

PROGRAMME UPDATE



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In Brief

Appeal No. 01.22/2004; Programme Update no. 1; Period covered: January to June 2004;
Appeal coverage: 29.7%; Outstanding needs: CHF 497,192 (USD393,192 or EUR 325,174).
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Appeal target: CHF 706,898 (USD 530,903 or EUR 455,036).

Related Emergency or Annual Appeals: [Mano River sub-regional programmes Appeal 01.27/2004](#)

Programme summary: Despite the socio-political climate of the country, coupled with inadequate funding from the Federation, the [Red Cross Society of Côte d'Ivoire](#) has been able to carry on with activities in several areas such as health care, disaster management and organizational development.

Implementation of a majority of these activities have been facilitated by the presence of:

- ICRC: funding emergency operations, promotion of humanitarian principles and values, and research activities;
- Spanish Red Cross: human rights in ten local committees;
- Netherlands Red Cross: food assistance, health care and provision of psycho-social support for families displaced by war;
- French Red Cross: HIV /AIDS thrust in a town in Western Cote d'Ivoire (Daloa); and,
- Federation: health and care activities.

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This Programme Update reflects activities to be implemented over a one-year period. This forms part of, and is based on, longer-term, multi-year planning (refer below to access the detailed logframe documents).

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Operational Developments

News of fresh hostilities breaking out on 7 June 2004 in the village of Gohitafla, in central Côte d'Ivoire, 370 km north-west of the capital Abidjan, has raised tension in the interior and led to more internally displaced persons (IDP). The impact has been quite devastating not only to the national economy, but to the sub-region as well. According to reports from the FAO and the WFP, the overall effect of these crises on the food security and poverty level remains very dismal. Compared to the previous five years, the food production level is likely to drop by as much as 6-9% for plantains and tubers.

As a result of this conflict, the Ivorian populace live in a grey zone of neither peace nor war. Over one million people have been internally displaced while as many as 400,000 foreigners have fled the country. Guinea (Conakry), bordering Cote d'Ivoire on the East, has also felt the impact of the crises with more refugees fleeing into the country, swelling up its already high refugee population of about 92,000 from the Liberia and Sierra Leonean conflicts. Over 40,000 Liberians and other nationals fled the country through Ghana, with some seeking political asylum not only in Ghana, but also Togo, Benin, Nigeria and Liberia. In spite of its inadequate funds, the national society has played an active role in alleviating the social impact on the most vulnerable.

Health and care

Community Health

Goal: The quality of health care of vulnerable populations living in Côte d'Ivoire is improved by 2005.

Objective: Accessibility to primary health care of people living in the West and North of Côte d'Ivoire is increased through strengthening the national society capacity by the end of 2005.

Expected Results

- People living in Northern and Western Côte d'Ivoire have functional health structures of the Red Cross of Côte d'Ivoire at their disposal.
- Community health workers are recruited and trained
- Partnership between the Red Cross of Côte d'Ivoire and the Ministry of Health is strengthened.

Progress / Achievements

According to project schedule, as contained in the 2004 Appeal, only the national society had activities to implement in the first semester of the year. Primary health care services resumed in August 2003 in the local committees of Toulepleu and Bloléquin, West of Côte d'Ivoire. Between January and May 2004, approximately 47,448 patients were consulted in ten health posts. Malaria tops the list of frequently diagnosed pathologies (961 cases), followed by acute respiratory infections, malnutrition, water-borne diseases and diarrhoea. The high incidence of illnesses of malnutrition and water-related infections led to the sensitization of the respective communities on malaria control and prevention, proper faecal disposal and nutritional recuperation for malnourished children.

Impact

The population's accessibility to health care is improved and the Red Cross of Côte d'Ivoire gains increased visibility in the community.

Constraints

The absence of a national society Project Coordinator leads to late in or non-transmittance of monthly activity reports and inaccessibility to supporting documents.

HIV/AIDS Project

Goal: HIV/AIDS and STI¹ prevalence is reduced and the well being of persons living with HIV/AIDS (PLWHA) is ameliorated.

Objective: Target population is sensitized on issues related to STI/HIV/AIDS, voluntary blood donation with the aim of inducing responsible behaviour.

Expected Results

- Counselling centres on issues related to rural health and prevention of STI/HIV/AIDS are established for the youth aged between 12-35 years;
- Knowledge of women on issues related to rural health and prevention of STI/HIV/AIDS is strengthened;
- Social marketing of male and female condoms is continued at all levels in all the four districts;
- The Red Cross of Côte d'Ivoire has contributed to the increase in number of blood bags at the Ivorian National Centre for Blood Transfusion;
- Delivery of socio-psychological home and community care to at least 1,000 PLWHA and affected families including orphans and vulnerable children are guaranteed in targeted zones;
- The number of qualified and competent personnel and logistic materials for effective project management is boosted.
- The Red Cross of Côte d'Ivoire carries out activities as a member of RANY WA².

Progress / Achievements

On-going activities are essentially sensitization, carried out by peer educators in four local committees namely Korhogo, Yamoussoukro, Gagnoa and Aboisso. A total of 23,879 persons have been sensitized during this quarter of the year.

Constraints

Accessibility to supporting documents in the national society is difficult.

Social Mobilization for routine EPI³

Reliable coverage rate for 2003 is until now not available.

Goal: The Red Cross of Côte d'Ivoire contributes to the increase in the vaccination coverage under the EPI by five points from 2004 to 2005, in the zone of project location.

Objective: Qualified and competent Red Cross of Côte d'Ivoire volunteers engage in social mobilization and carries out efficient monitoring of the epidemics within the framework of the routine EPI.

Expected results

- A total of 840 volunteers are trained within the next two years.
- The Red Cross of Côte d'Ivoire acquires materials for mobilization.
- Each volunteer follows up 80% of the children in his target zone before their first anniversary.
- Volunteers present monthly reports on cases of diseases preventable by vaccination, to the health districts

Progress / Achievements

The Red Cross of Côte d'Ivoire participated actively in the national polio vaccination day (NPVD) synchronized throughout West Africa, from 23 to 26 February and from 26 to 29 March 2004. It also achieved social mobilization coverage for the health districts of Danané, Guiglo, Duékoué and Toulepleu. Eight regional local committees were involved and 657 volunteers mobilized. These volunteers vaccinated 47,050 children during the second round of the campaign. Final reports from the Ministry of Health are unavailable.

¹ STI - Sexually Transmitted Infections

² RANY-WA - Red Cross/Red Crescent AIDS Network for the Youth in West Africa

³ EPI – Expanded Programme on Immunization

The socio-political events of 25 March 2004 in Abidjan necessitated the national society assistance for social mobilization in Abidjan. With Federation support, the national society deployed 265 volunteers successfully carried out the NPVD in Abidjan.

Impact:

The Movement⁴ maintained a good public image among the populace, development partners and the government.

Constraints

The major constraint had been the lack of time to plan activities, especially the campaign in Abidjan. This was particularly pronounced because of inadequate means of transport.

Other activities

Within the framework of world blood donation day, the Federation Regional Delegation, in collaboration with the Ministry of Health, organized an activity of blood donation on 24 June 2004. During this activity, 120 pockets of blood were collected and put at the disposal of the national centre for blood transfusion.

Impact

Being that this activity was in the media, it increased the visibility of the Federation and national society before government authorities and the population.

Organizational Development

Goal: Support the Red Cross of Côte d'Ivoire in responding to the needs of the most vulnerable and to reduce discrimination.

Objective: The Red Cross of Côte d'Ivoire Governance and Management capacity is increased and developed to the standards of a functional national society.

Expected Results

- The completion and agreement of a well-coordinated cooperation agreements strategy (CAS) results in a partners' meeting.
- The national society adopts good governance practices and implements them in local/regional committees
- There is an increased knowledge of the Fundamental Principles, structure and strategies of the Movement within the branches
- The national society has implemented a process of decentralized management addressing issues of governance and integrity.
- The national society and its branches conduct all training sessions (project planning process (PPP), finance, reporting, good governance, non- discrimination, including the promotion of humanitarian values through the youth).

Activities have not taken off in this project, since funds have not yet been disbursed.

Impacts

The consequences of lack of donor-interest in Côte d'Ivoire are enormous, considering that it is barely recovering from the impact of war. This, in fact, is the right moment to implement activities promoting principles and humanitarian values on non-discrimination.

The national society needs to undertake a CAS to foster partnerships with local donors and bilateral delegates. It also needs support in the areas of governance and CAS to produce reliable reports and establish procedures to enable better management of donor-funded projects.

⁴ 'Movement' refers to the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement

Other activities

Spanish Red Cross

In addition to a street children's project, the Spanish Red Cross is presently engaged in human rights activities. In collaboration with the national society it is carrying out human rights activities in ten local committees of which eight are in Abidjan and the remaining two, in the South of Côte d'Ivoire. This programme is specifically designed for women and child victims of war. Prior to the project take-off, the Spanish Red Cross organized a workshop on human rights to enhance the project team's understanding of the issues.

Netherlands Red Cross

Netherlands Red Cross is implementing field projects in food assistance, health care and psycho-social support for displaced households.

French Red Cross

The core area of activities of the French Red Cross is HIV/AIDS in Daloa, west of the country. This is in collaboration with the national society and « *Lumière Action* », an association of PLWHA.

Impact

Bilateral delegate activities enhance the national society's capacity to undertake concrete actions for the most vulnerable population.

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APPEAL No. 01.22/2004

PLEDGES RECEIVED

02/07/2004

DONOR	CATEGORY	QUANTITY	UNIT	VALUE CHF	DATE	COMMENT
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CASH

				TOTAL COVERAGE		
REQUESTED IN APPEAL CHF ----->				706,898		29.7%
CASH CARRIED FORWARD				94,706		
BRITISH - GOVT/DFID GRANT 2004				50,000	29.01.04	HEALTH & CARE
BRITISH - GOVT/DFID GRANT 2005				65,000	29.01.04	ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT
SUB/TOTAL RECEIVED IN CASH				209,706	CHF	29.7%

KIND AND SERVICES (INCLUDING PERSONNEL)

DONOR	CATEGORY	QUANTITY	UNIT	VALUE CHF	DATE	COMMENT
Note: due to systems upgrades in process, contributions in kind and services may be incomplete.						
SUB/TOTAL RECEIVED IN KIND/SERVICES				0	CHF	0.0%

ADDITIONAL TO APPEAL BUDGET

DONOR	CATEGORY	QUANTITY	UNIT	VALUE CHF	DATE	COMMENT
SUB/TOTAL RECEIVED				0	CHF	