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MONTHLY OVERVIEW AUGUST 2021



PROJECT TIMELINES



In June 2021, IOM completed technical assistance for the implementation of Displacement Tracking under ZIRP in the target districts. IOM conducted ten (10) Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM) surveys and assessments including final trend analysis and facilitated 24 one-on-one bilateral sessions with technical agencies for mainstreaming of IDPs under ZIRP programming.

Informed by the IOM DTM data, UNICEF Education has supported learners from 4 IDP camps with Education and learning supplies; WHO has provided basic health services at 5 IDP camps; and UNFPA has provided GBV mobile services at 4 IDP camps.

COVID-19 CONTEXT

COVID-19 restrictions instituted in the country in June 2021 impacted some project activities particularly those that require gathering of stakeholders such as community mobilisation and training sessions.

Technical agencies devised innovative ways to continue to deliver support to the Cyclone affected communities. For instance, UNICEF Health formed WhatsApp groups to sustain trainings for Village Health Workers in areas with good network signal. FAO continued to utilise radio programs for farmer trainings. UNFPA is now collaborating with FAO to broadcast GBV messages to a wider audience using radio programs.

Technical agencies engaged relevant stakeholders to get clearance to conduct critical activities such as distribution of livestock and livestock feed in support of food security, rehabilitation works in irrigation schemes, road rehabilitation works, outreach clinics for provision of health care and GBV support.

The project is on track towards achievement of output and outcome targets.



32,592 indigenous chickens were distributed to 3,715 households across the 4 ZIRP districts in the month of August; 3,166 of these households are female-headed. 175 tonnes of chicken feed were procured and distributed for supplementary feeding of the chickens.

Preparations for Black soldier fly (BSF) production are at an advanced stage, with BSF production manuals finalised. Garden tools for BSF production; garden forks, wheelbarrows and round mouth shovels have been received.

Irrigation scheme rehabilitation works progress households supported with stock feed for 2,981 breeding Bwerudza cattle Gudyanga 47% 48% Chipendeke Nyanyadzi **30%** 2 dipping sessions were 64% Maunganidze Kushinga-Gambadziya conducted 49% 25% unicef 🚱 World Health

HEALTH AND WASH

Capacity building in peer supervision for community cadres is in progress. 352 cadres were trained in the month of August including primary care nurses, Environmental Health Technicians and VHWs. Preparatory activities are in progress to produce documentation on peer supervision highlighting lessons learnt. Orientation of health users kicked off with the virtual training of 23 national stakeholders.

Organization

VHWs continue to reach hard to reach populations through community based health services and 35,138 beneficiaries were reached with basic health care services. 3,408 people were reached with hygiene promotion in August through 142 health promotion sessions. These are repeat sessions in same communities to buttress hygiene messages during the COVID lockdown period.



1,099 people were provided with drinking water supply in August in the 8 districts. 140 Community entities were trained on Operation and Maintenance of water points (including Village pump mechanics, Water point committees, Community health clubs and School health clubs)



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EDUCATION unicef 🚱 (OPS

An external consultant was engaged to carry out end user monitoring at targeted schools taking advantage of the schools opening in the country.

Designs for school construction are complete and tenders for the procurement of contractors for construction will be sent out in September 2021.



CROSS CUTTING ELEMENTS

In the month of August, community cadres referred 41 GBV survivors for services. Of the cases reported; 19 cases were physical violence matters, psychological violence (13 cases), sexual violence (2 cases) and economic violence (5 cases). Child marriage (1 case) and rape (1 case) were also reported.

Of the 33 survivors transported to higher levels of care this month, 20 were from Chipinge and 13 were from Chimanimani. Five (5) of the survivors were girls aged below 18 years. 36 girls accessed GBV support through the Mobile OSC. Men have also been assisted at the OSC, a total of 9 men aged 18 years and above supported in August. 185 dignity kits were distributed in Chimanimani (5 to young girls and 180 to women).

Construction works progress on access roads

Bridal Veil Falls Access Road







51 households benefited from the community infrastructure works

care





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COVID-19 RESPONSE ACTIVITIES

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In response to COVID-19, the following interventions were supported through ZIRP, under various targetted sectors:



Environmental Health Technicians continued to be supported with facilities and technical support.





Introduction of COVID-19 Ag-RDT testing has enabled specimens to be processed at the point of care.



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ZIRP Overview August 2021

Food Security and Livelihoods

46

dewormed Blackleg, Anthrax and Botulism

1.393.329

14.527



assistance to



community assets handed over

Health & WASH

3,743,563

people reached with community sensitisation on health promotion interventions

Capacity building completed for 2,477

village health workers in 9 districts



1,261 households have constructed latrines

23,219 households have

restored access to water and sanitation services

652,572

people provided with basic health package services and support



Education

88,516

students in 134 schools benefited from teaching and learning supplies

400

Early Childhood

Development (ECD)

kits distributed



distributed

RapidPro Survey administered

school backpacks

500 units of school-ina-box distributed

300

recreational kits distibuted

Cross-Cutting Elements

702

community workers engaged in rehabilitation of infrastructure

10

Displacement Tracking Matrix

surveys and assessments incl.

final trend analysis conducted

and disseminated

24

one-on-one bilateral sessions held with TAs on IDP mainstreaming in programming

3,096

access roads

completed. 4 access

roads undergoing

rehabilitation

GBV survivors reached through mobile OSC 307 GBV survivors provided with transport to higher levels of care

COVID-19 Response

4 ambulances, 2 four-wheel drive vehicles and 1 PCR extraction machine purchased to strengthen disease surveillance and response

812

community peer supervisors were identified and oriented on supportive supervisory, mentorship and

coaching skills

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580

VHWs recruited, trained and deployed increasing the coverage in the targeted districts to at least 81% of villages with VHWs

130

Environmental Health Technicians (EHTs) were trained on disease surveillance and are now deployed



36

EHTs provided with laptops, tablets and phones to use in disease surveillance



health workers from 19 Health Facilities (7 ZIRP-supported mission hospitals and 12 Regional Council Clinics) were trained on case management and IPC ; and are now deployed

168

32,567 specimens have been

transported to government

labs for testing



motorcycles procured for delivery specimen transportation

18



10

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art murals have been completed for community messaging targeting nearly 2.5 million people indirectly in the 9 ZIRP districts

4,276 UNICEF VHWs and 9 UNICEF

Health training centres in Chimanimani and Chipinge districts received PPEs and IPC

Design works for rehabilitation of **12-bed** isolation ward at St. Peters Hospital was completed

In addition to procurement of PPE, ZIRP is supporting the health systems response to COVID-19 through capacity strengthening at institutional and community level by reinforcing COVID-19 surveillance, lab support, case management, IPC, including RCCE and continuity of essential services in line with the COVID-19 National Response Plan and priorities.

5

ZIRP-supported mission hospital labs received supplies and consumables

FEATURE STORY



Zimbabwe Idai Recovery Project

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ZIRP-trained latrine builder convincing communities to construct latrines through a unique PHHE strategy

In Chikomba district, wards 17 and 18, 40 latrine builders have been trained on latrine construction and Participatory Health and Hygiene Education (PHHE) so that they advocate with communities to construct self-sponsored household model latrines.

Farai Mutsinze, a 31 year old man living in ward 17, was among those trained to be a latrine builder and PHHE ambassador under the ZIRP. He moves across ward 17 conducting PHHE sessions at household level. In these interactions, Farai seeks to convince those without latrines to build them. He has so far constructed 5 self-sponsored latrines in the ward through this strategy. People are inspired by the good structures he is constructing using the revised latrine plan and build back better principles. Farai also explains to the community members the benefits of eliminating open defecation. He is dedicated to his work and is also earning a living from latrine construction.

"I am one of the latrine builders who was trained under the ZIRP project in ward 17. I was also taught on the importance of having latrines and how to convince the communities without latrines to build latrines. I am doing my best to convince those without latrines, and I am building latrines for them. This is my 5th self-sponsored latrine and I have more people waiting for me to construct their latrines at only US\$30. At this household I am constructing a double compartment for US\$60. My hope is to see every household in my community with a toilet so that we are free from diseases."

As at May 2021, CAFOD and Caritas Harare (UNICEF WASH implementing partners) through trained builders like Farai had constructed 83 self-driven latrines in the 2 wards, with 153 latrines at various stages of completion. ZIRP is improving access to dignified, appropriate, and safe sanitation as well as addressing the specific needs of disabled persons to enable the pursuit of the zero open defecation strategy in targeted rural wards. The training of latrine builders is also strategic in sustaining participatory health and hygiene education beyond the lifespan of ZIRP.



