

Mission Report

Central African Republic

Alain Daudrumez - IFRC Consultant

Dates of the mission:	From 6 January to 20 February 2014 (including travel)
Location	: Bangui, CAR
Date of report	: 3 March 2014
Subject	: Micro-planning for GF-funded universal coverage LLIN campaign in 2014
References	: Logistics Plan of Action (version 31 July 2013)

1. Main objectives of the mission

- To organize and carry out micro-planning workshops in Bangui with the aim of covering all of the 71 sous-préfectures in CAR.
- To assist the IFRC logistics delegate in any issue related to the LLIN campaign, as needed.

2. Context of the mission

This was the second attempt at doing micro-planning for the CAR campaign. The first one was planned for the end of 2013 with workshops that were to take place from 9th to 20th December. However, early December violent unrest in Bangui forced the cancellation of the activity, and re-scheduling for January 2014.

For more details on the context in CAR during the mission period, see annex-1.

3. Mission roll out

The context in which the micro-planning workshops were organized and carried out made everything much more difficult than usual.

All details on mission roll out, workshop organization and challenges, as well as results obtained are included in annex-1 to this report.

4. Findings and conclusions

The table in annex-2 provides a summary of the results obtained from the micro-planning exercise to date. The main findings are:

- Increase in population figures
Over all (ie: not counting the préfecture of Mambere-Kadei for which micro-planning is still pending) the population from the micro-planning in 64 SPs has increased by 286,493 persons (8% increase). If we try a projection of expected increase in Mambere-Kadei based on an 18% increase in Region 1, we get an “updated” population of 4,404,295 for the 71 SPs (ie: an overall increase of 367,997 persons). If these new figures were to be proven correct, there would be a gap of 204,443 nets for the campaign.
- Cost per net and budgets for each of the 64 sous-préfectures
As a result of the micro-planning, a detailed budget (spreadsheet # 9 in the micro-plans) and related cost per net have been calculated for each of the 64 sous-préfectures. The total budget figure and cost per net are given in the table in annex-2. The average cost per net is CFA 385, which is well below the CFA 450 cost that has been budgeted in the “service providers” annex of the Global Fund budget.

In conclusion: Even if the data from the micro-planning is not entirely reliable for the many reasons discussed earlier (in annex-1) it still provides some very useful information in the form of a budget for each sous-préfecture, that can be used as the basis to negotiate contracts with service providers.

5. Next steps

- Finalize the micro-planning with the 7 SPs remaining (préfecture of Mambere-Kadei). I believe that the MoH group of facilitators along with the SLP coordinator are now capable of carrying out the exercise on their own, provided the organization of the workshop and traveling of the participants on UNHAS flights can be done by the IFRC PMU.
- Once the 7 remaining micro-plans will be done, they will need to be carefully reviewed / corrected, and adjusted for the specific micro-transport flat rate to be allocated to each sous-préfecture (I have done this calculation based on the distances to cover derived from the area in km² for each SP). Depending on the quality of the micro-plans coming out of this last workshop, I could do the review, correction and adjustment in one or two days of distance support.

Annexe 1 : Update CAR Micro-planning-5feb14

Annexe 2 : Summary of micro-planning data (excel file)

Annexe 3 : Micro-plans for 64 sous-préfectures (64 excel files)