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Annual Activity Report 2023



GBHS Bameka Principal receives keys of new classrooms



Kompina Water Project Tower



Roofing of Classrooms in GNS Bawoung



Completed 02 classrooms in GBHS Bameka

May 2024

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Executive Summary

In 2023, the Centre for International Cooperation (CIC), Cameroon in collaboration with the International Children's Awareness (ICA), Canada successfully executed community development projects, in Cameroon, in the following domains:

1) School infrastructural development;
2) Improve the quality of teaching and learning in schools
3) Water and sanitation;
4) Identify new projects and dialogue with stakeholders.

These projects were executed in accordance with the participatory community development approach endorsed by ICA and CIC. In this connection, the projects were implemented with the collaborative efforts of all the stakeholders.

School infrastructural development projects which were realized include: 04 classrooms, constructed in 2 schools and a block of latrine constructed in 1 school. The beneficiary schools are:

1. Government Bilingual High School/Lycee Bilingue de Bameka, Haut Plateaux Division, West Region
2. Government Nursery and Primary School, Bawoung, Menoua Division, West Region

Projects implemented in the area of water and sanitation are as follows:

1) Reinforcement of the Kompina water project with new solar pump and panels.
2) Construction of a block of modern toilets in the in Government Practicing Nursery and primary school complex, Lake, Yaounde.

In the area of educational support to needy children in schools, financial support assistance was given to 20 Internally Displaced Persons (IDP) children to pay for the end of course examination fees.

Regarding effort to identify new projects and dialogue with stakeholders, interaction with the Disarmament, Demobilization, and Reintegration Centres (DDRCs) of Buea and Bamenda continued and the following results were attained:

- Areas of need were identified
- Proposed projects elaborated
- Some Community Violence Reduction (CVR) activities identified

Project Environment

The Project Environment for activities realized by the International Children's Awareness (ICA), Canada and the Centre for International Cooperation (CIC), Cameroon, in 2023, were in the West, Littoral, South West and Centre Regions of Cameroon. In the West Region, the projects are located in the chiefdoms of Bameka and Bawoung. Bawoung is one of the villages of Bansoa chiefdom, situated along the Dschang Bafoussam highway, about 30Km from Dschang and 15km from Bafoussam. Administratively, Bawoung is under Penka Michel Sub Division of the Menoua Division with an estimated population of about 6000 inhabitants. Bameka, one of the four villages that make up Bamendjou Sub Division. It is administratively under Haut Plateaux Division, West Region. It is about 40km from Bafoussam, the West Regional capital city and about 30 km from Baham, the Divisional headquarters. It has an estimated population of about 17,000 inhabitants.

The inhabitants of these localities are principally engaged in agrarian farming and animal husbandry but some people are involved in diverse occupations, ranging from large scale trading to civil service occupations.

Progress towards objectives

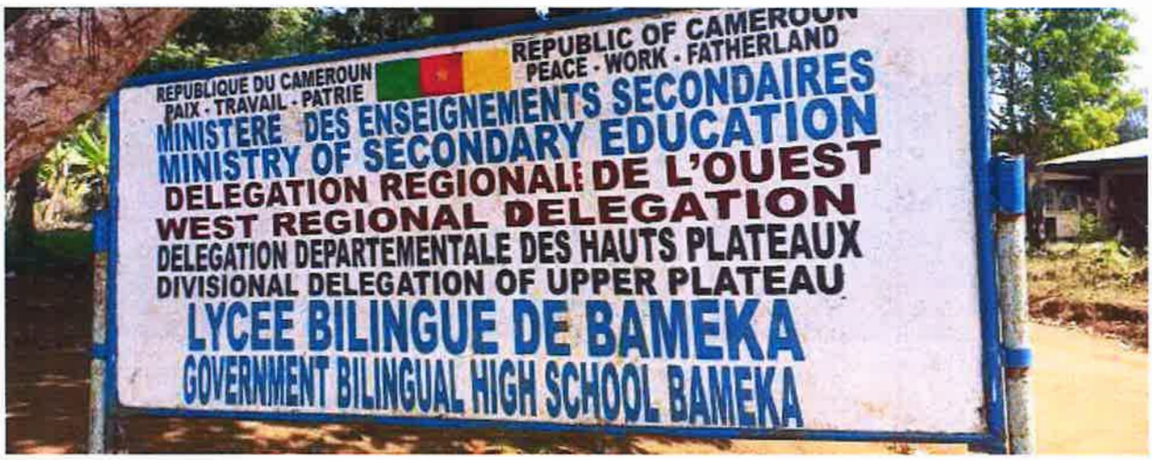
The following table summarizes the data related to the progress that was made with respect to the realization of set objectives.

Objective	*Activity*	*Realization*	*Indicators*	*Specific Problems*
Facilitate teaching learning through infrastructural improvement	Construct classrooms	4 classrooms were completed in 02 schools	-completed buildings; -Beneficiaries (pupils and teachers) using the classrooms	Continuous increase in the prices of building materials due to inflation, increased fuel prices, and influx of IDPs from the North West, South West, and the Grand North Regions.
Improve the quality of teaching - Learning in schools	Monitored the use of textbooks and workbooks previously donated to schools	- Pupils and teachers are effectively using the text/work books	- Expressed satisfaction by the pupils and the teachers, and improvement in the pupils performance	-Insufficient means to meet the needs of many children due to the large number of needy children in the schools, especially IDPs.
Improve on the Hygiene, sanitation and health of rural communities through the provision of potable water and latrines	-Follow up the functioning of the Kompina water project; -construct school toilet	Kompina water system was upgraded - Modern toilet constructed in GPNPS complex, Lake, Yaounde	- More people have access to potable water -Improvement in hygiene and sanitation conditions in the school complex; -Reduction in water borne related diseases	- Shortage of water supply in the GPNPS complex, Lake, Yaounde due to irregular cuts by the CAMWATER system.
Extend CIC/ ICA coverage to other needy communities	Identify needy and collaborative communities	Applications for collaboration were received from multiple communities within Menoua Division and other areas	-Application files received, analyzed and feasible projects selected; -CIC/ICA intervention is extended to other needy communities in Cameroon	

Project Realization in Pictures

I. Classrooms Construction Projects

(i) Government Bilingual High School (GBHS) Bameka



Billboard of GBHS Bameka



Classrooms completed in GBHS Bameka



Reception of completed project by school authorities and project committee





CIC management team visits project – GBHS Bameka (top and bottom)





(ii) Government Nursery School Bawoung Bansoa



Billboard of Government Nursery School(GNS) Bansoa



Roofing of the two classrooms



Completed classrooms





Community members visiting and appreciating the project

II. Water and Sanitation Project

(i) Kompina Water project





Field visit by CIC management and working session with project committee (top and bottom)





(ii) Modern Toilet Project in GPNPS complex, Lake, Yaounde





Completed toilet stalls (for 02 Nursery schools)



One of the toilet stalls



Section of the toilet for the Primary School

Identification of New projects



Frontline staff visiting CETIC de DOLEKEO to assess needs

CONCLUSION

In 2023 the Centre for International Cooperation (CIC), Cameroon in collaboration with the International Children's Awareness (ICA), Canada continued to reach out to, and work with some needy communities and peoples in Cameroon to realize relevant community development projects.

The different communities, institutions and people touched by these projects expressed their appreciation for the support and the desire for further collaboration.