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QUALITY

GFP understands the necessity of the highest quality standards. All crops and products are produced to stringent written specification keeping in view HACCP.

ORGANIC CERTIFICATION

The project is certified organic by Institute for Marketecology (IMO) and Naturland for both EU and US American NOP standards.

ORGANIC CROP SEASONS

Pepper	Jan/Mar
Cardamom	Sep/Nov
Clove	Jan/Apr
Cocoa	Sep/Jan
Ginger	Oct/Dec
Lemon Grass	Jun/Mar
Cinnamon	Dec/Feb



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LEADER IN ORGANIC SPICES IN EAST AFRICA



**MOTHER NATURE'S
FACTORY**

"See I have given you every herb that yields seed which is on the face of all the earth, and every tree whose fruit yields seed; to you it shall be for food"

Genesis 1:29

BACKGROUND

Golden Food Products (GFP) Ltd is a local private company established in 2001.

The company's business concept was fully engaged in the agriculture and apiculture harvest processing namely natural fruits, peanuts and honey, which preliminary studies



showed had commercial potential, coupled with social and economic benefits for the rural communities with our guiding principal give the customer what nature would give in its own way. Since the company started it has built a reputation for quality and consistence fruit jams, peanut butter and honey.

GOLDEN AFRICAN

the name that stands for the mark of quality has become synonymous to high quality natural spreads in East Africa and globally accepted brand.

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ORGANIC SPICES PROJECT

GFP has diversified into production, processing and exporting of organic spices and Herbs (ginger, cardamom, lemon grass, black/white pepper, cloves and cinnamon) from East Usambara Mountains with the same farmers supply fruits. The organic spices processing is based in Usambara Mountain, Tanga Region. It builds upon group of certified organic farmers. There are 550 small scale farmers



certified organic, covering an area of 2965 acres.

The farms are very diverse, farmers grow a combination of food crops and spices such as pepper, cardamom, ginger, cloves, lemon grass, cinnamon, cocoa and citrus.

The project covers five villages lie at the base of the East Usambara Rain Forest Mountains that are one of nature reserves of Tanzania.

The area covered by the said villages is of a high biodiversity.

MISSION

GFP's mission is to promote in a sustainable way the growth of the said agricultural, apiculture and other natural resources products by contracting small-scale farmers whom it trains in organic farming by using environmental friendly farming practices.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES

As a Tanzanian corporate citizen, GFP believes in contributing positively towards



poverty alleviation efforts so as to uplift the living standards of Tanzanians. Thus the overall objective of the project is to improve the livelihood of participating rural farmers in the project areas.

GENDER

Although the focus of the project is the rural house holds women and men, nearly all income generating activities – particularly the growing of cash crops the spices

earmarked by the project, are dominated by men, women mostly cultivate food crops.

GFP would have liked to change this situation, at the moment we believe our role is only to influence the men to slowly change this state of affairs.

To do this we hire more women in the processing of the spices, especially in sorting/grading stages more so because women are more careful and meticulous than men in jobs that require resilience.



ENVIRONMENT

Organic farming is by nature environmentally friendly. The project is contributing and addressing environmental degradation practices whilst assisting farmers to convert towards organic farming practices. The baseline studies and internal control system are done in such a way that they can track the environments effect of the project as well with a view to mitigating and adverse environmental impact that could result from the implementation of the project.