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ANNUAL REPORT OF CRIS DE LA FEMME's ACTIVITIES

2023



I. INTRODUCTION

This report outlines activities undertaken to combat gender-based violence, promote the socio-economic empowerment of women and girls, and support mediation and peacebuilding efforts in alignment with the National Plan to Combat Gender-Based Violence and Resolution 1325.





II. OBJECTIVES

The specific objectives set out were:

- ◆ Facilitate the economic reintegration of 20 displaced women and girls from Kwamouth in the Maï-Ndombe Province by enhancing their economic power through the creation of agricultural processing units and income-generating activities.
- ◆ Provide social assistance (basic necessities) to 30 survivors who are pregnant due to rape.
- ◆ Broadly disseminate messages combating gender-based violence against women and girls.
- ◆ Increase women's participation in decision-making at the local, provincial, and national levels.
- ◆ Strengthen reconciliation, promote peace, and improve local governance through conflict transformation mechanisms for the sustainable development of Kwamouth in Maï-Ndombe Province and Masisi in North Kivu Province.
- ◆ Support the institutional strengthening of the "Cris de la Femme" organization.

III. BENEFICIARIES

Approximately 200 beneficiaries are expected from these various actions, all from different segments of the population, including:

- ◆ Women and girls who are victims of armed conflicts and other forms of gender-based violence.
- ◆ Civil society leaders, including religious groups, women's associations, youth associations, human rights organizations, trade unions, basic health structures, and traditional leaders.
- ◆ Key actors, particularly state actors in the justice sector who are involved in prosecuting sexual violence, ensuring justice, and providing security.
- ◆ Members of conflict-affected communities who have benefited from conflict resolution expertise, youth groups, rural women's cooperatives, etc.



IV. ACHIEVED RESULTS

- ◆ From our first objective: Economic reintegration of 20 displaced women and girls who were victims of atrocities by the Mobondo armed group. Each received \$20 to start income-generating activities and were trained in managing these activities. Ten households affected by the violence in the Dumi group in Maluku Commune received maize seeds (30 kg for 6 households). Collectively, \$125 has been saved, and 12 women have been trained in basket weaving.
- ◆ Objective 2: Social assistance was provided to two pregnant girls, victims of armed conflict in Rutshuru, North Kivu Province, who are located in the Kanyarushina displaced persons camp near Goma. They received layettes, clothing, and food donations.
- ◆ Objective 3: Online training for the Communication Officer on managing our Facebook and Instagram pages. Production and dissemination of spots in four national languages and French on the involvement of men and women in ensuring meaningful votes for women during the 2023 elections. Public displays of anti-sexual violence messages, printing of T-shirts with gender-based violence awareness messages, and development of an internal and external communication plan. Tools provided include a phone and a WhatsApp group for members and staff, and ongoing Facebook page maintenance to raise awareness and report incidents of gender-based violence.
- ◆ Objective 4: Training young women and building their leadership skills. One training session resulted in participants forming an advocacy group, which successfully lobbied authorities to reduce incidents of sexual violence during nighttime incursions in five households in Kimbanseke Commune, Kinshasa. The group also advocated for the protection of sexual violence victims. Additionally, four coaching sessions were held for women political candidates in the municipal elections.
- ◆ Objective 5: Mediation and retraining of field counselors in monitoring and mediation. One retraining session for 11 field counselors was conducted in 2023. Eight victims of other forms of gender-based violence, including domestic violence, received support through



active listening, family mediation by "Cris de la Femme" facilitators, and inter- and intra-community reconciliation efforts. Conflict resolution sessions were held in five households through mediation and reconciliation. Community mobilization for peace was undertaken with two sensitization sessions on Resolution 1325, involving 82 women from Nsele Commune.





V. PARTICIPATION TO NATIONAL, REGIONAL, AND INTERNATIONAL FORUMS

"Cris de la Femme," represented by the PCA and other board members, participated in several key events, including:

- ◆ A training seminar in Munyonyo, Kampala, Uganda, organized by the International Conference on the Great Lakes Region (ICGLR) on engaging mining actors in promoting positive masculinity as a preventive and responsive mechanism against sexual and gender-based violence in the mining sector.
- ◆ The 10th Francophonie Games in Kinshasa, organized by the Congolese government.
- ◆ WHO-organized vaccination days in Barumbu Health Zone, Kinshasa, to combat polio and administer vitamin A, with an emphasis on gender inclusion in vaccination programs.
- ◆ Advocacy for peace and security with various embassies in Kinshasa.
- ◆ A seminar in Kinshasa organized by Democratic Reporting International, where the PCA was selected as a traditional media monitor during the December 2023 elections.
- ◆ Training by UN Women on women's participation in elections, focusing on communication strategies for a successful electoral campaign.
- ◆ Participation in the CENI-Civil Society consultation framework organized by CENI in Kinshasa.

VI. MONITORING AND EVALUATION

- ◆ Three M&E missions were carried out throughout the year.

VII. CHALLENGES

Certain activities faced challenges, including:

- ◆ Difficulty in following up with some income-generating activity beneficiaries who occasionally relocate to other provinces due to insecurity.
- ◆ Insufficient financial resources to fully achieve our objectives, as "Cris de la Femme" operates largely on member contributions.

VIII. CAPACITY BUILDING NEEDS

Strengthening capacity in family mediation and reconciliation.

- ◆ Training in communication techniques and managing rumors within communities.
- ◆ English language training.
- ◆ Capacity building in project design.



- ◆ Additional support is needed to achieve our objectives.



FINANCIAL REPORT

ITEM DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE (\$)	TOTAL PRICE (\$)
Financial support for 20 women displaced by war	20	20	400
30 kg of maize seeds for 6 households	30 kg	2	60
Production and broadcast in 4 national languages and French of public service announcements encouraging both men and women to participate in effective voting for women during the 2023 elections	5 one-minute broadcasts	60	300
Training of 16 young women in female leadership	1 training session	1,300	1,300
Legal assistance for 8 victims of various forms of gender-based violence, including domestic violence	8 survivors	200	1,600
One session for the Recycling training and capacity building of 11 field advisors	1 workshop	1,100	1,100
Organization of 2 awareness-raising sessions on Resolution 1325 with 82 participants from the Nsele Commune	2 awareness sessions	500	1,000
Personnel costs	-	-	3,000
Office supplies	-	-	800
TOTAL EXPENSES 2023			9560

For **CRIS DE LA FEMME**

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