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The Autonomous Intergovernmental Institution for the use of Micro-algae Spirulina Against Malnutrition (IIMSAM). FREE SPIRULINA DISTRIBUTION PROGRAMME TO FIGHT MALNUTRITION

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Description/achievement of initiative

The initiative was created in 2009, ongoing till present time 2021 funded, implemented and governed by the Autonomous Intergovernmental Institution for the use of Microalgae Spirulina Against Malnutrition (IIMSAM). The IIMSAM Free Humanitarian Distribution Spirulina Program has so far in the communities in Kisumu continue to rip the abundant health benefits from feeding on Spirulina distributed from IIMSAM Center. IIMSAM is remembered for playing a pivotal role in helping save the lives of thousands of children and adults in Kenya since 2009 to the present.

Implementation methodologies

Pre and post- surveys are conducted of potential victims of acute malnutrition. Community-wide outreach and educational meetings are held and hosted in partnership with local leadership and health facilitators and Medical Team. All recipients are logged and sign in, for follow-up support which is provided by outreach workers and locally recruited volunteers. Existing social service delivery channels are utilized for the efficient identification of those in need of Spirulina lifesaving interventions. Annual comprehensive impact surveys are/will be administered to inform programming and to measure indicators of impact.

Arrangements for Capacity-Building and Technology Transfer

IIMSAM has trained dozens volunteers and 6 employees and 2 field officers to understand the acute problem of malnutrition which is wide spread along with poverty. IIMSAM's programs to entrenched extreme poverty and pervasive malnutrition through out the general population. Training seminars and extensive educational campaigns have been implemented to educate the local population about the benefits of spirulina. The local Secretariat has been provided with computers with tracking and evaluation programs pre-installed and an online massive research data base on Spirulina Research papers, and other information crucial to understanding the benefits of Spirulina.

Coordination mechanisms/governance structure

The initiative was created in 2009, ongoing funded, implemented and governed by the Autonomous Intergovernmental Institution for the use of Micro-algae Spirulina Against Malnutrition (IIMSAM). The Executive Field Director of IIMSAM conduct monthly assessments of need and create plans of intervention. All receipts and reports are filed by the IIMSAM IGO and impacts are measured by the local Field Secretariat through administrative surveys and questionnaires in a synergy of cooperation with the local Health Ministry. the Autonomous Intergovernmental Institution for the use of Micro-algae Spirulina Against Malnutrition (IIMSAM) is one (18) Inter-Governmental Organizations (IGOs) which are presently accredited as observers to the United Nations Economic and Social Council. IIMSAM is the only one with a specific Mandate in advocating through the use of Spirulina which was declared by the UN-World Food Conference of 1974 as the "best food for mankind". IIMSAM is using Spirulina as a vehicle to combat malnutrition worldwide the world's number one killer. IIMSAM Works with Concrete Deeds around the world in saving severely malnourished children, adults, and others to realise a world free of malnutrition and hunger the world's number one killer through the IIMSAM's Mandate to realise its ambition of making Spirulina a key-driver to eradicate malnutrition, achieve food security, and bridge the health divide and the need for global partnership for development is expressed manifestly as an aspiration of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals 2015-2030. IIMSAM is Mandated to disseminate Spirulina as a Humanitarian Instrument in fighting severe malnutrition worldwide. IIMSAM works to promote the use of Spirulina against severe malnutrition and related illnesses.

Partner(s)

Spirulina Pundits

Progress reports



Basic information

Time-frame: April 2009 - ongoing

Website

Spirulina Pundits

<u>Kenya</u>

Partners

Countries

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