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About Gammol

Gammol is founded in 2002 as a Belgian non-profit organization. In The Gambia we are recognized as Gammol NGO (A115). From previous visits to the African country of The Gambia, the founders want to do something about the needs of the local population.

The availability of pure water always appears to be an essential basic condition. That is why we focus on the further expansion of our water projects. Gammol provides tens of thousands of people in the Gambia with clean, drinkable water every day. In addition, Gammol also focuses on educational projects and healthcare.

The operation of Gammol is based on 5 values:

- Transparency
- Efficiency and creativity
- Continuity
- Collaboration and self-reliance
- Independence

In 2019, the board was renewed and Gammol moved to Leuven. The new board has formulated a new mission and vision, with clear principles.

In 2023, we focused on water supplies and education.

We installed five new wells, made major expansions in two villages, replaced a water pump, a borehole and a water tower. In addition, we provided the necessary maintenance of the other wells. We built a new school in Fuffor with three classes as a nursery school and 3 classes as a primary school. Flemish nurses went to Gambia to train local staff in wound care. A little further inland, we are starting a rice project to investigate the profitability of rice production.

With thanks to our many sponsors.

The income

In 2024 we received €109,913 in income.



Private individuals gave €26,589, companies €76,950. A large group of donors, both private individuals and companies, do this every year. We are very grateful for that. This guarantees the continuity of our work.

We received larger donations from a few companies and private individuals who are well-disposed towards our projects.

The most important companies are: Link/Manage, Wisa, Lotus Bakeries Corporate, Boss Paint, Pittman Seafoods, Danerolles.

We received €3,837 in subsidies from municipal authorities and other actions raised €2,537.

The expenses of the vzw in Belgium

In 2024, Gammol vzw spent €143,556. For the operation in Belgium, €234.88 or 0.16% of the budget was used for bank charges and insurance. The remaining €143,556 went to our NGO in Gambia.

The expenditure of NGO Gammol in Gambia

In Gambia we spent $\leq 124,686$ on projects benefiting the local population: water supplies ($\leq 63,962$), education ($\leq 48,701$), wound care ($\leq 5,981$) and agriculture ($\leq 6,043$).



Our operating costs in Gambia are \notin 7,161. The largest part of this goes to wages for our two permanent employees (\notin 3,156), fuel and maintenance of the car (\notin 1,541) and bank charges (\notin 1,307).



Operations in The Gambia

Projects in The Gambia

The total cost of our projects in Gambia in 2024 amounts to €124,686.

The most important are:

Water

- We installed five new water supplies of the new type. This is a double tower with 2 barrels of 5,000 litres, 1,500 metres of pipes and 15 taps. The water pumps work with solar panels. That is why the pump stops after sunset. The village then has to rely on the remaining water volume in the tanks.
 These villages received a new water supply (€47,944):
 - New water well in Fuffor. The works started in 2023 and are now finished: 2 x 4000 l tank, 15 cranes, 1500 m pipes;
 - New water well in Banyaka Gidda: tower with 2 x 4000 l tank, 15 taps, 1500 m pipe;
 - New water well in Banyaka Newtown: tower with 2 x 4000 l tank, 15 taps, 1500 m pipe;
 - New water well in Faraba Bantang: tower with 2 x 4000 l tank, 15 taps, 1500 m pipe;
 - New water well in Faraba Sutu: tower with 2 x 4000 l tank, 15 taps, 1500 m pipe;
 - Start new water well in Kafuta Village: tower with 2 x 4000 l tank, 15 taps, 1500 m pipes, completion in 2025.
- Expansion of water installation (€ 8 132):
 - The water installation in Sanyang Nemisack has been expanded. An extra tower with a 4,000 liter tank, 300 m pipes and 3 taps was added;
 - The water installation in Fulla Kunku was still of the old type with a central building with 8 taps and no tower. We placed 2 towers with a 5,000 liter tank, 1,500 m pipes and 15 taps each.
- Repairs (€ 7 384):
 - The water pump of Daru Busumbala was broken and was replaced;
 - The old water tower of Sanyang Beach was no longer safe and was replaced. The other components were retained;
 - The quality of the water in Joreng was not good. A new well was drilled a little further away. The other components were retained.

Education

- Construction of a new school in Fuffor: 6 classrooms, teacher's room, storage space, sanitary facilities (€ 47 538);
- Replacement of windows, doors and ironwork ceiling Rainbow school (€ 1 000);
- Supervise two education students during a 3-month internship.

Wound care - Leetulor

- Leetulor wound care (€5,980)
- We send extra medical equipment and provide food for our local volunteers so that they can continue to work on wound care in the villages. Flemish nurses go on a mission to train and support volunteers. They are also looking for new volunteers in other villages.

Agriculture (rice)

Rice production (€6,043)

We are starting a new rice project. Two pieces of agricultural land, a little further from the coast, near the Gambia River, are being prepared and planted with climate-resistant rice. This is the initial phase of the test and we are keeping the investment limited in this phase. The aim is initially to determine whether this can be self-supporting in the long term.

The result

2024 has been a year in which we have been able to realize many projects: five new wells and a new school.

The majority of our expenses were covered by donations from our many sponsors. In addition, we draw on our available liquidity. Gammol vzw ends 2024 with a negative result of €33,878.

In addition, there remains sufficient liquidity (€77,708) for new projects in 2025.

Expectation 2025

Together with our team on site, and available budget from the past years and thanks to our sponsors, we hope to close the year 2025 with these projects:

Water

- 4 to 6 new water wells;
- Expansion of existing installation. Existing villages are motivated to take the initiative themselves. In the case of good initiatives, we will provide an expansion;
- Maintenance of existing installations.

Education

- Construction of new school. The right location will be determined in consultation with our local employees;
- Students will also do a three-month internship in 2025.

Wound care - Leetulor

• Supply and train Leetulor health workers.

Agriculture

• We are continuing the pilot project for rice production and investigating how we can increase profitability.

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