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PROGRESS REPORT ON CONSTRUCTION OF MODERN MATERNITY AND CHILD CARE UNIT AT ST. ELIZABETH SWINDON CLINIC PROJECT FUNDED BY KITCHEN TABLE CHARITIES TRUST UK.

Progress Report

Reporting Period:	<u>27th</u>		<u>26th April</u>
	March	to	2019
Submittal Date	<u>26th April 2019</u>		

Grant Agreement No: Ref:05/2019

Project Name: Build Maternity and child care unit at St.Elizabeth Swindon Clinic in Kenya

Contractor Name: Philip Okinyi

I certify under penalty of law that this document/Report and any attachment was prepared by me or under my direction in accordance with the terms and conditions of each Grant Agreement Exhibit. Based on my Observation of the building and inquiry from persons who manage the project or those directly responsible for Construction, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. All information submitted in this document and all attachments conform to and is in accordance with the state and government laws and I so here certify with my signature. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false or misleading information.

Project Director: Mr. Kennedy Okoth Otieno

Printed Name

Signature

Background

During the reporting period, project activities focused on completing the clearance of the site, Purchase and deliveries of Building Materials, Laying of Foundation of the Maternity building and Walling of the Maternity and child care and lastly were focused on monitoring activities of the building and putting in place sound systems to ensure efficiency on the use of building materials.

Summary of Activities

Item 1 –Planning and review of Quotation (100% complete)

When work began,

JAM project team convened a meeting to inform the community representatives and the Board of management on the news of approval of our grant application on 27th March 2019. This was followed by dedication service of the site and thereafter clearing started on 29th March. As part of community contribution community members were mobilized and offered free manual labor for the clearance. In the meantime quotations from contractors and suppliers of building materials as well as transporters were received, reviewed and awarded/ contracted. With the ongoing and prolonged dry spell, the management took it upon themselves to find an alternative and reliable source of water to avoid delays as the construction starts. On 30th March the breaking of the ground for foundation took place with a short service and prayer led by church representative in the board of JAM, Bishop Richard Amayo, the Bishop of Lake region Lutheran Church of Kenya.



Item 2-Ordering of Building Materials

<i>Activities</i>	<i>The awarded contractor submitted building materials requirement plan indicating what is needed, the quantity and where to get the particulars while JAM facilitated the payment</i>
<i>Problems</i>	<i>The cost of construction is rising due poor road conditions, government tax, cost of materials and distance from the source of materials to the project site.</i>
<i>Successes</i>	<i>Materials received in required quantity, quality and in a timely manner.</i>
<i>Milestones</i>	<i>Arrival of materials on site including stones, sand and cement.</i>

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Item 2 – Digging and building foundation (100% complete)

Activities	<p>The contractor put the actual measurement and markings on the ground</p> <p>Verification done by the director</p> <p>Digging of the foundation trenches</p> <p>Making concrete mix ready for use</p> <p>Building/filling the foundation</p> <p>Mounting/erecting of pillars.</p> <p>Floor filling/slabbing</p>
Problems	<p>Oversight and omission of plumbing plan at design stage by the architect</p> <p>Digging of the foundation slightly took more time due to the hardness of the ground contributed to by the drought and its stony nature</p>
Success	<p>The actual plan and that on paper were matching</p> <p>Materials ordered by the contractor were sufficient</p> <p>Curing of the built foundation</p>
Milestones	The design on paper was translated into actual work.
Complete	Work fully completed



Item 3 - Walling of the building (100% complete)

<i>Activities</i>	<i>Marking of the walling paths Laying of chiseled stones along the walling/partitioning paths using mortar Inserting wall pass at regular intervals along the stone layers from the wall pillars Curing of the constructed wall layers Construction, mounting and filling of the ring beam.</i>
<i>Problems</i>	
<i>Success</i>	<i>The walls and partitions done according to plan and measurement</i>
<i>Milestones</i>	<i>Completion of walls and partitions Completion of ring beam</i>
<i>Complete</i>	<i>Work completed</i>



A description of any complications or problems experienced during the work,

- There is biting Inflation in the country leading to rising costs of materials
- Government taxes and statutory regulations implying high initial costs.
- Prolonged drought causing water shortage hence JAM had to look for funds to purchase water for building and curing of the construction.
- Plumbing works were over looked in the design and quotation hence ministry of health advised that provision be made to accommodate all the plumbing requirements.

Any unusual occurrence while the work was being carried out,

On the process of the construction we have not experienced any unusual occurrence a part from regularly government officials visiting for routine supervision to ensure compliance by the contractor and our team to ensure agreed changes especially with regards to changes in toilet section.

An indication of when work still to be completed will be carried out.

The first phase of the project is complete as shown in the pictures. It has been implemented within the expected cost and time. This phase includes foundation and walling while the second phase will include roofing, fitting and plastering. The second and last transfer instalment of the grant will be able to complete all the work by June and we will only remain with painting works to be done in July.

Mitigating Measures on the experienced challengers.

The price variations between the quoted and actual price at the time of purchase compelled us to engage in a lot of bargaining with the suppliers to enable us get the right quality of materials required.

Having revisited the plan together with the contractor and realized that the water and sewer line are critically essential, JAM had to look internally for funds from other sources to bridge that gap.

Conclusion

The entire JAM fraternity expresses their hearty appreciation for the partnership with KTCT towards the realization of the noble dream of a modern maternity and childcare unit. The unit will be another bold step in making our facility a modern one-stop shop for all. This development will be key in contributing to access quality healthcare in South Rachuonyo, Homa Bay County in line with the Kenyan Constitution, Government Economic Blueprint (Vision 2030) and the BEYOND ZERO maternal death policy direction. Financially, we have diligently spent 100% of the transfer from KTCT and we now look forward to the next transfer to enable completion of the remaining works.

PHOTO GALLERY



Site Clearance



Foundation digging



Foundation Filling



Foundation filling



Floor slabbing



Walling process



Walling- Ring beam level



Walling-ring beam level



Walling-Ring beam level



Walling at its last stage (wall plate) to roofing



Walling at its last stage (wall plate) to roofing

