2500 g
- 4 lbs binding wire	200 g
- 1/4 tuile pour cribe ????	100 g
- 1 hoe	350 g
- Pincer for cutting	150 g
- 1 string	150 g
- Shovel	350 g
- Shears/clippers	150g
- Small earth remover truck	2500 g
- Watering can	??
- Insecticide	??

For the fruit trees, we are going to start at 150 feet each :

Lemon  
Mango  
Orange  
Cachmant  
Lychees  
Avocado  
Arbre Véritable

For the forest trees:

Almond  
Chinese almond  
Cedar  
Ficus  
Olive  
Vetiver