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GONZAGA PREPARATORY & PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

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Gonzaga Preparatory and Primary School

Gonzaga Preparatory and Primary School was established by the Jesuits in 2008. The school offers quality affordable education based on the Ignatian Pedagogy to underprivileged boys and girls in Mabibo-Kigogo-Luhanga area. Students are trained to strive for spiritual, moral and academic excellence within and outside the school. Currently, Gonzaga primary has a total of 485 pupils (231 girls, 254 boys) and 22 members of teaching staff. The school is run in collaboration with the Sisters of Mary.

Academic Performance

In 2017, 61 pupils (38 girls, 23 boys) sat for the standard 4 national examinations, while 47 pupils (19 girls, 28 boys) graduated from standard 7. The school had a mean score of 192.09 and was ranked 7th out of 96 schools in the District, 34th out of 433 schools in the region and 157th out of 9,736 schools in Tanzania.

Activities/Projects Implemented

- **Seminars & Training:** all teachers took part in a training on the Ignatian Pedagogy, while 6 teachers (3 female, 3 male) were trained on the new Tanzanian curriculum. A seminar for teachers on the Profuturo project as well as on the education for slow learners was held in 2017. All staff members were trained on firefighting and rescue as well as on basic computer skills.
- **Events:** the school participated in the International Pi Day and held sports day and class parties for pupils to close the year. It also marked Gonzaga day alongside visiting the needy in the area.
- **Establishment of clubs:** the scouts club and anti-corruption clubs were initiated in 2017 alongside different subject clubs.
- **Other activities:** A school discipline committee was established to ensure good moral behavior among the students. New curriculum textbooks were purchased. The construction of the school pavement was also completed.

Proposed Project

Solar Installation: the school's daily operations are interrupted due to frequent power cuts. The school requires solar power to mitigate the regular power cuts experienced in Dar es Salaam due to the recurring power rationing.

