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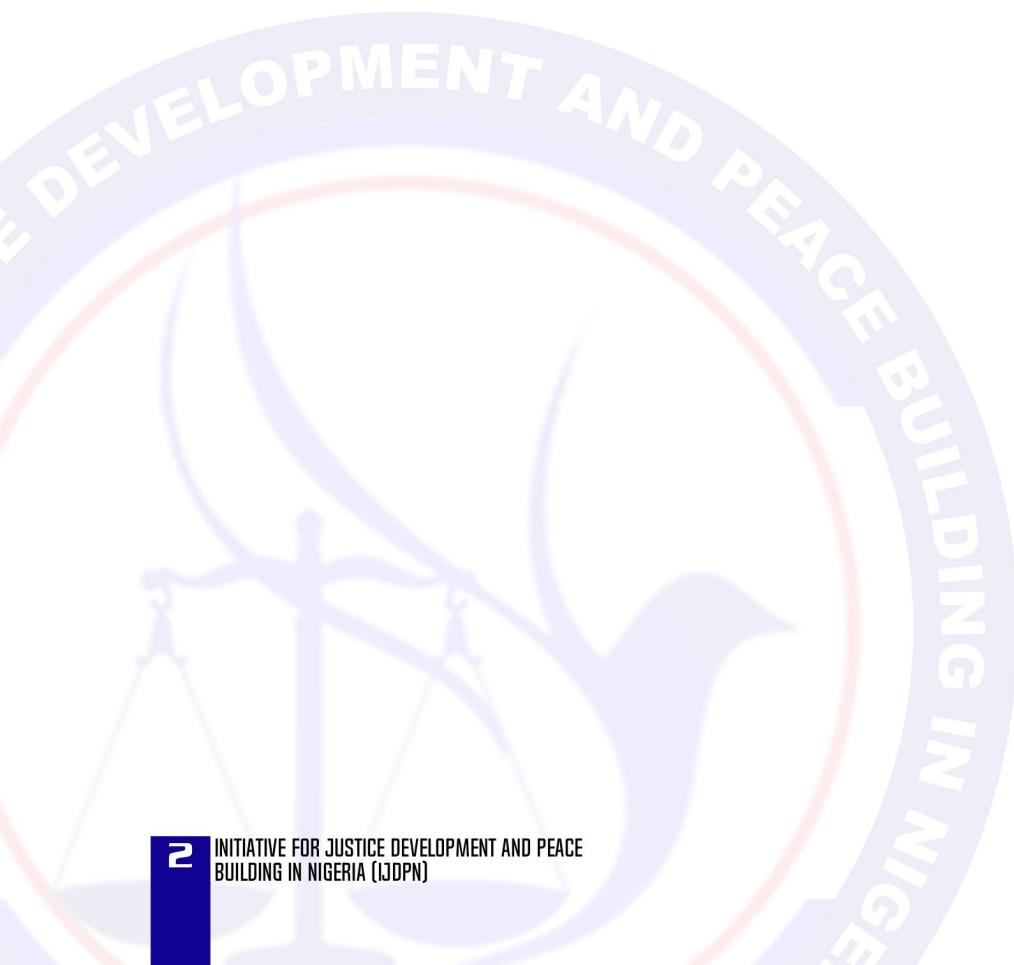




INITIATIVE FOR JUSTICE DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE BUILDING IN NIGERIA

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The Catholic Diocese of Yola, Nigeria has been making a distinctive contribution: providing shelter and food for thousands of Boko Haram victims, promoting peacebuilding and good governance. We are based in the grassroots with our presence in over 800 local communities. Our commitment and acceptance by the local population make us the only institution that welcomes and supports displaced persons and the vulnerable in society. We are in the forefront for the defense people's rights and remain the lone voice for the poor when they cry out for justice. In this publication, we want our voice to be heard by national governments and development organizations that our potential as a development and humanitarian partner remains largely untapped. The Church has a potential to reach areas that other development institutions are unable to go to. We invite development actors to leverage on the Catholic Diocese of Yola's networks which is trusted and rooted in local communities, can reach the most vulnerable people and remote places where governments often struggle to reach especially in terms of basic service provision.

The Catholic Diocese of Yola sits on the frontlines in North-East Nigeria and will remain long after the international community move on, supporting communities to recover, and rebuilding lives and livelihoods.

We invite and offer hands of fellowship to Development Partners and National Governments - to work more closely with us to address humanitarian and development needs in the future to:

- Implement an evidence-based learning programmes.
- Ensure deeper engagement with us at the North-East Nigeria regional level to proffer durable solutions occasioned by the Boko Haram insurgency.
- Develop a strategic approach to working with us in policy formulations and development assistance.
- Provide long-term support for effective partnerships with the Diocese of Yola, focusing on areas such as peacebuilding and humanitarian response where we are sometimes the only actors who play an effective role that target the most vulnerable without discrimination.

Pope Francis, recent warning that, "to trample upon the dignity of another person is in fact to weaken one's own worth" is our driving force.

Our humanitarian and developmental operations are based on the biblical principle: Then the King will say to those on His right hand, ‘Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me.’ “Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed You, or thirsty and give You drink? When did we see You a stranger and take You in, or naked and clothe You? Or when did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?’ And the King will answer and say to them, ‘Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me. (Matthew 25:34-46)

We are open for partnership and collaboration in seeking to alleviate the sufferings of all human beings regardless of race, creed, gender or ethnic affiliation. Goal 17 of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) which seeks to revitalize the global partnership for sustainable development, re-echoes my episcopal motto: “Together, we Succeed.”

Brief Description Of The Organization:

Justice Development and Peace Commission (JDPC) is one of the commissions of the Catholic Diocese of Yola known to be the social arm of the church which has the mandate of promoting and propagating social development and justice in the Diocese of Yola and the Adamawa State at large. Established in 1993 by the catholic bishop of Yola. The commission became registered with **Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) with the Name: Initiative for Justice Development and Peace building in Nigeria (IJDPN)**. The commission reaches out to all humanity regardless of their faith, political or ethnic affiliation and gives special attention to the less privileged, vulnerable and marginalized persons in society. It works in line with its vision statement, mission statement and organizational structure which has the Bishop as the overall Legal Holder (as the chairman board of trustees), the board members, followed by the Executive Director who coordinate and ensures the smooth running of the organization daily activities. The Program Managers on the other hand are responsible for the program design and development, planning and implementation and monitoring of projects/activities implemented.

Who we are

We are a non-governmental organization founded on the pillars of love for humanity, selfless service, diligence, integrity, commitment & stewardship. In firmness, the organization stands in evidence based and result oriented programmes. The organization focuses on a harmonious society to advance the well being of all through participatory measures. Nourished with staff & volunteers from diverse disciplines of life, working to bring together their expertise to care for humanity.

The organization started with a pioneer project in Mapeo Community in Jada Local Government Area, Nigeria which it addresses the issues of water scarcity and promote sustainable agriculture.

JDPC Yola aims to reach out to the most vulnerable populations through social development initiatives. These are carried out by through the organizational thematic areas;

ADVOCACY AND PEACE BUILDING

SHELTER & DURABLE SOLUTIONS

WATER SANITATION AND HYGIENE

ANIMATION AND RESEARCH

AGRICULTURE & LIVELIHOOD

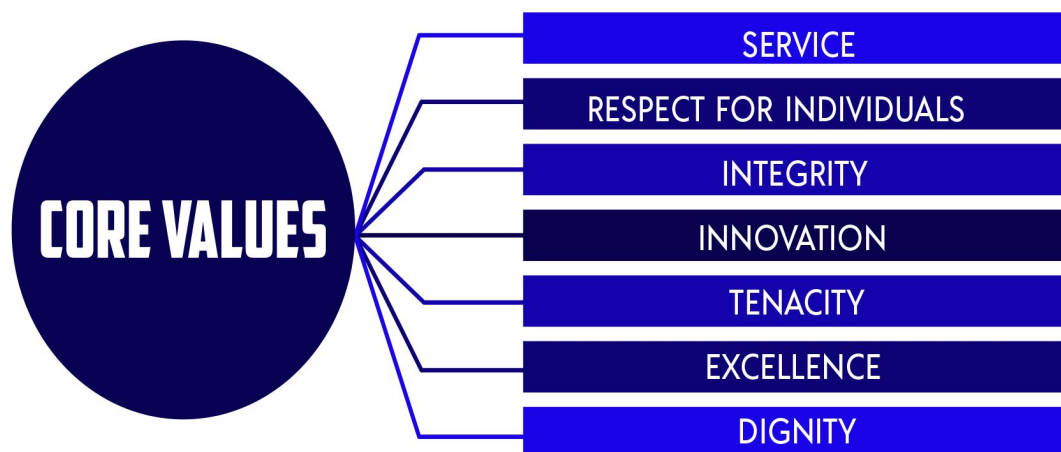
PARTNERSHIP & NETWORKING

Vision

Creating a society where the poor and marginalized in society have access to basic needs

Mission

Ensuring the poor and marginalized live in dignity



JDPC/IJDPN HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE

JDPC Yola started her humanitarian response in 1993 with focus on WASH and FOOD SECURITY through the provision of safe drinking water in rural communities and sustainable agricultural practices for food sufficiency among small holder farmers. The project started in JADA LGA in some hard to reach mountainous communities with difficulty in access to safe drinking water.

The mandate of JDPC Yola is to support the most vulnerable and poor households/communities, the organization continue to reach out to the most vulnerable and poor household in Adamawa State through support in **WASH, Food security, psycho-social support, prison apostlate /access to justice, education for the impaired.**

As the armed conflict in the northeast continued, in 2014, JDPC yola saw the need for humanitarian response and opened her arm to 20,000 IDPs. Because of the overwhelming number of internally displaced population, and increased vulnerability to manage the overwhelming situation, JDPC Yola needed to prioritize her response based on the degree of vulnerability. Therefore, pregnant women, breastfeeding mothers, adolescent girls, the elderly, people with disability, people living with disability, and children were highly prioritized base on needs. In view of the increasing number of IDPs, and the need for immediate humanitarian support the catholic church through JDPC Yola started the st Theresa IDPs camp in Yola which housed 5,000 individual in 2014 to 2015 at the peak of insurgency in the northeast.

The catholic church through JDPC Yola her social arm flag up the support for **humanity and sacredness of life project** to feed 35,000 IDPs and provide basic needs. The project was first funded by the catholic diocese of Yola. Just at the same time mission partnered with JDPC and began to find ways to support the increasing number of internally displaced population with food and non food items plus medicals. Due to the increase in demand of basic needs. The organization pitched her tent to focus on eight (8) sectors . **Water Sanitation and Hygiene WASH, Shelter, Protection & Psycho-Social Support, Nutrition, Access To Justice, Health, Food Security And Livelihood.**

JDPC has been at the forefront of humanitarian assistance in the northeast. We have a pool of dedicated staff and volunteer who work tirelessly even in volatile environment because we believe every life is special and every soul is precious. (the sacredness of life)

Going further the organization focused on resilient activities to be able to reintegrate IDPs in to communities, this was made visible through the durable solution project of 86 housing unit constructed for IDPs In Adamawa State which was the first in the BAY states. The 86 housing unit is now named SALAMA HOUSING located at Jabbilamba In Girei LGA of Adamawa State The project components include; social cohesion, and peace coexistence.

OUR STRATEGIES PARTNERS/COLLABORATORS

- Adamawa State Government
- Adamawa state Emergency Management Agency
- Adamawa Peace Initiative of the American University of Nigeria
- National Council of Women Society (NCWS)
- Muslim Council of Nigeria
- Youth for Better Change Initiative
- Christian Association of Nigeria
- National Council of Muslim Youth Organization
- Youth Wing Christian Association of Nigeria
- YOHANS adult Education foundation
- WAJENAS Hope foundation
- Horn of Hope Foundation
- Federation of Muslim Women Association of Nigeria

- Kinjir Foundation
- Women and Youth Empowerment and Health Initiative
- Nigeria Red Cross
- ABS Youth Transformation Initiative
- EYN Peace Program
- Rotary International
- National Union of Road Transport Workers
- Women Wing Christian Association of Nigeria

OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES



ADVOCACY AND PEACE BUILDING

Good Governance

programmes seek to build an informed and active electorate through community engagement and participation that recognizes the value of a system organized to ensure equality of opportunity and social justice



Leadership Development

programmes aim to mentor and empower the youth who are the next generation of Nigerian leaders, cultivate the habit of peaceful co-existing and create accountability in current leaders from all walks of Nigerian life to drive good economic and social policies and instill trust in communities.



Advocacy And Knowledge Promotion

programme strives to raise awareness on critical issues of both historical and contemporary national importance with a view to promote active citizen engagement.

Promoting Religious Tolerance

Programme aims to create a culture of harmony & promote sustainable peace, resulting in the reduction of conflicts, violence and emergencies/crises in Adamawa State Nigeria. The strategy is that Community members, government officers, secular and religious, civil society leaders, and women and youth of different religious identities demonstrate increased awareness, understanding, and acceptance of religious diversity.

WASH



PROVISION OF SAFE DRINKING WATER

With over a decade of insurgency in the North East, the need for safe drinking water, proper hygiene and sanitation remains a huge concern, JDPC Yola is reaching out to rural and hard to reach communities in areas of water supply and hygiene promotion messaging. So far, JDPC have reached 112 communities with water supply. 20 motorized boreholes have been constructed, 45 hand pumps and 47 shallow wells were constructed across the state. Other activities carried out include, awareness and sensitization on open defecation using the community led total sanitation (CLTs) approach plus house to house hygiene promotion and sanitation messaging.



PARTNERSHIP AND NETWORKING



EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS & RESPONSE TEAM

The programme has the mission to build and foster a community of empowered civil society actors working to advance peace, justice and strong institutions from the grassroots levels and to hold government accountable to SDGs.

The programme also strives to raise awareness on the need for synergy to achieve a common goal. The program focuses on bringing together organization (NGOs, FBOs, CSOs, Private Sectors), unions, association and the government to promote better collaboration, coordination and to drive good economic and social policies and be accountable instill trust in communities.



PROTECTION

DRL United In Security Project

The project aims to promote collaborative multi-stakeholder engagement and advocacy processes to reduce human rights abuse by police forces in Adamawa States and to strengthen the capacity of target CSOs, media, and community stakeholders to advance evidence-based HR monitoring, reporting and constructive advocacy



Strengthening Early Warning and Early Response Mechanism on Response to SGBV

The project strive to improve the protection of Women's Rights, Child Rights, dignity and wellbeing of vulnerable communities as well as enhance the protection environment in the targeted communities of the State through the development and implementation of community based protection monitoring activities.

EMERGENCY AND HUMANITARIAN SERVICES



At the peak of insurgency in 2014, the emergency and humanitarian services department of JDPC Yola concentrated mainly in restoring human dignity in communities that have been devastated by violence, insurgency and natural disaster. The programme strive to provide safe, acessible, dignified and inclusive humanitarian food and water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) assistance to the most vulnerable internal displaced persons (IDPs), refugees, returnees and host communities in Adamawa state. The goal of the project include assisting the vulnerable population to achieve food security, stabilization and optimum hygiene.



DURABLE SOLUTION

STaR PROJECT

STaR Project

The Stabilization and Reconciliation in the Lake Chad Region (STaR) project. The project objective is to contribute to the stabilization and reconciliation in the most affected areas of the Lake Chad Region. The project is implemented in Adamawa by Catholic Relief Services (CRS) in partnership with Justice Development and Peace Commission Yola (JDPC).

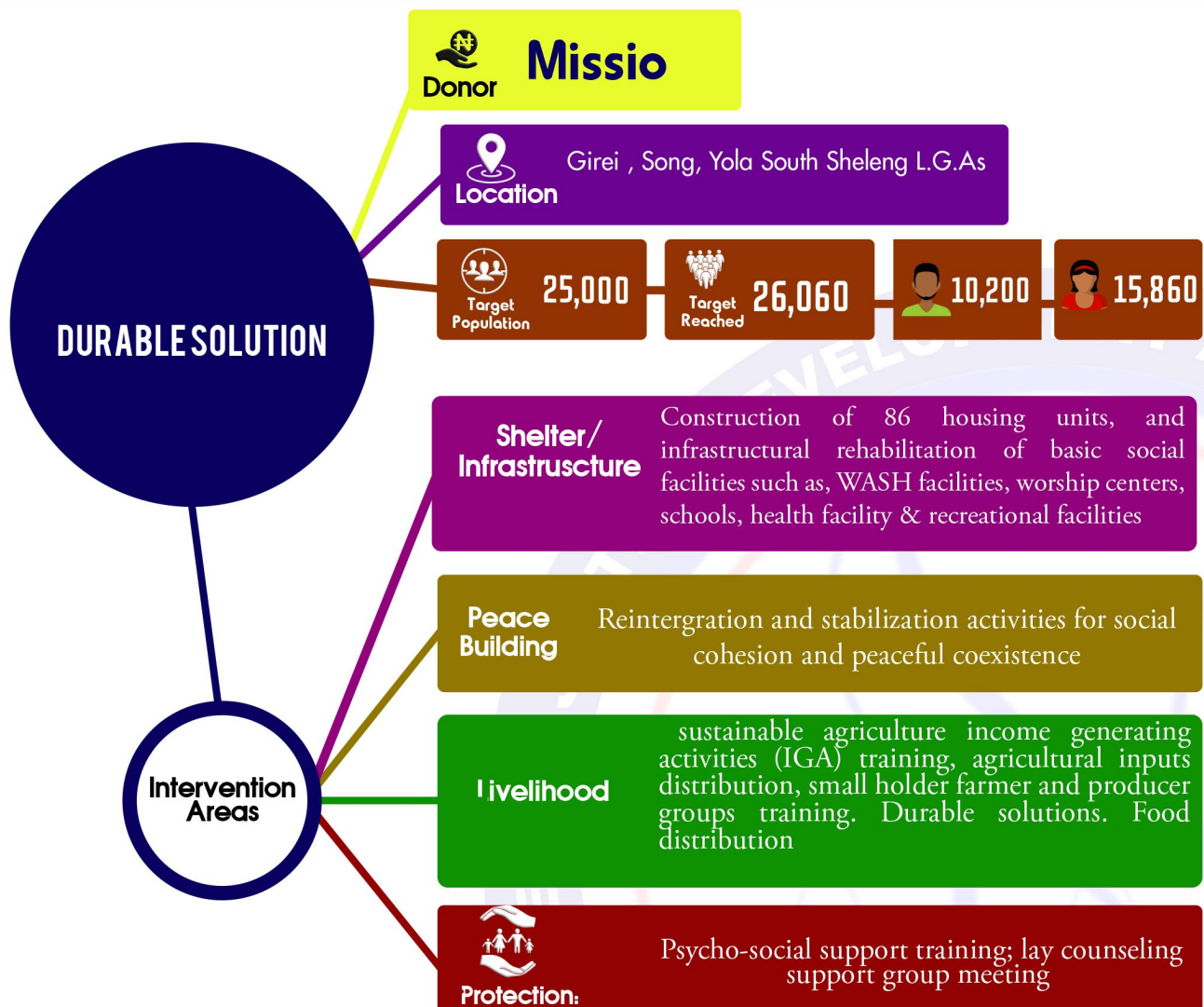
IDP HOUSING UNITS

The project aims at reintegrating and stabilization of IDPs after the long-protracted insurgency in the north east. 86 housing units, and social facilities such as the health facility was constructed by the catholic Diocese Yola through JDPC/ IJDPN with support from Missio. The project has four major intervention areas which ranges from shelter, providing protection services & livelihood support, social cohesion program and peaceful coexistence to psycho-social support services.





DURABLE SOLUTION





AGRICULTURE AND LIVELIHOOD

Integrated Community Base Water And Agric Project

The project address four major components. The areas to be addressed by the project include; Sustainable Productive Agriculture; Water Sanitation and Hygiene; Peaceful co-existence and Trauma sensitivity/counselling. The intervention logic is to strengthened the rural resilience capacity of small holder farmers/producer groups, households and rural communities using a market led approach layered with complementary humanitarian assistance for a sustainable improvement in Access to safe drinking water, good sanitation and personal hygiene practices, increased agricultural productivity and peaceful co-existence leading to sustainably reduction in vulnerability and poverty





Protection And Assistance To People Of Concern Through Livelihood Support

The project seeks to restore human dignity and promote avenues for an end to the plight of forcibly uprooted people, through improved access to means of livelihoods. The project outcome is to foster self-reliance, sustainable and durable return through a 3-pronged approach. First, support agriculture and farming initiatives, including livestock production and empowerment; second, enhance self-employment through grants for income generating activities; and third, promote vocational training, literacy and entrepreneurship, for employed youths.



Cry of the poor/earth Bridging The Gap: Linking Relief, Rehabilitation And Development Through Climate Sensitive Livelihoods In Adamawa State

This project is a sustainable and climate-sensitive innovative pilot which integrates and incentivises behavioural change through the establishment of climate resilient livelihoods and income generation activities that will restore the environment. The pilot proposes a way to bridge the gap between Humanitarian-Development-Peace (HDP) nexus for both returnees and host communities in Adamawa.





Donors

Catholic church

Missio

Misereor

CAFOD

UNHCR/Caritas NG



Location

Yola North, Yola South, Girei,
Guyuk, Numan, Jada, Mayo-belwa,
Gombi, Maiha, Fufure, Demsa &
Song LGAs

AGRICULTURE AND LIVELIHOOD

Intervention Areas

Vocational Skills acquisition

- Shoe making
- Beads and bag making
- Carpentry
- Cosmology
- Confectionery
- Fabrication
- Tailoring

Trauma/Psycho-social support

- House to house visit
- Lay counseling
- Support group meetings

Sustainable Agriculture

- Farm input distribution
- Capacity building of small holder farmers
- Organic farming & market

Women Empowerment Programmes

- Women participation in peace building
- Income generating activities-SILC/VSL & micro-enterprise



Target Population
35,000



Target Reached
38,000



19,348



18,652

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

WASH

- 25 motorized boreholes constructed rehabilitated
- 60 hand pumps constructed rehabilitated
- 150 Shallow wells constructed and rehabilitated
- 120 latrines constructed
- Menstrual hygiene and adaptation kits distributed 1200 HHs

AGRICULTURE & LIVELIHOOD

- 180 farmer groups formed & trained
- Distributions of agric inputs to 1200 farmers
- 146 SILC groups were formed
- 1120 household benefited from nutritional home gardening
- 2800 women and youths trained in various skills acquisition

DURABLE & MIXED SOLUTION

- 86 IDP housing units constructed and occupied by 86 IDP families
- Rehabilitation of 3 health centres and construction of 6 additional blocks
- 19 blocks of class rooms and 5 admin blocks were newly constructed
- 10 worship centres constructed (Church & Mosque)

EMERGENCY & HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE

- 3500 house holds recieved food items
- 1200 received cash grants
- 1000 non food items distributed to IDPs

PROTECTION

- 86 persons received Psycho-social support training
- 10,000 lay counseling sessions
- 100,000 persons have access to protection services through Protection by presence
- 186 groups supported through psycho-social group meetings
- 5,000 IDP youth and women supported through recreational and sporting activities

PARTNERSHIP AND NETWORKING

- Establishment of emergency preparedness and response network across the 21 local government areas of Adamawa state
- Capacity strengthening of the 21 formed emergency preparedness and response network
- 415 volunteers trained

ADVOCACY AND PEACE BUILDING

- 63 community local initiatives for good governance, accountability supported
- 36 monthly meetings conducted to reduce human right violation
- 7 human right forums strengthen in 7 L.G.As
- 450 volunteers trained in peace building activities
- Over 1,000 advocacies carried out to religious leaders, government agencies, community leaders, women groups, youth groups
- Interfaith dialogue forums established