



MULTI-PARTNER TRUST FUND – CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC ANNUAL PROGRAMME¹ NARRATIVE PROGRESS REPORT

REPORTING PERIOD: 1 AUGUST – 31 DECEMBER 2019

Programme Title & Project Number <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Programme Title: Cities deliver for life and health: Strengthening the capacity of four selected Central African cities to support access to HIV-related services for Internally Displaced People and host communities. Programme Number (if applicable) MPTF Office Project Reference Number:³ 00117006 	Locality(s), Fund Outcome Area² <p><i>Locations</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Five (5) cities in The Republic of Central Africa- Bangui, Bégoua, Bimbo, Bambari, Obo <p><i>Fund Outcome Area</i></p>
Participating Organization(s) UNAIDS, IOM	Implementing Partners <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Ministry of Public health and Population (MSPP); City councils of Bangui, Bimbo, Obo, Bégoua and Bambari; CCU de Bangui (Centre Catholique Universitaire); ACAMS (L'Association Centrafricaine pour le Marketing Social); RECAPEV (le Réseau Centrafricaine des Personnes vivantes avec le VIH); ANJFAS (Association Nationale des Jeunes Femmes Actives pour la Solidarité)
Programme/Project Cost (US\$) CAR MPTF Contribution: Total: USD 499,127 IOM: USD 300,000 UNAIDS: USD 199,127 Agency Contribution <ul style="list-style-type: none"> by Agency (if applicable) Government Contribution (if applicable) Other Contributions (donors) (if applicable) TOTAL: USD 499,127	Programme Duration Overall Duration (months) 14 Start Date ⁴ 1/Aout/2019 Original End Date ⁵ 31.05.2020 Current End date ⁶ 30.09.2020

¹ The term "programme" is used for programmes, joint programmes and projects.

² Outcome Area from the relevant Fund Result Matrix that this project contributes to.

³ The MPTF Office Project Reference Number is the same number as the one on the Notification message. It is also referred to "Project ID" on the [MPTF Office GATEWAY](#)

⁴ The start date is the date of the first transfer of the funds from the MPTF Office as Administrative Agent. Transfer date is available on the [MPTF Office GATEWAY](#)

⁵ As per approval of the original project document by the Steering Committee.

⁶ If there has been an extension, then the revised, approved end date should be reflected here. If there has been no extension approved, then the current end date is the same as the original end date. The end date is the same as the operational closure date which is when all activities for which a Participating Organization is responsible under an approved MPTF have been completed. As per the MOU, agencies are to notify the MPTF Office when a programme completes its operational activities.

Programme Assessment/Review/Mid-Term Eval.Assessment/Review - if applicable *please attach*☐ Yes ☐ No Date: *dd.mm.yyyy*Mid-Term Evaluation Report – if applicable *please attach*☐ Yes ☐ No Date: *dd.mm.yyyy***Report Submitted By**

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Introduction:

The Narrative Progress Report template is based on the UNDG 2003 template, which is currently under review and is in line with the [UNDG Results Based Management Handbook \(October 2011\)](#).

Building on continued efforts made in the UN system to produce results-based reports, the progress report should describe how the activities (inputs) contributed to the achievement of specific short-term outputs during the twelve month reporting period, and to demonstrate how the short-term outputs achieved in the reporting period collectively **contributed to the achievement of the agreed upon outcomes** of the applicable Fund Results Matrix guiding the operations of the Fund.

In support of the individual programme reports, please attach any additional relevant information and photographs, assessments, evaluations and studies undertaken or published.

All reports will be uploaded on the MPTF Office GATEWAY (<http://mptf.undp.org/>).

Formatting Instructions:

- The report should not exceed 10-15 pages. Include a list of the main abbreviations and acronyms that are used in the report.
- Number all pages, sections and paragraphs as indicated below.
- Format the entire document using the following font: 12point _ Times New Roman and do not use colours.
- The report should be submitted in one single Word or PDF file.
- Annexes can be added to the report but need to be clearly referenced, using footnotes or endnotes within the body of the narrative.

NARRATIVE REPORT FORMAT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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I. Purpose

The project aims to reduce the vulnerability to HIV / AIDS of displaced persons and host populations in five selected cities of the Central African Republic - Bangui, Bimbo, Bégoua, Bambari and Obo.

II. Results

i) Narrative reporting on results:

The project has contributed to the increased understanding of the vulnerability of displaced population against HIV and AIDS amongst the local and medical authorities. During the reporting period, the beneficiary of the actions were mostly the government officials in order to create a basis on the implementation of the project.

The project team worked closely with the Ministry of Health and Population, as well as the National AIDS Control Committee, and municipalities to encourage local authorities to participate in the development of roadmaps for universal health coverage which includes the fight against HIV in displaced and host populations. The fight against HIV / AIDS is one of ten areas and the project team seeks to create synergy with the Ministry of Health and Population.

Information sessions on the project for partners and stakeholders to ensure their strong involvement took place in September and October 2019. These sessions targeted the Association of Mayors of the Central African Republic and more particularly the Bangui town hall which coordinates this association. Work sessions were also organized with NGOs and representatives of people living with HIV to inform them of the project and make them aware of their involvement and role.

Following these meetings and working sessions necessary for the creation of a common vision for the project, the official launch of the project was organized from 26 to 28 November 2019 in Bangui. Seventy personalities including the mayors and prefects of the municipalities selected for the project (Bangui, Bimbo, Bégoua, Obo and Bambari) as well as representatives of the Ministry of Health, the territorial administration, and beneficiaries of the project, namely displaced people living with HIV were present. The Minister of Territorial Administration, the Minister responsible for the fight against AIDS, the Deputy Special Representative of the United Nations, Humanitarian Coordinator and Resident Coordinator, as well as the UNAIDS Country Director and the IOM Head of Mission were present at the launching ceremony. Before and after the launching ceremony on November 27, the local authorities participated in the working sessions organized jointly with the Ministry of Health and Population and worked on the plan roadmap for each of their municipalities.

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The project team also developed visibility materials such as flyers and t-shirts. Key messages for awareness have been identified.

The two local associations, pre-identified as implementing partners, demonstrated their weak capacity during the partnership on another project to carry out their activities in a coherent manner with regard to the financial framework. In this sense, the project team plans to call on a third implementing partner to direct the activities in close coordination with the two associations. The desired profile is a local NGO with extensive experience in community awareness, capacity building and HIV assistance to the population affected by the epidemic in CAR.

The implementation of the project was delayed by the process of making funds available. The project was signed by all MPTF stakeholders only at the end of July 2019. The funds were only available in September 2019. As a result, project implementation activities have not started than in October 2019. The request for a no-cost extension until September has been approved.

After launching the project and ensuring the availability of funds, we began recruiting implementing partners for the effective implementation of project activities.

UNAIDS has recruited the Catholic University Center which will take care of activities in the city of Bangui, Bimbo and Begoua and Agence Centrafricaine de Marketing Sociale (ACAMS) which will oversee activities in Obo and Bambari. These two NGOs will carry out their activities in collaboration with organizations of people living with HIV and national or international organizations dealing with displaced persons and municipalities.

The details and budgeting of each activity was discussed and the impact of each activity was assessed.



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ii) Indicator Based Performance Assessment:

Using the **Results Framework from your Project Document** - provide an update on the achievement of indicators at both the **Fund Outcome** and **Project Output** level in the table. Where it has not been possible to collect data on indicators, clear explanation should be given explaining why, as well as plans on how and when this data will be collected.

<i>Fund outcome to which the project contributes to:</i>				
Anticipated Outcome as described in the Fund results framework	Indicators (include Fund outcome indicators to which the project contributes to)	Baseline and Target	Reason for any variation / Changes to future targets	Means of verification
To reduce the vulnerability to HIV/AIDS for IDPs and host populations in 5 selected cities	% of beneficiaries who have correct knowledge on HIV prevention and transmission	Baseline: Cumulative Target: Achieved Indicator Zero (0)		
<i>Project Outputs</i>				
Describe Project Output	Indicators	Baseline and Target	Reason for any variation / Changes to future targets	Means of verification
Project Output 1: Improved access to quality HIV prevention, treatment and care services for 5000 IDPs and another at-risk host population.	Number of IDP and other at-risk host population who are satisfied with HIV services	Baseline: Cumulative Target: Achieved Indicator Zero (0)		
Describe Project Output	Indicators	Baseline and Target	Reason for any variation / Changes to future targets	Means of verification
Project Output 2: Strengthened capacity of 25 local authorities (mayors and municipal councils) to engage in HIV prevention, treatment and care as well as stigma reduction activities towards IDPs and at-risk host populations.	Number of trained municipalities' staff delivering HIV-related services	Baseline: Cumulative Target: Achieved Indicator Zero (0)		

Describe Project Output	Indicators	Baseline Target	Reason for any variation / Changes to future targets	Means of verification
Project Output 3: Strengthened capacity 5 team of peer's educators to engage in HIV prevention, treatment and care as well as stigma reduction activities towards IDPs and at-risk host populations.	Number of trained peers' educators delivering HIV-related services	Baseline: <i>Cumulative Target: Achieved Indicator</i> Zero (0)		
Describe Project Output	Indicators	Baseline Target	Reason for any variation/ Changes to future targets	Means of verification
Project Output 4: Strengthened local dialogue and socio-economic integration following the delivery of HIV-related services used as strategic and programmatic entry points	Number of community dialogues on HIV and socio-economic development organized	Baseline: <i>Cumulative Target: Achieved Indicator</i> Zero (0)		

iii) Success Story

Challenge/underlying vulnerabilities being addressed:

While the number of displaced populations is significant in the country, their specific vulnerability toward HIV and AIDS is not recognized amongst the local authorities and medical actors. The project aimed to first increase their awareness on the subject, for them to include the population in their health-related activities and also actively participate in the design of the project activities.

Through the invitation to tender, procurement of NGOs with sufficient aptitude for the effective implementation of the activities was challenging.

Project Interventions:

From the initiation of the project, local and medical authorities were strongly encouraged to play an active role in the project. The project funded the working sessions where they were invited to develop series of plans on the fight against HIV and AIDS with specific focus on displaced population.

Result:

The working sessions offered opportunity for authorities from different target cities to come together and jointly discuss common challenges. The plan is in consultation at its local level and the project team and the local authorities agreed that the project funding will also support the local-level discussion to finalize the plan. Cities deliver for life and health: Strengthening the capacity of four selected Central African cities to support access to HIV-related services for Internally Displaced People and host communities. The process of identifying implementing partners has been finalized and the implementation of the first activities will start in March.

III. Monitoring Arrangements

For each activity, meeting notes and attendance sheet was prepared and completed for the monitoring. There has been continuous communication with the key stakeholders to ensure their strong involvement in the project and a supportive role.

IV. Programmatic Revisions (if applicable)

Project implementation activities have not started other than in October 2019. The request for a no-cost extension until September has been approved.

V. Resources (Optional)

- Provide any information on financial management, procurement and human resources.
- Indicate if the Project mobilized any additional resources or interventions from other partners.