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In Brief

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Operational context

The social structure of Côte d'Ivoire has been highly affected by the political crisis that led to a coup d'état on 24 December 1999. The resulting instability culminated into an internal armed conflict on 19 September 2002. The impact has been quite devastating not only to the national economy, but also to the sub-region. According to the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and the World Food Programme (WFP), the overall effect of these crises on food security and poverty remains very dismal. Compared to the previous five years, the food production level in 2006 for plantain and tubers is likely to drop by 6 – 9%.

In the past two years, the Ivorian population has experienced a situation where there is neither peace nor war, with a series of peace agreements being signed. Over one million people have been internally displaced, while as many as 400,000 foreigners have fled the country. Over 40,000 Liberians and other nationals fled the country through Ghana and other neighbouring countries. The population's living standards have been highly hampered by this crisis. According to the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), Côte d'Ivoire is ranked 163 of 177 in the human development index¹.

¹ UNDP, Human Development Index: http://hdr.undp.org/reports/global/2005/pdf/hdr05_HDI.pdf

Analysis of 2005 programmes

Health and care

Community healthcare programme

Goal: The health status of the West and Southwest rural populations is improved in 2005.

Objective: The rural populations in Western Côte d'Ivoire are provided with better access to primary health care in 2005.

Achievements

Sensitization activities on malaria and HIV/AIDS were carried out by community healthcare workers, with 14 care campaigns organized in precarious areas and other villages that do not have any health facilities. In summary, 20 community healthcare workers were trained and/or participated in refresher courses, 10 health posts were supplied with technical equipment as well as essential drugs and 12,476 people received first aid care.

With support from the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), the Red Cross Society of Cote d'Ivoire (RCSCI) organized sanitation education campaigns in five local committees: two in Marcory and Koumassi (Abidjan) and three in the interior towns of Boundiali, Danane and San-Pedro. In addition, the French Red Cross supported the ICRC local branches of Danane, Zouan-Hounien and Bin-Houye in rehabilitating community health posts and health care promotion centers.

Apart from food assistance, the Netherlands Red Cross implemented field projects in health care and psycho-social support for displaced households. This involved the opening and supplies of dispensary equipment and drugs in five health centres in Port-Bouet, Marcory, Adjamé, Abobo and Yopougon committees of Abidjan.

The RCSCI was actively engaged in sensitizing the population during the National Immunization Days (NIDs) in which vaccination campaigns against poliomyelitis and measles were organized by the Ministry of Health (MoH). Health and hygiene education campaigns were organized in the communities by several local Red Cross committees. In addition, populations of Northern Côte d'Ivoire were sensitized on meningitis.

Impact

- The health awareness of the community health workers has been increased through the training.
- Bilateral activities have enhanced the national society's (NS's) capacity to undertake concrete actions for the most vulnerable population.

Constraints

- Inadequacy of drug supply.
- Insufficiency of resources to efficiently supervise community health workers and volunteers.
- Lack of sensitization materials.
- Lack of motivation for doctors and other volunteers during the different operations.

HIV/AIDS/STI

Goal: By the end of 2005, the rate of occurrence of STI/AIDS among the youth (aged 12-24) is reduced in the rural areas of the regions of Korhogo, Yamoussoukro, Gagnoa and Aboisso.

Objective: The Red Cross Society of Côte d'Ivoire has contributed to the reduction of the STI/AIDS vulnerability of the youth in the rural areas.

Achievements

With support from the Federation office in Abidjan, the RCSCI benefited from financial support of the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (GFATM) to open and run four voluntary counseling and testing (VCT) centers in Korhogo, Ferkessedougou, Odiéné and Man. Laboratories and offices of the four centres were equipped and 209 project actors were trained. By the end of 2005, 1,210 persons had been sensitized on HIV/AIDS, 1,070

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voluntary tests were done and psycho-social support was provided to the benefit of people infected and affected by HIV/AIDS.

The NS sensitized long-distance truck drivers and other vulnerable groups within the framework of the fight against HIV/AIDS, through public awareness campaigns. Population Service International (PSI) provided support by conducting sensitization activities to the local branches of Adjame, Port-Bouet, Man, Danane, Bouake, Korhogo, Ferke, Ouangolo and Pogo. Through PSI's support, 5,294 individual interviews were conducted, talks for 53,395 lorry drivers and 24,252 commercial sex workers (CSW) were organized, 541 lorry drivers and 378 CSW were referred to hospital for sexually transmitted infections (STIs) and 421 people were referred to VCTs.

The French Red Cross supported the RCSCI in assisting people living with HIV/AIDS (PLWHA) by training volunteers on prevention techniques and micro-planning as well as community health care agents and matrons. A total of 43 health care agents responsible for the management of the health posts and health care promotion centers in Danane, Zouan-Hounien and Bin-Houye branches were trained. In addition, 164,467 target groups were sensitized on HIV/AIDS, 33 of the 51 health posts constructed were equipped and are now operational. First aid care was provided to 55,360 people, 242 community coaches and community health workers were trained and a network for PLWHA was set up.

Impact

- The project contributed in enhancing the capacity of Red Cross Society of Côte d'Ivoire to develop multi-dimensional approaches to HIV/AIDS and to work in the framework of multilateral partnerships. In the long run, it will improve the image of the NS and contribute to strengthening its partnerships with UN agencies (including the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees – UNHCR) as well as other humanitarian and developmental organizations.

Constraints

- There were some difficulties due to the situation of conflict prevailing in the country.
- Delay in the start of the project due to late release of funds. This was compounded by heavy administrative procedures from some donors.
- One major pre-condition for the successful implementation of the VCT project is the re-deployment of the administration (government employees) to the war-affected areas, especially the project zones. Unfortunately, as the peace process is very slow, the government could not re-deploy biotechnologists to the VCT centers. This situation had a negative impact on the number of voluntary tests actually conducted in comparison with what was planned.
- Lack of human resources; only a limited number of civil servants were involved in the project.
- Inadequacy of sensitization materials.

Disaster management

Goal: The effect of disasters in the communities is reduced.

Objective: The Red Cross Society of Côte d'Ivoire disaster management capacity is strengthened.

Achievements

The RCSCI initiated the process of updating its contingency plan in readiness for the coverage of the country's general elections. In coordination with the ICRC, continuous technical support and training was provided in the field to the RCSCI and the Red Cross Society of Guinea to help them revise their contingency plans.

The NS provided support to the populations affected by ethnic conflicts in Duekoue. Apart from coordinating field activities, the RCSCI volunteers provided shelter and care for the wounded and evacuated those with serious cases to specialized structures for better care. After conducting a needs assessment, the RCSCI provided 85 plates, 50 buckets, 75 blankets and 252 bars of soap for the victims. This was done within the framework of the management of population movement.

With financial support from the ICRC, six first aid brigades from the NS received training. They in turn shared their skills with 120 volunteers. 34 local committees also received three first aid kits each. 30 emergency team leaders

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were trained in Man and Yamoussoukro, with financial support from the Federation. Skills were upgraded in emergency management procedures, including security issues. Technical support was also provided by ICRC.

Under the supervision of the regional disaster management (DM) coordinator in Dakar, continuous monitoring and training was provided to the DM staff of Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana and Liberia Red Cross societies on the implementation of the regional contingency plan, managed by the regional delegation for West and Central Africa. This was in relation to the crisis in Côte d'Ivoire.

Impact

- The first aid training has increased the volunteers' skills. The training of 30 emergency teams enhanced skills in emergency management procedures – including security issues – thus equipping those trained to effectively respond to emergency situations.
- Bilateral activities have enhanced the NS's capacity to undertake concrete actions for the most vulnerable population.

Constraints

- The financial situation of the programme was not adequate thus limiting implementation of activities outlined in the Appeal.

Organizational development

Goal 1: The operational capacity of the Red Cross Society of Côte d'Ivoire to respond to the needs of the most vulnerable is enhanced.

Goal 2: The financial resources of the Red Cross Society of Côte d'Ivoire are consolidated.

Objective 1: The managerial capacities of headquarters officers and heads of projects of local committees have been enhanced.

Objective 2: The Red Cross Society of Côte d'Ivoire is financially autonomous and is therefore able to respond to the needs of the community.

Achievements

During the RCSCI General Assembly held on 12 and 13 August 2005, the national society agreed to develop new administrative and financial procedures. The new leaders agreed to separate management and governance and the following measures were recommended:

- Establishment of a management committee comprising of six members (the national president, three vice-presidents, the general treasurer and the assistant general treasurer);
- An administration, directed by a general secretary, was formed. It is made up of technical departments (Fundamental Principles and Humanitarian Values, first aid and disasters, health, community development, resource development, youth, organizational development, social services, among others);
- Recruitment of an administrative assistant and an accountant for the Spanish Red Cross project;
- An audit was conducted by a benchmarking firm (SGS) to certify good governance.

Thanks to the British government's Department for International Development (DFID) funding, the following activities were implemented:

- The Federation provided technical support in the elaboration of the RCSCI Manual of Procedures.
- Administration, finance and logistics workshops were organized to amend and validate the Manual of Procedures prepared by the national society;
- The Federation participated in the central committee meeting for the preparation of the RCSCI General Assembly.

With funding from the Capacity Development Fund (CBF), the following activities were implemented:

- Three project planning process (PPP) workshops for 34 local committees;

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- A workshop to set up a national plan for resources development; three local committees (Cocody, Tiassalé and Port Bouet) participated in the workshop because of their experience in management of income generating projects. A consultant from the National Solidarity Fund also attended.
- Five computers, five uninterruptible power supply (UPSs) and five printers were distributed equally to five local committees.

Impact

- Following extensive technical support from the Federation and consultations in several workshops, the RCSCI is now positioned to validate and publish its Manual of Procedures in 2006.
- The training provided to the person in charge of finance and administration and the assistant to the head of office in charge of organizational development (in audit and management control as well as project management respectively) helped in advancing the capacities of the NS's human resource.
- The PPP training provided to 36 local committees presented an opportunity for experience sharing in resources development. A national plan for resources development has subsequently been put in place.
- The computers, UPS and printers distributed to the five local committees will enhance their data management, storage and generation capacities.

Constraint

- Following the closing of the Mano River sub-regional office in September 2005, no further activities were implemented. Some activities were cancelled because of the write-off that was done and have been carried over to the 2006-2007 appeal.

Humanitarian Values

Goal: The behavior of the population towards peace and tolerance in the communities is improved.

Objective: The Fundamental Principles and Humanitarian Values of the Red Cross are promoted to facilitate the execution of its activities of assistance to the populations.

Achievements

Thanks to a financial contribution from the British government's DFID, the RCSCI was able to broadcast radio programmes, "*united in the difference*", in 16 local committees which have community radios. The committees are located in nine cities: Agboville, Niablé (Abengourou), Divo, Daloa, Gagnoa, San Pédro, Oumé, Anyama, Bouaflé as well as in seven of the ten "communes" of Abidjan: Yopougon, Adjamé, Port Bouet, Koumassi, Treichville, Abobo and Cocody.

Cassettes on the seven Fundamental Principles of the International Red Cross/Red Crescent Movement and others on stigmatization of PLWHA were recorded and translated into French, English and German, thanks to the contribution from an Ivorian artist, Soul Neth.

Promotional items including 1,000 bags, 2,000 exercise books, 34 polo necks, 701 t-shirts, 150 caps, 150 bobs, 500 bandanas (headscarves), 500 key rings, 1,000 pens, 3,000 calendars (for the year 2006) and 3,000 audio cassettes were developed as promotional materials for the RCSCI.

Impact

Given the tension prevailing in the country, the radio programme "*united in the difference*" was received well by the members of the public as it enlightened them about the Movement, particularly Federation and Red Cross Society of Côte d'Ivoire activities. The radio programme also allowed populations to have a better understanding of the Movement's Fundamental Principles. The radio broadcast project, which was implemented with the technical assistance of the NS's communication consultant (who is in charge of communication in the RCSCI), allowed the development of the NS's human resource capacity.

Constraint

- The NS could not implement most activities under this objective due to lack of funding.

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Selected Parameters	
Year/Period	2005/1-2005/9998
Appeal	M05AA019
Budget	APPEAL

All figures are in Swiss Francs (CHF)

I. Consolidated Response to Appeal

	Health & Care	Disaster Management	Humanitarian Values	Organisational Development	Coordination & Implementation	TOTAL
A. Budget	384'595	206'724	101'461	153'673		846'452
B. Opening Balance	-0	0	349	40'113		40'461
Income						
Cash contributions						
British Red Cross	49'690		64'597	89'442		203'729
Swiss Red Cross		118'429				118'429
C1. Cash contributions	49'690	118'429	64'597	89'442		322'158
Reallocations (within appeal or from/to another appeal)						
Netherlands Red Cross	16'887					16'887
PRM		1'622				1'622
Swedish Government	-451					-451
C3. Reallocations (within appeal)	16'437	1'622				18'059
C. Total Income = SUM(C1..C6)	66'127	120'051	64'597	89'442		340'216
D. Total Funding = B + C	66'127	120'051	64'946	129'555		380'677

II. Balance of Funds

	Health & Care	Disaster Management	Humanitarian Values	Organisational Development	Coordination & Implementation	TOTAL
B. Opening Balance	-0	0	349	40'113		40'461
C. Income	66'127	120'051	64'597	89'442		340'216
E. Expenditure	-49'233	-124'802	-62'683	-114'473		-351'190
F. Closing Balance = (B + C + E)	16'894	-4'752	2'263	15'081		29'487

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III. Budget Analysis / Breakdown of Expenditure

Account Groups	Budget	Expenditure					TOTAL	Variance
		Health & Care	Disaster Management	Humanitarian Values	Organisational Development	Coordination & Implementation		
	A					B	A - B	
BUDGET (C)		384'595	206'724	101'461	153'673	846'452		
Supplies								
Clothing & textiles	300						300	
Food	223						223	
Medical & First Aid	53'305						53'305	
Teaching Materials	9'398	120				120	9'278	
Utensils & Tools	875						875	
Other Supplies & Services	75						75	
Total Supplies	64'175	120				120	64'055	
Land, vehicles & equipment								
Land & Buildings	70'481						70'481	
Vehicles	4'500						4'500	
Computers & Telecom	43'888				8'839	8'839	35'049	
Medical Equipment	5'622						5'622	
Total Land, vehicles & equipment	124'491				8'839	8'839	115'652	
Transport & Storage								
Transport & Vehicle Costs	39'533	4'475		118	82	4'675	34'858	
Total Transport & Storage	39'533	4'475		118	82	4'675	34'858	
Personnel Expenditures								
Delegates Payroll	23'400		60'801			60'801	-37'401	
Delegate Benefits	18'314		36'559		42	36'602	-18'287	
Regionally Deployed Staff	68'560						68'560	
National Staff	128'491	42'776	5	16'929	27'297	87'006	41'484	
National Society Staff		2'052	36	8'076	2'563	12'727	-12'727	
Consultants	2'500						2'500	
Total Personnel Expenditures	241'264	44'828	97'401	25'005	29'903	197'137	44'128	
Workshops & Training								
Workshops & Training	179'484		363	3'964	36'565	40'892	138'592	
Total Workshops & Training	179'484		363	3'964	36'565	40'892	138'592	
General Expenditure								
Travel	8'611	927	6'016	118	10'932	17'994	-9'383	
Information & Public Relation	65'024	16		26'346	3'336	29'697	35'327	
Office Costs	57'180	1'700		1'767	16'929	20'395	36'785	
Communications	11'673	650	4'067	1'050	1'000	6'768	4'905	
Professional Fees			8'934			8'934	-8'934	
Financial Charges			-92	2	-102	-192	192	
Other General Expenses				1'220		1'220	-1'220	
Total General Expenditure	142'487	3'293	18'926	30'502	32'095	84'816	57'671	
Program Support								
Program Support	55'019	3'200	8'112	4'074	7'441	22'827	32'192	
Total Program Support	55'019	3'200	8'112	4'074	7'441	22'827	32'192	
Operational Provisions								
Operational Provisions		-6'683		-980	-452	-8'115	8'115	
Total Operational Provisions		-6'683		-980	-452	-8'115	8'115	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE (D)	846'452	49'233	124'802	62'683	114'473	351'190	495'262	
VARIANCE (C - D)		335'362	81'921	38'778	39'200	495'262		