

Dear Sponsor,

The children, staff and community people of Jaïama Bongor Area Development Programme express their profound thanks and appreciation for your immense contributions and support to the children and families in the ADP.

Your contributions and support facilitated the construction of two apartments at the community health centre. This has encouraged health staff to stay and work within the community thus reducing the pressure on accommodation for health care staff.



The new living quarters for health care staff

In addition, the rehabilitation of the rain water harvesting points in the same community health centre has contributed to improved sanitation and promoted hygiene conditions through hand washing and clean post natal conditions. Training of water pump attendants on routine maintenance to address frequent breakdown, was also conducted. The programme also received assorted medicines that were distributed to 7 health centres in the programme area and has complemented the supply of drugs to health facilities under the Free Health Services launched by the Government. These interventions contributed not only to enhance the protection of children from infectious diseases and injury but also increased access to essential health services.



The Education project focuses on increased access to basic primary education, enhanced community awareness on child protection and

participation in community activities. Support with teaching and learning materials also increased enrollment and retention of children who didn't have



Distribution of medicines to health care centres.

access to the relevant school materials. The stress on parents who cannot afford to provide books for their children was reduced.

Furthermore, 50 children were supported with school supplies for their excellent performance at the National Primary School Examination graduating them to start Junior Secondary School. This annual event has motivated other children to do better.

In striving towards improved teaching and learning for children in the ADP, 26 teachers attended courses for



Academic Excellence Award

Higher Teacher Certificate and Teacher Certificate. Gaining these certificates over three year distant learning courses enable teachers to become fully qualified while they continue teaching children in ADP schools.

In continuing to address the wellbeing of children and improve overall health in the area, a three year programme of Women's Empowerment interventions has been setup. The aim of which are to improve the socio-economic environment of communities, implementing this through the establishment of village based micro finance institutions and women's



Training of women groups on vegetable production

co-operatives. Capacity building also forms a strong focus of this project.

To enhance sustained income generation, women groups were trained on packaging and marketing processed cassava products, and how to establish linkages with commercial cassava farming groups.

In addition, women groups were trained on improved practices and supported with gardening tools and seeds to establish vegetable gardens for the sale of fresh produce to the public. This contributed to



Women groups received seeds and tools at the end of the training session

enhance and sustain parents and caregivers' ability to pay for their children's health and education costs.

Once more I want to take this opportunity to extend my heart felt thanks to you on behalf of all the children, their families and communities in the programme area for your contributions and commitment that has facilitated the various interventions that revives dignity, justice and hope in the lives of the children in Jaïama Bongor.

May God continue to abundantly bless you.

Yours sincerely,

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