

Principles of TRDCT

- 1 To be an altruistic society to assist Torajan farmers improve their standard of living using sustainable and commercial methods.
- 2 To work in partnership with Torajan farmers and their representatives.
- 3 To respect the customs, beliefs and knowledge of the Torajan people.
- 4 To be a non-profit making, minimum cost organisation.
- 5 To ensure that money received to assist Torajan farmers is used for that purpose.

Goals of TRDCT

To help and facilitate Torajan farmers and their families improve their standard of living through application of sustainable, commercial business methods.

1. To use problem solving skills and techniques of New Zealanders to help Torajan farmers and their families improve quality and quantity of agricultural output.
2. To select appropriate crops to target quality control strategies. [In the first instance, coffee]
3. To assist Torajan farmers improve product quality via
 - training programmes
 - post harvest processing
 - co-operative ventures for ownership and use of equipment
 - co-operative marketing and branding strategies
4. To assist Torajan farmers develop associations with other local producers to increase the volume for processing and sale, and thereby increasing market prices.
5. To provide transparent accounting, both in N.Z. and Toraja, to ensure monies spent are used for approved and allocated purposes.
6. To provide, where possible, improved educational and research possibilities for selected Torajan young people.

Code of Ethics of TRDCT

The trustees of the TRDCT commit themselves to :-

1. Treat fellow members of the TRDCT with respect, honesty, dignity and courtesy.
2. Accurately represent the purpose, practise and cost structure of TRDCT and its members.
3. Use factual and accurate information in any publicity or media releases or any other publication.
4. Follow ethical fund raising practises that are respectful of the recipients and do not use exploitative or misleading information.
5. Comply with the law.
6. Not knowingly be a party to corruption, oppression or exploitation of the Torajan people.