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***MID TERM EVALUATION OF THE  
ACTIVITIES OF ILO/IPEC/WACAP***

***IN CAMEROON***

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# ILO/IPEC/WACAP

- ◆ West Africa Cocoa/Commercial Agriculture Project to Combat Hazardous and Exploitative Child Labour (WACAP)
- ◆ (*Ghana, Nigeria, Côte d'Ivoire, Cameroon et Guinea*)



# DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE

To contribute to the effective prevention and elimination of hazardous and exploitative child labour in cocoa/commercial agriculture in West Africa





# OBJECTIVES FOR CAMEROON

## 1. SENSITISATION AND AWARENESS RAISING.

To increase awareness and mobilise children, families, communities, civil society, media, public and private agencies on issues related to child labour.

## 2. CAPACITY BUILDING

To strengthen the capacity of national and community level agencies and organisations to plan, initiate, implement, and evaluate action to prevent and progressively eliminate child labour.



# OBJECTIVES FOR CAMEROON

## 3. SOCIAL PROTECTION

- ◆ To provide viable alternatives to children withdrawn from workplace hazards and their families.

## 4. MONITORING AND EVALUATION SYSTEM

- ◆ To establish a credible, affordable and feasible/sustainable child labour monitoring system.

## 5. INFORMATION AND KNOWLEDGE BASE

To enhance knowledge base through action-oriented research and a viable information dissemination system.



# EXPECTED VS. ACTUAL OUTPUTS

## 1. SENSITISATION AND AWARENESS RAISING

### 1. **PLANNED ACTIVITIES**

- ◆ LAUNCH OF THE PROJECT
- ◆ CELEBRATIONS OF THE WDACL.
- ◆ SENSITISATION OF MEDIA, PTAC, AND OTHER PARTNERS.
- ◆ CONTINUOUS SENSITISATION AND AWARENESS RAISING IN ALL PROJECT SITES.
- ◆ PRODUCTION OF IEC MATERIALS, TV, RADIO AND PRESS INTERVIEWS
- ◆ CONDUCT SENSITISATION MEETINGS ON FESTIVE AND MARKET DAYS WITHIN COMMUNITIES
- ◆ HAVE SENSITISATION MEETINGS WITH LOCAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE AUTHORITIES

### 1. **ACTIVITIES REALIZED**

- ◆ LAUNCH OF THE PROJECT ON 23RD SEPTEMBER 2003 WITH OVER 500 PEOPLE IN ATTENDANCE
- ◆ CELEBRATIONS OF THE WDACL WITH MANY PUBLIC AND PRIVATE TV AND PRINT MEDIA PRESENT. 2004 OVER 700 PARTICIPANTS IN YAOUNDE ALONE
- ◆ SENSITISATION OF MEDIA, PTAC, AND OTHER PARTNERS.
- ◆ CONTINUOUS SENSITISATION AND AWARENESS RAISING IN ALL PROJECT SITES.
- ◆ PRODUCTION OF IEC MATERIALS.
- ◆ NATIONAL TV, RADIO AND PRESS INTERVIEWS
- ◆ SENSITISING THE CHILDREN'S PARLIAMENT ANNUALLY.



# CAPACITY BUILDING

## 2. PLANNED ACTIVITIES

- ◆ Identification and selection of implementing agencies.
- ◆ Install and sensitise PTAC members
- ◆ National planning and stakeholders meeting.
- ◆ Use TOT manual for Farmers for STCP FFS
- ◆ Built the capacity of STCP FFS
- ◆ Reinforce capacity of syndicates & Labour inspectors.
- ◆ Capacity building workshops for IA, Partners and stake holders.
- ◆ Capacity building for Ministry of basic Education and other government officials.
- ◆ Capacity building for Media
- ◆ Capacity building of project staff.

## 2. ACTIVITIES REALIZED

- ◆ Identification and selection of implementing agencies through a process of contacting ministries and other stakeholders.
- ◆ National planning and stakeholders meeting (23-26, 09,03)
- ◆ Capacity building of staff (NPC 4) FFA (3)
- ◆ Built the capacity of STCP FFS (3)
- ◆ Capacity building workshops for IA, Partners and stake holders. (3) Office, Limbe and conference centre.
- ◆ Capacity building for Trade Union representatives (24-26, 02, 05)
- ◆ Capacity building for Ministry of basic Education (24-26) Feb. 2005
- ◆ Capacity building for Media (limbe Nov. 2003)

# SOCIAL PROTECTION


## 3. PLANNED ACTIVITIES

- Identify different areas of pilot project.
- Identify the 1000 withdrawn children to benefit from social protection
- Select boys and girls for vocational training and assess their needs.
- Identify IA and partners to work with.
- Identify schools and non-formal education structures to reinsert children
- Train Teachers of identified schools
- Develop criteria for selecting parents to be assisted
- Provide training to 400 selected family members.
- Establish 3 Community Skills Vocational training centers and equip them.

## 3. ACTIVITIES REALIZED

- ◆ Nine MP and AP operational in the field.
- ◆ 550 children withdrawn and prevented from CL through direct assistance. (283G, 267B)
- ◆ Five AP in process. Should be operational within the month and work towards increasing the number of direct beneficiaries.
- ◆ 165 parents capacitated in income generating activities. (135W, 30M)
- ◆ Done
- ◆ Started
- ◆ Still to do. Not enough funds.





# CHILD LABOUR MONITORING SYSTEM

## PLANNED ACTIVITIES

- ◆ Conduct a baseline survey
- ◆ Conduct OSH
- ◆ Assist communities to select members to train in CLMS which is different from CLM
- ◆ Establish linkages between CLMS and other agencies like the Police, IA, Schools etc.
- ◆ Initiate a CLM database linked to the National database.
- ◆ Plan unannounced visits to sites with Labour Inspectors.
- ◆ Disseminate reports

## REALIZED ACTIVITIES

- ◆ Done and validated
- ◆ Done and validated
- ◆ Still to do
- ◆ Still to do
- ◆ Still to do
- ◆ MINISTRY OF LABOUR ACTION PROGRAMME TO PUT IN PLACE A CREDIBLE, VIABLE AND SUSTAINABLE CLMS.
- ◆ Done two
- ◆ Done



# INFORMATION AND KNOWLEDGE BASE

## PLANNED ACTIVITIES

- ◆ COLLECT INFORMATION ON THE TARGET AT BOTH BEGINING AND END OF PROJECT
- ◆ INITIATIAE AND USE QUESTIONNAIRE TO COLLECT BASELINE AND STATUS INFO ON CHILDREN WORKING AND WITHDRAWN AND ENTER IT INTO DATABASE.
- ◆ CONDUCT FEASIBILITY ON WORKPLACE IMPROVEMENT AND CARRY OUT ACTIVITIES TO IMPROVE WORKPLACE.
- ◆ REVIEW EXISTING TEXT RELEVANT TO CHILDREN AND FAMILY IN CAMEROON & MAKE PROPOSALS

## ACTIVITIES REALIZED

- ◆ BASELINE SURVEY CARRIED OUT (FEBRUARY 2004) AND VALIDATED 03/03/05
- ◆ STUDY ON OSH (IDENTIFYING THE RISK AND HAZARDS FOR CHILDREN IN COCOA FARMS) JULY- AUG 2004 VALIDATED 03/03/05
- ◆ TWO INTERNAL MONITORING AND EVALUATION MISSIONS.
- ◆ STILL TO DO



# CHALLENGES

- ◆ Too many NGO wanting to work with the project
- ◆ Administrative bottlenecks at the beginning.
- ◆ Enclaved areas.
- ◆ Too many identified children and not enough funds to withdraw all.
- ◆ High level of poverty.
- ◆ Children infected or affected by the phenomenon of HIV/AIDS.



## CHALLENGES Cont.

- ◆ Bringing Employers organisation into the fight against child labour.
- ◆ Have TU more active in agricultural sector.
- ◆ Completely change perceptions and mentality.
- ◆ Have applicable law implemented for the fight against child labour in Cameroon.



# OPPORTUNITIES

- ◆ Government support, orientation and involvement in the project.
- ◆ US embassy interest and participation.
- ◆ The multi disciplinary Specialist at BSR providing linkages with other ILO departments i.e ACTRAV, ACTEMP, Cooperatives, HIMO etc.
- ◆ Interest and committment of communities, partners and implementing agencies.



## OPPORTUNITIES cont.

- ◆ Cooperation with other UN agencies such as UNICEF, FAO, WFP, UNESCO etc.
- ◆ Integration of new ideas which can have an impact on the the issue of CL in the field. i,.e linkages with existing cooperatives.
- ◆ Excellent collaboration with STCP, STCP network, PTAC, BSR, Farmers groups, TU, LUTRENA etc.



# CONCLUSIONS

- ◆ The problem of child labour in Cameroon as in most other countries will not suddenly go away even if we wish it. The level of poverty leading to the demand for child labour is quite high and only by including the issue of childlabour into all development plans can we effectively say one day that « no child anywhere is working who needs to be in a class room »

Together we can achieve the UN goal for all children..EFA by 2015



~~X~~ *No to child labour*



# QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

- ◆ THANK YOU
- ◆ MERCI
- ◆ AKSANTE SANA
- ◆ GRACIAS
- ◆ NA SOM
- ◆ MEYA
- ◆ BERI

