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Pilot: Cultivation of bananas, ananas and rice

The contract is signed and SUKP has acquired plot of 350 m² for an indefinite time of lease. Not too large, but therefore it will be manageable.

Both parties have a notice period of one year.



Money counting



Contract signing



Banana cuttings.



The first cuttings are being planted.

Multiplying bananas and ananas is simple. Adult plants make new shoots at the base of the plant. You can easily cut these off and replant them. Activities that can also be done well by the children. For the pilot of SUKP, a number of parents have provided good cuttings.

Now it is important to keep the field free of weeds.

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Harvest

Last year, the team from Spot Alkmaar came up with the good idea that the pupils of SUKP could also work in the school garden themselves. They regularly weed between the plants and the trees.

And keep the grass short. That work has literally borne fruit by now.



A jackfruit tree with fruits on his trunk.



Sharing and eating jackfruit.

Jackfruit is one of the larger tropical fruits. They do not grow on branches but on the trunk. In the Netherlands, jackfruit (semi-ripe) is sometimes used as a meat substitute. But if you let it ripen completely, you can easily pull the flesh out. Elly thought it tasted just like chewy gum. I would like to snack with those kids. Tastes differ. And for everyone who is feeling warm, in Bangladesh, it is hotter than 35 °C every day in May, June, and July.

Thank you all very much again for your support of the project.

Mart and Elly