



**ORGANIC PERSPECTIVES' ESTIMATED TOTAL COST OF
THE 2-YEAR PILOT AGROFORESTRY PROJECT (2008 – 2010)**

A DETAILED BREAKDOWN.

ITEM	QUANTITY	UNIT COST	TOTAL (In Uganda Shillings)
Watering can	5	10,000	50,000
Trowels	5	10,000	50,000
Forked hoes	5	10,000	50,000
Hand hoes	5	7,500	37,500
Bicycles	14	180,000	2,520,000
Fencing wires (chain link)	4 rolls	200,000	800,000
Water tank (1500 litres)	1	550,000	550,000
Wheelbarrow	1	98,000	98,000
Photocopier	1	3,000,000	3,000,000
Motorcycle	1	6,000,000	6,000,000
			13,155,500

The above estimated total cost for our pilot agroforestry project excludes costs for fuel; equipment maintenance; computer purchase (already covered); stationery paper; meetings; labor; office rent and electricity bills which our own team is prepared to meet.

This money is approximately **£ 4,111** (Four thousand one hundred eleven British Pounds only) or **US\$ 8,222** (Eight thousand two hundred twenty two US Dollars only). The average exchange rates are £ 1 = Ushs. 3200/= and US\$ 1 = Ushs. 1,600 here in Uganda. The most current foreign exchange rates, however, are available on currency converter sites such as <http://www.xe.com> . This money will enable us plant at least 5000 trees in the pilot program area in two years. This means that each planted tree seedling will go at a cost of **£ 0.82** or **US\$ 1.64**.

Besides, we believe that after acquiring the above mentioned prerequisites for the pilot project, not only will the implementation costs for our future projects become typically little (and thus cost-effective), but also, participants in this work will be able to take on the effort on their own—ensuring sustainability.

This is because of two (2) reasons:

- Our community training sessions will aim at equipping participants with knowledge and skills for best agroforestry species selection; seed collection, storage and pretreatment. In this, the farmers will become independently able to procure tree seeds and use the acquired knowledge to design and maintain specific agroforestry technologies.
- Once our team puts in place a nursery site and/or demonstration garden having the appropriate management equipment, the only key input in our work thereafter will be seeds, yet Organic Perspectives already has many alliances for sourcing free seeds. At such a stage, the cost for us to plant a single tree seedling will hopefully come down to less than one US dollar and will as such expedite the expansion of our future projects.