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BFoTG Distributes School, Medical Items Worth Over D2 Million

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The Belgian Friends of The Gambia (BFoTG), an international organisation based in Belgium, has commenced the distribution of educational and medical supplies valued at over D2 million to schools and health facilities across The Gambia.

The items arrived in a fully-loaded 40-foot container and are being distributed to at least fourteen beneficiary institutions within the West Coast Region (WCR) and the Kanifing Municipality (KM).

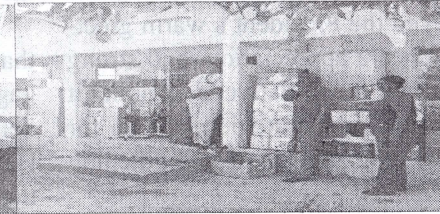
Beneficiary institutions in the West Coast Region include: Jambangjelley Nursery and Upper Basic Schools, Siffoe Lower and Upper Basic Schools, New Yundum Lower Basic School, and

the New Yundum Health Centre.

In the Kanifing Municipality, recipients include Bakoteh Senior Secondary School, Bakoteh Annex Lower Basic School, Bakoteh Proper Lower Basic School, Nyodema Nursery School, Latri-Kunda Sabiji Upper Basic School, St. Therese's Lower Basic School, among others.

Speaking to this reporter, the Chairman of the Belgian Friends of The Gambia, Mr. Patrick de Vos, said the distribution of school materials commenced at Siffoe Lower and Upper Basic Schools and Jambangjelley Lower and Upper Basic Schools in the West Coast Region.

Mr. de Vos explained that during their stay in the country, the delegation would inspect BFoTG-supported projects such as school gardens, computer laboratories, and first-aid initiatives



within beneficiary schools. He added that the organisation is currently sponsoring over 300 students from nursery to senior secondary school levels across the West Coast Region and Kanifing Municipality.

According to him, this year's visit is by a team of six Belgian nationals pursuing different academic disciplines. He reaffirmed the organisation's commitment to improving the welfare of Gambian children, whom he described as the future leaders of the country, stressing the need to adequately prepare them for leadership responsibilities.

Items being distributed include exercise books, children's toys, computers, computer screens, mice, keyboards, clothing, sports materials, bicycles, technical school equipment, garden tools, A4 papers, A5 exercise books, printers, medical equipment, and sanitary pads, among others.

In a related development, the BFoTG team on Monday, 19 January 2026, also presented medical and educational items to the New Yundum Health Centre and New Yundum Lower Basic School. The organisation has been supporting both institutions for over 20 years.