

## KENYA - MSETO VETIVER PROJECT REPORT OF 2007 – 2010

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Mseto project have succeeded to raise more over 5 million Vetiver slips and reached many farmers in Taita District, coast province and all over Kenya. In October 23<sup>rd</sup> 2008, our nursery was burnt down by our landlord to terminate our lease. which was to expire in December, 2009 and we have a case in court right now due to the burning of the Vetiver nursery( Malicious damage) so we are waiting for the judgment which the last witness will be at the dock on 27<sup>th</sup> October, 2010 the investigating officer who investigated the case.



*The photos above show the **Gimba Vetiver Nursery** before it was burnt down force us out of the land before end of the lease*

In January 2009, Mseto Environmental Group got a tender to supply Vetiver Slips and Facilitation of the Tema Project in Wongonyi, Taita Hills which was funded by Community Development Trust Fund (C.D.T.F) and European Union E.U. We supplied around 400,000 Vetiver Slips.



*The Photos above show The activities when we **Supplied Vetiver slips** and **Facilitated members** of the community In **Wongonyi** which were used to Stabilize Fish Ponds Banks (**Tema Project**)*



*The photos Above show Workers uploading Vetiver slips to Kisumu where we got an Order of 200,000 Vetiver slips and was funded by NEMA and European Union in September 2009.*



*The photos above show **Kwa Ziro Water pan** in Voi District Stabilized with Vetiver Which was done by **Mseto Environmental Group** Funded by Arid lands under Ministry of Special Programs and Semi Arids Kenya on 13<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> December, 2009 (We planted 10,000 Vetiver Slips)*



*The photos above show **Voi Bridge** Stabilized with Vetiver grass by **Mseto Environmental Group** and members of the community and Taita Taveta Wildlife Forum.*

In October 2009 by the grace of God we leased a new land of 15 acres at Musinga along the Voi river bank next to Tsavo East national park where we have established a new Vetiver nursery.

The Photos below Show the new Vetiver Nurseries and Horticulture Products.







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