



Centre For Community Development And Research Network (CCDRN)

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COVID-19: WFP Provide Refresher Training Support to CCDRN Field Team in Bade

As part of effort to ensure continuous and hitch-free support to the 'people we serve' amidst the challenges posed by the COVID 19 pandemic, the United Nations World Food Programme was at CCDRN's Field office in Bade to provide training and ancillary support on how to adapt operations in other to prevent staff and beneficiaries from contracting the disease.

CCDRN is providing food, nutrition and livelihood support to targeted vulnerable households with support from WFP across 16 communities in Bade, a major hub for IDPs fleeing conflict from neighbouring Borno state.

The training for Cooperating partners implementing WFP projects was organized to sensitize partners on how to serve beneficiaries while ensuring strict compliance with COVID safety protocols which includes reaching out to



A training session on COVID 19 in Bade, Yobe

beneficiaries in small groups at distribution and activities sites, temperature checks, wearing of face masks, social distancing, practicing of personal hygiene such as hand washing and continues sensitization of community on other preventive measures.

Adapting Operations to prevent COVID 19

CCDRN Plans to Handover WFP Supported Rehabilitated and Constructed Infrastructures to communities in Yobe



A newly Constructed Market Shed under the WFP livelihood Project in Bade

Targeted vulnerable communities in Bade Local Government Area are set to benefit from newly renovated and constructed community infrastructure as part of the United Nations World Food Programme's 2020 Livelihood project being implemented by the Centre for Community Development and Research Network in Bade LGA, Yobe-Northeast Nigeria.

For over ten years, Nigeria has experienced large scale disruption and mayhem in its northeast region

due to conflict between the government and non-state armed groups. Owing to the prolonged conflict, infrastructure has suffered seriously from damage and neglect, substantially affecting the living conditions of the affected people.

Many host communities are severely stressed; having to cater for the large influx of displaced people from places directly hit by insurgency. The crisis has also resulted in extensive damage to social, economic, health and market infra-

structure Under the WFP livelihood intervention in Bade LGA, Yobe state, the Project for rehabilitation and construction of Community Infrastructure and Facilities has been framed within the overall objective of contributing to the sustainable rehabilitation and reconstruction of the area to overcome the on-going hardships of the returned and resettled Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) due to lack of basic services.

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Bade Local Government Area of Yobe state is playing host to thousands of IDPs who fled the conflict from neighboring Borno state and other towns. With thousands of IDPs been hosted in Bade communities, and drawing lessons from the implementation of WFP 2019 livelihood intervention which also prioritized construction/renovation of community infrastructure, an urgent need to rehabilitate and construct more facilities was identified following a community based participatory process. Some of the facilities such as schools and health centers in need of renovation were dangerously in bad shape.

Between January and May 2020, with support from WFP, CCDRN has carried out series of renovations and construction work across targeted communities cutting across renovation of 11



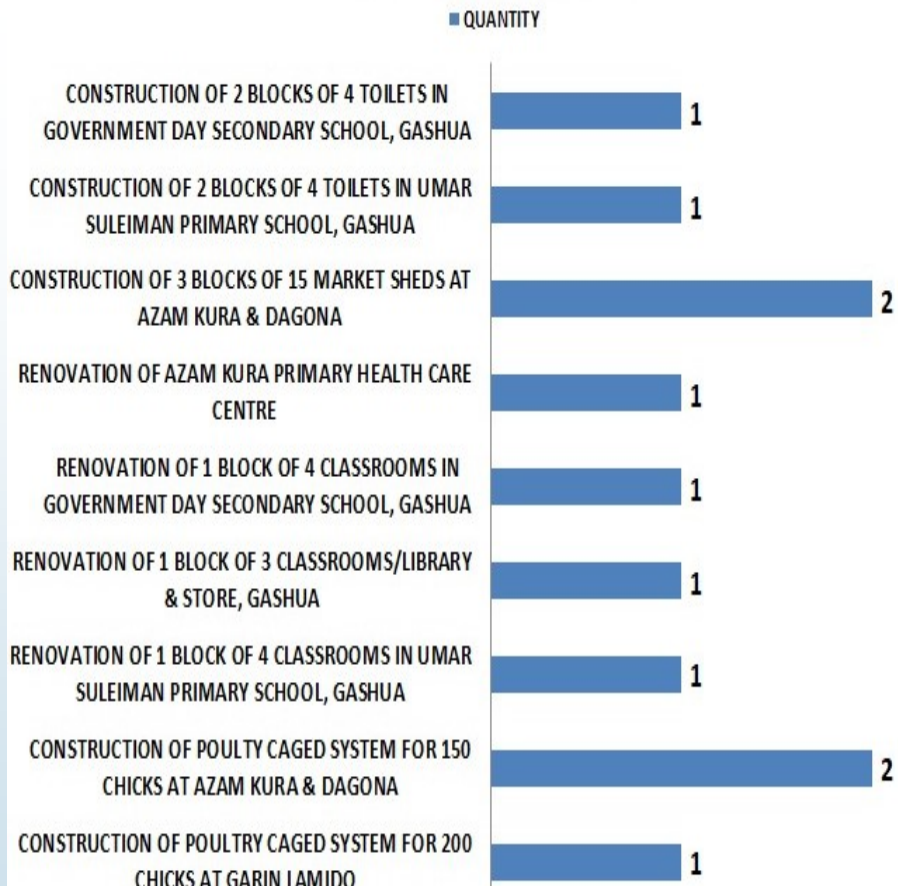
classrooms, 1 primary health center, construction of 4 blocks of 8 school toilets, renovation of 1 library and store, construction of 3 blocks of caged systems poultry house and construction of 6 blocks of 30 market sheds.

Local capacity was developed by hiring local service providers and in the end, the project created opportunities

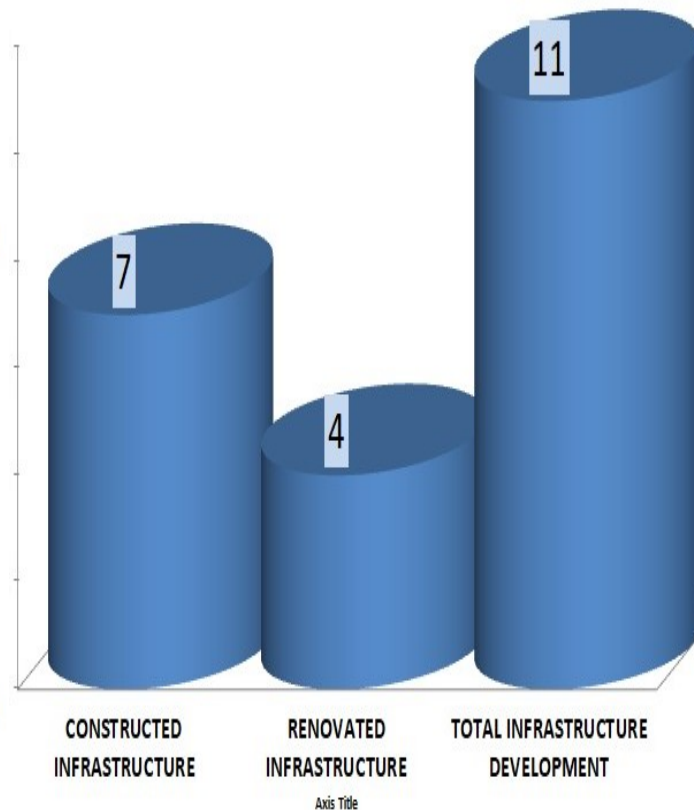
for beneficiaries targeted under the livelihood project to serve as mason and site assistance earning 22, 000 monthly stipends from WFP. CCDRN engaged in continuous consultation with the schools' head teachers, community leaders, and local authorities to ensure the needs of local communities were being met, which in turn promoted greater local ownership.

Infrastructure Development Data Snapshot

CCDRN INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT ACROSS 5 COMMUNITIES IN BADE LGA UNDER WFP 2020 LIVELIHOOD PROJECT



SUMMARY OF INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT IN BADE



WFP Cash Assistance Helps Vulnerable Households Cope during COVID 19

Bade Local Government area of Yobe state is housing many conflict affected families from Borno state and other neighboring towns. More than half of the host community members are vulnerable and live below poverty line. Consequently, many exposed families still find it difficult to meet their daily food needs.

This has been further compounded with the outbreak of the COVID 19 pandemic which is changing life's course with attendant threat to vulnerable families whose livelihood has been further disrupted following restrictions and other preventive measures put in place by authorities to check the spread of the virus. Major markets and other non-essential activities including interstate movements are still restricted. This has spiked the price of food and other needed commodities.

In May 2020, WFP reached out to 2500 targeted vulnerable families across sixteen communities in Bade Local Government Area of Yobe state with unconditional cash assistance under its Food For Assets-livelihood project being implemented by Centre for Community Development and Research Network (CCDRN). Each targeted family received N44, 000 and estimated \$113, to help vulnerable families cope with the burden mounted by COVID 19. Beneficiaries received two months allocation to cover for April and May without any strings attached. This has been providing the much needed relief in the COVID context, helping beneficiaries to support their families with food, soap, sanitizers and other essentials.

Since January 2020, CCDRN has been implementing the 2nd phase of WFPs



Palpably happy beneficiaries counting the cash benefit they received with style

livelihood project, aimed at addressing the most vulnerable people's immediate needs with conditional cash transfers component where beneficiaries receive N22, 000 on a monthly basis after satisfying some cash for work conditions. Under this arrangement, targeted beneficiaries who are physically able to work but food insecure, are provided with cash assistance by WFP to help build or rehabilitate infrastructure to increase their families' food security.

Community members select the assets through a Community Based Participatory planning process in which priorities are identified and action plans are developed. With support from WFP, CCDRN provide tools and other items as required and training wherever necessary.

30-year old Fatima Abubakar, a mother of five, displaced from Abadam along with her family in 2018, and has been living in Azbak community in

Bade LGA since she fled with her family due to attacks by armed opposition group is a beneficiary of WFP cash assistance. The cash she receives every month under the WFP livelihood project in Bade has been coming in handy. The happiness and joy she exudes explains the magnitude of relief it has been providing for her and her family.

“The two months cash I received from WFP came at a great time of need especially now that this disease has led to increase in prices of food. I have been using it to buy and stock up food and other necessary family needs like washing soap and detergent. I also invested a part of the money in buying livestock I bought a male and a female turkey and a pair of guinea fowl too. I intend to rear this and make additional income to keep supporting my family. “Says Fatima, adding that “I am indeed grateful to WFP for all the support I have been receiving and this double cash assistance is just like a miracle to me”

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CCDRN Trains Women Group and Youth on Income Generating Activities in Bade LGA, Prepares to empower them with Startup Kits to Launch Business



Centre for Community Development and Research Network has empowered women and other vulnerable individuals in the sustainable establishment of income generating activities across 16 communities in Bade Local Government Area of Yobe state, with generous support from the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP)

Selected vulnerable individuals are provided apprenticeship training for different skills including Ice making and soft drink, Leather work, grinding mill, tie and dye. These beneficiaries were all drawn from the 16 WFP/CCDRN project implementing communities with much emphasis on their chosen IGAs.

This is basically aimed at improving the capacity of the poor and vulnerable households to actively participate in broad-based sustainable economic activities, increase literacy rates and basic business knowledge in the selected

communities and increase the capacity of the target beneficiaries to engage in viable income generation and build longer term resilience

70 beneficiaries were targeted for Ice Making and soft drink, 26 for Tie and Dye, 81 for grinding and milling, while 53 were targeted for leather work.

The training covered theoretical and practical sessions where beneficiaries were taken through all they need to know regarding their various chosen trades including business and financial management.

Plans are underway to empower them with NFIs-startup kits with support from WFP to launch their various trades and earn money to meet their immediate family needs and build longer term resilience

WFP Supports CCDRN to Commence Construction of Shelter for Elderly in vulnerable Adamawa Communities



In a bid to provide a secure and healthy living environment with privacy and dignity to targeted elderly persons displaced due to violent conflict in the Northeast of Nigeria, The centre for Community Development and Research Network has commenced the construction of 20 units of homes for the elderly in Madagali, local Government Area under the United Nations World Food Programme 2020 Livelihood intervention in Adamawa state.

Through the project, CCDRN is

empowering targeted conflict affected populations to be a part of the building process with the necessary organizational and material support and to participate in all phases of the shelter programme.

When homes are lost due to conflict or "natural disaster" people lose more than just a house, they lose the activities that happen inside and around it. Therefore the shelter response is expected to fill this void integrating other sectors such as livelihoods, water, sanitation and hygiene.

Work in progress on Elder shelter in Madagali

CCDRN provides Hand-holding Support to WFP’s IGAs Beneficiaries During Monitoring Visit in Yobe Communities

Centre for Community Development and Research Network (CCDRN) has intensified monitoring and mentorship for conflict affected families empowered through the World Food Programmes’s Income Generating Activities’ (IGAs) intervention across Gujba and Gulani Local Government Areas of Yobe state to ensure proper utilization of small business tools and Non Food Items provided for them to help support their families and transform their communities.

With support from the United Nations World Food Programme, CCDRN had empowered targeted vulnerable individuals with training and startup kits to launch various small businesses such as oil processing, grain processing, barbing saloon, food processing, leather works, tailoring, micro economic gardening among others to help them to gradually recover and prosper by creating their small businesses, earn income and take care of their immediate food needs.

CCDRN’s Income Generating Activities’ team is reaching out to ‘the people we serve’ through continues monitoring and mentorship to ascertain the working conditions of the NFIs/startup kits provided and to also build the financial management capacity of the beneficiaries under the intervention to enable them manage their finance and properly utilize items provided for their business takeoff.

WFP ‘s Income Generating Activities (IGAs) intervention being implemented by CCDRN across targeted communities in Yobe state consist of small businesses managed by small group of targeted conflict affected families who had lost their support system due to displacements and violence by Non state Armed group, to



CCDRN team engaging with an IGA beneficiary during monitoring

increase their household income through livelihood diversification.

During monitoring, CCDRN takes into cognizance various complaints and feedback from the beneficiaries and provide them with handholding support to help them fix challenges and excel in their business.

Evidence from the field points to the fact that the IGAs intervention CCDRN is implementing with support from WFP is gradually helping in the recuperation and strengthening of livelihood systems and food security of targeted vulnerable families across Gujba and Gulani LGAs.

CCDRN Provides Training and Technical Assistance to 395 Beneficiaries on Poultry Production in Adamawa communities



A training session on poultry Production in Michika

Through the month of June, the Centre for Community Development and Research Network (CCDRN) provided training for 395 targeted conflict-affected families on poultry production in Michika and Madagali LGAs of Adamawa state to improve their skills and introduce them to best practices in poultry farming.

The training was carried with support from the United Nations World Food Programme under a robust livelihood intervention aimed at helping vulnerable families construct a diverse portfolio of activities and social support capabilities in order to

survive and to improve their standards of living.

Participants were taken through best practices in poultry farming revolving around housing, feeding, vaccination, and disease control. The training also covered business and marketing.

Targeted Vulnerable families are expected to take delivery of free chicks and feed from WFP in addition to the training and extension support to build a sustainable value chain, increase affected household income, improve household nutrition and decrease vulnerability.

How WFP Is Diversifying Livelihoods to Increase Income Generating Opportunities for Conflict-Affected Women and Youth in Yobe Communities

Kolo Aisami is a 60-year-old, widowed mother of five from Katarko community, in Gujba Local Government Area of Yobe state. Following her husband's demise in the hands of operatives of the Non-state armed group, Aisami, who had been financially dependent on him, had no one to turn to, she had to work harder than ever before, involving in petty trading to survive. Her only means of livelihood prior to the attack by insurgents was processing and selling 'Koose', a local delicacy popularly referred to as Beans cake. The insurgents during the attack destroyed her house, leaving her without any support system.

With funding support from the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) through the Centre for Community Development and Research Network (CCDRN), Aisami had access to training on Income-generating Activities and received startup kits with support from the World Food Programme to restart her food processing business again. This training enhanced her spirit of entrepreneurship and taught her how to invest in were to gain the greatest benefit, as she recalled:

"I got enrolled in WFP Income Generating Activities intervention, as a beneficiary (under food processing and production). I was given all that I needed to restart my business of selling 'akara' including continuous mentorship support from CCDRN team"

Across Gujba and Gulani Local government areas of Yobe State, the World Food Programme in Partnership with Centre for Community Development and Research Network is reaching out to targeted vulnerable households with a robust intervention aimed



Kolo Aisami, frying 'Koose' in front of her compound in Gujba

at boosting self-reliance, promoting economic recovery and fostering community development through the provision of Income Generating Activities (IGA) to promote longer-term resilience

The activity which kicked off In January of 2020 consists of small businesses and activities managed by targeted families individually and in a group to increase their household income through livelihood diversification and boost their nutrition status. The income-generating activities includes barbing saloon, micro-economic gardening, oil extraction, food processing, grain processing, tailoring, ice block making, local pasta making, and tomato processing.

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Smallholder Farming Households gets WFP Seeds and Fertilizer to Boost Agricultural Production in Michika and Madagali, Adamawa state



Beneficiaries take a pose by farm inputs received from CCDRN thanks to WFP in Adamawa

The Centre for Community Development and Research Network CCDRN has carried out targeted seed distribution to identified vulnerable groups across communities in Michika and Madagali LGAs of Adamawa state as part of the World Food Programme Livelihood initiative to boost food production capacity of conflict-affected families, thereby reducing their vulnerability and continuous dependence food aid. The targeted vulnerable farming households, who had benefitted from training on Rain-Fed farming, were supported with seeds and fertilizers which in-

clude 5 Kg of Maize, 2Kg of Cowpea, and 1.5 Kg of both Sorghum and Millet. A bag of NPK fertilizer was also given to all beneficiaries alongside the seeds including On-site sensitization and hand-holding support on how to effectively. Since January of 2020, CCDRN has been implementing WFP Livelihood project in Michika and Madagali, supporting affected communities to build local adaptive capacities, and to collaborate on the ways to reduce their vulnerabilities and build resilience. These included training, supporting access to

improved seeds, improving agricultural practices and developing integrated farming for small vulnerable farmers.

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How I made 10,000 from Face Masks Production-WFP Beneficiary

Maryam Abdullahi, a 30-year-old in Bade LGA, Yobe state who now owns a tailoring business thanks to support from WFP is putting her new skills to use by producing facemasks, selling and making income to meet her family needs.

The COVID 19 measures put in place by government and local authorities requires that citizens wear face masks among other personal protective kits. Maryam who is one of the 60 beneficiaries trained under the Income Generation component of the livelihood project being implemented by CCDRN saw the opportunity and cashed in on it.

Maryam in an exclusive chat with CCDRN's monitoring team shared story on how she was able to produce and sell

100 facemasks at the rate of #100naira each

"I was amongst the 60 tailors that were trained barely two months ago in Bade LGA, and I took it upon myself to be productive. I saw an opportunity in making face masks and took it. I knew I had to strike before others, and I started earning" said Maryam. "I produced and sold 100 facemasks at the rate of #100 naira each and made a promising profit from it. Apart from Face masks, Maryam also stated that she made N8, 000 from sewing and the sales of Salah clothing. "With all this earnings I was able to assist my family with their daily needs and my siblings are now learning this trade from me" Maryam said.



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Of the different income-generating activities, Aisami finds food processing and production the most interesting and easy because she had some expertise in that area, making 'AKara' a dish made from peeled beans formed into a ball and then deep-fried in cooking oil. Since Aisami started the business, she has been able to save some money to meet her family's immediate needs.

"I thank Allah and 'world food' for this live changing opportunity. Now on a weekly basis, I can boast of saving up to N500- (US\$1.38) after meeting my family immediate needs". Says Aisami, "And I was able to buy a female goat that I am rearing from this savings"



Customers waiting to patronize Aisami

This income may seem very small, but in an environment and context where people have been cut off from their support system with almost no access to any means of livelihood, while depend-

ing on humanitarian aid to meet their food and nutrition needs, this can be a dream come true and life-changing.

The income-generating activities are already helping to diversify livelihood means of targeted families and income-earning portfolio across farm, non-farm and off-farm activities. Aisami is one of many women who have made positive changes in their lives through WFP IGA being implemented by CCDRN. Telling her story further, she recalls how things were before the program came to fill her void. She was in debt buying food and other family necessity on credit. She recollects being insecure and uncertain of what the future holds.

"Before commencement of this program, I was facing a lot of hardship because I lost most of my valuables, I was always collecting loans, but I have been able to pay off all my debt and am free from all the embarrassment that comes with it, this is all thanks to this intervention. I now save and have some income, said Aisami, "I was able to save about 10,000 naira at a point which I used to buy my very first goat, I now can feed my family three square meals.

Aisami is not alone on this. All the women in the group faced similar challenges in their daily lives, especially when it came to feeding and supporting their families. Under the IGA intervention, WFP and CCDRN have been helping these women and youth through dedicated training and kits to turn their lives around. Aisami and other beneficiaries of the intervention have witnessed a massive transformation in their lives. This is in addition to monthly food and nutrition-sensitive packages being delivered to these affected populations

Findings from continuous monitoring of beneficiaries progress in the field indicate that the intervention has been creating income generating opportunities for affected women and youth and support sustainable livelihoods.



Musa Mishelia and colleagues working on a vehicle engine

“It is a wonderful thing. I can say categorically that without this money most of us could die of hunger and starvation during this COVID 19 lockdown. Personally I use this money to feed my family so it has been a blessing to me. Before we started getting this cash transfers I do manual labor daily to feed my household. Even this labor is not easy to get, sometimes we will go in search for work and return without any money. But now I can fend for myself, this WFP project is a blessing to me. Once I got the money I bought all my necessities, this include; Fertilizer, Food Stuff and seeds for my farming. This is how I manage my life and am grateful to those sending us this cash transfer”.

WFP and CCDRN have been working with conflict affected individuals and vulnerable host communities in Bade Local government area to rebuild their livelihoods through a more sustainable approach. The combination of conditional cash assistance and asset creation helps food insecure communities to shift away from con-

tinues reliance on humanitarian assistance to achieve more sustainable food security

The unconditional ‘Cash Based Transfer’ (CBT) took place across the seven wards of Usur Dawayo, Lawan Fannami, Lawan Musa, Zango, Sarkin Hausawa, Dagona and Sabon Gari, in Bade LGA, targeting 2500 vulnerable households from 22nd to 28 May, 2020. The Cash-Based Transfer is aimed at providing food to beneficiaries and to rejuvenate the local market which in turn helps to revive the local economy.

Originally, Beneficiaries receive WFP assistance for 15 days of work per month on asset creation projects being managed by CCDRN. In exchange, WFP provides a monthly cash stipend. Often, this assistance is complemented by other activities which include the provision of seeds, tools and training on agricultural production and other profitable income generating activities to help beneficiaries reestablish their lost livelihoods as part of WFP’s resilience initiative.

This broad range of support, being implemented by CCDRN includes asset creation and sustainable livelihoods programmes, to assist communities to recover and increase their resilience to future shocks.

CCDRN is implementing robust livelihood activities across 16 communities in Bade LGA, focused on the restoration of productive capacity of arable land; the construction of community infrastructure; environment, natural resource management and climate adaptation; skill development and income generation.

cash transfers can be an effective path to achieve food security and nutrition outcomes.

Participatory Monitoring & Evaluation: CCDRN Engages Community Project Management Committee on use of Monitoring Tools

Expanding the notion of accountability to answer whether we are fulfilling the needs and goals of the communities we serve.

In a bid to create a feedback loop that directly connects intervention performance with community expectations and goals, CCDRN has engaged with local Community Project Management Committee on smooth running of the livestock production component of the WFP livelihood project in Michika and Madagali to promote accountability for the livestock distributed.

Project Management Committees (PMCs) in Michika and Madagali LGAs were engaged in a focused group discussion to outline effective ways to monitor asset. The engagement looked into existing commitment made by beneficiaries before the animal transfer vis-à-vis challenges of mortalities which were seen not to be properly handled in line with laid down procedures. The tracking

tool developed by CCDRN was also shared with both beneficiaries and PMCs to support and improve the entire monitoring process.

Photo Gallery



Training session on phone repairs in Bade



PTC member alongside CCDRN Staff watering nursery bed during visit in Bade



Ongoing construction of Market shed in Madagali



A beneficiary displaying eggs gotten from caged system poultry house in Bade during PTC visit



Beneficiaries pose by double ration of food items received for June and July



A Complain Desk erected to register beneficiaries concerns



A WFP Tailoring beneficiary showcasing a dress she made during CCDRN Monitoring visit



Sensitization session



IGA (Soap Making) practical session



Neatly packed double ration of BSFP commodity ahead of distribution



Beneficiary complying with COVID 19 hand washing measure put in place by CCDRN



COVID 19 sensitization

WFP Cash Based Transfer: CCDRN Hosts Stakeholders Meeting as WFP Suspends Biometric Redemption

As part of efforts to reduce the spread of the coronavirus in Nigeria, especially in Northeast, the World Food Programme has suspended thumbprint verification for E-voucher under its Cash Based Transfer Program for the month of June 2020, thereby resorting to Non-biometric verification where beneficiaries would be screened through their pictures on the SCOPE card to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

This was communicated during a stakeholders meeting hosted by the Centre for Community Development and Research Network on Tuesday the 16th of June, 2020 at CCDRN Conference room in Damaturu bringing together community leaders, village heads, vendors and

CCDRN's CBT team to brainstorm on actions and challenges linked to the CBT process.

The World Food Programme (WFP) uses cash transfers to empower people with choice to address their essential needs in local markets, while also helping to boost these markets. Increasingly, this assistance comes through cash-based transfers (CBT) that allows them to buy food in the market and be in charge of key decisions that affect their lives.

With the number of COVID 19 cases on the rise and preventive measures in place, WFP and its implementing partner-CCDRN are adapting their CBT activities; setting new precedence for the COVID-19 response to ensure that while

delivering life-saving assistance to affected populations, beneficiaries are also protected from contracted the deadly virus.



Beneficiaries Receives Double Ration of WFP General Food and Nutrition Assistance Across Yobe and Adamawa state

For the month of June 2020, CCDRN facilitated the distribution of WFP food and nutrition assistance reaching out to target vulnerable households with a two months ration to cover for June and July in a bid to alleviate their sufferings amidst the COVID 19 and deepen food security for the affected population.

Two thousand two hundred and ninety-six vulnerable households were reached with a selection of food items through the In-kind General Food Distribution. Specialized nutritional assistance to directly treat and prevent malnutrition of children under age five, pregnant women and nursing mothers also reached an estimated 10,590 Beneficiaries to cover for 2 months (June/July 2020) across Bade, Gujba, Gulani and Madagali LGAs of Yobe and Adamawa

States.

On a monthly basis, WFP is working with CCDRN in addressing within a comprehensive response the Individual Food Intake and household Access to Food and nutrition-sensitive packages in targeted communities.

Ummi Ibrahim, a 25-year-old mother of 2 is one of the many women receiving WFP nutrition support in Bade LGA of Yobe state. Before receiving WFP intervention, she and her family find it difficult to feed and are sometimes left with no option than to go to bed hungry.

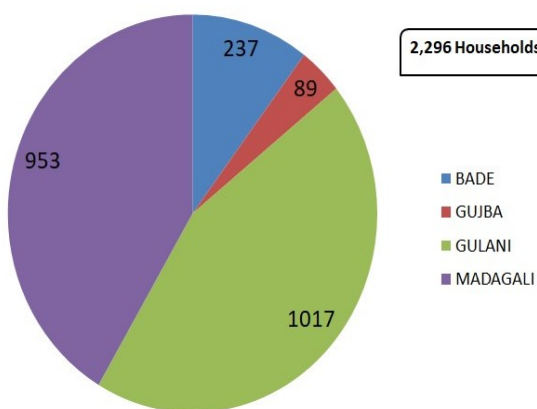
“Sometimes we were left with no option than to go to bed hungry. My children are most times sick and unhealthy because we had no money to take care of their health” But things are gradually changing for Um-

mi and her family since they started benefitting from WFP food and nutrition assistance. “But with this intervention, my children are now able to eat good food and they are looking healthy and strong, they no longer look starved but strong and healthy. The intervention has a great impact on my family, my children are mingling freely with other children in the neighborhood and they don't eat from neighbors like before they now eat at home”

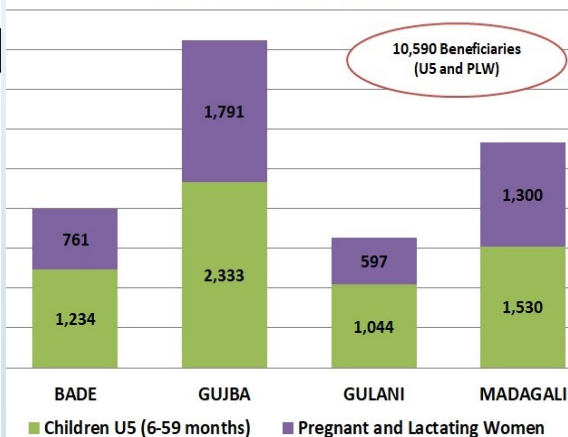
WFP intervention through the General Food Distribution and Blanket Supplementary Feeding Programme provides life-saving assistance to people displaced and affected by conflict through food assistance distributions, prevention, and treatment of moderate acute malnutrition, institutional feeding for the chronically ill children in conflict-affected areas.

Data Snapshot/Distribution Trend Analysis Across Yobe and Adamawa state

Households reached with 2-months GFD (June/July 2020)



Beneficiaries reached with 2-months BSFP (June/July 2020) across Yobe and Adamawa States



WFP is implementing food security and nutrition-related protracted relief and recovery operations in the Nigerian Northeast region because of high rates of poverty coupled with recurrent food and nutrition crises and violence due to armed conflict aimed at contributing to improving nutrition outcomes. This is now been scaled up to help cushion the hardship brought on due to restrictions put in place to check the spread of the COVID 19.

167 Women and Youth Benefits from WFP Training on Tailoring and Soap Making in Michika and Madagali, Adamawa state



“Conflict Affected Individuals building resilience, through IGA”

Targeted vulnerable women and youth in Adamawa communities have benefitted from training on tailoring and soap making as part of activities earmarked under the World Food Programmes’ Livelihood project to boost the income generation capacity of the affected population.

110 beneficiaries drawn from Michika and Madagali were trained on tailoring as an individual asset creation activity for sustainable livelihoods

With this vocational skills training and NFIs support that will follow, vulnerable women and youth will be empowered to live with dignity by earning for themselves and their families.

During the training, beneficiaries learned and develop skills in Sewing and tailoring work, sewing machine care and maintenance, the role of tailors in the fight against COVID 19 and an overall insight tailoring as a business

In a related development, 57 vulnerable individuals were also trained under the soap making component of WFP income-generating activity across Michika and Madagali LGAs, Adamawa state. The training on soap making aims to enhance the livelihood of vulnerable women's groups as well as providing the knowledge and help them gain confidence that they too can earn additional income to support their own families.

WFP’s Livestock Production Beneficiaries Receives Assorted Feeds for Small Ruminants in Madagali

“WFP and CCDRN partnership is helping to build Resilience For Conflict Affected families

255 beneficiaries of WFP livelihood intervention in Madagali LGA of Adamawa state, under Livestock production, have further benefitted from feeds for small ruminants to boost the growth rate, production capacity and health status of the animals they earlier received thanks to the World Food Programme. The distribution of feeds which was facilitated by Centre for Community Development and Research Network from 22nd to 23rd of June 2020 aims at help-

ing targeted beneficiaries to meet the dietary needs of the animals they received under the intervention for optimal productivity. The beneficiaries who had earlier last month received four small ruminants with support from WFP got 50 kg of Maize Bran and 50 Kg of Cowpea Offal supplemental support to cover feeding cost for the livestock. The Livestock production component of the WFP livelihood

intervention is aimed at playing an important role in ensuring food security and alleviating poverty as a key asset for vulnerable smallholders’ farmers.



Livelihoods Nursery Beds Blossoms across Yobe and Adamawa Communities

Monitoring visits to tree nursery sites across Yobe and Adamawa communities where CCDRN is implementing WFP's livelihood projects indicates a high level of sprouting and germination. Germination percentage is considerably high at 95 percent holding prospects for transforming rural livelihoods through nature-based solutions aimed at diversifying small-

holder livelihood options, ensuring that they provide both livelihood and environmental service. The initiative is expected to contribute to the building of both natural assets of resource-poor farmers to increase their access to a diverse range of agroforestry trees and products, and human assets for perpetuating the knowledge and experience in the communities.



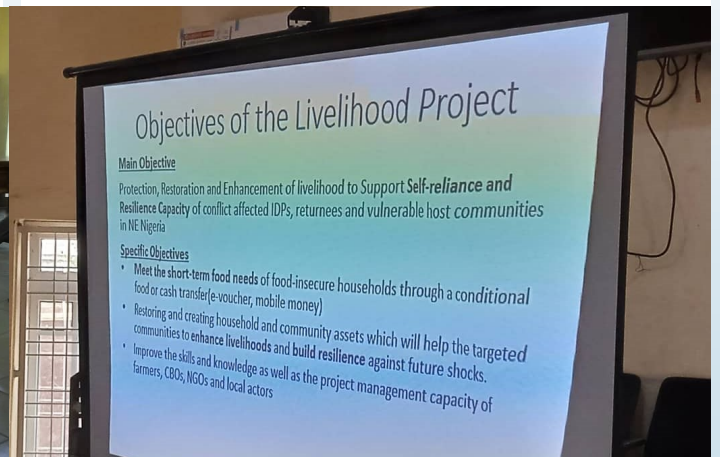
CCDRN Conducts Training for Project Technical Committees across Yobe and Adamawa states

.As part of effort to promote sense of ownership towards achieving successes in the implementation and sustainability of the World Food Programme's Livelihood interventions across communities in Bade LGA of Yobe state, Michika and Madagali LGA's of Adamawa state, the Center for Community Development and Research Network (CCDRN) has conducted training for community stakehold-

ers selected to serve as Project Technical Committee. The 3 days training which targeted policy makers is aimed at promoting good governance, improved skills in project management and ensuring sustainability for the intervention. Participants at the training include ward Councilors, representatives from the

Health, and Education and Agriculture department of the local government among others. At the training, presentations were made on WFP interventions, Community mapping, stakeholders' analysis, Gender and social inclusion, Advocacy and lobbying, Good governance and facility management among others.

“WFP and CCDRN partnership is helping to build project management capacity of affected communities”



Targeted Conflict-affected Communities Set to Benefit from Ongoing WFP Supported Market Stall Construction in Michika, Adamawa State

Vulnerable Community members in Michika are set to benefit from ongoing market shed construction under the World Food Programme’s livelihood intervention in a bid to provide a convenient location at which farmers can meet with traders and increase business opportunities.

The market sheds are expected to boost buying and selling, providing a convenient location for traders to meet with farmers and enhanced self-reliance and resilience capacity

of conflict-affected IDPs, returnees, and vulnerable host communities.

The improved market shed structures if completed, will minimize all problems associated with selling in a muddy environment during rain and the effects of sunlight. Apart from providing a healthier overall market environment, the constructed market shed will open doors of opportunities for affected communities to thrive.



CCDRN’s Vision and Mission Statement

CDRN was established to provide sustainable community development services in the areas of conflict resolution, peace building, economic empowerment, agriculture, health, education as well as governance.

Vision:

A society in which governance and development is community driven.

Mission:

To partner with communities and groups to achieve recreation and rebuilding on the principles of self-reliance, self-management and collective peace. By this we mean, collaborating with key stakeholders to foster development and advancement by equipping the society with the requisite knowledge, information and skills to champion their own course.

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