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Child Protection

- Programme Cooperation Agreement with DRAS (Direction Regionale Action Sociale)
- 06 Social workers / Child Protection Officers and 36 Community Workers deployed
- 08 Child Well-being Committees in place
- 08 Child Friendly Spaces receiving an average of 2,960 children on a daily basis
- Support provided to 5,186 vulnerable children including 253 orphans
- 84 community leaders identified and trained on GBV Prevention, Monitoring and Reporting

Education

- UNICEF has developed an action plan to provide primary school teaching in partnership with the DREN, OPAD, Agro Action and other partners
- UNICEF in partnership with the DREN (Delegation Regionale de l’Education Nationale) conducted an assessment from April 18th to April 25th; JRS, OPAD and Agro Action as Education cluster members took an active role in the assessment
- School age children represent 30% of the total affected population
- 20% of children were enrolled in school in Darfur before the conflict
- None of the 29 schools in the Tissi catchment built in durable material
- Lack of class rooms, teachers and school supply
Health

- Programme Cooperation Agreement with ASSAR and 30,000 US$ with the DRS (Direction Regionale de la Sante)
- Rehabilitation of Tissi Health Center and 05 health posts in hosting villages (Kelle, UmDukhum, Bir nahal, Rout-Rout) including MSF-F health clinic in Haraza handed over to UNICEF partner ASSAR
- 16 nurses, midwives deployed for maternal and child health activities
- 36 Community Health Workers identified for community health intervention in 18 villages
- 1 Cold Chain Unit and vaccines; 30,000 immunized against measles
- 08 IAEH Kits 2006 delivered to Tissi and the 05 health posts

Non Food Items

- 10,000 LLITNs Pre-positioned in Tissi and 05 others sites; 5,000 LLITN distributed
- 5,000 plastic mats distributed
- 5,000 plastic sheetings delivered to provide adequate shelter for children and women
- 1,000 blankets distributed to children under 01 year old.

Nutrition

- Programme Cooperation Agreement with ASSAR and the DRS of Sila
- 06 OTP for management of Severe Acute Malnutrition and Moderate Acute Malnutrition
- 353 new SAM admissions on April and May 2013
- Prevention of Malnutrition: PlumpyDoz Blanket Feeding
- Micronutrient Supplementation: 15,000 Children 6-59 months received Vitamin A supplementation and deworming
WASH

- Programme Cooperation Agreement with IAS
- 02 boreholes and 02 bladders in Goz A Mir refugee camp
- 02 boreholes in Abgadam for refugee population
- 16 boreholes in 14 returnees sites and villages
- Programme Cooperation Agreement with the DRH for the Rehabilitation of Tissi Water Distribution System: Solar Power and 06 water distribution points
- Programme Cooperation Agreement with AFDI: hygiene promotion
- 500 Basic Water Family Kits distributed to 5,000 families
- 6,500 families received Water Purification tablets for home based water treatment
- 23,500 people received key messages on good hygiene and waterborne disease prevention
- Programme Cooperation Agreement with FPT for hygiene promotion and construction of 300 emergency latrines.

Estimated funding requirement until Dec 2013: USD 5.2 million
Secured Funding as of June 2013: USD 600,000
Pledged Funding as of June 2013: USD 600,000
Current Funding Gap: USD 4 million

Funding Partners: ECHO - DFID - OFDA - Unicef Nat Com
The USD 5.2 million requirement for Tissi falls within the broader USD 66 million requirement under the Humanitarian Action for Children (HAC) in Chad for 2013, which is currently being revised through the CAP mid-year review.
PHOTOS

Birnahal Health Center

The difficulties of fetching water, before the boreholes
Positive Borehole at the Goza site

Practical Training for Haraza site Health Workers
DISCUSSIONS WITH THE ROUT-ROUT SITE HEALTH WORKERS

ROUT-ROUT SITE HEALTH CENTER

OPERATIONAL DRINKING WATER WELL WITH MANUAL PUMP AT AMDOUKHOUN
Operational drinking water well with manual pump at Tamassi

Delivery of medical supplies at the Kellé health center