

SVP UTILISEZ

LATRINES

How can the project become a success?

Some families of the village community who helped in realizing other projects will partially be helped financially when building their own latrine. They can help by collecting construction materials such as stones and clay.

To control whether the people actually use the latrines and clean them an anonymous committee will be established which examines the latrines twice a year and awards a price to the family with the cleanest sanitary facility. The price could probably be the financing of another latrine for the family.



Education about hygiene has started already

By providing information about hygiene and its connection to drinking water the villagers' environmental awareness will increase



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»Roudem rogo boguida ring'do« -

latrines prevent illnesses



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Sanitary facilities are an urgent necessity!

Why do we need to build latrines?

In the villages of Burkina Faso there are no sanitary facilities such as toilets. The people relieve themselves in the fields. During the rainy season the excrements are washed into the rivers from which the people extract their drinking water. This often leads to illnesses of stomach and intestine.

Latrines need to be established in Gando to avoid and prevent illnesses. In the school the children of the village have to be taught about hygiene. In the long run using latrines will spread and the village community will see the necessity of building sanitary facilities.



The people relieve themselves in the open fields surrounding the homesteads

How can the project be realized?

We will start establishing latrines in the school. Like in other projects the school will be the place where the new generation grows up with certain improvements and independently introduces its families to the positive changes. The teachers will provide the students with knowledge about hygiene. In the beginning the teachers will also control the use and state of the latrines.

Information will not only be given on the usage and necessity of the latrines but also on general hygiene and preventive measures in order to avoid certain illnesses. The students will grow up using latrines and being aware of hygienic necessities. This knowledge will help them when they start their own families and most certainly they will build latrines for their own families as well.



Polluted drinking water endangers the people's health

Which difficulties can arise?

A special construction needs to be thought of for the establishment of the latrines. Since of course there is no flush available in Gando we need to ensure that the latrines will not smell badly. The villagers who are used to relieving themselves in the nature would always prefer an open field to a smelly latrine.

Presumably another problem will be the comprehension of the necessity of the latrines. For people who have always gone outside to defecate it is hard to understand why all of a sudden they should use latrines. And this is where education about hygiene and the prevention of illnesses comes in. Informing the people is our main goal.

The costs may also be a problem. The people in the villages are poor and cannot finance the construction of their latrines. In this place we have to ask for support from our dear benefactors and those who want to become such.

How to clean the latrines will be explained to the families when building them.



Making of a latrine slab



plastic cover



installation of a cover panel



concrete cover

Polluted drinking water poses a great threat especially to the children!

Clean drinking water and hygiene prevent illnesses from spreading!

