

ANNUAL REPORT 2020/21



Nusa Tenggara Association

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The NTA is governed by an elected board made up of volunteers, based in Canberra. Beneath this body operate the Finance Committee, Operations Committee, and Membership and Marketing Committee. These committees develop policies and undertake functions under the direction of the board.



RON THOMPSON

Chair and Treasurer

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Ron is the former Group General Manager of Electro-Optic Systems Pty Limited and a Senior International Banker with the Commonwealth Bank of Australia. Ron is the principal of Ron S Thompson & Associates Pty Limited.



DR COLIN BARLOW

President And Chief Executive Officer

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Colin is an academic specialising in the problems of small-scale rubber and oil-palm producers in Malaysia, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, and Indonesia. He is a Visiting Fellow at the Department of Political and Social Change at the Australian National University. Colin first visited Nusa Tenggara Timur (NTT) in 1988, where he and other colleagues were taken aback by the poverty-stricken conditions. In 1991, Colin and Shirley Bowman founded the NTA. Colin holds a PhD from the University of Aberdeen.



DR XI WEN (CARYS) CHAN

Secretary (until September 2021)

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Carys is a Lecturer in Organisational Psychology in the School of Applied Psychology, Griffith University. Her research interests are in the work-life interface, flexible/remote working, and work-related stress and burnout. She holds a PhD in organisational behaviour and human resources from the Australian National University.



JADE THINAULT

Secretary (from September 2021)

Jade is a young professional working in the field of International Development, currently at ActionAid Australia. Jade studied International Law and Languages (English, Spanish and Italian) and obtained a master's degree in the Law of State Rebuilding in a Post-Conflict Environment from the University of Aix-Marseille, France. Jade has been volunteering with the NTA since June 2020.



DR RIA GONDORWARSITO

Ria is a sociologist who specialises in rural community development. Ria is a former development consultant to the World Bank and many national development agencies. She has been a member of the Board since its formation in 2007. Ria holds a PhD from Bielefeld University.



MING WEI CHEAH, CPA

Ming is a client services manager with Kinsella Chartered Accountants, a Canberra-based firm offering specialised tax consulting and business advisory services. He has been a finance committee member with Nusa Tenggara Association since 2013. Ming graduated from the Australian National University with a Bachelor of Commerce and is a Certified Practising Accountant (CPA).

NTA VISION

An improved level of livelihoods and food security of rural households in selected parts of Nusa Tenggara Timur province in eastern Indonesia.



DR ROB CRAMB

Rob is a Professor of Agricultural Development in the School of Agriculture and Food Sciences, Faculty of Science, The University of Queensland. His research interests centre on rural development, agrarian change, and natural resource management in Southeast Asia, focusing on the evolution of farming systems, land tenure arrangements, and community-based resource management in a variety of agro-ecological zones. Rob holds a PhD from Monash University.



DR IAN NUBERG

Ian is a Senior Lecturer in the School of Agriculture, Food and Wine, The University of Adelaide. He works across a range of disciplines within agriculture and natural resource management. His focus is primarily agroforestry and agricultural extension, particularly in the context of developing countries. Ian's work uses both biophysical and social science methods. He has also published in the areas of tree water use, horticultural plant pathology, bioenergy, tree genetics, and climate change. He holds a PhD from the University of Melbourne.



WENDY EMERTON

Wendy has over 15 years of experience working with a range of public and private sector organisations in program and policy roles. She has worked in Australia and internationally with KPMG, the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade and the Australian Agency for International Development. Prior to joining KPMG, Wendy represented the Australian Government in numerous roles and countries, including large multi-lateral fora and bilateral negotiations. Wendy speaks fluent Indonesian and intermediate French.

NTA MISSION

The mission of the NTA is to reduce poverty and vulnerability amongst communities in rural areas of the East Nusa Tenggara province of Indonesia. This is through facilitating and supporting sustainable income-generating activities, access to water and sanitation, and education.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

2021 being another year of COVID-19 lockdown has again impacted on the Nusa Tenggara Association's usual fund-raising activities in Australia. Fortunately, and thanks to Stephanie Heighes and others, the in-country Indonesian Aid support program has continued pretty much unaffected. Other than for the absence of the regular personal in-country interactions with colleagues and providing in-person support and assistance we can proudly claim this past 12 months another success.

Notwithstanding the interruptions of the global pandemic, I am pleased to report that the NTA has continued to work very well at all levels, as has Nusa Tenggara Indonesia (NTA-I). The efforts of the various committees and our volunteers have again ensured the delivery of more than a quarter of a million dollars' worth of direct aid to the most in need target areas over the year. Whilst the committee level support is invaluable, the NTA would not function without our paid team of Stephanie Heighes and Phil Domaschenz. They both contribute value far more than the level of remuneration provided, and without this generosity the NTA could not be deemed successful in its endeavours.

The continuing success of the NTA would not be possible without the support of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade and the Australian Council for International Development. We are most thankful for their ongoing support and assistance.

I would like to express my personal thanks to Carys Chan who recently stepped down from the role of NTA Secretary to focus on her career obligations. Carys has done the work of many and has been wonderful to work with. Her dedication to the role of Secretary has been outstanding and I know it has been greatly appreciated by all. Whilst we will miss Carys greatly, we welcome Jade Thinault onto the Executive Committee as Secretary. Jade has been a supporter and Operations Committee member for some time and brings valuable experience and commercial attributes to our Board.

The audited Financial Statements included in this report reflect the NTA as a sound and viable NGO that is well placed to continue to provide life-changing benefits to the target communities of Nusa Tenggara.

My personal thanks to Ming Wei Cheah and Anton Usmani for their respective contributions on the Finance Committee. We also wish to acknowledge and thank Paul Clark and his team at Prosperity Accounting Solutions.

Having aided our supported communities continuously for over thirty years should be most gratifying to all the NTA's members and volunteers and our very generous supporter base. On that note I cannot close without also acknowledging the magnificent contribution that Colin and Ria have continued to make for the benefit of the recipients of Nusa Tenggara Association's financial and personal support over more than 30 years. Thank you both.

Ronald S Thompson
Chairman

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

The year 2020-21 was unexpectedly good for the work of the NTA on rural development in Nusa Tenggara Timur (NTT), eastern Indonesia, with one indication being the outperformance of targets in Australian government and other grants. I'm reporting here on the activities of the two counterpart bodies forming the NTA, i.e., NTA Australia (NTA-A) and NTA Indonesia (NTA-I). The latter is headed by Ir. Don Bosco Meke, a professional manager and scientist previously working for the Indonesian government's Agricultural Research Institute (BPTP).

Big capacity improvements took place during the year amongst staff and volunteers of NTA-A and NTA-I. We in Australia saw an influx of young professionals contributing new ideas about what we do. Several of these persons assumed important NTA responsibilities, strengthening their abilities in these spheres.

NTA-I also enhanced its capacity, benefiting from on-the-job training by superiors and engaging in new responsibilities spurring the development of fresh skills. Its heightened expertise is reflected in the exceeding of grant targets.

NTA-I operations in 2020-21 were affected by COVID, but the 'outdoor' nature of most initiatives lessened the impact of the virus. We sadly lost the son of Ir. Mohd. Tahir, our project leader in Flores, along with two heads of farming households working with the NTA. We extend our deepest sympathies to Pak Tahir and families concerned.

Relations with Government and ACFID

The NTA receives \$150,000 each year from the Australian Government's Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT). We maintained good relations with the aid-implementing section of DFAT, the Australian NGO Cooperation Program (ANCP), continuing a positive association lasting over 3 decades. Both Phil Domaschenz, our Executive Officer, and Stephanie Heighes, played crucial roles in necessary reporting to the ANCP.

Wendy Emerton, a volunteer from KPMG, played a further major role in reporting, leading the team which successfully responded to a Progress Check on DFAT Accreditation. We're thinking that when we become due for Re-Accreditation in 3 years' time we'll apply for 'Full' rather than 'Base' status, securing us \$300,000 a year if we are successful.

We in NTA-A also have sound links with the Australian Council for International Development (ACFID) the umbrella organization for development NGO's which lobbies effectively and provides highly useful information on the aid scene. Membership of ACFID also lets us liaise easily with other Australian development organizations.

NTA-I relations with government in Indonesia were similarly close, notably through the regular personal reporting by Pak Don to the Governor's office in Kupang, capital of the province of NTT. We carefully follow official guidelines, ensuring too that local governments in our working areas in NTT know what we are doing.

The NTA's prime official association in Indonesia is with the BPTP. We've always along sought technical advice from that organization, which has generously helped us for many years. The chair of NTA-I, Ir Debbie Kana Hau, is a senior officer in the BPTP and Ir. Tahir in Flores was also, along with Pak Don, previously a member of its senior staff. The BPTP seconded 2 senior technical officers to NTA-I in 20/21, and these had major impact in lifting the level of our technical work. We further have good relations with the local Department of Agriculture, which in 2021 and for five years previously seconded 4 experienced extension officers at low charges. These secondments from the BPTP and the Department constitute a big Indonesian subsidy to our operations.

Donor Support and Community Participation

Financial and other support for the NTA by Australian community groups strengthened during the year, being bolstered by the ongoing facilitating efforts of Stephanie and Phil. We focused in our fundraising on Rotary Clubs, but also secured important help from other community organizations including Australia-Indonesia Associations in Canberra, Melbourne and Sydney. One community group, NTA Victoria, specifically assists the NTA, and continued active fundraising in 2021.

Some community group members also developed personal initiatives in 2020/21. Thus Tom Moore, a student at Monash, organized popular English-language classes for NTA-I staff, being assisted by professional Indonesian and Australian teachers. Steve McMillan and Bill Andrews, both ex-Rotary Club Presidents, started giving fund-raising talks to Clubs in the Canberra region. Peter Stanton of Pennant Hills Rotary personally financed 600 face masks, which were dispatched to Indonesia by colleagues in his Club. I would add that NTA interactions with donors always entail information and storytelling, meaning our work is increasingly understood by supporters.

Community participation is also basic to NTA involvement in Indonesia, with this being reflected in our strong focus on working through *kelompok* or household cooperatives each involving 10-15 farm families. The *kelompok* is an age-old institution in Indonesia, binding communities into small constituent groups. Further impetus to bringing groups together was provided through the introduction in 2020 of a WhatsApp network by Drs Frans Wayan, NTA-I Education coordinator. This was enthusiastically adopted, with numerous households posting photos and feedback on NTA activities, and with NTA-I staff using the network to amplify their message.

While no NTA-I organized annual *musyawarah* or big regional community meetings were held in 2020-21 owing to COVID, feedback from farmers and community representatives was still secured during the bi-annual field visits of NTA-I senior staff and the regular visits of extension officers. It is hoped we can revert to holding *musyawarah* in 2022.

Finally, the 43 voluntary coordinators working with NTA-I extension officers in West Timor and Flores were crucial additional promoters of community participation. These are mainly advanced farmers, women and men, who are often community leaders and heads of *kelompok*.

These people often do far more than immediately facilitating the work of extension officers. Hence Pak Eben, a voluntary coordinator in Sumlili, West Timor, has in the last 10 years, and especially in 2021, stimulated the formation of 6 new *kelompok* entailing 73 farmers profitably involved with irrigated vegetables. Pak Yohanes, voluntary coordinator and also head of Oelnainunu village in remote upland Timor, has in 2021 orchestrated a wide range of new activities in 8 *kelompok* and 2 schools. Ibu Agustina of Duna Nora in Sikka has for many years been a live force especially promoting the participation of women in the 7 *kelompok* of her area. Many other such people hugely assisted the NTA.

Thanks

I want to particularly thank DFAT for major financial help, now into its third decade. I also wish to thank various Rotary Clubs, Australia-Indonesia Associations and other community organizations for their generous ongoing contributions. I further express our appreciation to the Indonesian Research Institute for Agricultural Technologies (*Balai Pengkajian Teknologi Pertanian* or BPTP) for seconding 2 technical officers to us at minimal charges, and to the Indonesian Agricultural Advisory Service (*Dinas Pertanian*) for seconding four agricultural extension officers at similarly low costs.

Finally, I want to thank my closest NTA-A associates - Ron for so ably undertaking the duties of the Chair and Finance Manager, Stephanie for effectively managing operations in NTT, Phil for performing manifold tasks as Executive Officer, Carys Chan and Jade Thinault for their work as Secretaries to the Board, Wendy Emerton for efficiently leading our Accreditation group, Ming Cheah for his work on NTA's Australian accounts, and Dr Petrus Usmanij for internally auditing the Indonesian accounts and providing training. I thank all our volunteers in Canberra and in support groups around Australia.

I also wish to thank Ir. Debora Kana Hau for her leadership of NTA Indonesia, Ir. Don Bosco Meke for his tireless Directorship, Drs. Frans Wayan for his work as Financial Controller and Leader of NTA-I's Education activities, Ibu Hubertina Niat for strong efforts as Administrative Secretary, and Ir. Mohd. Taher for heading agricultural activities in Flores. I'm grateful too for the continuing close cooperation of Drs. Pdt. Mes D. Beeh, Chair of our counterpart NGO on Semaui island, the YPMPS. I thank the extension staff of NTA-I and counterpart organizations and our numerous Indonesian volunteers, mostly field coordinators working with extension officers.

Ours is a difficult but exciting and productive Australian-Indonesian enterprise which positively impacts the lives of over 10,000 extremely poor persons at any one time and has over the years helped tens of thousands more. We look forward to further substantial progress in 2021-22.

Colin Barlow,
CEO NTA

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

This year has been yet another year of challenge. These challenges included COVID-19 and Cyclone Sejora. COVID-19 continued to dominate our attention and restrict our efforts. Cyclone Seroja hit the region causing deaths and widespread damage. But despite these challenges NTA and its partners have again lifted their efforts to ensure that NTA's important activities continue to be delivered to a high standard.

The role of the Executive Officer has been to support a dynamic team including the CEO and Board, the Operations Manager, our Indonesian partners, our supporters and our amazing group of volunteers. I look forward to continuing to work with these wonderful people during the year in front.

NTA turns 30

NTA celebrated its 30 year birthday at the FUN-d Raising Dinner in May 2021. To mark this milestone NTA changed its branding to Nusa Tenggara Association, the name by which we are well known by our communities in Indonesia, and produced new artwork to reflect this change. NTA is very proud of just how much it has been able to achieve over this time but is also mindful that there are many more people in need.

DFAT and ACFID recognition

NTA is proud to be accredited by DFAT and to be a member of the Australian Council for International Development (ACFID), the peak body for overseas aid organisations. This ensures that NTA meets Australian expectations for overseas aid including meeting standards for the protection against child abuse, sexual exploitation, abuse and harassment, fraud and terrorism.

Australian expectations for aid organisations have evolved quickly in order to protect donors, recipients and those involved in supporting aid organisations. This has meant that both DFAT and ACFID have significantly increased their requirements. NTA has been busy reviewing all of its policies and procedures to meet these requirements and adopt best practice approaches. NTA is also supporting Indonesian partners to develop and implement their own policies and procedures.

Significant contributors to this process included Stephanie Heighes, Wendy Emerton and Jade Thinault.

Membership and Marketing Committee

The Membership and Marketing Committee again faced an interesting year with many of its usual activities having to be cancelled due to COVID-19. These limitations allowed the Committee to refocus its efforts in promoting the NTA and fundraising. These efforts resulted in a significant increase in donations, much of which was aimed particularly at the COVID-19 and Cyclone appeals.

Major achievements in 2020-21 included:

- New NTA logos and banners were produced to promote the renaming of NTA to Nusa Tenggara Association.
- The 2021 FUN-d Raising Dinner was our most successful ever. We raised over \$8000 and attracted 122 guests. Joanna Barrkman, Senior Curator, Charles Darwin University treated guests to a wonderful overview of Ikat weaving in Eastern Indonesia. Stephanie Heighes then spoke about NTA's efforts to support Ikat. His Excellency Bapak Kristiato Legowo, the Indonesian Ambassador, congratulated NTA on its achievement over 30 years. Ibu Ilse Dunbar and friends provided fantastic live music.
- The COVID-19 appeal was continued and raised another \$5000 to add to the \$10 000 raised last year. This provided for a comprehensive roll out across all of our field locations and schools and helping to protect thousands of people.
- An appeal for Cyclone Seroja raised \$14000. This funding was focussed on getting damaged schools up and running as quickly as possible to minimise disruption to students. So far assistance has included 60 corrugated iron sheets to repair school rooves, 1421 library books plus desks, chairs, bookshelves, and white boards.
- We have continued to promote traditional ikat weaving to increase livelihoods through enhancing marketing and product diversification of this living culture. This is our flagship activity for increasing the livelihoods of women.
- The Givenow platform continued to be used to post a variety of fund raising options - COVID-19, 100 tanks, ikat weaving, Cyclone Seroja and the NTA Overseas Relief Fund. An agriculture based appeal is being developed.
- Development of the webpage has continued thanks to Iona Main, Carys Chan and Oxide Interactive. The new page focusses on promoting NTA activities.
- Rotary continued as our biggest non government donor and one of our most valued supporters. A number of Clubs are now making contributions towards the substantial total.

- The 3 year MoU with the Rotary Club of Belconnen to raise \$10 000 a year from Rotary Clubs in the local district has been extremely successful. NTA thanks John Mercer and the Rotary Club of Belconnen for their invaluable support over the 3 years.
- Continuation of efforts to improve our stories, ensure that our donors are recognised and that we provide information on the positive impacts from donations. Regular newsletters were distributed and posts made on Facebook.
- The partnership between NTA and the Canberra Southern Cross Club via its Community Rewards Program was renewed. This provides a modest but steady revenue stream and free use of rooms for functions.

Acknowledging our supporters

We are especially grateful to our regular donors and supporters.

Rotary Clubs, particularly in Canberra and Sydney, have been especially generous and have spread the word of our activities to other Clubs. Particular mention goes to Chris Curtis, John Mercer, Peter Stanton, Stephen Miller, David Stagg, Ian Burnet, Luke Keighery, Iain Clark, Stephen McMillan, Juris Jakovics, Keith Gray, Bill Andrews and Moira de Vos. Sadly our good friend Moira passed away during the year and will be greatly missed.

- Rotary Club of Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook
- Rotary Club of Lane Cove
- Rotary Club of North Sydney Sunrise
- Rotary Club of Northbridge
- Rotary Club of Daylesford
- Rotary Club of Belconnen
- Canberra Rotaract
- Narrabundah College Interact Club
- Rotary Club of Canberra Sunrise
- Rotary Club of Tuggeranong
- Rotary Club of Woden
- Rotary Club of Canberra
- Rotary Club of Goulburn Argyle
- Private donations from Rotary members and friends

- The support of the Australia Indonesia Association branches in the ACT and Victoria, and the Canberra Southern Cross Club is greatly appreciated.
- The Indonesian Ambassador and the Embassy of the Republic of Indonesia have provided strong support for our fund-raising activities over a number of years.
- Feelgood Designs PTY LTD made a significant donation to support our activities.
- Oxide Interactive, an innovative IT company in Canberra, has continued to host our website.
- Prohibition: The Bottle Shop has generously donated prizes for NTA events.
- NTA-Support Group in Victoria (including Janet Bennett, Rhyll Rivett, Susan Walker and Jo Keating)

Other businesses and NTA members have donated a range of items for fundraising and this is greatly appreciated.

A number of volunteers have been very active in supporting the membership and marketing activities of NTA. Appreciation goes especially to Carys Chan, Wendy Emerton, Stephanie Heighes, Iona Main, Laura Kola, Tutut Christen, Bill Arthur and Josh Greet.

I would like to express sincere thanks to all the organisations and individuals who have supported these efforts over the year.

Phil Domaschenz
Executive Officer
Nusa Tenggara Association

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

The Committee supplied critical ongoing advice on operational matters to the NTA Board, the CEO Colin Barlow, and the Operations Manager, Stephanie Heighes. Its advice was frequently taken into account in field activities and the future plans of NTA-A and NTA-I. All its discussions were minuted by Kate Sollis. The minutes of each meeting were passed to Board and Operations Committee members and are available on request.

The Committee was chaired by Colin Barlow and met 6 times in 2020-21. A signal feature this year was the beginning of participation in meetings of Pak Don and senior NTA-I staff. This enhanced the efficiency of communication and was welcomed by all concerned.

The Committee performed the following key functions:

- A review of Proposed Disbursements on NTA-financed activities submitted by Colin, Pak Don and Stephanie at intervals through the year. These Disbursements were approved after comments and relevant modifications had been made. They were sometimes considered out of session, being handled by email. Total approved disbursements were always within the budget approved by the Board.
- Review and discussion of issues raised in successive Operations Updates by Stephanie and Colin. These issues concerned projects being undertaken in NTA target areas. Helpful and critical comments were frequently made, and greatly assisted subsequent project implementation.
- Similar review and discussion of issues raised in the reports of Ir Don Bosco Meke, NTA-I Director, and other NTA-I and counterpart staff.
- Scrutiny of adjustments in wages and allowances later presented to the Board.
- Detailed help in particular activities from individual committee members or groups of members. Three instances of such help in 2020-21 are:
 - Wendy Emerson led the team handling the successful Progress Check on Accreditation. This team included Stephanie Heighe, Rebekah Smith, Phil Domaschenz, Ria Gondowarsito and Colin Barlow.
 - Kate Sollis led a group including Stephanie and Rebekah Smith in developing a system of analysis for field data collected through tablets during monitoring visits.
 - Ria Gondowarsito translated a range of Indonesian-language reports into English, and also translated English-language reports and some website entries into Indonesian.

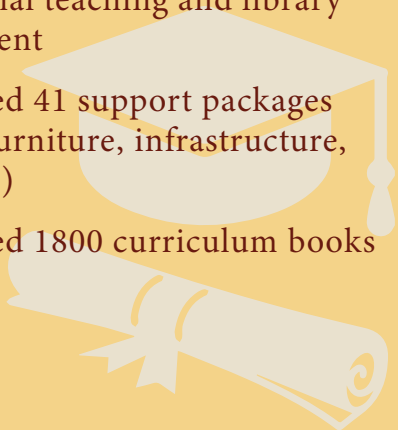
The contributions in 2020-21 of the following members of the Operations Committee are very gratefully acknowledged: Ir Don Bosco Meke (Head, NTA-I), Drs Frans Waya (Financial Controller and Head of Education, NTA-I), Ibu Hubertina Niat (Administrative Secretary, NTA-I), Ir. Mohd. Tahir (Leader, NTA L team in Flores), Phil Domaschenz (Executive Officer NTA-A), Stephanie Heighes (Operations Manager, NTA-A), Jade Thinault, Kate Sollis, Wendy Emerton, Rebekah Smith, Lesley Potter, Keith Gray, Juris Jakovics, Tom Moore, Michael Cox, Ria Gondowarsito, Mark Hunter and Colin Barlow.

Members of the Operations Committee look forward to a further useful year in 2021-22, hoping that further members can be encouraged to join in the work.

Colin Barlow
(Chair, Operations Committee)

Education:

- Trained 122 teachers in Professional teaching and library management
- Distributed 41 support packages (such as furniture, infrastructure, sanitation)
- Distributed 1800 curriculum books



Water and Sanitation:

- Built 119 Tanks
- Built 69 Toilet Units
- Built 3 wells



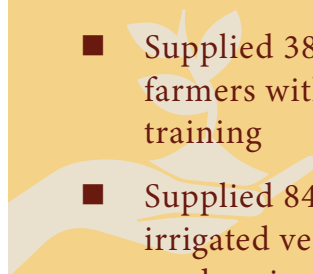
Covid-19 Support:

- 720 posters distributed in rural communities and schools
- Awareness raising sessions on improved hygiene practice in NTA communities and schools held
- 150 farmer groups and 60 schools linked in Whatsapp groups to share reliable information on COVID-19



Income Generation / Food Security

- Supplied 385 Cashew and Cocoa farmers with modern inputs and training
- Supplied 84 households growing irrigated vegetables with new seeds, modern inputs and training
- Supplied 50 households with improved maizes and fertilizers
- Helped with erecting 15 peripheral fences around improved cropping areas
- Helped 39 households in building improved pig pens
- Staged 365 field training sessions for farmer groups
- Held two 3-day training sessions for weaving groups, and distributed 6 sewing machines



PROJECT ACHIEVEMENTS

Income Generation / Food Security:

Agriculture

The NTA's agricultural (and other) work is dominated by the fact that all cooperators are small farmers, mainly cultivating 0.2- 0.5 hectares in tiny operations featured by low technology, partly subsistence orientation, and scarce cash. Approaching these often risk-averse farmers and their families and getting them to improve yields and qualities is difficult and time-consuming, frequently involving interactions with two or more decision-makers and difficulties of access. Negotiating all this and securing improvement is the job of NTA-I extension officers, helped by voluntary local coordinators.

The NTA concentrated this last year on improving 80 hectares of cocoa in Flores, 230 hectares of cashew nut in Flores and West Timor, and 160 hectares of irrigated vegetables in West Timor. NTA distributed improved maize and fertilizers to 50 households in remote areas of West Timor.



We helped 39 households in establishing improved farrowing and fattening pens for pigs in Flores and West Timor, subsequently assisting recipients in their purchases of improved Danish crossbreds to stock these pens. The NTA finally assisted in erecting 15 peripheral fences around new cropping areas, especially on the island of Semau in the Timor Sea off West Timor.

These interventions generated substantial income increases for the 775 households and 3,488 people involved. While performances varied greatly it is reasonably estimated on the basis of detailed budgeting that average family cash incomes of participants were raised by at least 20%. It should be noted, however, that the NTA was lucky this year with excellent rainfall, and results in other years have not been so good.



Cocoa combined with supplementary crops

The NTA's approach with each crop was to introduce techniques suitable to the circumstances of the farm household concerned. Hence with cocoa we introduced replanting with improved seedlings, better terracing, improved preparation of planting holes, budgrafting, pruning, fertilization, mulching, composting, and the planting of shade trees, usually choosing 2-3 techniques for a particular holding. In 2020-21, the NTA brought in the supplementary crops of vanilla, pepper and nutmeg, setting up special nurseries in late 2020. These crops will be interplanted amongst the majority cocoa trees, providing an additional income.

Cashew

With cashew, the NTA focused on replanting, pruning, fertilization, composting and thinning overly dense stands. In Flores, most trees were very old, and while it was possible to achieve big yield increases through replanting such trees with high-yielding stock, only one farmer took this route. The others could not face the 5 -year loss of income involved, choosing instead to prune and fertilize and secure minor yield increases. Risk-averseness is a major problem in perennial tree improvement but should diminish as the benefits of new techniques become evident.

Irrigated Vegetables

With irrigated vegetables many short-term crops were grown along with maize, the focus being improved seeds, varied gestation periods, better husbandry, provision of fertilizers and composting materials, and enhanced management of water supplies. It's been common in 2020 to grow 3-4 successive crops on the same irrigated land, with cropping extending into October with the good water supplies.

Maize

With the maize planted in late 2020, the emphasis was on remote peripheral areas of West Timor, and on introducing the composite *Lamoru* to replace traditional low-yielding varieties. *Lamoru* can double traditional yields, greatly improving food security, and also has key properties in good keeping quality and resistance to periodic droughts in the wet season. *Lamoru* has now been widely adopted, and the intention at end 2021 is to instead distribute *jagung pulut*, which is suitable for both home consumption and sale.

Pig Pens

With improved pig pens, the intention is to eventually replace the almost ubiquitous system whereby each household tethers 1-2 *babi lokal* or wild pigs on cords and feeds them with scraps with a system involving comfortable pens, Danish crossbreds, and a modern feeding and management system. This process has started well and will be continued.

Living fences

Finally, with fences around new cropping areas, the NTA tried to prevent the entry of wandering cattle, pigs and goats into new cropping areas we were helping to establish. This was often a crucial preliminary measure without which extensive crop damage was highly possible. Each fence was approximately 1.5 kms in length, giving a total length of new fencing of some 23 kms.

A sustainable approach

The NTA supports many farm households assisted with agricultural activities (775 households in 2020/21), numerous techniques are introduced, and comprehension levels amongst participants can be low. Deploying effective extension to ensure NTA help is properly implemented is crucial in this situation. The NTA is judged to have performed well with a highly localized but highly effective process of knowledge transfer.

The basic approach is to engage small groups of farmers and their families, doing this on their own or their neighbors' holdings. Here five to ten women and men gather around a visiting extension officer or field coordinator, listening to their talk and watching practical demonstrations of planting, budgrafting, pruning and other techniques. Questions are asked and comments made on how best to proceed in the particular situations encountered.

This kind of interaction, where people amongst friends feel free to take part, can be immensely stimulating, challenging and productive. A total of 365 field meetings of this nature were made in 2020/21, constituting a vastly important aid to understanding and progress. The process was led by Pak Tahir and two senior technical officers from the BPTP, all specialists in agricultural technology who pass their knowledge to both extension officers and farmers.

The voluntary local coordinators noted in the CEO's Report also play a crucial role in this transformation and often go far beyond that. Thus, Pak Albert Ngoek of Sumlili, West Timor, leader of the *kelompok* Setia Usaha, began cooperating with the NTA in the mid-1990s. He and his colleagues were initially assisted with improved pig and cattle production, both involving successful enterprises.

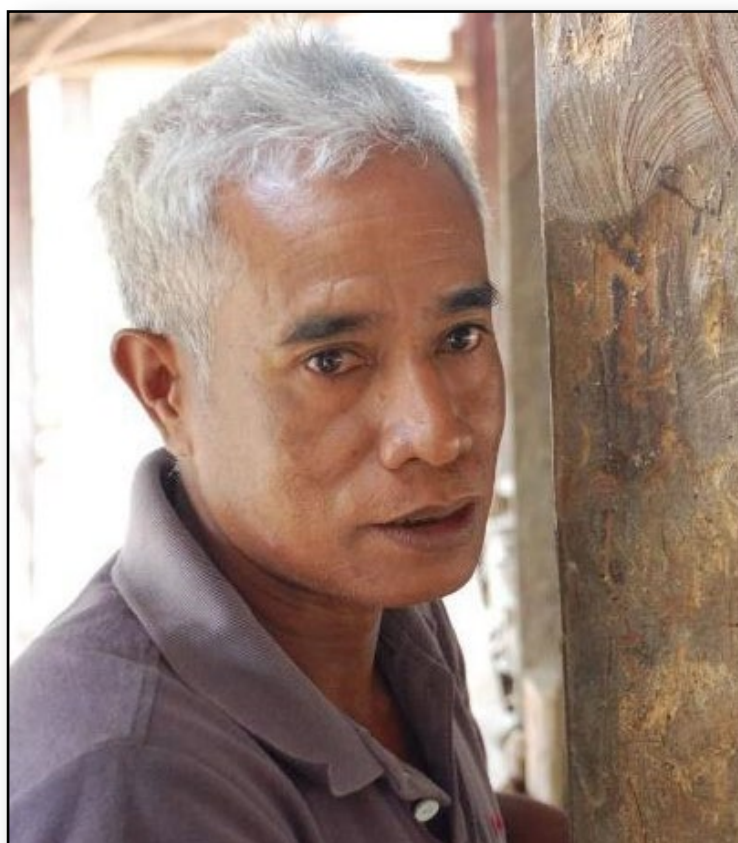
The proceeds from these were used to buy land and help with houses for 31 poor local immigrants from the island of Alor. They were later employed to start a local kindergarten. The NTA meantime facilitated these processes, helping with tanks, toilets, school furniture, and further agricultural activities. ‘The NTA has been a huge long-term helper for us’, says Pak Albert, ‘enabling a big transformation for our part of the village.’

The local coordinator of the very dry Habi village near Maumere, Flores, Mama Falentina, also leader of the *kelompok* Pripong Abong, is another very active local coordinator. She’s a vigorous driver of womens’ activities, being involved especially in the establishment of small vegetable gardens watered from NTA-supplied tanks. She’s energized the efforts of four other womens’ *kelompok* in the Habi area and is an active participant in *musyawarah*. ‘The NTA has helped so much in making our lives easier, particularly assisting the women of our area and encouraging them to launch productive enterprises’.

Albert Nggoek sharing his experience as a member of Setia Usaha, a farmer group in Sumlili Village, Kupang:

Albert met Pak Colin in February 1994 and asked for help from NTA in March 1995. His Farmer group named Setia Usaha, started receiving support from NTA in August 1995.

Albert shared that receiving assistance from NTA allows the farmers from the group to have the capital to raise pigs and cows. Gardening and raising livestock allows for the farm group members to finance school for their children at a higher level, as well as build houses and buy land. He also highlighted that NTA’s work ensures cleanliness and better health conditions for families, thanks to close access to water.





Weavers from weaving cooperative Bida Mitan in Flores.
Photo credit: Max Moon

Tenun Ikat, Training on handwoven cloth

Between October 2020 and June 2021, twenty-two women participated in two separate three-day work-shops, where they learnt how to make a range of products from their handwoven traditional textiles (Tenun Ikat). Nine women from three different weaving groups joined the first workshop which was held in a small local home-stay, close to the district's capital, Maumere. Thanks to local guests from Java, the women were able to display and even sell some of their products on the spot.

The second training took place in Munerana village in Hewokloang sub-district with a total of thirteen women from four different weaving groups participating. With the help of two trainers, and five leaders and facilitators, the weavers learned how to take measurements, make basic patterns, alter designs and plan which fabrics to use to produce traditional outfits, vests and bags from traditional handwoven cloth (Tenun Ikat) by using a heavy-duty sewing machine.

Woven cloth is one of the many traditional crafts inherited by ancestors in Sikka District, Flores Island. Woven cloth from Sikka, with its varied motifs, has high artistic value. Making this woven cloth involves numerous steps and can take several months. A piece of a shawl, for instance, three meters long and one meter wide, takes at least three months, starting from spinning the cotton into a thread followed by dyeing, tying and weaving.

The training method applied in this initiative was the adult learning principle (POD), conducted participatively with various approaches: lecture of knowledge (25%), participative discussions and practice (75%). Each participating group was provided with a heavy-duty sewing machine, allowing the members of these groups to continue applying what they learnt in the training.

A lesson we take from this training is that weavers would have appreciated a longer training session allowing them to learn how to create more products.

There is a good economic prospect for improved sewing products made from traditional Ikat woven cloth as buyers' interest in these products keeps increasing, especially among tourists.

A wonderful opportunity for collaboration arose from the training as participants decided that they would stay in touch with the trainer who would help them market their Ikat weaving cloth and their sewn Ikat cloth products (bags, vests, ready to wear outfits etc) through the trainer's marketing network. The trainer and the participants also agreed to form a weaver group to collectively market their woven cloth using natural dyes which will be centred in the Akasia group (Munerana Village), as this location is frequently visited by local and international tourists.





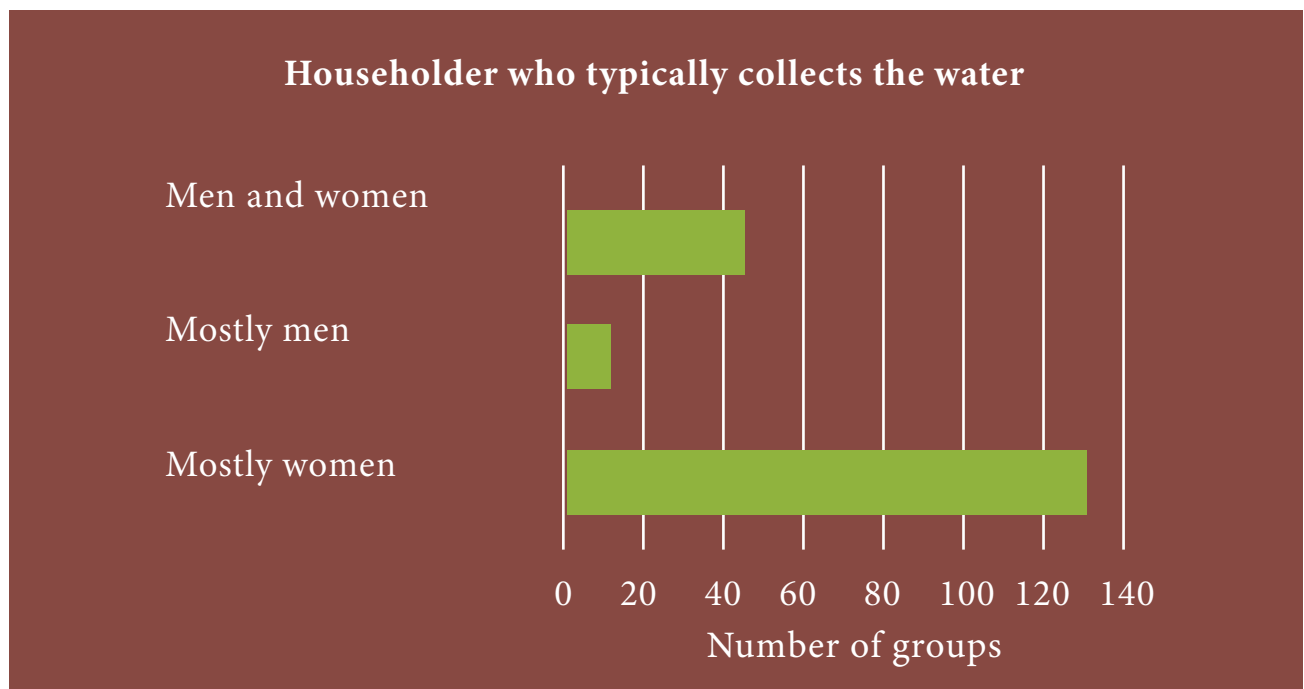
Water and Sanitation:

The COVID-19 pandemic highlighted how critical access to clean water truly is. The rainwater tanks built with the support of the NTA provided farmer families with access to clean water next to their homes, allowing them to substantially improve their hygiene practices. In the financial year 2020-2021, NTA supported farmer families in successfully building 119 water tanks, 69 toilets and washing units and three bores and wells (including pumps and piping). COVID-19 posed challenges in implementing the forecasted plan for this financial year, but our positive team persevered and accomplished a lot.

The inspections carried out by the NTA-I team on the ground concluded that the tanks and toilets constructed were of good quality. The team also reported on great cooperation and atmosphere between communities and the NTA.

Additionally, when installing water tanks and toilets, the NTA-I team also distributed educational posters with practical information on improved hygiene practices. Local communities welcomed the posters and the initiative will now be an ongoing addition to the Water and Sanitation project of the NTA.

Collected data shows that on average, three people per household collect water every day, with 90% of respondents confirming that children are among those collecting the water. When reporting who from the household typically collects the water, the overwhelming majority was ‘mostly women’, followed by ‘men and women’ (see graph below). This means that the installation of water tanks frees up several hours a day for women and children to do other activities, such as going to school or tending to their fields.



The comments we received from women involved in an NTA farmer group were overwhelmingly positive. Please read below feedback from women who received support from our Water and Sanitation Project:

“I am very happy for receiving a Toilet-Wash Unit from the NTA. Prior to that, we had to use a regular toilet which was very smelly”

– woman from farmer group Setuju

“We are happy because we no longer have to go far to collect water”

– woman from farmer group Pancaran Kasih

“The support from the NTA has helped a lot for our access to water and we can now attend to other work”

– woman from farmer group Kasih 1

Education:



New Book shelves at Primary school SDK Ili, Flores

Despite challenges due to the pandemic, the Education project in Flores and West Timor has continued with success. All schools supported by the NTA have been affected by COVID-19 and were forced to adjust to remote learning techniques throughout most of the year.

Nevertheless, the NTA team was able to meet school principals, identify most urgent needs and deliver essential equipment to schools in need, such as desks, chairs, whiteboards, bookshelves and books. Other schools have been supported with small infrastructural improvements including fencing, floor and roof repairs, and improved sanitation facilities. The NTA team has put more emphasis on surveying sanitary facilities in schools this year, encouraging and supporting school principals to have sufficient functioning toilets for girls and boys including information material on improved hygiene practice.

Six schools within the NTA's target were affected by Cyclone Seroja. The NTA provided specific support to these schools, according to need (see "Emergency Appeals" page 28).

Teacher training continued in West Timor with a special focus on remote learning techniques. Eighty-seven teachers participated in this training, fifty-one of which were female. The training included an IT component to support teachers with remote learning and teaching. The feedback from participants was very positive, as this change was a major challenge for teachers in remote areas of Eastern Indonesia.

"The Material was good and useful. We learnt how to prepare a lesson with a 1-page lesson-plan and learnt more about information and communication technology."

Trisno Manafe. Teacher at the primary school
SDN Nungkurus, in West Timor

“The material was very good, important and useful. We hope for a continuation”.

Theresia Bunga Diazvera. Teacher at the middle school
SMPN5 Kupang Barat in Sumlili

The library management training took place between March and June 2021 and was implemented in line with COVID-safe regulations. Thirty-five librarians participated in a general library management training in Flores, 30 of which were female. This general training was followed up with “on the spot” training, where trainers visited each school in order to check on progress. These individual visits and the library training in West Timor had to be postponed due to the worsening of the COVID-19 situation in May-June 2021. All trainings were finalized in September-October 2021.

The distribution of books for libraries in need was again a very welcomed initiative. Schools in remote areas of eastern Indonesia often have very few books and the 1800 curriculum books provided by the NTA was very appreciated by teachers and students.

Martha Septua - Principal at SDK Ili primary school:

Before receiving support from NTA the library was lacking in both physical equipment and trained staff to maintain the library. Martha had heard of other schools in the area that had very well stocked libraries with good equipment and wondered how they managed to do it.

She found out these schools had been working with NTA. After working with NTA she says the library drastically improved – they received bookcases for storing books as well as books to stock the shelves with. But equally as important was the training that NTA provided in maintaining a library – conducted in the nearby city of Maumere – which Martha’s school has attended twice.

She says that the support provided by NTA has been exceptional and has markedly improved her school’s ability to provide quality education and is very thankful for NTA’s support. She is hopeful to continue working with NTA to improve her school’s physical environment and technical skills, so she can continue to improve educational outcomes for the children at her school.



Capacity building:

Over the past 12 months, the NTA has continued to drive further capacity building among its partners. A strength-based capacity assessment has been conducted, including surveys and inputs from staff and volunteers of NTA Australia and NTA Indonesia. This assessment resulted in a five-year capacity development plan. Trainings delivered in the past year covered the following areas:

- Data-Collection / Data management
- Child protection
- Gender Equality and Social Inclusion
- Finance

These training units were provided by specialized volunteers and Committee members, a local gender expert and experts from the Australian Indonesian volunteer program. Contacts have been established with experts on social and disability inclusion, to raise more awareness among NTA's local partners and increase the inclusion of people with disabilities in NTA activities.

The positive reaction and active participation of all the partner organization staff have been encouraging and our team, under the leadership of our Operations Manager, is committed to continuing facilitating further training modules in the future, on our way to localization.



Emergency Appeals:



The COVID-19 and Cyclone Seroja appeals have been the NTA's most successful appeals. This experience highlighted that when a crisis became apparent, the NTA was able to reach out quickly to potential donors who then generously enabled the NTA's emergency relief efforts. In turn, the NTA distributed the funds collected immediately to support affected local communities.



COVID-19:

COVID-19 has hit Indonesia hard, with a total of 4.2 million confirmed cases and 143,049 deaths by October 2021 (WHO, 20.10.2021). The peak of the outbreak was between June and July 2021, when more than 54,000 daily new cases were reported nationally. Whilst the Eastern islands of Indonesia did not record many cases of COVID-19 at the beginning of the pandemic they were affected heavily between March and July 2021. Students spent most of the year learning from home, larger gatherings were prohibited, local markets partially closed and domestic travel restrictions were in place and enforced. International tourism came to a complete stop.

The NTA continued the roll out of COVID safe measures to help these become a part of everyday life. We focussed on 150 farmer groups and 60 schools included within the NTA program. Last year we started our information-sharing systems and provided handwash stations, posters, hand sanitiser and even a few additional water tanks. This year we worked to improve these systems, to get better messages out and to ensure handwashing and other improved hygiene practices are practised by everyone.

This included further refinement of our Whatsapp information sharing with communities including on local governments rules and regulations, provision of more posters and handwash and working with local communities to develop local health centres.

Cyclone Seroja:

On the 6th of April 2021, cyclone Seroja hit Eastern Indonesia, as well as parts of Timor Leste. According to BNPB (the Indonesian national disaster response agency), a total of 472,765 people were affected in NTT, out of which 11,406 were displaced, 179 dead and 271 injured. By the end of April, there were still 45 people missing (BNPB, 12.4.2021). Additionally, 60,703 houses were damaged and major power outages affected the area for several days.

NTA in Indonesia took immediate steps to contact communities and local Government to determine how it could best help. Initial reports in Australia highlighted significant issues and an Appeal was immediately launched to support communities through this crisis. Communities highlighted to NTA concerns that children would not be able to attend school and sought help to bring schools back as quickly as possible. In cooperation with local Government, the NTA took action to restore the resources of six schools heavily impacted by the Cyclone. Two of these schools suffered extreme damage.

The assistance included the provision of materials for the communities to repair and replace damaged school roofs and the replacement of damaged desks, chairs, shelves and many library books. With the support of donors, we were able to get these schools back and functional in short time. The important outcome was that children were soon back in the classrooms with the resources needed for a good education.



Zakarias Okihe - Principal of SD Nait primary school located in West Kupang.



“The first time I came to be the principal in this place, I was very stressed. Stress because there is no proper study space. At that time we used the Health Center (Puskesmas) room for teaching and learning activities.

My feelings changed slightly after seeing the enthusiasm of the community in building a temporary school-building consisting of 3 class rooms, so that it could be used as a teacher’s room and classroom.

In 2019 I was given strength and hope when the NTA visited our school for the first time which

was followed by a visit by a Team from Rotary. That strength and hope later became reality when NTA started to help us with teacher and student desks/chairs, cupboards, bookshelves, a fiber-Water Tank, Handwashing station, books, blackboards and finally 60 sheets of corrugated iron sheets, which really helped us to fix damaged roofs after the cyclone and finishing 2 additional classrooms.”

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

The NTA finished the year having generated a revenue of half a million dollars.

The higher than usual balance in the accounts at the end of the financial year can be attributed to the fact that a payment expected in June was delayed to July. Thus, there was an understatement of the amount of funds transferred officially in the financial year. The transfer was completed on the first day of this financial year (2021-2022) and will appear in next year's financial statements.

We have had another successful fund-raising year and finished the financial year with a surplus exceeding \$100,000, whilst continuing to provide meaningful support to our Indonesian personnel and aid related beneficiaries.

We are well placed for the rest of the year and may have a surplus at the end of the year. The Auditor came back with no comments.

Ronald S Thompson
Chairman

AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS



Nusa Tenggara Association
Incorporated
Income Statement
For the year ended 30 June 2021

	Note	2021	2020
REVENUE			
Donations and gifts	2a		
Monetary		128,820	95,690
Non-monetary		190,149	151,648
Grants			
AusAID		150,000	150,000
Other Australian		-	-
Other Overseas		-	-
Investment income	2b	53	140
Other income	2c	40,057	52,239
TOTAL REVENUE		509,079	449,717
EXPENSES			
International Aid and Development Programs Expenditure			
Overseas projects			
Funds to international programs	3a	139,370	200,465
Program support costs		-	-
Fundraising costs			
Public	3b	6,562	2,349
Government, multilateral and private sector		-	-
Accountability and administration	3c	66,198	76,992
Non-monetary expenses	3d	190,149	151,648
TOTAL EXPENSES		402,279	431,454
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)		106,800	18,263

During the financial year, the Association had no transactions in the Evangelistic, Political or Religious Proselytisation Programs and Domestic Programs categories.

	Note	2021 \$	2020 \$
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	4a	200,952	88,326
Trade and other receivables	4b	1,284	6,585
Inventories		-	-
Assets held for sale		-	-
Other financial assets		-	-
Other current assets		-	-
Total Current Assets		<u>202,237</u>	<u>94,911</u>
Non-Current Assets			
Trade and other receivables		-	-
Other financial assets		-	-
Property, plant and equipment		-	-
Investment property		-	-
Intangibles		-	-
Other non-current assets		-	-
Total Non-Current Assets		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>202,237</u>	<u>94,911</u>
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	4c	525	-
Borrowings		-	-
Current GST liabilities	4c	-	-
Provisions		-	-
Other	4c	-	-
Total Current Liabilities		<u>525</u>	<u>-</u>
Non-current liabilities			
Borrowings		-	-
Provisions		-	-
Other		-	-
Total Non-Current Liabilities		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>525</u>	<u>-</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>201,711</u>	<u>94,911</u>
EQUITY			
Reserves		-	-
Retained Earnings		201,711	94,911
TOTAL EQUITY		<u>201,711</u>	<u>94,911</u>

Nusa Tenggara Association Incorporated
Table of Cash Movements
for Designated Purposes For
the year ended 30 June
2021

	Cash available at beginning of year \$	Cash raised during year \$	Cash disbursed during year \$	Cash available at end of year \$
Total for other non-designated purposes	88,326	339,369	226,743	200,952
TOTAL	88,326	339,369	226,743	200,952

Note 1. Significant accounting policies

Basis of accounting

In the Officers' opinion, the Nusa Tenggara Association is not a reporting entity because there are no users dependent on general purpose financial reports.

This is a special purpose financial report that has been prepared for the purposes of complying with the ACT *Associations Incorporation Act 1991* and the ACFID *Code of Conduct*. The Officers have determined that the accounting policies adopted are appropriate to meet the needs of the users.

The financial report is prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention and do not take into account changing monetary values. The accrual and going concern basis has been adopted. Comparative information is reclassified where appropriate to enhance compatibility.

The following is a summary of the significant accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements. Unless otherwise stated, these accounting policies are consistent with those of the previous year.

Accounting Policies

(a) Cash and cash equivalent

Cash and short-term deposits in the balance sheet comprise cash at bank and in hand and short-term deposits with an original maturity of three months or less plus bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown on the balance sheet as current liabilities within short-term borrowings.

(b) Income tax

As the Nusa Tenggara Association is a charitable institution in terms of subsection 50-5 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*, as amended, it is exempt from paying income tax.

(c) Revenue recognition

Donations are recognised at the time the pledge is received.

Other revenue is recognised when it is received or when the right to receive payment is established.

Grants and subsidies are recognised as income over the period to which they relate.

(d) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of associated GST, unless the GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). In this case it is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

(e) Rounding of amounts

Amounts in the financial report have been rounded off to the nearest dollar.

(f) ACFID Code of Conduct

The Summary Financial Reports have been prepared in accordance with the requirements set out in the ACFID *Code of Conduct*. For further information on the Code please refer to the ACFID *Code of Conduct* Guidance Document available at: www.acfid.asn.au

(g) Donations and gifts - non-monetary

As required by the ACFID *Code of Conduct*, the value of material volunteer services received in-kind is disclosed in the Income Statement. Material voluntary services are valued using the job descriptions and relative rates of pay published in the Recognised Development Expenditure (RDE) Guidelines published by AusAID at: <http://www.ausaid.gov.au/ngos/rde.cfm>

	2021	2020
Note 2a. Revenue from ordinary activities		
Operating revenue		
Monetary donations		
Individual	62,901	56,376
Corporate	<u>65,919</u>	<u>39,313</u>
	<u>128,820</u>	<u>95,690</u>
Rendering services - non-monetary	190,149	151,648
Grants	150,000	150,000
Note 2b. Investment income		
Interest received - Overseas Relief Fund	53	140
Note 2c. Other income		
Fundraising events	13,489	5,300
Membership subscriptions	568	636
Sponsorship	-	-
ATO Cash Flow Boost	5,000	15,000
ATO Jobkeeper Payment	21,000	18,000
Other income	<u>-</u>	<u>13,303</u>
	<u>40,057</u>	<u>52,239</u>
Note 3a. Overseas project expenses		
Funds to international programs	139,370	200,465
Program support costs	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>139,370</u>	<u>200,465</u>
Note 3b. Fundraising costs		
Public		
Marketing, printing and stationery	-	-
Bank fees and charges	1,334	1,484
Catering and room hire	5,229	300
Other	<u>-</u>	<u>565</u>
	<u>6,562</u>	<u>2,349</u>
Government	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>6,562</u>	<u>2,349</u>
Note 3c. Accountability and administration		
Insurance	3,118	3,107
ACFID fee	1,757	1,750
Salary and administrative expenses	60,443	71,183
Website expense	478	565
Other	<u>403</u>	<u>386</u>
	<u>66,198</u>	<u>76,992</u>
Note 3d. Non-monetary expenses		
Project administration	190,149	87,277
Monitoring visits	-	64,372
In-kind donations	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>190,149</u>	<u>151,648</u>

	2021 \$	2020 \$
Note 4a. Current assets - cash and cash equivalents		
Overseas Relief Fund	35,432	4,426
St George current accounts	160,690	71,854
Paypal	48	7,061
Givenow	<u>4,782</u>	<u>4,985</u>
	<u>200,952</u>	<u>88,326</u>
Note 4b. Other current assets		
Accrued income	-	6,000
Other receivables	1,284	585
Sponsorship receivables	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>1,284</u>	<u>6,585</u>
Note 4c. Current liabilities		
GST and other payables	525	-
Salary payable	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>525</u>	<u>-</u>

The Board of the Nusa Tenggara Association declare that:

(a) the financial statements and notes as set out on pages 2 to 7, are in accordance with the A.C.T. *Associations Incorporation Act 1991* and:

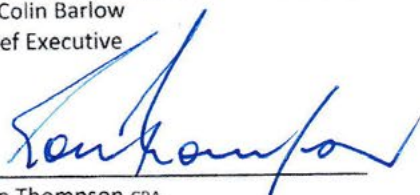
- i. comply with Australian Accounting Standards; and
- ii. give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 30 June 2021 and of its performance for the year ended on that date of the Association;

(b) in the Board's opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Association will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board of the Nusa Tenggara Association.

Colin Barlow

Dr Colin Barlow
Chief Executive



Ron Thompson CPA
Treasurer

Dated at Canberra this 22 day of October 2021

NUSATENGGARA ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED
Independent Audit Report
to the Members of
NUSATENGGARA ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED

Report on the Financial Report

We have audited the Code of Conduct financial summaries, being a special purpose financial report, of NUSATENGGARA ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED (the association), for the year ended 30 June 2021.

Committee's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The committee of the association is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report and have determined that the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, which form part of the financial report, are consistent with the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The committee's responsibilities also include establishing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used, as described in Note 1, are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the committee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report. The financial report has been prepared for distribution to members for the purpose of fulfilling the committee's financial reporting under the Associations Incorporation Act. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements. We have conducted the audit in accordance with the Australian Council for International Development Code of Conduct Financial Standards.

Auditor's Opinion

In our opinion, the Code of Conduct financial summaries of NUSATENGGARA ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of NUSATENGGARA ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED as of 30 June 2021 and of its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements and Australian Auditing Standards as required.

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Dated this 22nd day of October 2021