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**REPORT OF ACTIVITIES**

<b>Projet title:</b>	<i>Prevention against Covid-19 and cholera in the places affected by the floods in Kalemie and its surroundings</i>
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<b>Intervention zone :</b>	<i>Health zones of Kalemie and Nyemba</i>
<b>Localisation of activities :</b>	<i>Health Centers, Central Prison of Kalemie et State Services</i>
<b>Projet duration :</b>	<i>3 months</i>
<b>Projet start date :</b>	<i>On 01<sup>st</sup> June 2020</i>

**Context of project**

The heavy torrential rains which occurred during the months of March and April 2020 in DRC in general and in the province of Tanganyika / Kalemie in particular, were roots of the very considerable floods which caused catastrophic consequences for the population with huge material damage, leaving therefore other households without shelter, fields or means of subsistence with a permanent risk of resurgence of Cholera in the most affected areas. Moreover, this situation, as negative as it was already, has further strengthened in a certain way this psychosis created by the appearance of the COVID-19 pandemic around mid-March in the Democratic Republic of Congo by making the affected areas quite vulnerable while accentuating the risk of spreading this disease.

Therefore, given that the majority of the population of Kalemie territory obtains water from Lake Tanganyika and Lukuga River, it has been noted that these last ones would be highly exposed to water-borne diseases due to overflowing water and lack of installation of chlorination sites. In addition, the territory of Kalemie being surrounded by provinces affected by the COVID-19 pandemic in DRC including South Kivu and Haut-Katanga and also bordering countries affected by the pandemic including Tanzania, the territory of Kalemie in particular and the province of Tanganyika in general is in a position of high risk of contamination and spread of this disease at the base of a global health crisis.

It is in this context that the Salvation Army of Tanganyika with the funding from the International Salvation Army (International Emergency Services) has:

- Supported Kalemie and Nyemba health zones by installing twenty (20) chlorination sites and ten (10) by health zone.

This as part of the implementation of the project «**Prevention against Covid-19 and Cholera in the flood affected in Kalemie**»

## Projet Objectives

### Main objective

- Preventing and Fighting Cholera and the Covid-19 Pandemic.

### Specific objectives

- Sensitize the population on the project, the adoption of good hygiene and hand washing practices as well as the observation of barrier measures during this period;
- Make hand washing kits available in the targeted places and support beneficiaries in their management and use;
- Strengthen the activities of the PCI subcommittee.

## Axecuted Activities Targeting of sites



- 1) **Cholera:** A meeting was organized between the Salvation Army and the health zones (MCZs and EHA supervisors), after this meeting, the Salvation Army presented the project and highlighted all the shaded areas. And afterwards, the health zones presented a list of 20 priority and strategic sites, to be supported according to the capacity of the response and on the basis of this list; a field mission with WASH supervisors was organized for the mapping of the intervention.
- **Kalemie and Nyemba health zone:** Lukuga, lake, Jumbo, Kaseke bridge, Kaseke market, Conader, Kalumbi 2, Baguette, RVA and Charly sites, the site of Abattoir 2, Abattoir 1, Pont Lukuga (bridge Lukuga), Umoja 1, Nzambe



Malamu, Ciel du Lac, Agape, Monusco, Kichanga 3 and Kichanga 4 sites.

## Delivery of kits

- 2) **Cholera:** On 29<sup>th</sup> May , 2020, a meeting was held in one of the halls of General Reference Hospital in Kalemie between the Salvation Army, the WASH supervisors of the health zones and the Chlorinators, the objective of which was to give the briefing to Chlorinators on the project, on the project expectations, on the equipment management, on the compliance with hygienic standards, on the use of chlorine, reporting, raising awareness among beneficiaries on the importance of using drinking water, awareness of Covid-19, allocation of chlorinators in the sites, the signing of the agreement etc.



A morning deployment mission of kits in the sites was organized between the WASH Supervisors and the Salvation Army in order to deliver the kits per site and make them operational. Minutes were duly drawn up.

### **Summary table of kits by component**

#### *Cholera component / for installation of 20 sites*



N°	Designation	Unit	Qty	Observations
01	120 liter buckets with taps	Pcs	20	For hand washing in chlorination sites
02	Hand wash Basins	Pcs	20	
03	Wooden hand washing stands	Pcs	20	
04	20 liter buckets for chlorine	Pcs	20	
05	Chlorine bucket supports	Pcs	20	
06	Beach umbrella	Pcs	20	
07	Durable fabric masks	Pcs	80	4 per site
08	Register notebooks	Pcs	20	
09	Plastic Chairs	Pcs	20	
10	Visibilities	Pcs	40	2 per site
11	Cups	Pcs	20	
12	Tablespoons	Pcs	20	



*Note: A Salvation Army supervisor is assigned to this project for the supervision and supply of chlorine, syringe, pen and mask before*



rupture.

### Covid-19:

Under the coordination of PCI (Infection Prevention and Control) which is the body responsible for coordinating actions against epidemics in the province, a mission was carried out between the Salvation Army and WASH supervisors in two health zones whose main objective was to prospect the targeted places, establish a list of urgent needs and set up site mapping to facilitate the transportation of equipment planned in the project. After this visit, 30 places were targeted by the heads of the health zones, namely:

- ***Kalemie and Nyemba Heath zone:***

The health centers and states services assisted in terms of covid-19 are:

- health centers (Kataki, Bwana Kucha and Hewa bora), the provincial plan division, Kalemie central prison, the Officers' Mass, the police station (GMI= Mobile Intervention Group) and twenty ( 20) hand washing points health centers (Katarina Beni, Kalunga and Kituku) and 10 hand washing points in the ten (10) chlorination sites, it means : 1 per site..

**Note:** The number of distributed Kits at general hospital, the health centers and central prison of Kalemie, depended on the frequency of people, reason why 20 kits were distributed in ten (10) structures.

The handing over ceremony in the health zones was presided over by the National Coordinator of Salvation Army projects in DRC on 20<sup>th</sup> June, 2020, accompanied by his staff, the representatives of Doctors Heads of two health zones and other members in strict compliance with barrier measures and social distancing. On the occasion of this ceremony, the message of the Coordinator was focused on the funding received from the International Salvation Army, the awareness of the existence of Covid-19 which remains a real problem that threatens the whole world, the strict observance of barrier measures and prevention as recommended by the World Health Organization "WHO" and the presentation of the kit, its composition and its use. After just the symbolic discount, the team responsible for deploying the kits took care of the delivery until June 23 in all the targeted sites.

***Covid-19 shutter / for installing 30 hand washing points.***

N°	Designation	Unit	Qty
01	120 liter buckets with taps	Pcs	30
02	65 liter buckets with taps	Pcs	10
03	Hand wash Basins	Pcs	20
04	Wooden hand washing stands	Pcs	20



05	Liquid soap	Pcs	400
06	Disinfectants	Pcs	100
07	Gloves (Box of 1000 pieces)	Boxes	2000
08	Masks	Pcs	550
09	Liquid chlorine	Liters	100
10	Syringes of 5CC	Pcs	300
11	A4 Format Leaflets	Pcs	200
12	Trash cans	Pcs	12
13	20 liter empty cans	Pcs	30
14	A3 format stickers	Pcs	20

*Note: A Salvation Army supervisor goes every day to check on the availability of water and the equipment which was distributed according to the identified needs on the field.*

## Strengths (Good practices)

- The involvement and support of WASH supervisors in health zones in the implementation;
- Consideration of Covid-19 by the population through awareness-raising;
- The adoption of good hygiene practices, barrier gestures against Covid-19 through sensitizations;
- Presence and availability of hand washing points in the health centers and targeted state services, etc... ;
- Presence and availability of chlorination sites according to the target;
- The appropriation and involvement of the community in the implementation of activities;
- Due to the fact that, the activities were well planned in advance and that the schedule was well respected, no major difficulties were observed; the involvement of all layers in the implementation facilitated the smooth running of activities and the achievement of objectives.

## Weak points

Absence of rubbish cans at the officers' mass place where currently houses several families. According to the commander in place, the town hall had promised them Rubbish cans unfortunately the promise is not kept yet until now.

## Conclusion

The activities were carried out to the great satisfaction of the health and state authorities and the beneficiary population, because all the planned activities were carried out with great success. However, sensitization and monitoring in the targeted places continue.

