

REPORT  
ON

S.E.E.D.S LIBRARY RESOURCE CENTRE /  
BOOKS FOR LIBRARY INITIATIVE

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## 1.0 Introduction

This is a concise report on joint Books for Library initiative between S.E.E.D.S and its partner organisations namely: African Centre for Human Development (ACHD), Accra Foundation for Intercultural Communication and Awareness (AFRICA), Rotary – Accra West District and Centre for the Development of People (CEDEP).

## 2.0 Background of the Initiative

S.E.E.D.S (Service Education Economic Development Science) is an NGO, a non-profit committed to the provision of voluntary development assistance to deprived communities in Africa in line with its Global Communities Sustainable Strategies Campaign (GCSS) which involves linking people, organisations and communities in Africa and the USA in practical projects that promote co-operation, literacy, critical thinking, ecological and environmental awareness besides local economic empowerment.

As part of the GCSS, the Library Resource Centre (LRC) project seeks to address the problem of literacy, communication and information

It aims at equipping community resource centres and libraries with books and computers linked to the internet to make easy, access to information. In view of the extremely high request for books to fill near empty shelves in schools and community libraries, a Library Resource Centre project did not materialize on arrival of a previous shipment of books last year. Following an agreement reached between S.E.E.D.S Inc and its local representative S.E.E.D.S-GHANA in collaboration with ACHD and AFRICA a shipment of books approximately 21,000 volumes was to be received from the International Book Bank in Baltimore not only to support the first LRC project, but also be donated to needy schools and institutions.



**S.E.E.D.S VOLUNTEERS**

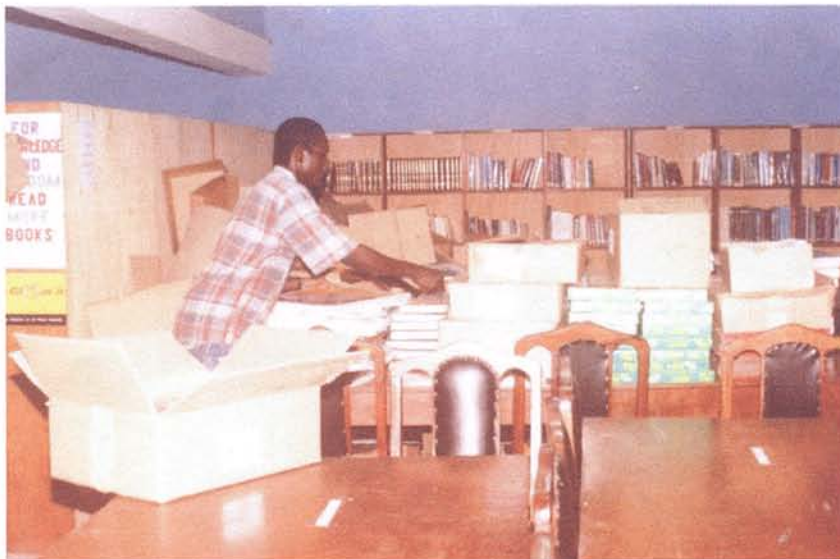
### 3.0 The Clearing Process

Shipment #0731 of 06/26/03 sponsored by the Potomac-Bethesda district of Rotary International and consigned to Ghana Book Trust on behalf of S.E.E.D.S – GHANA arrived at Tema Port on 05/08/03 on board MV Grand Argentina.

Shipping documents including: BILL OF LADING, DEED OF DONATION, INSURANCE COVER and PACKING LIST were sent to Ghana Book Trust for necessary clearance application to be made.

A local clearing agency, Care Two was contracted to take care of clearing and transportation of the consignment to the warehouse.

Due to the cumbersome nature of processing of documents at the port, it was not until the 16<sup>th</sup> of September that the container was cleared for storage at Amasaman in the Ga District of the Greater Accra Region. Six hired people together with seven S.E.E.D.S - Ghana volunteers off-loaded the consignment of 20 pallets.



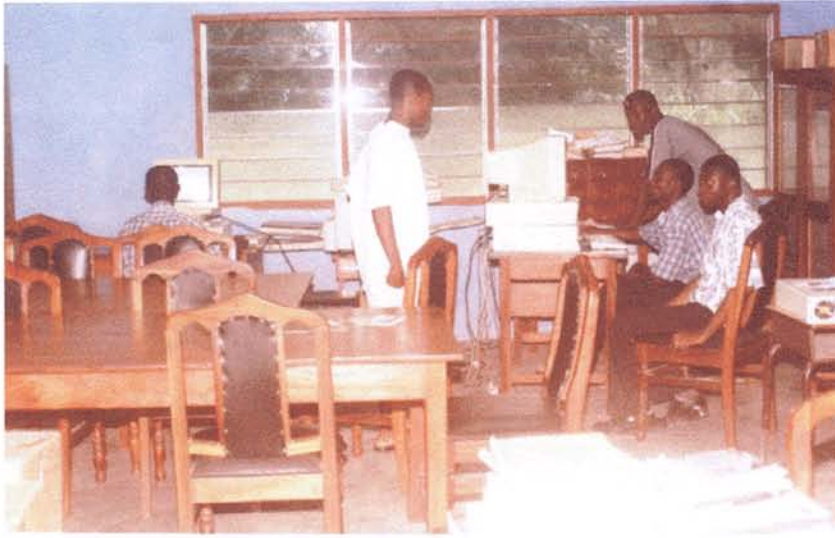
SETH, PRESIDENT S.E.E.D.S – GHANA WORKING ON BOOKS IN LRC

### 4.0 Sorting, Packing and Distribution

S.E.E.D.S – Ghana as principal recipient played the lead role by taking up the sorting and sharing of the consignment among the five co-ordinating recipients:- ACHD, AFRICA, ROTARY ACCRA WEST CEDEP and S.E.E.D.S-Ghana.

Between the 17<sup>th</sup> of September and 10<sup>th</sup> October, each co-ordinating recipient had received books as follows:

CEDEP	Approximately	1000
ACHD	"	5000
ROTARY	"	3000
AFRICA	"	2000
SEEDS – GHANA	"	5000
LIBRARY RESOURCE CENTRE		5000



**LIBRARY USERS TRYING THEIR HANDS ON BORROWED COMPUTERS  
IN PROPOSED LRC, AMASAMAN**

## **5.0 CONCLUSION**

This collaborative enterprise is of great value to beneficiaries. We believe that its sustenance will effectively check the long book famine that most deprived communities here in Ghana have been plagued with over the years.

It would also help improve standards of both teachers and learners.

It is worthy to take note that subsequent shipments will be expected to contain 80% basic school (Nursery – Junior Secondary) books including learning aid e.g. word building kits, manipulative besides 20% adult books to include Computer Basics, Marketing, Human Resource Management, School Management and Technical Subjects.

<b>African Centre For Human Development (ACHD) SITES</b>		
<b>SITE</b>	<b>BOOKS</b>	<b>REGION</b>
Etikobo #2 Basic School	500	Western
Anyidzekpo Basic School	500	Volta
Kaase Basic School	500	Ashanti
Bronase Basic School	500	Eastern
Aveyime L/A Basic School	500	Volta
Anfoega Agatanyigbe Basic	500	Volta
Bechem Sr. Sec. Schl.	400	Brong Ahafo
Pope John Sr. Sec. Schl.	400	Eastern
Kwahu Nsaba Basic Schl.	500	Eastern
Tamale Polytechnic	400	Northern
ACHD Resource Center	300	Greater Accra
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5000</b>	

<p><b><u>AFRICA SITES</u></b></p> <p>Larabanga Learning Centre</p> <p>La Presby Senior Secondary School</p> <p>ICRI Street Kids Academy</p> <p>AAPRP</p>	<p>700</p> <p>300</p> <p>500</p> <p><u>500</u></p> <p><b><u>2000</u></b></p>	<p>Northern</p> <p>Gt. Accra</p> <p>Gt. Accra</p> <p>Gt. Accra</p>
<p><b><u>CEDEP SITES</u></b></p> <p>CEDEP Resource Centre Library, Kumasi</p> <p>CEDEP Resource Library, Accra</p>	<p>700</p> <p><u>300</u></p> <p><b><u>1000</u></b></p>	<p>Ashanti</p> <p>Gt. Accra</p>
<p><b><u>S.E.E.D.S / ROTARY SITES</u></b></p> <p>Gods Glory Basic School</p> <p>Celestial Light Basic School</p> <p>King David Basic School</p> <p>Susan Owusu Memorial Methodist Basic School</p> <p>Nankansu Asuom D/A Junior Sec. School</p> <p>Kasoa Pentecostal Basic School</p> <p>White Dove Basic School</p> <p>CANBEST Pre-School</p> <p>Eye On Eye Pre-School</p> <p>SEEDS – GHANA Resource Base</p> <p>Ghana Education Service</p> <p>Future Scholars Pre-School, Apeguso</p> <p>Alabonu Basic School</p> <p>Togome Basic School</p>	<p>800</p> <p>800</p> <p>600</p> <p>700</p> <p>400</p> <p>800</p> <p>600</p> <p>500</p> <p>500</p> <p>1000</p> <p>20</p> <p>250</p> <p>550</p> <p><u>500</u></p> <p><b><u>8020</u></b></p>	<p>Gt. Accra</p> <p>Gt. Accra</p> <p>Gt. Accra</p> <p>Gt. Accra</p> <p>Eastern</p> <p>Central</p> <p>Gt. Accra</p> <p>Gt. Accra</p> <p>Gt. Accra</p> <p>Gt. Accra</p> <p>Gt. Accra</p> <p>Eastern</p> <p>Volta</p> <p>Volta</p>