



# Newsletter Tougoupeul



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**TOUGOULOUMA** (means something as Food Market for vzw Tougoupeul)

**Saturday 18 March 2023 in 't Eilandje, Zandvoorde / Oostende**

More to come



The teachers of the school in Tougoupeul did welcome many new children, there never have been so many children. This means vzw Tougoupeul will invest more in schoolbooks and other schoolmaterial but also for the lunch: we pay lunch for all children, which is a very good trigger for parents to send their children to school. Almost all children who finished the 6th grade at Tougou, did subscribe for the secondary school in Gandiol.



Thanks to the expansion of the field hospital in Mouit (2020), there is now permantly (24/24 & 7d/7) a nurse and sometimes a doctor from the Senegalese army. The frequency of the consultations is much higher than before mainly due to the fact that patients from other villages prefer the "Case de Santé" in Mouit. This field hospital meet all criteria now to "promote" to a "Poste de Santé", all applications have been approved. We got the request, due to the success, to expand the building again, but first some extra cash needs to be collected.



More than 80 children in Mouit (0 till 10 years old) who are not going to school (yet), do gather twice a week, under guidance, to learn while playing. Based on a timeline with some basic milestones for children of that age, it is then determined whether a child is ready to go to school or not. Those who do not go to school receive further support. These activities take place in the new room next to our hospital, built in 2019 - 2020, but the disruption to patients is an issue that we need to address quickly. Splitting the room into rooms for the hospital and building a new space for the children is an option. To be continued.



This year, no less than 22 ha of Mangrove and Filao were planted during the scouts camp (August 2022) in the Nat. Park Langue de Barbarie. Camps and the planting material are financed by vzw Tougoupeul. The success of these camps has not gone unnoticed by the Senegalese government either: they want to set up similar camps in other national parks with local souts groups, however we'll limit ourselves to the Langue de Barbarie. The scouts building, constructed in 2016, is located in a region with many termites. The roof of the classroom needs to be renewed because the wooden roof trusses have been affected by termites.



In November 2022, vzw Tougoupeul has signed the extension (until 2027) of the agreement with the Langue de Barbarie National Park (PNLB). Our goal was always to improve the ecological values of the park, involving the population and at the same time ensuring their food sources from the park (especially fish and cockles). Mangrove plantations significantly increase fish stocks. In addition to the fish research (co-financed by Tougoupeul), ospreys are also monitored in the park, an easy indicator of the success of the fish stock. PNLB is home to the largest number of wintering ospreys in Africa. In this context, a new project will soon be launched.



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