

# Narrative Monitoring Report

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<b>Project Partner:</b>	<b>PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF GHANA</b>		
<b>Project Name:</b>	<b>PRESBYTERIAN CBR-SANDEMA</b>		
<b>Project No.:</b>			
<b>Reporting Period:</b>	<b>JANUARY - JUNE 2013</b>	<b>Date of submission of report:</b>	
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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 150 persons with disabilities within the operational area.
- Drill 5 wells for five PWD's to engage in gardening activities
- Acquisition and distribution of fencing materials for PWD's
- Recruit and train 100 PWD's in various appropriate vocation
- Provide home base physiotherapy training to at least 50 physically impaired clients
- Assist 20 orthopedic cases to undergo surgery
- Organize monthly multi-disciplinary screening exercise for 1200 children and youngsters
- Offer mobility and orientation training to 100 visually impaired clients
- Production of disability leaflets
- Organize remedial classes for 150 of children with disabilities
- Organize in-service training for programme officers
- Organize 10 community durbars on inclusive development
- Organize training in entrepreneurial skills for 400 PWD's
- Capacity development for community volunteers
- Building partnerships with international Service to research into disability issues
- Building international partnership with University of Calgary in Canada

### **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*

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*(reporting against the logframe, activity schedule, CBM Statistic Planning Template, Annex 1)*

- The project identified and registered 67 PWD'S during the period as against 150 planned for the year.
- The project recruited and trained 104 PWD'S in various disciplines during the period under review.
- 47 PWD's received groundnuts to crop for this farming season to enhance their livelihoods.
- The project collaborated with the Sandema eye unit and the Presbyterian Eye care centre in Bolga to provide surgery services to 37 cataract patients.
- The procured assorted drugs for the multi-disciplinary screening activities in child welfare clinics and schools.
- Two Yamaha motorbikes purchased to facilitate field operations
- The project constructed five wells for five PWD's consisting of three visually impaired, one deaf and one physically disabled clients to engage in gardening activities to boost their livelihoods
- The project procured fencing materials and distributed to beneficiaries of the survival yards project to commence with fencing
- A total of 38 physically impaired clients received home based physiotherapy training to enhance their functioning as against 50
- 5 orthopaedic cases underwent orthopaedic surgery in Bawku orthopaedic/physiotherapy unit
- 97 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.
- Under the multi-disciplinary team screening in child welfare clinics and schools, 863 children were screened as against 600 for the half year. Out of this number 534 children were identified with various impairments, 506 received first aid treatment, 47 had multiple impairments, 47 had severe impairments and were referred, however, 329 were screened and had no impairments.
- The project in collaboration with Ghana Health Services organized 12 community durbars in 12 communities to sensitize community members on disability issues
- A total number of 13 received training in orientation and mobility

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- 1102 people with mental illness and epilepsy continue to receive counseling and medication from the various District Community Mental Health officers and CBR programme officers.
- The project in collaboration with International Service a British non-governmental organization undertook research on how to include people with disability in local festivals to enhance inclusive development. It is important note that within period, International Service posted ten volunteers to support with disability issues.
- In addition, the project continues to collaborate with the University of Calgary in Canada to send students to undertake their internship. A total number of six students under the international youth employment programme were posted to the programme. The students are currently working in the following disciplines in the project: organizational restructuring and writing of newsletters, building the capacities of DPO'S leaders, developing proposals for funding to provide eye glasses, developing proposal to establish resource center for persons with disabilities.
- Two children born with cleft palate underwent surgery in Kumasi Teaching Hospital through the benevolence of two Canadian interns Brittany Vine and Katie Ruf from the University of Calgary who raised funds to facilitate the successful surgery.
- The project also received funds from Operation Groundswell a Canadian non-governmental organization which has been used to train a total number of 25 PWD's in soap production to better their economic fortunes

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

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

The implementation of the survival yards project is anticipated to make a significant impact on the beneficiaries which will trickle down on family and community members as whole, thereby reducing poverty in the long run and enhancing sustainable livelihoods.

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

*(if applicable)*

The CBM Advisor responsible for human resource development urged the project to intensify on the international partnership with Universities

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it has begun to build a solid research unit for the project on the disability issues.

**Section B: Changes in the Project Plan and Management (1 – 1.5 pages) With** respect to project plan and management, no changes occurred within the period.

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

- The training of programme officers in rural development to build the capacities for the take-off of the survival yards could be implemented due to delay in transfer of funds
- The procurement of bicycles for community volunteers also failed due to delay in transfer of funds
- Additionally, the project failed to execute the task of organizing capacity building training for organization of people with disabilities due to delay in transfer of funds
- The project could not purchase livestock for beneficiaries due to the prolong nature of the dry season.

***Describe any difficulties encountered. Include difficulties which may be outside the control of the project. Outline solutions or strategies used to address difficulties.***

One main difficulty encountered during the period under review is basically the delay in remitting funds for timely execution of project

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<p>activities.</p> <p>With respect to solution or strategies to overcome these difficulties, the project only option adopted was to postpone the implementation of plan activities until funds were transferred or made available.</p>
<p><b>B.2 What are the lessons learned (from these achievements, successes and difficulties)? How could these be applied the future ?</b></p>
<p>The lessons learnt on achievements are due to effective collaboration with key stakeholders which needs to be sustained. However, with the difficulties encountered within the period was due to delay of transfer of funds which could be improved in the future if the project could identify more potential development partners to augment CBM support.</p>
<p><b>Changes in the Project Plan:</b></p>
<p><b>B.3 Please specify if the project plan changed during the implementation period. What are the reasons?</b></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><b>Changes in Human Resources:</b></p>
<p><b>B.4 Please report on any changes in personnel at the management and senior technical level as well as key positions for the implementation of project activities and reasons for departure.</b></p>
<p>With regard to changes in personnel at management and senior technical level there were no changes at the project level.</p> <p>I also deem it imperative to officially inform you about the involvement of the project supervisor ( Mr. Festue Azuwie) in a fatal motor accident on the 16<sup>th</sup> July 2013. He sustained two fractures on his right leg and one in his arm as well as brain injury. He is however, in a critical but</p>

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

The project coordinator has completed his academic course work and currently writing his thesis as a partial requirement for the award of a master's degree in community Health and Development. He shall graduate in December 2013. The project coordinator deem it necessary at this moment to appeal to CBM to support the research work of my academic work which is about "**integrating mental health into primary health care policy or intervention failure**"

### **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 150 persons with disabilities within the next six months
- Acquisition and distribution of fencing materials for PWD's for the take-off of gardening activities
- Procure and distribute donkey carters to 5 PWD's to facilitate the transportation of produce
- Procure 5 hand pumping systems to enhance gardening activities
- Purchase and distribute fruit trees to 5 survival yards beneficiaries
- Construct latrine slap for 5 survival yards beneficiaries
- Provide home base physiotherapy training to at least 50 physically impaired clients
- Assist 15 orthopedic cases to undergo surgery
- Organize monthly multi-disciplinary screening exercise for 600 children and youngers
- Production of disability leaflets
- Organize capacity development training for 5 Organizations of Persons With Disabilities (OPWD's)
- Organize remedial classes for 150 children with disabilities
- Organize training for programme officers in rural development
- Capacity development for community volunteers
- Building partnerships with international Service to research into disability issues and establishment of disability sports clubs

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- Building international partnership with University of Calgary in Canada to establish sustainable disability programmes.

### **C.2 Which activities do you plan to implement?**