

SCRIPT CAMERAS FOR KIBERA

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PRESENTATION

You send your old video camera to Africa, and there young journalists work with them.
That's the idea of the Dutch project called 'Cameras for Kibera', a large slum estate in the Kenyan capital Nairobi.

It's was started by Dutch film maker Rob Maas who filmed in Kibera.

He saw that the young people want to tell their stories to the world, but lack the tools to do it.

With the Dutch cameras now it became possible.

The young journalists first get some training, and then go to Kibera to report.

The videos are shown in the area, and also via the Internet.

Correspondent Ruud Elmendorp joined the reporters for a day.

Length: 4'00"

BETA

SOUNDBITE REGGAE OP STRAAT

They could easily be a youth gang.
But they are the journalists of Cameras for Kibera.

QUOTE JULIUS KASYOKA

We're going to the railway station down, the ghetto, the slum down.

They're on the way to report,
After a briefing in the morning with the team leader.

SOUNDBITE KEVIN OTIENO (English)

***You want to do something about sanitation?
Ok fine.***

These are the cameras they use.
Old models, sent from The Netherlands...
Small, but of broadcast quality.

In Kibera 800,000 people live on a small area.
There is no work, and everybody survives on small businesses.

SOUNDBITE SAWING

Many people in one place means a lot of garbage.
But there is no garbage collection.
The waste is rotting on the street,
meanwhile searched by man, and animal.

SOUNDBITE GOAT

QUOTE JULIUS KASYOKA

- What are you going to do?

We're taking a few pictures of the drainage system in Kibera.

See how it is affecting the people, and the health of the people in Kibera.

So we're going here to interview some people, and we keep on with the interview.

QUOTE JULIUS KASYOKA

When you are here.

Can you allow somebody to throw something here.

Inside the draining system or to draw some water there?

QUOTE SHOPKEEPER

The population here is too big.

They use to dump or deposit rubbishes.

**We can organize a group that collect the rubbishes,
and dig the draining systems.**

The team goes deeper into Kibera for more comments.

We arrive in the area where Julius was born 24-years ago, Soweto.

QUOTE JULIUS KASYOKA

I can say that this is an example of a ghetto where there are no roads.

No good draining system. Everybody is for himself.

Finding people to interview is not that easy.

This lady selling chapatis, is asking money.

QUOTE JULIUS KASYOKA

They think we're taking their pictures and sell out to other people.

For ourselves we're not selling out their pictures.

This is for the help of them.

We're trying to tell their story to the other people.

Happily there are people who talk for free.

This lady lives next to a open gutter which...

she has to dig everyday because of it getting clogged.

SOUNBITES JULIUS AND LADY (Kiswahili)

- Is the government coming to help you or not?

No, the government does not help.

It makes Julius sad. Since it has been like that since he was a boy.

QUOTE JULIUS KASYOKA

- What made you decide to do this job?

I decided to do this job because as you can see we can help the people of Kibera.

Show their problem to the other people like the government and other people outside Kenya.

So that they can come and help them.

De reporters hebben genoeg materiaal voor vandaag, en ze gaan terug naar kantoor.

The reporters have their footage for today,
and they return to the office.

QUOTE JULIUS KASYOKA

We're going to the editing of the little footage we took in the field.

Arrived there they immediately go to the computer.

QUOTE JULIUS KASYOKA

***We're going to download the footage which we have.
We digitize it, so that we can edit.***

Camera for Kibera's team leader tells about the goals.

QUOTE Kevin Otieno, Cameras for Kibera

***- Do you think they will be journalists in the future also. Or is it just for fun?
No it's not for fun.***

We help them grow, and I know there will be journalists among them, and good film makers.

For Julius it's quite clear.

QUOTE JULIUS KASYOKA

In the future I look to be a journalist because you know a journalist is one of the few people who like to tell a story in a factual way, and in a good way.

So that other people outside the place can understand.

The reports are distributed on dvd, and also via The Internet.