EARTH DAY 2022 – INVEST IN OUR PLANET

Invest in practices that improve the environment

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Community Forest Management   **Agroecology farming**

Harsh weather conditions are largely caused by human induced factors leading to loss of cultural biodiversity. As people, there is greater need now to use the land with fairness, knowing that apart from us, other beings and things also use the land. This has not always been the case. Man's practices lack fairness to other beings, but does zero tillage, destroying everything. Man uses land as people only and not people with nature.

Centre for Ecological Governance and Gender Initiatives (CEGGI) is building community capacities with simple solutions to maintain land stability through practices that protect, restore and improve the environment. Communities deserve access to information that is based on science, truth and integrity. When fronting science, we should remember that communities who interact with nature know that science does not create but studies creation. Agroecology farming and Community Forest Management yield good results for communities practicing them. They harvest good food with nutrients which give energy and good health. To harvest healthy food, it should be planted in good soils free from chemicals or any other contamination.

Agroecology and Community Forest Management practices complement the gender roles in communities, providing people with protective healthy and nutritious food, a healthy environment and safer territories against climate events. They give communities the opportunity to live in harmony with nature as traditional caretakers.

Through community forest management, communities are able to maintain and restore degraded landscapes with diversity of indigenous species which improves their income and livelihoods while reducing the risks created by monoculture. Let us invest in our planet with good farming practices that will conserve and protect it against climate shocks, for us today and for the generations to come. Our predecessors did it, we can do it.