



LUBAMBE COMPLETES CONSTRUCTION OF ABLUTION BLOCKS AT KONKOLA SCHOOL

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Konkola Combined School in Chililabombwe District has become the latest school in Lubambe's area of operation to benefit from the mine's School Improvement Programme in 2023.

This time around, the school is a beneficiary of two ablution blocks for both girls and boys, just after being recipients of a fully furnished and equipped state-of-the-art science laboratory in 2022.



Exterior view of the ablution blocks

The construction of the two ablution blocks which commenced in 2021 was necessitated by the need to promote good hygiene and sanitation among learners. The ablution blocks have been fitted with befitting toilets and wash basins.

The K900, 000 contract was awarded to a local contractor, Bamcon Limited.

Meanwhile, Lubambe Copper Mine Limited has commenced construction of a one by four classroom block at the same school. The classroom block will also have a staff room, an office, strong room and bathroom for the School Manager.

Acting Lubambe Community and Stakeholder Relations Manager Nchimunya Nachilime has disclosed that the classroom block will accommodate about 160 learners.

Mr. Nachilime said that the construction of the classroom block is meant to supplement and support government in its quest to meet Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) number 4 on education, which aims to ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all.

He added that education is one of Lubambe's CSR focus areas and that the introduction of free education in Zambia, has led to high enrolment rates in most schools, hence the construction of the classroom block.

Konkola Combined School Deputy Head Teacher for the Secondary Section, David Lifuka, said that the school is elated about the development and cannot wait for the commissioning so that the pupils and teachers can start using them.

Mr. Lifuka added that the construction of the classroom block will address the shortage of space at the school and reduce the distance learners from the community cover to go to other schools within the district.



Construction of the 1 by 4 classroom block