



# Foundation Tumani Tenda Development Fund (2001)

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Tumani Tenda is a village in The Gambia in West Africa.  
The Gambia is a stable country. The climate is hot and dry.  
Subsistence farming is the main source of income besides increasing  
tourism.

Mrs. Henriette Brümmer-Sonko, who holds an MSc degree in  
agricultural engineering and comes from Bilthoven, the Netherlands,  
lives and works in The Gambia since 1992. Since 2001 she lives with  
her Gambian husband - Sonko - who is a farmer - at Tumani Tenda.  
Besides their day-to-day work Mr. and Mrs. Sonko are active in  
various types of development work in and around Tumani Tenda. The  
Tumani Tenda Development Foundation at Bilthoven helps in fund raising for the development  
projects.

With financial and material support by the Sonko family the Tumani Tenda people established a nursery school  
and a primary school for children from Tumani Tenda and neighbourhood. They provide financial support for  
(parents of) pupils and students, for whom otherwise the desired education would be out of reach. The school  
now has over 300 pupils.

In general, the way the Foundation works is to provide financial or other support to good initiatives  
sprouting from within the population and which otherwise would not materialize. Education however is  
the main aim of the TTDF.

Donations made in one of the above-mentioned TTDF accounts are batch-wise transferred to the  
account of the Gambian Sister Foundation named Tumani Tenda Development Foundation, which is  
controlled by Mrs. Henriëtte Brümmer Sonko. The TTD Foundation in The Gambia is locally  
registered as charitable organization.

Annually a Finance- and Activities report is made. Also annually, a meeting is held at Bilthoven for all  
who are interested, where Mrs Brümmer-Sonko reports about the state of affairs at Tumani Tenda and  
about prospective new projects. Three or four times per year an intermediate briefing is distributed to  
all who provided funding or are otherwise interested in the progress and results of work locally done.

The TTDF is registered with the Chamber of Commerce at  
Utrecht under number 30177407.

In The Netherlands too, it is registered as charitable.  
Donations to charity are tax-deductible expenses. They can  
reduce your taxable income. Most European countries also  
make donations to TTDF deductible.

All work for TTDF is done on a pro-deo basis. We have no  
salaried employees.

## Achieved up to now, amongst others:

- Water well in schoolyard.
- School uniforms.
- School garden.
- Schoolbooks and schoolbags.
- New school building Tumani Tenda.
- Financing and construction of  
Maternity Hospital in Bundung  
(together with Wild Geese Foundation  
(WGF) and NCDO).
- Vegetable garden and Forestry Project  
(together with WGF and ICCO).
- Potable water system school TT  
(together with WGF and NCDO).
- Reconstruction of Faraba Sutu school  
(together with WGF and NCDO).
- Computer room school TT (together with  
WGF).
- Upgrading and extension of potable  
water system TT village.
- Construction of Library Building for  
TT school (together with WGF and  
NCDO).
- Upgrading of fishery in and around TT.
- Supply of sewing machines
- Supply of clothing
- Supply of nursing materials
- Extension of vegetable gardens.
- Internet connection for TT school.
- Upgrading of irrigation system of  
vegetable gardens and construction of  
ducted potable water system in TT  
village.
- Construction of new Building for the  
Nursery School in Tumani Tenda

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The new Nursery School



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