

PROGRAMME UPDATE



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In Brief

Appeal no. 05AA037: Programme Update no. 1, Period covered: January to June 2005; Appeal coverage: 13.7%; Outstanding needs: CHF 170,110 (USD 133,945 or EUR 109,750). (See below).

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Appeal target: CHF 197,110 (USD 156,600 or EUR 127,000); This programme update revises the appeal budget from CHF 177,110 to CHF 223,002. [Click here to go to the attached revised appeal budget](#). Adjusted appeal coverage: 12.1%; Adjusted outstanding needs: CHF 196,002 (USD 154,335 or EUR 126,455).

Related Emergency or Annual Appeals: N/A

Programme summary: In line with the recommendations of the October 2003 general assembly, the Gabonese Red Cross Society¹ began a restructuring process aimed at salvaging it from institutional problems. Despite the national society's willingness to move forward and the good programmes elaborated in Appeal 2005, activities were put on hold because the institutional problems are yet to be fully resolved.

The development of the national society was further slowed down by lack of qualified personnel and inadequate funding due to low appeal coverage, 12.1%. Further donor response is encouraged.

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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). All International Federation assistance seeks to adhere to the Code of Conduct and is committed to the Humanitarian Charter and Minimum Standards in Disaster Response in delivering assistance to the most vulnerable.

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¹ Gabonese Red Cross Society- <http://www.ifrc.org/where/country/check.asp?countryid=69>

Operational developments

Since holding an extraordinary general assembly (EGA) in December 2001, the Gabonese Red Cross Society began its restructuring programme. The EGA had agreed that the national society required the following:

- The separation of governance and management functions.
- Enhanced financial transparency.
- Integrity of its leadership.
- An improvement of its image and visibility.

The members of the national society expressed their willingness to redirect the Gabonese Red Cross Society to its mission of providing assistance to the most vulnerable people.

During the reporting period, however, many branches of the national society lacked motivation and the ripple effect was felt at the national level. A deficiency of qualified personnel at the headquarters also slowed the recovery process and hindered programme implementation.

The priority of the Gabonese Red Cross, as regards community-based health, was to develop a health policy- based on ARCHI 2010 strategy- as an approach to building the capacities of community leaders so as to enable them take care of their major health problems. On disaster management, the national society aimed at encouraging the government to develop and implement a policy on emergency response to disasters by defining its own policy through local committees.

Health and care

Goal: The vulnerability of the populations of Libreville, Port-Gentil, and Franceville to major health problems is reduced.

Objective: The populations of Libreville, Port-Gentil, and Franceville have adopted attitudes and behaviours that can enable them solve major health problems.

The Gabonese Red Cross had expected to implement activities that would ensure that:

- Community leaders in the targeted provinces have understood the ARCHI 2010 strategy as an approach that can build their capacities so as to enable them have conscience and take care of their major health problems.
- Volunteers in the local committees of the targeted provinces have a good mastery of how to conduct information, education and communication (IEC) activities.
- Pregnant women, mothers, out-of-school young people, and other groups of vulnerable people in the targeted provinces are informed and trained on how to prevent diseases and take care of major health problems.

None of the activities aimed at attaining the above priorities was carried out during the period under review.

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CASH

REQUESTED IN APPEAL CHF ----->	197,110		TOTAL COVERAGE
			13.7%
BRITISH - GOVT/DIFD GRANT	27,000	01.01.05	ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT
SUB/TOTAL RECEIVED IN CASH	27,000	CHF	13.7%

KIND AND SERVICES (INCLUDING PERSONNEL)

DONOR	CATEGORY	QUANTITY	UNIT	VALUE CHF	DATE	COMMENT
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	

BUDGET 2005

PROGRAMME BUDGETS SUMMARY

Appeal no.: 05AA037

Name: GABON

PROGRAMME:

	Health & Care	Disaster Management	Humanitarian Values	Organisational Development	Coordination & Implementation	Emergency	Total
	CHF	CHF	CHF	CHF	CHF	CHF	CHF
Shelter & construction	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Clothing & textiles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Food	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Seeds & plants	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Water & Sanitation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Medical & first aid	5,593	0	0	0	0	0	5,592
Teaching materials	18,806	0	0	0	0	0	18,805
Utensils & tools	5,718	0	0	0	0	0	5,718
Other relief supplies	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUPPLIES	30,117	0	0	0	0	0	30,116
Land & Buildings	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vehicles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Computers & telecom	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Medical equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other capital exp.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CAPITAL EXPENSES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Warehouse & Distribution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transport & Vehicules	9,960	0	0	0	0	0	9,960
TRANSPORT & STORAGE	9,960	0	0	0	0	0	9,960
Programme Support	12,812	0	0	1,683	0	0	14,495
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Personnel-delegates	87,000	0	0	0	0	0	87,000
Personnel-national staff	11,622	0	0	3,500	0	0	15,122
Consultants	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PERSONNEL	98,622	0	0	3,500	0	0	102,122
W/shops & Training	16,000	0	0	10,500	0	0	26,500
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Travel & related expenses	6,000	0	0	9,000	0	0	15,000
Information	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other General costs	23,600	0	0	1,209	0	0	24,809
GENERAL EXPENSES	29,600	0	0	10,209	0	0	39,809
TOTAL BUDGET:	197,111	0	0	25,892	0	0	223,002