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Project Information Sheet

Project Name: Variety Village Vocational Training School

Location: Thika, Kenya

Project Cost: £19,620

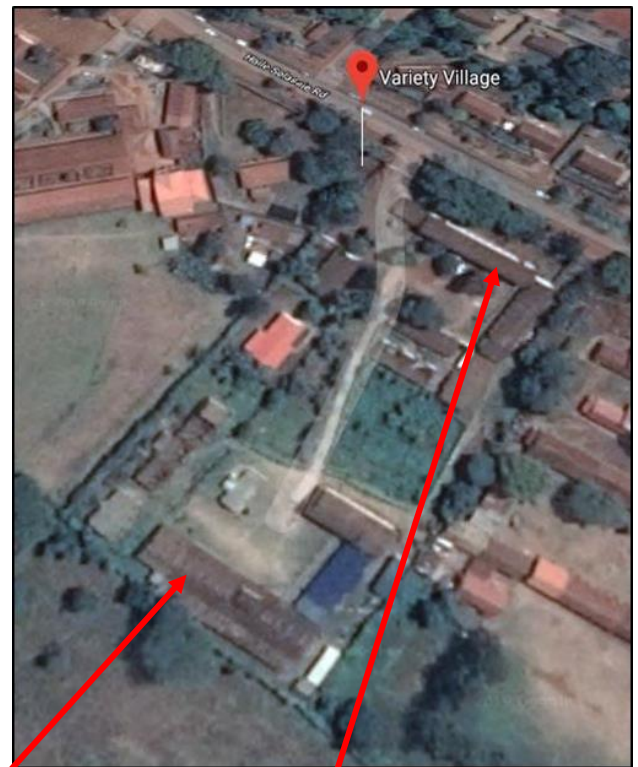
Project Start Date: 2011

Project Completion: 2019



The school is located in the Town of Thika in Kiambu County, central Kenya about an hour's drive from the Capital, Nairobi.

Variety Village Training Centre was officially opened in March 1979. The Variety Club of Great Britain funded much of the cost.



One of the main buildings where a number of workshops are located, teaching tailoring, signwriting, leather work, and metal work.

The main buildings with workshops for; carpentry, flag making, ophthalmology, hairdressing, rug making, knitting and embroidery





Tailoring



Flag Making



Woodwork



Leather work



Signwriting



Metalwork



Hairdressing



Ophthalmology

Variety Village currently has 93 students and has a capacity for 120. Variety Village is a residential training centre catering for both boys and girls from the ages of 15 to 25. Children with special needs are particularly welcome and these include those with physical, visual, hearing and mental impairments. The students study one particular skill for two years then sit a government trade certificate.

The Project:

The Kenya Trust first became involved with helping Variety Village back in 2011 when we provided £1,000 for the supply of knitting machines.

Since then the trust have continued to support the training centre with various projects including: general refurbishment and maintenance of buildings, supply of new chairs and redecoration of the girls dormitory, improvements to and maintenance of the water supply system and the supply of fire extinguishers to bring the centre into compliance with fire regulations.

The most significant project was in July of 2019 when the trust funded the refurbishment of dormitories, and the dining hall and the supply of dining tables and benches for the pupils. This amounted to £12,050.



Before



After



Dormitory refurbishment



Supply of Fire Extinguishers and upgrade of water supply



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