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COVID-19 information about Madagascar

Date: 25th April

- 123 confirmed cases
- 0 deaths
- 62 recovered
- New cases the last 24 hours: 1
- Regions with cases: Antananarivo, Toamasina, Fianarantsoa

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Vakoka Vakiteny News

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We have been met with very positive reactions to our initiative and we have already added 50 more water containers to the original number since the demand has been so high. Now that schools will reopen slowly again, it will be more important than ever to provide hand-washing stations to schools. The exam classes already started learning this week, and other grades will soon join.

The leader of the district education office has personally been in contact with Ms Hanta to express his gratitude towards Vakoka Vakiteny. She has therefore been granted leave from her work to do the campaign of Vakoka Vakiteny over the next few week.

Water containers are scheduled to be distributed in Antsirabe and surroundings, in the municipality of Ambohimambola east of Antsirabe and in Toliara. The distribution will start next week.

It is mainly schools, clinics and other public places that will be offered a hand washing station. It is important for us that the community sees the need and promises to take responsibility for refilling the water, replenishing the soap and making sure nothing is being stolen. Therefore, Ms Hanta and local volunteers will take time and explain about hand-washing when distributing.

So far we have:

- Prepared 200 water containers
- Ordered 300 face masks with logo
- Printed 50 posters



Ms Hanta’s home now looks like a storehouse at night, and at daytime the garden is transformed into a workshop.

“I am so happy to be able to be able to do something meaningful in a time where fear and uncertainty is prevailing everywhere”, she says.

The slogan on the water container is “Miahy ny fahasalamanao ny Vakoka Vakiteny”, meaning “Vakoka Vakiteny cares for your health”.

We hope that these water containers will not only contribute to better hand hygiene but also spread the message that we care and that Madagascar is not alone in this crisis.

Parallel with the campaign in Madagascar, we have now with the help of committed members of the Association managed to make the book ‘Madagascar—A Living Museum’ available for download from our webpage www.vakiteny.org! Please feel free to download and share it. The download is free, but you are welcome to give us a donation. This is possible through the PayPal account that is specified in the PDF download or as normal bank transfer to the Association.

Our goal is that as many people as possible in Madagascar and abroad will download it and use it to spread awareness about the environment.



The face mask on the picture on the right is the first that has got a logo printed on it. All the 300 have now been sewn and will over the weekend be ready for distribution.

