



African rural women initiate environment project

Dear Isis,

The Zambia Alliance of Women (ZAW), an affiliate of the International Alliance of Women, is a non profit, non government organization established in 1978.

Its main objectives are:

- * to improve the welfare of women and children in Zambia;
- * to instill in women a sense of self reliance through constructive work;
- * to ensure all such reforms which are necessary to establish real liberties, status and opportunities between men and women; and
- * to urge women to accept their responsibilities and use their rights and influence in public life to ensure that the status of every individual, without distinction of sex, colour or creed, shall be based on respect for a human being, the only guarantee for individual freedom.

In pursuance of its objectives, ZAW is currently working with rural women. One such group at Chibombo about 30 km. outside the city centre recently embarked on an agro-forestry project. They are planting a nitrogen fixing plant (*Sesbania sesban*) as well as fruit trees for their own use and for surplus sale. They have heard of the success of the Uganda Tree Planting Movement and would like to visit Uganda in order to observe and learn from the Ugandan experience.

Yours faithfully,

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☛ *We are interested in women and environment issues. Please keep us informed about your activities.* –
Editor

Indian group requests information on hearing impaired women

Dear Isis International,

Silent Valley is a non government organization working for the cause of hearing impaired women. Our initiatives include programmes for their social, economic, cultural and educational development.

I am a school teacher for the hearing impaired for the last 12 years. The concern for their problems relating to gender discrimination and disability prompted us to work with them. We are in search of global initiatives for their cause and would like to get more details about this. Please provide more information about Isis International and send me **Women Envision**.

Thanking you.

Yours sincerely,

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☛ *We are including you in our mailing list and we hope that our readers will be able to send you more information on global initiatives for hearing impaired women.* – **Editor**

Apology

We wish to apologise to **Liza Azarcon** for omitting her name from a reproduction of her art work on page 52 of our last issue of *Women in Action* (2 & 3/93) - **Women and Migration**.