

NGO DONATES LIVELIHOOD RECOVERY ITEMS TO FLOOD VICTIMS



In order to avert famine following the recent flood that devastated farming and rendered many farmers homeless in Delta State, a non-governmental organization, Niger Delta Professionals for Development (NIDPRODEV) through funding from Oxfam Novib, Netherlands has brought succor to farmers in four communities in Isoko South Local Government Area affected by the recent flood. The donations included thousands of improved cassava stems, herbicides, knapsack sprayers, nose masks, fish fingerlings and fertilizers. NIDPRODEV has also carried out soil assessment in these communities to determine soil fertility and quality after the flood in order to ensure that farmers receive all of the necessary inputs to grow quality crops.

Making the donation to the people of Enhwe, Uzere, Aviara and Idheze communities, Mr. Jerry Nwigwe and Ms. Ifeoma Olisakwe of NIDPRODEV as well as Mr. Austin Terngu of Oxfam Novib, informed the people that the gesture was part of their humanitarian effort aimed to alleviate some of the hardship that farmers in the area are currently experiencing. The efforts of these two organizations are partly through livelihood recovery items as the flood has devastated their sources of livelihood and reduce crop yield. The representatives from these organizations pledged the continuous assistance to the communities in this planting season and urged the people to work hard to ensure that they make optimum use of the items. Representatives of the communities who received the items on behalf of the people, Mr Oghomu Samson (Enhwe) and Mr Akasi Festus (Uzere), conveyed the pleasure of the people to the NIDPRODEV and Oxfam Novib and promised that the farmers would make good use of the items.

NIDPRODEV also known as the Leadership Initiative for Transformation and Empowerment (LITE-Africa), is a Nigerian non-governmental organization (NGO) operating in Nigeria since 1999 with a mission to facilitate community and human development, foster good governance and create inclusive and diverse networks and collaborations in the Niger Delta and beyond. NIDPRODEV has 5 board members, who are all Nigerian, and 25 staff members made up of technical specialists, managers, finance and administrative personnel with extensive experience locally and internationally. We also have international staff based in the U.S. who assist with strategic partnerships, resource mobilization, and provide technical assistance and expertise in program design, implementation, and monitoring and evaluation. The organization has three operational offices in the Niger Delta with headquarters in Effurun-Warri, Delta State.

