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INTRODUCTION

Bimbinafrica is an Italian association NGO founded with the aim to promote a range of projects to help the African population.

After several considerations and two years of research, we have defined the following aims which we will explain in a more ample way with a documentary shot in the villages and schools within the villages and/or remote areas where that phenomenon persists.

FIRST AIM: JIGGERS TREATMENT (Tungiasis)

Jiggers are perforating parasites which develop mainly in environments and conditions of poor hygiene. Feet and hands of the adults and also of the children are the parts where the contamination is more frequent, but it may happen even on other parts of the body. If the treatment is not immediate, the infection can develop in a severe way to provoke malformations and in extreme and irremediable cases, amputation may be required.

In Kenya and also other African countries, the whole schools are closed because of these terrible parasites. The rural villages have the same problem. It has been calculated that in Kenya the affected persons might be about 2.300.000.

After two years of continuous research, with the cooperation of doctors and herbalists, we have developed a treatment and cure which allows to solve the problem with a special application in just 3 days. Up to date 100 people in the area of Malindi County have been tested and have had 100% full recovery without any contra-indication or side effect on either of the patients.

Thanks to the cooperation of the competent Government Authorities and the University of Kilifi, we are registering the medicinal preparation called

"BIMBINAFRICA JIGGERS" and we are organizing the widespread distribution through dispensaries scattered in the territory which will manage the diffusion of the product and the know-how of the application.

SECOND AIM: DISINFESTATION from BEDBUGS

BEDBUGS are bugs which stick to the people and suck the blood. These insects have spread in a worried manner everywhere in Africa. In Kenya they infest the local matatu (local bus), schools, hospitals and the huts in the villages in the forest. The Government of Kenya is trying cyclicity to eradicate with pesticides but it is a temporary solution. In cases where pesticides were sprayed, the insects disappeared for about a month but they later COME BACK and during the night nobody gets to sleep because they stick on the people and suck.... During the day, the insects rest and stay hidden only to come out at sundown from the cracks in the walls of the huts and houses, and find there way even in the beds and start to suck the blood from the people. It has been very difficult to find an efficacious method for disinfection but thanks to the help of specialists of officinal plants and experimenting a simple mode of application, we managed to obtain a preparation which is giving effective results in defeating this phenomenon.

The last tests in the villages have given us satisfaction: the bedbugs in these tested areas have been eliminated and after 10 weeks they have not come back.

Although the problem of bedbugs looks of secondary importance, we must ponder on the fact that entire villages remain awake during the night because of these maddening and dangerous insects to the health of adults and children. Therefore it is important to give relief to the population which does not have the means to defeat these infestant insects.

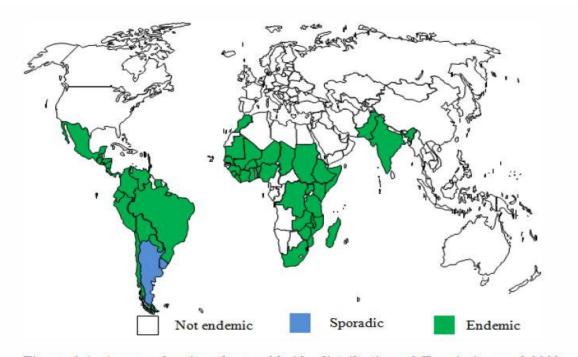


Figure 2.1: A map showing the worldwide distribution of Tungiasis as of 2009

THIRD AIM: PREVENTION OF THE FEBRILE STATE OF THE CHILDREN, GROUND OF SERIOUS ALTERATION IN THE BRAIN

The fever in the children is a phenomenon very worrying in Africa and being able to sensitize the population to prevent the consequences is for us the most important aim of our mission. Children suffer from high fever due to malaria, typhoid and various viral or bacterial illnesses. Often they are not treated in good time because the distance to reach the dispensaries or hospitals is long and difficult. Unfortunately, it takes just 3 minutes of fever above 40 degrees to damage the brain of a child under 5 years, so very often the consequences of those intense febrile states are irreversible and cause important cerebral damages. In addition to the distribution of paracetamol (tachipirina), it is necessary to make a capillary action of prevention to sensitize the population. We are realizing a documentary which will be shown in the villages and schools that clearly shows the symptoms, effects and serious consequences of those strong febrile state in the children. With the aim to release this information in a systematic way, we will utilize a system of projection already tested and broadcasted in South America for the same aim. It is a video system easily transportable which allows to see the documentary even during day hours. During the projection, we have also the to organize a moment of entertainment with games and small competitions. The participants will receive an award like mosquito-nets and thermometers.

We are proud to inform that an agreement with the biggest producer of rubberslippers of Kenya is in the way of finalization. Such cooperation will allow us to distribute the slippers to the most in need, promoting the process of sensitization on various projects.



CONCLUSIONS

For our European supporters, we have prepared a speaking box which in its opening will sing our theme-song sung by a group of children cured thanks to our projects. This theme-song is legally registered with copyright by the bodies in charge.

Donations can be done through sms or credit-cards.

The Government Authorities of Kenya are very sensitive to these projects and will be on our side for the good success of this mission but our aspiration is to extend and divulge the project in all Africa.