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Form 990-PF

Return of Private Foundation

or Section 4947(a)(1) Trust Treated as Private Foundation

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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Open to Public Inspection

For calendar year 2018 or tax year beginning

, and ending

Name of foundation SHINEON.ORG FOUNDATION		A Employer identification number 56-2478508
Number and street (or P.O. box number if mail is not delivered to street address) 3130 ALPINE RD., SUITE 288	Room/suite	B Telephone number 650-851-3603
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code PORTOLA VALLEY, CA 94028		C If exemption application is pending, check here ☐
G Check all that apply: ☐ Initial return ☐ Initial return of a former public charity ☐ Final return ☐ Amended return ☐ Address change ☐ Name change		D 1. Foreign organizations, check here ☐ 2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation ☐
H Check type of organization: ☒ Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation 63 ☐ Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust ☐ Other taxable private foundation		E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here ☐
I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col (c), line 16) \$ 210,161.	J Accounting method: ☒ Cash ☐ Accrual ☐ Other (specify) _____	F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here ☐

Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses (The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a))		(a) Revenue and expenses per books	(b) Net investment income	(c) Adjusted net income	(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)
1 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., received					
2 Check ☒ if the foundation is not required to attach Sch. B					
3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments					
4 Dividends and interest from securities		8,436.	2,746.	8,436.	STATEMENT 1
5a Gross rents					
b Net rental income or (loss)					
6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10		6,413.			
b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a 123,448.					
7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)			6,413.		
8 Net short-term capital gain				806.	
9 Income modifications					
10a Gross sales less returns and allowances					
b Less Cost of goods sold					
c Gross profit or (loss)					
11 Other income					
12 Total (Add lines 1 through 11)		14,849.	9,159.	9,242.	
13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc.		18,000.	0.	0.	18,000.
14 Other employee salaries and wages					
15 Pension plans, employee benefits					
16a Legal fees					
b Accounting fees STMT 2		3,050.	0.	0.	3,050.
c Other professional fees STMT 3		2,552.	1,635.	2,402.	150.
17 Interest		4.	4.	4.	0.
18 Taxes STMT 4		542.	32.	32.	510.
19 Depreciation and depletion					
20 Occupancy					
21 Travel, conferences, and meetings					
22 Printing and publications					
23 Other expenses STMT 5		414.	0.	0.	414.
24 Total operating and administrative expenses Add lines 13 through 23		24,562.	1,671.	2,438.	22,124.
25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid		4,990.			4,990.
26 Total expenses and disbursements Add lines 24 and 25		29,552.	1,671.	2,438.	27,114.
27 Subtract line 26 from line 12:					
a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements		-14,703.			
b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)			7,488.		
c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)				6,804.	

Part II Balance Sheets		Beginning of year	End of year	
			(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value
Assets	1 Cash - non-interest-bearing			
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	5,142.	6,319.	6,319.
	3 Accounts receivable ▶			
	Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	4 Pledges receivable ▶			
	Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	5 Grants receivable			
	6 Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons			
	7 Other notes and loans receivable ▶			
	Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	8 Inventories for sale or use			
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges			
	10a Investments - U.S. and state government obligations STMT 6	67,573.	67,573.	71,681.
	b Investments - corporate stock STMT 7	73,258.	58,275.	88,362.
	c Investments - corporate bonds STMT 8	10,671.	10,671.	7,650.
Liabilities	11 Investments - land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶			
	Less: accumulated depreciation ▶			
	12 Investments - mortgage loans			
	13 Investments - other STMT 9	37,987.	37,090.	36,149.
	14 Land, buildings, and equipment: basis ▶			
	Less: accumulated depreciation ▶			
	15 Other assets (describe ▶)			
	16 Total assets (to be completed by all filers - see the instructions. Also, see page 1, item I)	194,631.	179,928.	210,161.
	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses			
	18 Grants payable			
Net Assets or Fund Balances	19 Deferred revenue			
	20 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons			
	21 Mortgages and other notes payable			
	22 Other liabilities (describe ▶)			
	23 Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)	0.	0.	
	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ ☒			
	24 Unrestricted	194,631.	179,928.	
	25 Temporarily restricted			
	26 Permanently restricted			
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ ☐			
	27 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds			
	28 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg., and equipment fund			
	29 Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds			
	30 Total net assets or fund balances	194,631.	179,928.	
	31 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	194,631.	179,928.	

Part III Analysis of Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances

1 Total net assets or fund balances at beginning of year - Part II, column (a), line 30 (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	1	194,631.
2 Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	-14,703.
3 Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	3	0.
4 Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	179,928.
5 Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	5	0.
6 Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5) - Part II, column (b), line 30	6	179,928.

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)

	Yes	No
11 At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule. See instructions		X
12 Did the foundation make a distribution to a donor advised fund over which the foundation or a disqualified person had advisory privileges? If "Yes," attach statement. See instructions		X
13 Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address ► N/A	X	
14 The books are in care of ► THE FOUNDATION Telephone no. ► 650-851-3603 Located at ► 3130 ALPINE RD., SUITE 288, PORTOLA VALLEY, CA ZIP+4 ► 94028		
15 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of Form 1041 - check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year ► 15 N/A		
16 At any time during calendar year 2018, did the foundation have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a bank, securities, or other financial account in a foreign country? See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114. If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ►		X

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required

File Form 4720 if any item is checked in the "Yes" column, unless an exception applies.

	Yes	No
1a During the year, did the foundation (either directly or indirectly):		
(1) Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
(2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
(3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
(4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person? ☒ Yes ☐ No		
(5) Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
(6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (Exception. Check "No" if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days) ☐ Yes ☒ No		
b If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)-(6), did any of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance? See instructions Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance, check here ► ☐		X
c Did the foundation engage in a prior year in any of the acts described in 1a, other than excepted acts, that were not corrected before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2018?		X
2 Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5))		
a At the end of tax year 2018, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2018? ☐ Yes ☒ No If "Yes," list the years ►		
b Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is not applying the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) (relating to incorrect valuation of assets) to the year's undistributed income? (If applying section 4942(a)(2) to all years listed, answer "No" and attach statement - see instructions.) N/A		
c If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to any of the years listed in 2a, list the years here. ►		
3a Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
b If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2018 as a result of (1) any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969; (2) the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest; or (3) the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2018.) N/A		
4a Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?		X
b Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2018?		X

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Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required (continued)

5a During the year, did the foundation pay or incur any amount to

(1) Carry on propaganda, or otherwise attempt to influence legislation (section 4945(e))?

☐ Yes ☒ No

(2) Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955), or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive?

☐ Yes ☒ No

(3) Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes?

☐ Yes ☒ No

(4) Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc., organization described in section 4945(d)(4)(A)? See instructions

☐ Yes ☒ No

(5) Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals?

☐ Yes ☒ No

b If any answer is "Yes" to 5a(1)-(5), did any of the transactions fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4945 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance? See instructions

N/A

Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance, check here

☒

c If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant?

N/A

☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945-5(d)

6a Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?

☐ Yes ☒ No

b Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?

If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870.

6b

X

7a At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?

☐ Yes ☒ No

b If "Yes," did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction?

N/A

7b

8 Is the foundation subject to the section 4960 tax on payment(s) of more than \$1,000,000 in remuneration or excess parachute payment(s) during the year?

☐ Yes ☒ No**Part VIII** Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors

1 List all officers, directors, trustees, and foundation managers and their compensation.

(a) Name and address	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
TRACY SHERMAN 3130 ALPINE RD., SUITE 288; PMB 420 PORTOLA VALLEY, CA 94028	DIRECTOR, PRESIDENT 2.00	9,000.	0.	0.
STEVEN FRIEDMAN 3130 ALPINE RD., SUITE 288; PMB 420 PORTOLA VALLEY, CA 94028	DIRECTOR, SECRETARY, TREAS 2.00	9,000.	0.	0.

2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1). If none, enter "NONE."

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
NONE				

Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000

0

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Part XIV Private Operating Foundations (see instructions and Part VII-A, question 9)

1 a If the foundation has received a ruling or determination letter that it is a private operating foundation, and the ruling is effective for 2018, enter the date of the ruling ▶

b Check box to indicate whether the foundation is a private operating foundation described in section ☒ 4942(i)(3) or ☐ 4942(i)(5)

	Tax year				(e) Total
	(a) 2018	(b) 2017	(c) 2016	(d) 2015	
2 a Enter the lesser of the adjusted net income from Part I or the minimum investment return from Part X for each year listed	6,804.	268.	12,508.	18,880.	38,460.
b 85% of line 2a	5,783.	228.	10,632.	16,048.	32,691.
c Qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 for each year listed	27,114.	23,655.	140,305.	37,845.	228,919.
d Amounts included in line 2c not used directly for active conduct of exempt activities	8,850.	0.	0.	0.	8,850.
e Qualifying distributions made directly for active conduct of exempt activities. Subtract line 2d from line 2c	18,264.	23,655.	140,305.	37,845.	220,069.
3 Complete 3a, b, or c for the alternative test relied upon:					
a "Assets" alternative test - enter					
(1) Value of all assets	1				1 X 0.
(2) Value of assets qualifying under section 4942(i)(3)(B)(i)					0.
b "Endowment" alternative test - enter 2/3 of minimum investment return shown in Part X, line 6 for each year listed	7,775.	8,055.	8,339.	12,587.	36,756.
c "Support" alternative test - enter:					
(1) Total support other than gross investment income (interest, dividends, rents, payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), or royalties)					0.
(2) Support from general public and 5 or more exempt organizations as provided in section 4942(i)(3)(B)(ii)					0.
(3) Largest amount of support from an exempt organization					0.
(4) Gross investment income					0.

Part XV Supplementary Information (Complete this part only if the foundation had \$5,000 or more in assets at any time during the year-see instructions.)**1 Information Regarding Foundation Managers:**

a List any managers of the foundation who have contributed more than 2% of the total contributions received by the foundation before the close of any tax year (but only if they have contributed more than \$5,000). (See section 507(d)(2).)

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b List any managers of the foundation who own 10% or more of the stock of a corporation (or an equally large portion of the ownership of a partnership or other entity) of which the foundation has a 10% or greater interest.

NONE

2 Information Regarding Contribution, Grant, Gift, Loan, Scholarship, etc., Programs:

Check here ☒ if the foundation only makes contributions to preselected charitable organizations and does not accept unsolicited requests for funds. If the foundation makes gifts, grants, etc., to individuals or organizations under other conditions, complete items 2a, b, c, and d.

a The name, address, and telephone number or email address of the person to whom applications should be addressed

b The form in which applications should be submitted and information and materials they should include:

c Any submission deadlines:

d Any restrictions or limitations on awards, such as by geographical areas, charitable fields, kinds of institutions, or other factors:

Part XV **Supplementary Information** (continued)**3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment**

Recipient Name and address (home or business)	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
a Paid during the year				
YOUTH ACTION FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT PO BOX 4781-01002 THIKA, KENYA		U.S. EQUIVLANCY PUBLIC CHARITY	SEE PART IX-A	4,990.
Total			3a	4,990.
b Approved for future payment				
NONE				
Total			3b	0.

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DIVIDENDS AND INTEREST FROM SECURITIES

STATEMENT 1

SOURCE	GROSS AMOUNT	CAPITAL GAINS DIVIDENDS	(A) REVENUE PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME
TD AMERITRADE	5,713.	0.	5,713.	23.	5,713.
TD AMERITRADE	2,723.	0.	2,723.	2,723.	2,723.
TO PART I, LINE 4	8,436.	0.	8,436.	2,746.	8,436.

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ACCOUNTING FEES

STATEMENT 2

DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES
ACCOUNTING	3,050.	0.	0.	3,050.
TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 16B	3,050.	0.	0.	3,050.

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OTHER PROFESSIONAL FEES

STATEMENT 3

DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES
INVESTMENT FEES	2,402.	1,635.	2,402.	0.
OTHER	150.	0.	0.	150.
TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 16C	2,552.	1,635.	2,402.	150.

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TAXES

STATEMENT 4

DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES
FOREIGN TAXES	32.	32.	32.	0.
CALIFORNIA TAXES AND FEES	10.	0.	0.	10.
EXCISE TAXES ON INVESTMENT INCOME	500.	0.	0.	500.
TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 18	542.	32.	32.	510.

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OTHER EXPENSES

STATEMENT 5

DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES
BANK FEES	3.	0.	0.	3.
OFFICE	411.	0.	0.	411.
TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 23	414.	0.	0.	414.

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U.S. AND STATE/CITY GOVERNMENT OBLIGATIONS

STATEMENT 6

DESCRIPTION	U.S. GOV'T	OTHER GOV'T	BOOK VALUE	FAIR MARKET VALUE
TD AMERITRADE		X	67,573.	71,681.
TOTAL U.S. GOVERNMENT OBLIGATIONS				
TOTAL STATE AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OBLIGATIONS			67,573.	71,681.
TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART II, LINE 10A			67,573.	71,681.

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CORPORATE STOCK

STATEMENT 7

DESCRIPTION	BOOK VALUE	FAIR MARKET VALUE
TD AMERITRADE	58,275.	88,362.
TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART II, LINE 10B	58,275.	88,362.

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CORPORATE BONDS

STATEMENT 8

DESCRIPTION	BOOK VALUE	FAIR MARKET VALUE
TD AMERITRADE	10,671.	7,650.
TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART II, LINE 10C	10,671.	7,650.

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OTHER INVESTMENTS

STATEMENT 9

DESCRIPTION	VALUATION METHOD	BOOK VALUE	FAIR MARKET VALUE
TD AMERITRADE- EXCHANGE TRADED FUNDS	COST	30,090.	29,010.
TD AMERITRADE- MUTUAL FUNDS-BONDS	COST	7,000.	7,139.
TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART II, LINE 13		37,090.	36,149.

GENERAL EXPLANATION

STATEMENT 10

FORM/LINE IDENTIFIER

PART II, LINE 10

EXPLANATION:

CERTAIN BEGINNING OF YEAR INVESTMENTS HAVE BEEN RECLASSIFIED ON PART II, LINES 10(A)-(C) TO BE CONSISTENT WITH ENDING YEAR INVESTMENTS SHOWN ON SUCH LINES.

GENERAL EXPLANATION

STATEMENT 11

FORM/LINE IDENTIFIER

PART IX-A, LINE 1

EXPLANATION:

SHINEON.ORG FOUNDATION (SHINEON) HAS BEEN WORKING CLOSELY WITH YOUTH DEVELOPMENT RURAL DEVELOPMENT (YARD), A KENYAN NGO (CONSIDERED EQUIVALENT TO A US PUBLIC CHARITY), TO PROVIDE 1) EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS, VOCATIONAL, AND UNIVERSITY STUDENTS IN THE MURANGA COUNTY OF KENYA, 2) SKILLS TRAINING FOR GUARDIANS OF THESE STUDENTS, 3) FUNDS FOR MANAGEMENT AND OTHER PROJECT COSTS. SHINEON HAS DONE THIS BOTH BY GRANTING FUNDS AND HELPING TO DEVELOP PROGRAMS. IN 2018, THERE WERE 51 STUDENTS AND GUARDIANS ENROLLED IN THE PROGRAM (ALONG WITH ONE PAID FIELD STAFF). SINCE ITS INCEPTION 12 YEARS AGO, OVER 1,500 PEOPLE HAVE BEEN SERVED BY THE SHINEON.ORG PROGRAM.

TO EXPAND AND INCREASE SUSTAINABILITY OF THE PROGRAM, AN INCOME GENERATING TRANSPORT BUSINESS (THE BUSINESS) WAS STARTED IN 2016. YARD, THROUGH A WHOLLY OWNED COMPANY, IS THE SOLE OWNER AND ALL THE NET PROFITS OF THE BUSINESS WILL BE USED EXCLUSIVELY FOR THOSE ACTIVITIES DESCRIBED IN THE ABOVE PARAGRAPH IN PERPETUITY. AMOUNTS OF APPROXIMATELY \$115,000 WERE GRANTED IN 2016 FOR THE PURCHASE OF TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT AND STARTUP COSTS. IN 2018, \$4,990 WAS GRANTED TO YARD IN WHICH SUCH FUNDS WERE USED FOR SCHOOL FEES, GUARDIAN TRAINING, OTHER YOUTH SUPPORT, AND OTHER PROJECT COSTS. SHINEON MAINTAINED CLOSE CONTACT WITH PERSONNEL OF YARD DURING THE YEAR.