

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

BUILDING, GROWING, CREATING



The past few months have marked an important phase in the journey of Ecowise. What began as an idea is slowly taking shape through practical action, community engagement, and continuous learning.

While progress has not always been fast or smooth, each step has contributed to building a stronger foundation for the initiative. Our first Quarterly Newsletter highlights our key activities, lessons and developments



One of the most significant milestones has been the establishment of a tree nursery. This has become the central activity of Ecowise, bringing together environmental action and youth participation. Using locally available resources, including discarded plastic bottles, beneficiaries have been actively involved in planting and nurturing tree seedlings. The nursery now includes a mix of tree species, including wild fruit trees that were identified during the rainy season.

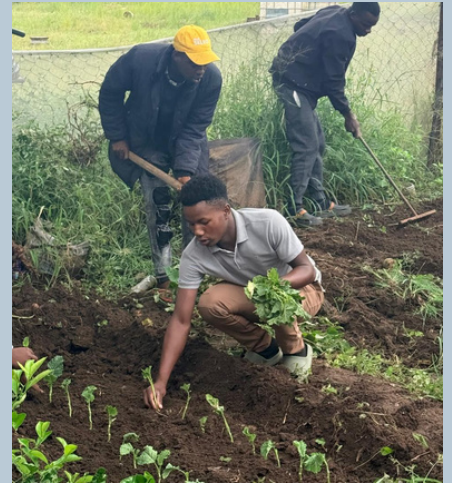


Football sessions have played a key role in engaging young people. Initially starting with only a few participants, these sessions have gradually attracted more youth, creating a consistent platform for interaction.

Sports have proven to be an effective entry point. Through these gatherings, it has been possible to introduce discussions around teamwork, responsibility, and environmental awareness. The energy and enthusiasm shown by participants highlight the importance of combining recreational activities with learning opportunities.

The journey so far has not been without challenges. Weather conditions, particularly heavy rains, affected mobility and participation at certain points. Scheduling conflicts with community events also impacted attendance in some activities. These experiences have reinforced several key lessons:

- importance of aligning activities with community dynamics
- the need for better planning and time management
- the value of small consistent actions over time



The next phase of Ecowise will focus on strengthening what has already been established while expanding reach and impact. Key priorities include:

- Continuing the development and maintenance of the tree nursery
- Strengthening partnerships and collaborations
- Improving documentation and communication
- Advancing fundraising efforts

The journey of Ecowise is still in its early stages, but meaningful progress is being made. The visible impact on beneficiaries, particularly their growing interest and participation, remains a strong source of motivation.

While challenges continue to exist, the experience so far has shown that change begins with small, intentional actions. With continued effort, learning, and support, Ecowise aims to grow into a sustainable initiative that empowers youth and contributes to environmental conservation.

