

Narrative Monitoring Report

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| Project Partner: | PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF GHANA | | |
| Project Name: | PRESBYTERIAN CBR-SANDEMA | | |
| Project No.: | | | |
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Section A: Achievements and Successes (1-1.5 pages)

A1. Which activities were planned for the reporting period?

- Identify and register 100 persons with disabilities within the operational area.
- Identify two new sites for clients whose well hit rocks for re-digging
- Acquisition and distribution of fencing materials for PWD's engaged in survival Yards activities.
- Fencing of survival yards gardens for various vegetable production.
- Procurement and distribution of garden tools to survival yards beneficiaries
- Construction of latrines for survival yards beneficiaries
- Procurement and distribution of mosquito nets for survival yards clients
- Procurement and distribution of inputs to beneficiaries of survival Yards gardens
- Procurement and installation of hand pumps for survival yards beneficiaries
- Procurement and distribution of mango seedlings to survival yards beneficiaries
- Procure and distribute donkey carts for survival yards beneficiaries
- Follow-up on clients receiving home-based physiotherapy training
- Assist 10 orthopedic and other birth related deformity cases to undergo surgery.
- Organize monthly multi-disciplinary screening exercise for 1000 children and youngsters.
- Organize literacy classes for five OPWD's in the operational area
- Organize capacity development training for five Organization of

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- Persons with Disabilities
- Organize capacity development training workshop for mental health Self-Help Groups
- Organize remedial classes for 30 children with disabilities
- Organize capacity development training for program officers.
- Organize 10 community durbars on inclusive development.
- Follow-up of monitoring and evaluation team to three cerebral palsy training centers
- Collaborating with international Service to undertake evaluative research into last year's foek festival on inclusion of PWD's.
- Follow-up to stabilized people with mental illness and epilepsy to undertake organic dry season vegetable production using the survival yards approach with funding from Food Security and Environment Facility (FSEF) fund.
- Follow-up on research on Self-Help Groups in the Builsa North District

A.2 Which activities have been implemented?

Please report the main achievements and successes with the relevant figures and qualitative measurements against the planned results and activities (reporting against the logframe, activity schedule, CBM Statistic Planning Template, [Annex 1](#))

- The project identified and registered 115 PWD'S during the period as against 100 planned for the six year.
- Eight pit latrines have been constructed and roofed for eight survival yards beneficiaries.
- Eight survival yards gardens have been fenced for vegetable production.
- The project procured and distributed 100 mango seedlings, 10 seedlings each to the beneficiaries.
- The project procured and distributed onion, tomatoes and pepper seeds and organic fertilizer to eight survival yards beneficiaries to enhance vegetable production.

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- The project procured and distributed 20 pieces of mosquito nets to 10 survival yards client as a measure to reduce the incidence of malaria infection.
- During the period, the project procured 10 hand pumps and distributed eight to beneficiaries of the survival yards because two of the wells hit a very hard rock.
- The project procured and distributed the following garden tools mattocks, watering cans, shovels, cutlasses, pick axes and hoes
- 223 persons with psychosocial disabilities from five Self-Help Groups received capacity Development training workshop in advocacy and lobbying skills and sensitization on the mental health Act to empower them on their rights
- 254 persons with Disabilities received capacity development training on sustainability of Organization with Persons with Disabilities and how to effectively engage policy makers in key decision making process
- A total of 53 physically impaired clients continue to receive home based physiotherapy training to enhance their functioning capabilities
- 9 orthopedic cases underwent orthopedic surgery in Bawku orthopedic/physiotherapy unit and duanyankwanta hospital respectively
- 238 Children with Disabilities (CWD's) were supported by District Assembly with their transport cost from their respective communities to their specialized schools to attain formal education. However, a total number of 398 children with disabilities are in the mainstream schools, this brings the total number of children with disabilities both in special and integrated to 636 to attain formal education under the supervision of the special education officers.
- The project organized one week residential remedial course for 30 Children with Disabilities to sharpen their learning skills.
- With respect to the multi-disciplinary team screening in child welfare clinics and schools, 9301 children were screened as against 600 targeted for the half year. Out of this number 1920 children were identified with various impairments, 1337 with mild impairments received instant treatment, 506 had severe impairments and were referred to the various hospitals for treatment and 7381 were screened and had no impairments. It is

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pertinent to note that the screening activities were jointly funded by CBM, UNICEF and BIG LOTTERY FUND. In addition, all the screening activities in Kassena Nankana Municipal and Kassena Nankana West was funded from the Big lottery Fund in the United Kingdom under joint proposal between Sandema CBR and Afrikids Ghana.

- The project in collaboration with Ghana Health Services organized 5 community durbars in 5 communities to sensitize community members on disability issues and over 5000 community members attended.
- A total number of 16 persons with disabilities received financial support of Four Thousand Ghana Cedis (GH 4000.00) from past Canadian student interns from the University of Calgary to undertake various livelihood intervention activities, 10 PWD's received 10 hand sewing machines whereas 6 clients received an amount of five hundred Ghana Cedis each.
- 2046 people with mental illness and epilepsy continue to receive counseling and medication from the various District Community Mental Health officers and CBR programme officers.
- During the period the project received 12 volunteers 6 international volunteers from the United Kingdom and 6 local volunteers who complemented the work implementation of CBR staff.
- It is refreshing to note that, during the period under consideration, The Cerebral Palsy Africa monitoring and evaluation team visited all the three Appropriate Paper Technology centers in Sandema, Sirigu, Bawku orthopedic and Garu to ascertain progress of work. Generally the monitoring and evaluation team were fascinated with the positive strides that trainees have chalked within the period. However, the team identified some few gaps especially in the area of goals-settings for cerebral palsy children, trainees were again taken through the goal-settings with parents at the field level to enhance their understanding. In summation, the team assessed 126 children with cerebral palsy during the monitoring visits.
- A total number of 115 PWD's received training in literacy classes to enhance their level of capacity development.
- A total number of 5 stabilized people with mental illness engaged in dry season vegetable production with funding support from

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Ministry of Local Government and Rural Development under Food Security and Environment Facility. These gardens have been fenced and vegetable production is in progress and beneficiary clients have starting consuming the vegetables and at the same time generating some income to supplement family income.

- The project purchased two motorcycles to facilitate field operations.
- In addition, the project also purchased another two motorcycles with funding from the Big Lottery Fund joint proposal developed by Sandema CBR and Afrikids to implement the multi-disciplinary team screening activities in the Kassena Nankana Municipal and Kassena Nankana West districts.

A.3 What progress has been made towards the project purpose?

(In replying refer to the logframe indicators for the Project Purpose.)

The Cerebral Palsy Africa training organized for CBR workers, health and parents has yielded significant progress due to the fact that cerebral palsy children now have access to appropriate assistive devices and receiving appropriate regular training at the home and community level. Indeed, 47 cerebral palsy children have received the right assistive devices at right time which has facilitated their sitting positions and walking conditions. The break-down of assistive devices manufactured after the training and distributed are 4 crutches, 13 cerebral palsy chairs, 10 cerebral palsy stools, 8 walking frames, 1 knee cup and 1 hand split.

Another major progress made which has attracted international donor partners and local government support is in the area of the multi-disciplinary screening where a total number 1920 children with various impairments received treatment and referrals to prevent their current conditions from developing into disabling conditions.

Equally important progress made is the current survival yards initiative

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which has transformed positively the economic fortunes of the beneficiary clients within the operational area.

A.4 Report on implementation of recommendations and agreements during previous CBM visits

(if applicable)

- During the six months one CBM official in charge of finance monitoring and evaluation visited the project to ascertain the level of progress made on the orthopedic/physiotherapy unit project in Sandema.

Section B: Changes in the Project Plan and Management (1 – 1.5 pages) Please no occurred during period under consideration.

B.1 Which planned activities and results could not be achieved during the reporting period?

- Two beneficiary clients of the survival yards wells hit a hard rock making it impossible to access water for the implementation. Severally attempts to resite the wells produced the same results of hitting rocks. However, plans are far advanced to identify other client with good water table for the re-digging of the wells.
- Training of programme officers could not come on due to some

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| <p>administrative challenges regarding an abnormal increase in the amount allocated which needed some approval from regional office.</p> |
| <p><i>Describe any difficulties encountered. Include difficulties which may be outside the control of the project. Outline solutions or strategies used to address difficulties.</i></p> <p>Two of the survival Yard wells hit a hard rock during the digging and the project was compel to relocate to another site thereby not meeting the number of wells targeted for the period.</p> <p>With respect to solution or strategies the project intend to identify some potential clients whose water table is high.</p> |
| <p>B.2 What are the lessons learned (from these achievements, successes and difficulties)? How could these be applied the future ?</p> |
| <p>The lessons learnt from the survival yards implementation is that in subsequent years the project should not select the exact number of beneficiary for the construction of wells but should target more than the required number so that in the process any well that hits a rock would not affect the overall target.</p> |
| <p><i>Changes in the Project Plan:</i></p> |
| <p>B.3 Please specify if the project plan changed during the implementation period. What are the reasons?</p> |
| <p><i>Please submit a revised project plan (logframe) in case project results as well as the project purpose are affected.</i></p> <p>The project plan for the period under consideration did not change.</p> |
| <p><i>Changes in Human Resources:</i></p> |
| <p>B.4 Please report on any changes in personnel at the management and senior technical level as well as key positions for the</p> |

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implementation of project activities and reasons for departure.

With respect to changes in personnel at management level, the Church has appointed the current project coordinator of Sandema CBR project (Maxwell Akandem) as the Director for Development and Social Services as an additional responsibility due to his hard work, dedication and commitment to work and above all his passion for general development work.

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B.5 Please report on relevant personnel training (workshops, courses) during the implementation period.

The project Coordinator has successfully completed his masters of philosophy course in Community Health and Development in the University for Development Studies and due to graduate in April 2015.

Section C: Outlook to the Next Reporting Period (6 months; 0.5 page)

C.1 Please specify the results (qualitative and quantitative) that you plan to achieve during the next reporting period?

- Identify and register 100 persons with disabilities within the next six months
- Identification of potential survival yards beneficiaries for vegetable production
- Land facilitation for potential beneficiaries in the operational area
- Acquisition and distribution of fencing materials for PWD's for the take-off of gardening activities
- Procure 10 hand pumping systems to enhance gardening activities
- Purchase and distribute fruit trees to 10 survival yards beneficiaries
- Purchase sheep for beneficiary clients of survival yards
- Procure and distribute mosquito nets to beneficiary clients and family members
- Procure and distribute donkeys and carts to survival yards clients
- Facilitate construction of latrine slab for the 10 survival yards beneficiaries
- Provide home base physiotherapy training to at least 50 physically impaired clients
- Assist 10 orthopedic cases to undergo surgery
- Organize monthly multi-disciplinary screening exercise for 2000 children and youngers deprived community schools
- Organize capacity development training for 5 Organizations of Persons With Disabilities (OPWD's)
- Organize remedial classes for 50 children with disabilities

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- Organize training for survival yards beneficiaries in rural development
- Organize literacy classes for 10 Organization with People Disabilities(OPWD's)
- Capacity development for community volunteers
- Building partnerships with international Service to research into inclusive education
- Building international partnership with University of Calgary in Canada to post students interns to supplement CBR staff efforts.
- Review meetings with key stakeholders on activity implementation.

C.2 Which activities do you plan to implement?

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