

Nigeria

# Child protection

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for every child

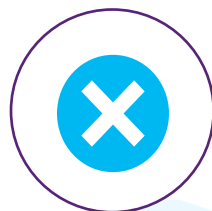
## What do we want to change?



**6 in 10**  
girls and boys  
are victims of  
violence



**43%**  
of children under  
five years have no  
birth certificate



**+ 19  
million**  
girls undergo  
female genital  
mutilation



**23 million**  
girls and women are  
married as children



**20,000** children are  
separated from their families in  
north-east Nigeria

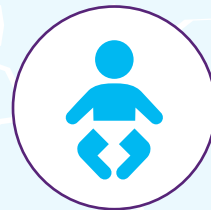
## What are our priorities?



Protect children from  
violence, abuse and  
exploitation



Address harmful practices  
through changing social norms



Accelerate routine  
birth registration

## What are we doing?



Strengthening child protection systems to end  
violence against children



Supporting the government-led child  
protection case management system



Training social welfare officers to  
better protect children



Training police, lawyers  
and judges in child  
friendly judicial practices



Monitoring and reporting  
on grave child rights  
violations



Improving access  
to birth registration  
services

## What have we accomplished?



Provided family tracing and reunification services for unaccompanied and separated girls and boys registered



**85,526** victims of gender-based violence in humanitarian situations supported



**7,052,139** births registered



Improved systems to track child protection cases, monitor incidents of grave child rights violations



Promoted political and community engagement to end violence against children and harmful practices (female genital mutilation and child marriage)

## What do we need?



Legal age for marriage established at 18



Costed action plans to prevent and respond to violence against children



Improved case management processes to provide alternative care for victims



Access to free and universal birth registration services



Investment in community mechanisms to end violence against children and harmful practices



US\$ 105 million for child protection