COVID-19 Newsletter 3



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COVID-19 information about Madagascar

Date: 25th April

- 128 confirmed cases
- 0 deaths
- 92 recovered
- New cases the last 24 hours: 0
- Regions with cases: Antananarivo, Toamasina, Fianarantsoa

Vakoka Vakiteny News

COVID-19 Special Issue, no. 3

Distribution has started, and never would we have imagined such an enthusiastic response! The national TV channel TV Plus went with Hanta from Antsirabe to Ambohimanambola where Vakoka Vakiteny distributed water containers, face masks, posters and books.



The principal of Ambohimanambola Secondary School, Mr. Ny Avana Andriamboavonjy thanks Vakoka Vakiteny on national TV



Ms Hanta is helping the students to fit the masks properly



Students in Antohobe

The mayor of
Ambohimanam-bola and
the principal of the
secondary school were
interviewed lenghty on
TV, thanking Vakoka
Vakteny for their support.

The exam classes are already going to school, and wearing face masks in public settings is mandatory all over Madagascar.

However, the government has not yet been able to distribute anything to Ambohimanambola and surroundings. Therefore, the representatives of the governement were exteremely grateful to Vakoka Vakiteny.

Layout and content: Sophie Küspert-Rakotondrainy TV Plus showed how Vakoka Vakiteny distributed face masks, water containers and posters to the schools, clinics and gendarmes/ police.

When interviewed on air, Hanta thanked all our supporters abroad for the readiness to donate for this important cause!

In Ambohimanambola and the neighbouring municipality, Antohobe, the following was distributed:

This is the link to TV Plus' special report on the Vakoka Vakiteny distribution: https://

www.facebook.com/108396337312 786/videos/245962223424549/

It is unfortunately only in Malagasy. The report on Vakoka Vakiteny

- 301 books (Sedra-piainana, Mihisa and Madagasikara sy ny Voahariny)
- 302 face masks
- 93 water containers with soap



Ms Hanta together with the sub-district authorities and volunteers who have opened a small public library

In Antsirabe, the response was not less enthusiastic. The sub-district (fokontany) Mahafaly on the outskirts of Antsirabe has opened a small, public library. This is the place where Ms Hanta lives with her family, and she knows the effort of the leader of the fokontany.

Here, Vakoka Vakiteny distributed:

- One hand-washning station
- 4 face masks
- 25 books (Sedra-piainana, Fano sy ireo fako an-dranomasika, Tsingolangola, Hiverina aho, Dadabe and Madagascarsy ny Voahariny)

The District Education
Office in Antsirabe had
already previously
expressed his
appreciation for Vakoka
Vakiteny.

When Ms. Hanta visted them, it was again covered by the TV Plus, the National Radio (RNM) and the Antsirabe Radio and Television Station (RTA). The district office had already got materials from the government to



distribute to the schools, but the number of face masks and other materials is by far not enough to cover all teachers and students in the district. The schools also don't have proper hand washing facilities.



These teachers have got materials from the district office, together with the newly printed second edition of the teacher's guide with games for children, Mihisa.

Vakoka Vakiteny has handed the following materials to the district office which will distribute it to the schools:

- 115 books (Mihisa, Madagasikara sy ny Voahariny and Sedra-piainana)
- 42 hand-washing stations
- 200 face masks

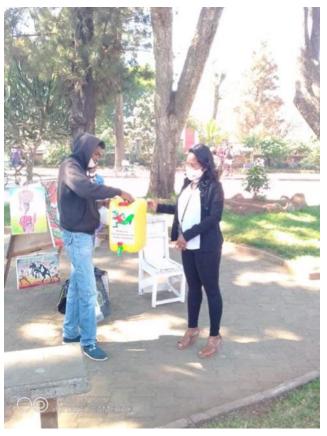
The leader of the District Education Office demonstrates the use of the handwashing station which has the logo of Vakoka Vakiteny



We have also distributed a water container to Rakoto, who made the pictures for our last book, Bonenitra. Rakoto is a street artist, and when he is working on the street, he is afraid of being infected by people coming and buying pictures from him. He will now ask everyone to wash their hands before touching his materials.

As you can see, Vakoka Vakiteny has done a lot of effort, but schools, government officials and school authorities ask Vakoka Vakiteny to do more. However, we also have obligations to cover the schools we cooperate with in Toliara. In Ambohimanambola, there are still schools which need more materials, and the district office in Antsirabe will have to select only the 42 poorest school for the distribution of containers for hand washing. Hanta and her husband Grégoire, however, are ready to do more. Next week, they will go to Toliara.

We would therefore like to encourage all of our supporters to consider to give another small donation for this work.



Ms Hanta meets Rakoto in the park in Antsirabe where he is painting and selling his art

15 € is enough to cover one container for hand washing together with all necessary equipment, soap and distribution.

Thank you very much!