



**Inter-Governmental Institution for the use of Micro-algae Spirulina Against Malnutrition
Inter-Governmental Observer to the United Nations Economic and Social Council**

"There are people in the world so hungry that God cannot appear to them except in the form of bread"

"Hay personas en el mundo tan hambrientas que Díos no puede a parecerles a ellos más que en la forma de pan"

" Il y a des gens dans le monde qui sont si affamés que Dieu ne peut leur apparaitre que sous la forme d'un pain."

"هناك كثير من البشر يتضورون جوعا في العالم، حتى إن رحمة الله لا يمكن أن تظهر لهم إلا في شكل خبز"

Mahatma Gandhi

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IIMSAM'S SWIFT ACTION BRINGS RELIEF AT WOFAK ORPHANAGE CENTRE IN SLUM OF NAIROBI, KENYA. SECOND LARGEST SLUM IN AFRICA AFTER SOWETO IN SOUTH AFRICA



On the left is WOFAK's Director, Ms Dorothy Onyango and on the right is Ambassador for IIMSAM for Africa Region, Mr. Harshad Raja and some of the children, Rt: In the front row is Saadia Gulaid, a volunteer with IIMSAM, in the centre is The Principal Advisor to The Director General for Africa Region, Ms Elhaan Egeh, in the back row with the children is Ambassador Raja.

(IIMSAM Headquarters, New York 1st June 2010) The Inter-governmental Institution for the use of Micro-algae Spirulina Against Malnutrition ("IIMSAM") strives to make SPIRULINA a key-driver to eradicate malnutrition, achieve global food security, and bridge the health divide with a special priority for Developing and the Least Developed Countries, visited **WOFAK (Women Fighting Aids in Kenya)** to support the children in their centre. WOFAK has 7 centers across Kenya.

During the IIMSAM's Official Delegation exploratory visit composed of **Ambassador Harshad Raja Representative of the Director-General in the African Region, The Principal Advisor to The Director General for Africa Region, Ms Elhaan Egeh and IIMSAM's Jr. Adviser, Ms. Saadia Gulaid** visited the **(WOFAK) Orphan Centre at Kibera, the second largest slum in Africa after Soweto in South Africa.** The official delegation was greeted warmly and with a sense of relief by the **Director for WOFAK, Ms Dorothy Onyango**, who was briefed before the visit on the benefits of Spirulina in fighting malnutrition and other ailments, she was also told about what is IIMSAM and its mandate as an organization, which is committed to eradicating malnutrition globally through

the use of Spirulina. The delegation witnessed firsthand orphan children who were living with HIV and were also malnourished and suffering from various ailments related to their malnutrition. It has been well-documented that from the early stages of HIV infection, there is a progressive reduction of immune proteins produced by the body which contributes to a vicious circle of MALNUTRITION, opportunistic infections and accelerated progression to AIDS stage.

SPIRULINA offers remarkable benefits to an undernourished person. It is rich in beta carotene that overcome eye problems caused by vitamin deficiency. The protein and B-Vitamin complex makes a major nutritional improvement in an infant's diet. It is the only food source, except for mother's milk containing substantial amounts of an essential fatty acid GLA that helps regulate the entire hormone system. One tablespoon a day can eliminate iron anemia, the most common mineral deficiency. **SPIRULINA** is the most digestible protein food, especially important for malnourished people, whose intestines can no longer absorb nutrients effectively. Various clinical studies have shown it helps rebuild healthy intestinal flora. These health benefits have made it an excellent food for rapid recovery of children from **MALNUTRITION** related diseases. *(See IIMSAM's Website for more details on benefits of Spirulina at www.iimsam.org)*

IIMSAM's Delegation distributed about **200gms** of **SPIRULINA** and added it to porridge which the children drank. This is one of the most effective ways to boost the immune system and eradicate malnutrition, hence making them stronger and immune to infections.

THE MESSAGE FROM WOFAK ORPHAN CENTRE TO IIMSAM:

“THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT, PLEASE HELP OUR WOMEN AND CHILDREN ERADICATE MALNUTRITION IN OUR CENTRES COMPLETELY”.



IIMSAM's Director-General Amb. R. Maradona Stated: *“It is paramount for IIMSAM to work with organizations such as WOFAK Orphan Centre in order to identify malnourished children and adults and support them before it is too late; this is why I instructed our Official Delegation in Kenya headed by Amb. Raja to immediately visit the WOFAK Orphan Centre upon receiving an emergency appeal Email from their Director Ms Dorothy Onyangoto to assessed their situation. I am proud of our delegation which acted swiftly to the dire needs of the beautiful children of WOFAK Orphan Centre. IIMSAM will continue to distribute the Spirulina until all traces of malnutrition are eradicated and the children and others from the Centre are healthy again.”*

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