

# ONE COOKSTOVE SAVES TREES, HUNDREDS SAVE FORESTS

## COOKSTOVE PROJECT IN GHANA



**REDUCING CO<sub>2</sub>e-  
EMISSIONS**



**CREATING  
EMPLOYMENT**



**IMPROVING  
LIVELIHOOD**

Conventional cooking methods using solid fuels on open fires or rudimentary cookstoves are inefficient, unhealthy, and unsafe. Their negative impacts range from the extensive time and costs required for wood/charcoal collection to the negative impact on public health and the environment. Ghana has a 60% decrease in its primary tropical forest, among other factors due to the need of charcoal. The aim of this project is to support the development and distribution of efficient cookstoves in order to save millions of trees, support families, boost economic activities and improve health conditions in Ghana.

### **REDUCING CO<sub>2</sub> EMISSIONS AND SAVING TREES**

Gyapa cookstoves are efficient which means that people use less charcoal and fuel to prepare daily meals. In comparison to unefficient cooking methods, Gyapa cookstoves can reduce the use of wood and/or charcoal by 50%. This results in less harmful greenhouse gas emissions and also considerably reduces the pressure on the local forests and biodiversity.

### **CREATING EMPLOYMENT**

The Gyapa project's supply chain supports the local industry and development. With the whole supply chain situated in Ghana, it is increasing access to the cookstoves and ensuring local business opportunities for producers and distributors.

### **IMPROVING LIVELIHOODS**

The use of less charcoal makes these cookstoves safer and healthier. The cookstoves generate less smoke and the air circulates better which results in fewer respiratory diseases. Standard of living increases since families spend only a quarter of their budget on fuel. Women also experience a significant time gain that can be used for income-generating activities. Children, in particular young girls who are often burdened with firewood collection, now get a chance to go to school.



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### CLIMATE PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

Greentripper only selects climate projects that have an impact in terms of greenhouse gas emissions but also in terms of sustainability and co-benefits for the local population. These impacts are in line with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and respect the criteria defined by the Gold Standard, internationally recognised certification body. This Greentripper climate project contributes among others to these Sustainable Development Goals :



### CARBON CREDITS ACCREDITED BY GOLD STANDARD

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