



CASHEW NUT PRODUCTS



On June 17-18, 2024, YDML organized a cashew nut product development training session in the Soa/Senayu village. Twenty women from the village attended the training and successfully created various cashew nut products, including:

- Crispy Cashew Nuts
- Honey Cashew Nuts
- Chocolate Cashew Nuts
- Cashew Nut Sticks
- Balado Cashew Nuts
- Original Cashew Nuts
- Honey Sesame Cashew Nuts
- Salted Cashew Nuts
- Crispy Flour Cashew Nuts
- Chili Lime Cashew Nuts
- Cashew Nut Milk

Over 200 hectares of land have been used to grow cashew crops in the Merauke Regency since 1997. Cashew growers can harvest over a thousand tons per year. However, the local government has never taken a quick approach or assisted in creating cashew nut derivative products.

Following a field assessment by YDML, we decided to support cashew farmers—who are also native Papuans—by providing training for the development of cashew fruit and nut products.



EMPOWERING LOCAL COMMUNITIES FOR A BETTER FUTURE

"Stay inspired. Never stop creating."

Training Indigenous Papuan communities in cashew nut cultivation can offer numerous benefits, including :



Economic Empowerment: Cashew cultivation can provide a sustainable source of income for indigenous communities, reducing poverty and increasing financial independence



Community Development: Training programs can foster community cohesion and cooperation as individuals work together to cultivate and process cashews.



Food Security: Cashew nuts are a nutritious food source, rich in proteins, healthy fats, vitamins, and minerals. Cultivating cashews can enhance local food security and improve dietary diversity.




Skill Development: Training in cashew nut cultivation includes learning about sustainable farming practices, pest management, and post-harvest processing.




“Thank you YDML for this training. We will try to produce cashew nuts. Please stay with us!”. Clara




Environmental Benefits: Cashew trees can be integrated into agroforestry systems, promoting biodiversity and improving soil health. They can also help in reforestation efforts and mitigate climate change impacts.




Market Opportunities: High demand for cashew nuts in global markets can provide export opportunities.




Sustainable Livelihoods: Cashew trees are relatively resilient and can grow in marginal soils where other crops might not thrive. This makes them a reliable crop for long-term, sustainable livelihoods.



Cultural Preservation: By integrating traditional knowledge and practices with modern agricultural techniques, training programs can help preserve cultural heritage and promote a sense of identity and pride.



Health Benefits: Regular consumption of cashews can contribute to better health outcomes, such as improved heart health and a reduced risk of chronic diseases, benefiting the overall well-being of the community.



Empowerment of Women and Youth: Cashew cultivation and processing can create specific opportunities for women and youth, encouraging their active participation in the local economy and decision-making processes.





MEET OUR NEW SMALL-SCALE FARMERS FROM KAPTEL VILLAGE



Since Balagaize



Sarlota W



Rebeka B



Rosa Yaimahe



Nelcy Hibuyen



Marthina Y



Marthen T



Emeliana Y



Mustard plantation



The organic vegetable group in the Kaptel village successfully grew mustard greens and sold them to the Merauke district community.

Every day, our dedicated farmer group harvests 20 kg of nutrient-rich mustard greens. In addition to this, we take pride in cultivating rice and tomatoes along with a variety of other fresh, wholesome vegetables such as water spinach, spinach, and eggplant. Our commitment to organic farming ensures that we do not use any chemical fertilizers, allowing us to deliver pure and natural produce to our valued customers.



SAVE OUR GENERATION



THE DAHETOK MILAH LESTARI FOUNDATION IS CONSTRUCTING A KINDERGARTEN SCHOOL IN KORKARI VILLAGE.



Immanuel Korkari Early Childhood Education School (PAUD) is in a beautiful yet remote village; the children there are enthusiastic about learning but face limited educational facilities, including uniforms, books, stationery, and educational toys.

The dedicated teachers at PAUD Immanuel Korkari strive to provide the best education, but they need help to provide adequate facilities.

Therefore, PAUD Immanuel Korkari needs assistance from the Dahetok Milah Foundation to repair and complete educational facilities. This assistance can take the form of books, stationery, and educational toy donations.



Since 2023



One of the urgent needs of the school is the availability of proper toilets. Currently, Immanuel Korkari PAUD does not have adequate toilets, forcing children and teachers to struggle with uncomfortable and unhygienic conditions.

Therefore, Immanuel Korkari PAUD needs help to build proper toilets. These facilities are crucial to ensure the health and comfort of students and teaching staff. With adequate toilets, the learning environment at PAUD Immanuel Korkari will be healthier and support a better educational process.

With adequate support, children at PAUD Immanuel Korkari can enjoy a more comfortable and effective learning process, paving the way for a brighter future.

This initiative is also a form of my concern for social justice and equal opportunity. YDML to make a real contribution to nation-building by starting with the most basic things, namely education for children in rural areas.

