

2016 PROJECTS & ACTIVITIES (February 2016 to March 2017)

I) Organization of 2 vocational training workshops for bricklayers, builders and participants, with the assistance of MIPROMALO, MINHDU, MINJEC, SELAVIP, CENCOM2000, NCHRF/CNDHL and MINAS. The trainees shall share experiences in local material use and new cost-effective building techniques.

II) Crusading for the housing rights and dignity of vulnerable city dwellers and advocating for policy makers to bridge the gap in the housing, sanitation, water supply, hygiene promotion, urban land access, resettlement, alternative settlements after demolition, and land title acquisition needs of the needy. The campaign, backed by the National Commission of Human Rights & Freedoms (NCHRF/CNDHL), is intended to raise awareness in the community, among local authorities and decision-makers on the rights to housing, safety and dignity of vulnerable urban dwellers. As inscribed in International Human Rights Law, “Everyone has the right to adequate housing”.

III) “Building Bridges across Housing Gaps”: Construction of 50 pilot houses or blocks of toilets or land acquisition through reclamation for later construction. With the support of SELAVIP and other local partners, 50 vulnerable urban dwellers, refugees and IDPs of the Mvog-Ekoussou and Nkolmesseng quarters of Yaounde 5 Sub Division, will see their housing status transformed through the use of local building materials (adobes, burnt or compressed bricks, torchis, stones, or wood). Some of them will be assisted in land reclamation. This shall be within our project entitled **“Building Bridges across Housing Gaps”** meant to breach the disparity between the ‘haves’ and ‘haves-not’ in Yaounde,

however minimal, in the areas of housing and sanitation in cognizance with the Sphere Protection Principles, the Minimum Standards in Shelter and Resettlement, WASH as well as some cross-cutting themes. A vulnerability and capacity assessment carried out ensured that our project “supports those who have a right to assistance in a non-discriminatory manner and who need it most” (Sphere Project, 2011, p.248). The constructed structures shall “enable affected populations to incrementally upgrade and/or make the transition from emergency to durable housing solutions” (Sphere, 2011, p. 246). The ultimate goal is to restore the dignity, safety, health and rights of the participating households and give them renewed hope. This way, we aspire to close up the gap in housing between the poorest of the poor urban dwellers and the haves, to the best of our ability in accordance with the recommendations of *The Sphere Project* minimum standards in WASH and Shelter/Settlement. Indicators realized will greatly determine success level.

IV) Celebrating the International Day of the Environment with the Ministry of Environment, Nature Protection and Sustainable Development (MINEPDED). MINEPDED-organised activities shall focus on the 2016 theme. Ceprocul shall actively participate in these activities.

V) Celebrating the World Habitat Day 2016 with the Ministry of Housing and Urban Development (MINHDU). This celebration shall be come at the end of our housing project with SELAVIP “**Building Bridges across Housing Gaps**”. The programme content shall be determined by MINHDU.

VI) Organization of a one-day workshop on HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE as prescribed in *The Sphere Project*. Focus shall be on “Minimum Standards in Shelter and Settlement”. Our work document shall be *The Sphere*

Project Handbook and Sphere Training package for 2015 (or 2016 if available).case studies shall be drwn from the Sphere experiences as well as from Ceprocul’s 2015 and 2016 Housing Projects with SELAVIP specifically **“From Ghetto to City of the Future”** implemented in Olembe, Yaounde 1 Sub Division and **“Building Bridges across Housing Gaps”** realized in Yaounde 5 sub Division.

VII) Celebrating the World AIDS Day 2016 with Synergies Africaines/ African Synergy against HIV/AIDS and other Sufferings. The programme contents and the theme shall be defined by our partner in accordance with the theme from the Ministry of Public Health (MINSANTE) and the World Health Organization (WHO).

VIII) Celebrating the International Human Rights Day with the National Commission of Human Rights & Freedoms (NCHRF/CNDHL) and other partners. The Commission shall spearhead the commemoration. Ceprocul shall design its programme from the Commission’s.

IX) Supplicating for funding of two grand projects for 2017:

A) **“HOUSING FOR ENVIRONMENTAL VALORIZATION”**. Through **“Housing for Environmental Valorization”**, we set out to valorize environment-found resources in the provision of durable solutions to the housing and sanitation questions of urban communities in Bamenda (the 3rd most populated city in Cameroon) in cognizance with the Sphere Protection Principles, the Minimum Standards in Shelter and Resettlement, as well as WASH. It is intended to raise awareness in the community, among local authorities and policy-makers on the rights to housing, safety and dignity of vulnerable urban dwellers. With the support of

administrative and traditional authorities, SELAVIP and other local partners, 50 vulnerable urban dwellers of Nkwen Quarter of Bamenda 3 Sub Division.

B) “THE ROAD TO URBANIZATION” a micro-project on the rehabilitation of the Wumuteck – Eben – Nukon Junction Road. This road requires an 8 metre-long bridge linking Wumuteck to Eben over River Igi-Eben as well as an 8 metre-long culvert linking Wumuteck to Kocheck.

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