



**UN EBOLA RESPONSE MPTF
PROJECT MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT - VERSION 1
Period (Month-Year): January 2016 _____**

Project Number and Title: #38- Title: Reintegration of Sierra Leone Red Cross Society (SLRCS) Volunteers Burial Teams	PROJECT START DATE¹: 01-06-2015	AMOUNT ALLOCATED by MPTF <i>(please indicate different tranches if applicable)</i> \$ USD 1,975,639.87	RECIPIENT ORGANIZATION United Nations Development Program (UNDP)
Project ID: 00095545			
Project Focal Point: Name: Jason Ian Lee E-mail: jason.ian.lee@undp.org	EXTENSION DATE: 31-06-2016	FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS \$...	
Strategic Objective (STEPP) Improved mental health of SLRCS volunteers through enhanced treatment and management of stress and/or trauma related disorders SLRCS volunteers that undergo the re-skilling, vocational training or business development stream having recovered livelihoods and are able to engage in income generation activities Improved access of SLRCS volunteers to financial services Improved Reskilling and reintegration programmes for the wider ERW	PROJECTED END DATE: 31-06-2016	EXPENDITURES as of [date] \$37,408.26	IMPLEMENTING PARTNER(S): The International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) (CSO) Sierra Leone Red Cross Society (SLRCS) (CSO)
Mission Critical Action MCA - Description			
Location: Country or Regional - Sierra Leone, West Africa	Sub-National Coverage Areas: Full list of countries and/or districts Kenema District, Western Area, Port Loko District, Kambia district, Bombali District, Koinadugu District, Tonkolili District, Moyamba District, Pujehun District, Bo District, Kailahun District, Bonthe District and Kono District		

¹ The date project funds were first transferred. 1st September 2015



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MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT RESULTS MATRIX

OUTPUT INDICATORS

Indicator	Geographic Area	Projected Target (as per results matrix)	Quantitative results for the (one month) reporting period	Cumulative results since project commencement (quantitative)	Delivery Rate (cumulative % of projected total) as of date
<i>Description of the quantifiable indicator as set out in the approved project proposal</i>					
# of SLRCS volunteers completing psychosocial assessment	All the 13 Districts	800	0	800	100%
# Red Cross Staff trained in Community Based Psychosocial Support (CBPSS)	All the 13 Districts	28	0	0	0
# of SLRCS volunteers trained in Psychological First Aid	All the 13 Districts	800	310	0	310
# of SLRCS branches with a referral system to specialized mental health services	All the 13 Districts	14	0	0	0
# of SLRCS volunteers undertaking counseling sessions	All the 13 Districts	800	300	300	37.5%
# of SLRCS volunteers referred to specialized care and treatment and receiving ongoing support	All the 13 Districts	200	0	0	0



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2) Assessment # of SLRCS volunteers completing skills/educational/interest assessment	All the 13 Districts	800	0	800	100%
(3) Livelihood # of SLRCS volunteers receiving career skill development training	All the 13 Districts	96	0	0	0
Proportion of SLRCS volunteers streamed through the career skill development training that successfully complete the training	All the 13 Districts	75%	0	0	0
# of SLRCS volunteers receiving vocational training	All the 13 Districts	98	0	0	0
Proportion of SLRCS volunteers streamed through the vocational training that successfully complete the training	All the 13 Districts	75%	0	0	0
# of SLRCS volunteers receiving business development training	All the 13 Districts	458	0	0	0
Proportion of SLRCS volunteers streamed through the business development training that successfully complete the training	All the 13 Districts	75%	0	0	0
Market assessment and analysis	All the 13 Districts	800		0	0



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emergent industries/livelihood areas			0		
# of SLRCS volunteers returning back to tertiary studies	All the 13 Districts	149	0	0	0
(4) Financial inclusion # of SLRC volunteers receiving planning and advisory services	All the 13 Districts	458	0	0	0
# of SLRC volunteers receiving financial management advice linked to UNDP's small and medium enterprise development and recovery programmes	All the 13 Districts	458	0	0	0
# of SLRCS volunteers receiving training on financial inclusion and access to financial services such as savings, credits, insurance etc.	All the 13 Districts	800	0	0	0
EFFECT INDICATORS (if available for the reporting period)					
Proportion of SLRCS volunteers with signs of stress and/or trauma related symptoms reporting an ablation of said symptoms after	Nationwide – 13 districts	50%	0	0	0



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treatment					
Proportion of SLRCS volunteers that require ongoing care for trauma and/or stress associated symptoms still receiving treatment	Nationwide – 13 districts	50%	0	0	0
Proportion of SLRCS volunteers that were referred to specialized mental health care that complete the treatment and management of their condition	Nationwide – 13 districts	50%	0	0	0
Proportion of SLRCS volunteers in the career skill development stream successfully joining the workforce	Nationwide – 13 districts	50%	0	0	0
Proportion of SLRCS volunteers in the vocational development stream gaining a vocational skill	Nationwide – 13 districts	50%	0	0	0
Proportion of SLRCS volunteers in the business development stream having established small or medium enterprises	Nationwide – 13 districts	50%	0	0	0
Proportion of SLRCS volunteers that resume their studies successfully complete their education	Nationwide – 13 districts	50%	0	0	0
Proportion of SLRCS volunteers able to	Nationwide – 13 districts	50%	0	0	0



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access financial services and savings					
Proportion of SLRCS volunteers able to access loan/micro-credit facilities	Nationwide – 13 districts	20%	0	0	0
Proportion of the wider ERW that are able to access future reintegration and reskilling programmes	Nationwide – 13 districts	50 percent of the entire ERW	0	0	0

NARRATIVE

Situation Update *(please describe critical changes, if any, in the situation that affect the project (1-2 paragraphs))*

For the month of January the main focus has been analyzing the PSS and livelihood assessment forms. We started by having a follow up training for the assessors and SDB officers. Here we discussed issues and challenges that they were having when conducting the assessments. We also talked about when to make referrals and trained them on how to use the 4 w's map so that they could follow up on PSS issues that the volunteers were presenting.

Furthermore we have analyzed the number of volunteers who want to go into each livelihood/reskilling stream. However upon analysis we found that 458 Volunteers had selected the small business and enterprise development option. Therefore we have asked the assessors to revisit these volunteers and make sure volunteers are aware of what this means through career counseling sessions; that they most likely will not get a small business loan, and was there another option that might be more beneficial for their situation. Therefore this number is likely to change in the future as a result of the counselling follow up sessions that are being conducted, and will help the volunteers to review their decisions.

We have also started the process of registering volunteers that are interested in the educational stream into their educational institute of choice. These have taken longer than expected because we have needed to verify the information given by the volunteers. We want to make sure that the volunteers are enrolling themselves in quality educational institutes that are well recognized. This again has also taken more time and man power then originally planned.

Key Achievements *(please use this section to highlight your key achievements for the month, using bullet points if preferred)*

- Analyzing the completed PSS assessments forms have been followed up with counselling sessions where needed. We are using these assessment forms to develop the group counselling sessions that all SDB/IPC volunteers need to attend. Additionally we are planning on conducting a ToT on these topics so that continuous support and supervision will be available nationwide.



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- Follow up assessment training conducted for 14 PSS officers as well as 14 SDB officers and some supporting staff for a total of 35 participants. This training also included an introduction to referral systems for all the districts, as well as support on how to make sure we are addressing the issues presented by the volunteers adequately. As a result of this the PSS officers are conducting follow up counselling sessions for appropriate volunteers. Furthermore gaps and problems in the assessment process were identified and way forward discussed.
- In every district we gathered the acceptance letters and educational invoice paperwork for the students wanting to go into the Educational stream. We then followed up with verification of the quality and validity of these Educational institutions. Currently we have verified 45 institutions. We are working on the payment process of tuition fees to those institutions.
- Trained 310 SLRCS volunteers in PFA, in response to the most recent Ebola outbreak.
- One to One and Group Counseling sessions organized for 300 volunteers

Delays or Deviations (if any, briefly describe the delays or changes in focus, approach or targets, and provide a short justification for the change (1-2 paragraphs))

From the analysis, it was observed that 458 opted for business development of which the target number from the proposal is 200, meaning more time will be spent by the team to review through counseling sessions with the volunteers and to further explain to them packages in those various skills. Also more time will be taken to verify the chosen institution by the volunteers.

Due to the most recent Ebola outbreak, we have been requested by the MoHS and OCHA to take up the position of co chair in the SDB pillar. As such we have also conducted a refresher training in IPC and SDB as well as PFA for 15 SDB teams, and PFA refresher training for 80 PSS volunteers 80 Social Mobilization volunteers. This of course delayed our previous plans on the reskilling and reintegration activates. However we have been able to exceed our initial goal of training 60 SLRCS volunteers in PFA.

Gender and Environmental Markers (Please provide disaggregated data, if applicable)

No. of Direct Beneficiaries	
Women	98
Girls	2
Men	673
Boys	25
Total	800

Environmental Markers
e.g. Medical and Bio Hazard Waste
e.g. Chemical Pollution

No. of Indirect Community Beneficiaries	
Women	2050
Girls	250
Men	1750
Boys	150
Total	4200

Environmental Markers
e.g. Medical and Bio Hazard Waste
e.g. Chemical Pollution