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PROJECT MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT - VERSION 1
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Project Number and Title: #38- Title: Reintegration of Sierra Leone Red Cross Society (SLRCS) Volunteers Burial Teams	PROJECT START DATE¹: 23-06-2015	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 30/4/16 ... \$ 111,171.34	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: 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



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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 14 Districts	800	0	800	100%
# Red Cross Staff trained in Community Based Psychosocial Support (CBPSS)	All the 14 Districts	28	0	0	0
# of SLRCS volunteers trained in Psychological First Aid	All the 14 Districts	800	20	330	41.25%
# of SLRCS branches with a referral system to specialized mental health services	All the 14 Districts	14	0	0	0
# of SLRCS volunteers undertaking counselling sessions	All the 14 Districts	800	500	800	100%
# of SLRCS volunteers referred to specialized care and treatment and receiving ongoing support	All the 14 Districts	200	0	0	0
2) Assessment # of SLRCS volunteers completing skills/educational/interest assessment	All the 14 Districts	800	0	800	100%



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(3) Livelihood # of SLRCS volunteers receiving career skill development training	All the 14 Districts	62	0	0	0
Proportion of SLRCS volunteers streamed through the career skill development training that successfully complete the training	All the 14 Districts	75%	0	0	0
# of SLRCS volunteers receiving vocational training	All the 14 Districts	225	0	0	0
Proportion of SLRCS volunteers streamed through the vocational training that successfully complete the training	All the 14 Districts	75%	0	0	0
# of SLRCS volunteers receiving business development training	All the 14 Districts	405	0	0	0
Proportion of SLRCS volunteers streamed through the business development training that successfully complete the training	All the 14 Districts	75%	0	0	0
Market assessment and analysis emergent industries/livelihood areas	All the 14 Districts	800	0	0	0
# of SLRCS volunteers returning back to tertiary studies	All the 14 Districts	108	93	93	100%
(4) Financial inclusion # of SLRC volunteers receiving planning and advisory services	All the 14 Districts	800	0	0	0



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# of SLRC volunteers receiving financial management advice linked to UNDP's small and medium enterprise development and recovery programmes	All the 14 Districts	800	0	0	0
# of SLRCS volunteers receiving training on financial inclusion and access to financial services such as savings, credits, insurance etc.	All the 14 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 treatment	Nationwide – 13 districts	50%	0	0	0
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	Nationwide – 13 districts	50%	0	0	0



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condition					
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 access financial services and savings	Nationwide – 13 districts	50%	0	0	0
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

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NARRATIVE

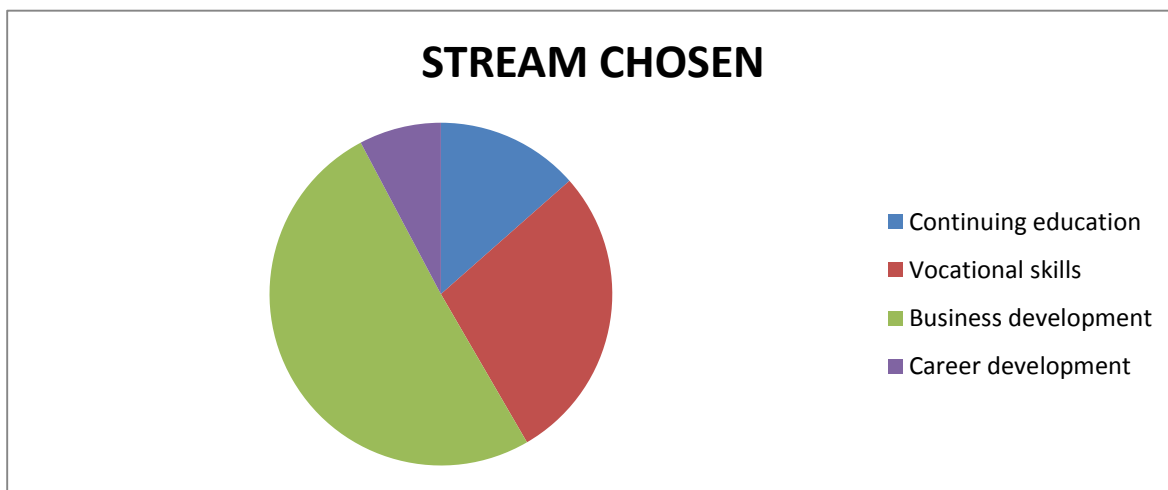
Situation Update *(please describe critical changes, if any, in the situation that affect the project (1-2 paragraphs))*

Liberia’s and Guinea’s last known Ebola patients in a latest flare-up of the disease that hit both countries have now been discharged. All remaining contacts of confirmed cases that were placed under a 3-week period of medical monitoring have been cleared. Active surveillance is ongoing in Guinea and Liberia and will continue 42 days after the last case tested negative for Ebola virus. The performance indicators suggest that the Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone still have variable capacity to prevent (EVD survivor programme), detect (epidemiological and laboratory surveillance) and respond to new outbreaks. The risk of additional outbreaks originating from exposure to infected survivor body fluids remains.

SLRCS has concluded the process of allowing volunteers to present acceptance letters especially from vocational institutions. The additional time to present the acceptance letters was to allow for those who had initially selected business development skills stream which has limited opportunities to change to other streams. The number of volunteers who opted for business after the initial assessment was 508 which is very high considering that only 20 proposals will be supported after the BDS course training. Continued engagement with volunteers through workshops and counselling sessions, has reduced the number from 508 to 405. Additionally, the education stream has increased from 93 to 108 and vocational skill stream from 210 to 225.

The final breakdown of SDB/IPC volunteers based on the category of streams chosen is as follows:

• Continue education	108
• Vocational training	225
• Business development	405
• Career Development	62
Total	800



Verification exercise has been completed with a total number of 73 Institutions nationwide for continue education and vocational skills. 108 letters were received from volunteers who opted to continue their education and 225 letters received

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Red Cross team verifying training institutions

from volunteers who opted for vocational skills. These acceptance letters were used by the verification team members to access all the institutions. All the indicated institutions were visited and discussions were held with the heads/principals/proprietors and other key staff. Verification of the institution was carried out based on the following:

- Existence of the institutions
- Facilities available for the institutions
- Tutors for the training program
- Knowledge of the institutions about the recruited beneficiaries
- Availability of training spaces
- Recognition of the institution by the central government and other agencies

- Type of certificates presented to graduants

A memorandum of understanding (MOU) was prepared by SLRCS and each of these institutions read, accepts the roles and signed. An invoice was prepared based on their fees payment and signed by the head of the institution which will be used for fess payment. A copy of registrations' certificates were also presented for future references.

On BDS service providers, Restless Development will be engaged to train volunteers from the western area, AFFORD who will train volunteers from the Northern Province and CEPAD who will take the responsibility of training volunteers from the south and Eastern province .The next step is for the partners to develop an evaluation tool for learning assessment of trainees, develop a standardized training curriculum, budget breakdown and to develop a strategy to in cooperate individuals with very low literacy level. SLRCS will clarify literacy level of volunteers under the category of no schooling and to forward recent participants breakdown to other partners.



PSS coach in Bo in active one to one counselling session.

On-going follow up visits were made to volunteers with special attentions such as sleeping difficulties, stigmatizations, family pressure and conflict in all the branches (See table below). individual and group Counselling sessions were organised in all only 10 branches for SDB/IPC volunteers to guide them move away from their state of trauma and to move ahead with



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their lives and to successfully go through their livelihood activities for those who have started and awaiting for their fees to be paid. These activities are ongoing as de-traumatization is a process and it takes time to completely move people to their normal lives. On-going sensitizations sessions in 8 communities from 8 district headquarter towns were organised on stigmatizations especially for Ebola response workers, survivors and Ebola affected communities, proper hand washing, and community services such as cleaning campaigns. Coordination meetings were attended at district level and updates of activities were shared. 1 survivor was also referred to government hospital for specialised treatment. The sensitizations were all successful and the number of direct and indirect people reached are indicated in the tables below.

1. This Table shows activities conducted in the branches with SDB/IPC volunteers and the number reached.

DISTRICT:	ACTIVITY	FEMALE	GIRL	MALE	BOY	TOTAL
PUJEHUN	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. One to one and group counselling sessions, on coping mechanism. 2. Enrolment seminar conducted. 3. follow up visits 	2	-	18	-	20
Bonthe	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. One to one and group counselling sessions on stress management 2. Meeting with volunteers to identify their educational level 3. Follow up visits 	4		30		34
Kailahun	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. One to one and group counselling sessions 2. Stress management session 3. Follow up visits 4. Meet with volunteers to identify their educational level. 	4		18		22
Kambia	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. One to one and group counselling sessions, 2. Meeting with business dev. Vol. to identify their educational level. 3. follow up visits 	-	-	28	-	28
Kenema	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. One to one and group counselling sessions on Stress management and conflict mediation 2. Meeting with volunteers to identify their Educational status. 3. follow up visits 4. sessions on community service such as cleaning campaigns. 	5		53		58
Moyamba	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. One to one and group counselling sessions 	2		22		24



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	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Sessions on community service such as community cleaning campaigns 3. follow up visits 					
Bombali	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. One to one and group counselling sessions, 2. Meeting with volunteers to identify their educational status. 3. Follow up visits 	-		16		16
Bo	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. One to one and group counselling sessions, 2. Follow up visits 3. Stress management sessions 	5		32		37
Western Rural	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. One to one and group counselling sessions, 2. Meeting with volunteers to identify Educational level 3. follow up visits 	6		48		54
Western Urban	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. One to one and group counselling sessions, 2. psychological first Aid and 3. Follow up visits 4. stress management 	6		49		55
	Total number of SDB/IPC volunteers reached	34		314		348

2 This table shows the number of people reached in SDB/IPC in beneficiary communities.

DISTRICT:	ACTIVITY	FEMALE	GIRL	MALE	BOY	TOTAL
PUJEHUN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow up on community visit on survivors status (health, Stigma and relationship) • Community sensitization on cleaning campaigns and hand washing. 	58	18	42	28	146
Bonthe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow up on community visit on survivors status (health, Stigma and relationship) • Community sensitization on cleaning campaigns and hand washing 	38	12	40	25	115
Kailahun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow up on community visit on survivors status (health, Stigma and relationship) • Community sensitization on cleaning 	52	29	62	32	175



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	campaigns and hand washing.						
Kambia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow up on community visit on survivors status (health, Stigma and relationship) • Community sensitization on cleaning campaigns and hand washing. 	52	20	42	22	136	
Kenema	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow up on community visit on survivors status (health, Stigma and relationship) • Community sensitization on cleaning campaigns and hand washing. • Conflict mediation exercise between communities and beneficiaries 	58	24	53	26	161	
Moyamba	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow up on community visit on survivors status (health, Stigma and relationship) • Community sensitization on cleaning campaigns and hand washing • One to one and group counselling sessions • Sessions on community service such as community cleaning campaigns • follow up visits 	54	23	51	31	159	
Bombali	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow up on community visit on survivors status (health, Stigma and relationship) • Community sensitization on cleaning campaigns and hand washing. • One to one and group counselling sessions, • Follow up visits 	56	24	48	28	156	
Bo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow up on community visit on survivors status (health, Stigma and relationship) • Community sensitization on cleaning campaigns and hand washing. • One to one and group counselling sessions, • 1 volunteer refereed to hospital for a specialised care. • Follow up visits 	62	28	46	33	169	



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Western Rural	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow up on community visit on survivors status (health, Stigma and relationship) • Community sensitization on cleaning campaigns and hand washing • .One to one and group counselling sessions, • follow up visits 	56	28	49	31	164
Western Urban	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow up on community visit on survivors status (health, Stigma and relationship) • Community sensitization on cleaning campaigns and hand washing. • One to one and group counselling sessions, 	65	32	49	33	179
Total number community people reached		560	240	480	280	1,560

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

- Completed verification of 73 academic and vocational institutions nationwide and prepared documents to be process for payment with an increased number of 108 volunteers for continue Education and 225 volunteers for vocational skills.
- Meet with partners who will take the responsibility of training 405 SDB/IPC volunteers and have discussed training strategies that they will be using, has also agreed to start the training of volunteers in the 3rd
- Since it is one year tuition fees, A memorandum of understanding between the Red Cross and learning institutions has been prepared and all 73 institutions have accepted and signed.
- 348 SDB/IPC volunteers were reached in only 10 Branches listed above through one to one and group counselling sessions, follow up on their welfare, sensitizations sessions on Stress Management and meetings held to identify the educational status of all SDB who opted for business development
- 1,560 Indirect beneficiaries from communities of SDB/IPC volunteers were reached through sensitizations on especially stigmatization , proper hand washing and community services such as cleaning campaigns.



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

No. of Direct Beneficiaries	
Women	172
Girls	
Men	628
Boys	
Total	800

No. of Indirect Community Beneficiaries		Cumulative
Women	560	6,486
Girls	240	5,462
Men	480	5,858
Boys	280	4,873
Total	1,560	24,239