



Ancestral eco cultural calendar, the Mupo calendar is determined by the moon.

MUPO IS ALLNATURAL CREATIONS OF THE MOTHER EARTH, NATURAL CREATIONS OF THE UNIVERSE. WHEN WE LOOK AT THE SKY IS MUPO,NATURE IS MUPO,THAT SOUND OF A RIVER,IT HAS TO BE THERE THAT IS MUPO SOUND,ECOSYSTEM IS MUPO.

Eco Maps communicate communities of landscape and calendars communicate time, the Cosmos and spirituality.

Eco-calendars communicate cyclical time such as the movement of the moon, stars and planets, the weather, cycles in Nature and biodiversity,

and processes in agriculture and in culture (rituals, songs and dances) which are influenced by the cycles of time.

Calendars can be developed to zoom in more deeply on certain aspects such as Seed.

The Vhavenda mufhoho(fold finger millet) calendar

The eco cultural calendar of Fold finger millets guides the role of our spirituality on the role of community, vhomakhadzi and women duties with children roles.

This how connect with our ancestors, our ancestors pass messages to the CREATOR.



THE ECO MAPPING PROCESS.

The eco cultural maps calender process by the Mupo seed group. This process involves deep dialogues on IKS, where the group first do the eco- cultural map and from there groups were divided to do the eco cultural calender.



1. The dialogues on how to start on the blank paper. They all share different ideas and agreed on making a circle. The calendar is not like map, this is about times and periods according to ecological flow patterns. It is not a day and dates calendar.

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team work.

IDEAS FLOWS BEFORE THEY AGREE TO START DRAWING, IS STILL BLANK. AMAZING THEY ARE NOT LITTERATE BUT THEY ARE ABLE TO DRAW.



THE STAGE OF AGREED IDEAS FLOWING, THE MEMORY IS BACK ABOUT THEIR EXPERIENCES ON ANCESTRAL TIMES. THIS IS CRITICAL TIME FACILITATOR SHOULD STAY FAR AWAY FROM THEM IF NOT KNOWLEDGABLE ABOUT ASPECTS THEY ARE DISCUSSING AS IT IS TIME FOR THEM TO DEEPLY DIALOGUES ON THEIR OWN QUESTIONS RESPONDING REFERRING. AT MUPO WE HAVE VIDEO RECORD ON THOSE DIALOGUES AS WHEN PLANNING THE NEXT TIME FOR ZOOMING, FACILITATOR REFERRED THEM BACK TO THEIR PREVIOUS DISCUSSION.





THIS IS A JOURNEY OF MEMORY TRACKING!!!





I thank you.Mphatheleni.