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# Emergency appeal

## Guinea: Ebola virus disease

 International Federation  
of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

Revised Emergency Appeal  
n° MDRGN007

**11.1 million people** to be  
assisted  
Appeal timeframe: 15 months

**CHF 250,000** DREF allocated  
**CHF 180,000** ERU  
**CHF 8.93m** budget

Glide n° **EP-2014-000039-LBR**

End date: June 2015

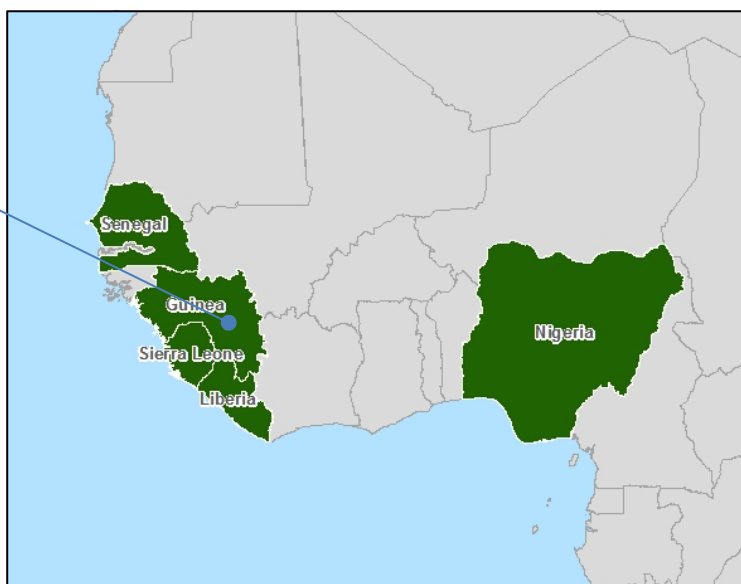
Launched: April 2014; revised  
September 2014

This revised Emergency Appeal for a total of some **CHF 8.93m** (increased from CHF 2.8m) enables the IFRC to support the **Red Cross Society of Guinea Red Cross Society** to respond to the escalating EVD outbreak by delivering assistance and support to some **11.1m people**, with a focus on information and communication, education, awareness raising, and social mobilization, surveillance, case identification and contact management, case management (including management of dead bodies), psychosocial support, and regional preparedness and response. With the Emergency Response Unit (ERU) component valued at some CHF 180,000, the total amount sought amounts to CHF 8.93m. The revised plan reflects an increased number of people to be reached, a scale-up of activities and the number of volunteers, and an enlarged geographic scope (see map). The planned response reflects the current situation and information available at this point of the evolving operation, and will be adjusted based on further developments and more detailed assessments.

Details are available in the Emergency Plan of Action (EPoA) [<click here>](#)

## The disaster and the response

- March 2014: Ebola outbreak occurred in Gueckedou Guinea
- March and April 2014: CHF 250,000 DREF allocated
- April 2014: **Field Assessment and Coordination team (FACT)** deployed (rapid assessment); **ERUs** deployed (logistics and health). **Emergency Appeal** launched for total of CHF 1.2m (including ERU bilateral component of CHF 366,000) for 3m people)
- 28 June 2014: suspected, probable and confirmed caseload reaches 450 with 330 deaths. IFRC launched revised emergency appeal for CHF 2.6m.
- August 2014: third wave in Guinea. Situation deteriorates with a total of 15 (out of 33) districts affected
- 8 September 2014**: Cumulative caseload reaches 690 with 460 deaths. IFRC issues revised appeal



## The operational strategy

The overall goal is to contribute to the reduction of mortality and morbidity related to the Ebola virus disease in Guinea through awareness messaging and social mobilization and provide psychosocial support to those affected.

### Needs assessment and beneficiary selection

The initial needs assessment resulted in the following needs identified:

- Information and communication
- Surveillance, case identification and contact management
- Case management (including body management)
- Psychosocial support
- Regional preparedness and response

The revised plan of action will build on the activities already being conducted and the lessons learnt related to the evolution of the outbreak. The ongoing escalation in cases and the engagement of other partners in some areas of the response requires a change of strategy that allows more integration of the key pillars and a focus on areas where the National Society can contribute most effectively to breaking the chain of transmission in effort to control the outbreak. Case management will be an additional component in this appeal due to the severe shortage of appropriate facilities for care of confirmed cases. .

The current outbreak in Guinea is unprecedented by its main characteristics. Indeed it affects rural and remote areas, urban areas as well as neighbourhood countries. Given that context, the proposed strategy focus on two pillars:

- Strengthening Conakry HQ and Gueckedou Local Committee as the two hubs from where the emergency response to the outbreak is designed and implemented all around the affected districts, in support to branch teams and MoH as well as humanitarian actors involved in the response
- Reinforcement of current response and prevention interventions in all affected localities through communication and social mobilization activities as well as through epidemic surveillance and control activities
- Initiation and implementation of resilience interventions against epidemics in general with focus on Ebola in particular

## Proposed sector of intervention: Health and care

### Summary table of planned sector interventions, outcomes, and main activities:

<b>Outcome 1: The immediate risks to the health of affected populations are reduced.</b>	
<b>Output 1: The capacity of Red Cross of Guinea to manage EVD outbreak response has been strengthened</b>	
Activities planned	Month
Deploy FACT to support the NS in planning and implementation of the international response to the epidemic	
Conduct a rapid assessment in the community to describe the current epidemic, in order to ensure that all activities of the chain of transmission are identified and measures to prevent future infections are implemented.	
Establish GRC task force at headquarter level maintaining close coordination with national health authorities, partner organizations and the GRC branches in the affected areas.	
Develop detailed emergency plan of action.	
Deploy an IFRC delegate and an IFRC Regional Disaster Response Team to support GRC in implementation and management of the operation.	
Deploy logistics ERU to support management of transport of personnel and equipment, incoming goods, procurement.	

<b>Output 2: Community-based disease prevention and health promotion is provided to targeted population</b>	
Activities planned	Week / Month
Train 120 supervisors and 2,000 volunteers in EVD signs and symptoms, prevention measures and referral mechanisms as well as personal protection. Refresh volunteers on community-based awareness-raising and social mobilization techniques.	
Prepare and regularly update key messages to be used for information campaign	
Reproduce and disseminate guidance and tools of community supervision cases	
Procure 2,400 "low-risk" PPE kits and train volunteers on the use of PPEs	
Produce and disseminate 100,000 pieces of context-specific Information, Education and Communication (IEC) materials, including leaflets and posters	
Procure visibility equipment and materials, including t-shirts, banners, megaphones.	
Conduct health promotion campaigns using house-to-house, community sensitization and media campaign in affected district	
Produce radio spots in line with the government communication plan and broadcast in areas of risk	
Disseminate key messages through SMS broadcast	
<b>Output 3: Contribution to epidemiological investigation and epidemic control</b>	
Activities planned	Week / Month
Train/Refresh training of 300 volunteers and 50 supervisors in case finding, contact tracing, transport of patients, disinfection and dead body management (DBM).	
Procure 3,000 high burden PPE kits and train volunteers on the use of PPEs	
Procure sprayers and chlorine for disinfection purposes	
Deploy 100 volunteers to organize the active search for suspected cases and contacts in the community to detect suspected cases of EVD.	
Enumerate all the contacts and place them under daily surveillance for 21 days in order to detect the possible onset of fever.	
Deploy 100 volunteers for disinfection of high-risk areas, secure burial of dead bodies, secure waste management at isolation centres and secure transportation of suspected/probable cases at the transitional centres.	
<b>Output 4: Psychosocial and economical support is provided to affected population</b>	
<b>Output 5.1: Psychosocial support provided to affected individuals, families and communities</b>	
Activities planned	
Train 250 volunteers in psychosocial support techniques using the IFRC Reference Centre for psychosocial support material	
Establish volunteer care mechanisms and systems.	
Provide psychosocial counselling to patients, affected family members, people who have been separated and volunteers.	
Accompany and support individuals discharged from isolation back to their communities to assist in re-entry and re assure community	
Conduct community visits for mitigation and reduction of stigma and fear.	
<b>Output 5.2: Cash support is provided to individuals or families who have lost belongings due to disinfection and epidemic control measures</b>	
Activities planned	
Identify and establish secure cash-transfer system	
Establish selection criteria and validation systems for beneficiary selection; Transfer 500,000 GNF (64 CHF) to 300 families (with positive case/s)	
<b>Outcome 2: National Society Epidemic preparedness</b>	
<b>Output 2.1 The National Society is prepared countrywide to respond to this and future epidemics</b>	
Activities planned	Month
Workshops (development of national and 8 districts EVD Contingency Plans + Simulation Exercises)	
Training x 100 community volunteers from 33 districts of the 8 administrative Regions	
Pre-positioning of PPE (high and low risk) and disinfection kits (for households disinfection and dead	

body management) x 8 Admin Regions
Produce and distribute IEC materials to branches in 8 Administrative regions
Procurement of bicycles and Motorbikes for branches
Purchase 12 motorcycles (1 per Region for 7 regions and 5 for the Capital)
Purchase 80 bicycles for 7 regions (10 each) and for the 5 branches of the Capital
Reinforcement of current IT systems and radio communication systems.

## Coordination and Partnerships

In Conakry, the IFRC and the GRC participate in the national coordination committee meetings with all other operational actors' present in country. The epidemiological situation is monitored closely and shared among partners. In Gueckedou, IFRC & GRC representatives also attend daily coordination meetings to ensure a continued integrated approach amongst all humanitarian actors. The GRC also meets with local committees in Conakry to plan and carry out prevention activities and strategies needed to mobilize the population in the fight against the outbreak. The National Society also is working in close contact with prefectural committees in Macenta, Guékédou and Kissidougou and has begun to mobilize its volunteers. The GRC response follows the overall directions from the National Health Authorities and close coordination is maintained with other humanitarian actors such as the World Health Organization and Medecins Sans Frontiers.

The overall IFRC response is coordinated from the IFRC Ebola coordination centre in Conakry where the IFRC head of emergency operation leads a team of programme support functions in order to maintain a coordinated response in multiple countries following the same response strategy but adapted to specific contexts and National Society capacity, role and mandate.

## Budget

See attached IFRC Secretariat budget (Annex 1) for details.

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### Reference documents



Click here for:

- [Emergency Plan of Action \(EPoA\)](#)

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## How we work

All IFRC assistance seeks to adhere to the **Code of Conduct** for the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement and Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) in Disaster Relief and the **Humanitarian Charter and Minimum Standards in Humanitarian Response (Sphere)** in delivering assistance to the most vulnerable. The IFRC's vision is to inspire, **encourage, facilitate and promote at all times all forms of humanitarian activities** by National Societies, with a view to **preventing and alleviating human suffering**, and thereby contributing to the maintenance and promotion of human dignity and peace in the world.

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The IFRC's work is guided by Strategy 2020 which puts forward three strategic aims:



**Save lives.**  
protect livelihoods,  
and strengthen recovery  
from disaster and crises.



Enable **healthy**  
and **safe** living.



Promote **social inclusion**  
and a culture of  
**non-violence and peace.**

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# EMERGENCY BUDGET

09/09/2014

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Budget Group	Multilateral Response	Inter-Agency Shelter Coord.	Bilateral Response	Appeal Budget CHF
Shelter - Relief	0			0
Shelter - Transitional	0			0
Construction - Housing	0			0
Construction - Facilities	0			0
Construction - Materials	0			0
Clothing & Textiles	0			0
Food	0			0
Seeds & Plants	0			0
Water, Sanitation & Hygiene	137,280			137,280
Medical & First Aid	866,680			866,680
Teaching Materials	364,980			364,980
Utensils & Tools	159,000			159,000
Other Supplies & Services	0			0
Emergency Response Units			180,000	180,000
Cash Disbursements	260,000			260,000
<b>Total RELIEF ITEMS, CONSTRUCT</b>	<b>1,787,940</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>180,000</b>	<b>1,967,940</b>
Land & Buildings	0			0
Vehicles Purchase	328,000			328,000
Computer & Telecom Equipment	137,000			137,000
Office/Household Furniture & Equipm	71,133			71,133
Medical Equipment	0			0
Other Machinery & Equipment	0			0
<b>Total LAND, VEHICLES AND EQUIP</b>	<b>536,133</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>536,133</b>
Storage, Warehousing	0			0
Distribution & Monitoring	61,000			61,000
Transport & Vehicle Costs	1,095,010			1,095,010
Logistics Services	0			0
<b>Total LOGISTICS, TRANSPORT AN</b>	<b>1,156,010</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,156,010</b>
International Staff	1,295,500			1,295,500
National Staff	46,763			46,763
National Society Staff	316,153			316,153
Volunteers	1,881,836			1,881,836
<b>Total PERSONNEL</b>	<b>3,540,253</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,540,253</b>
Consultants	79,000			79,000
Professional Fees	0			0
<b>Total CONSULTANTS &amp; PROFESSI</b>	<b>79,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>79,000</b>
Workshops & Training	366,000			366,000
<b>Total WORKSHOP &amp; TRAINING</b>	<b>366,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>366,000</b>
Travel	50,000			50,000
Information & Public Relations	512,296			512,296
Office Costs	84,000			84,000
Communications	57,000			57,000
Financial Charges	30,000			30,000
Other General Expenses	19,552			19,552
Shared Support Services				
<b>Total GENERAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>752,848</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>752,848</b>
Programme and Supplementary Serv	534,182	0	0	534,182
<b>Total INDIRECT COSTS</b>	<b>534,182</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>534,182</b>
<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>	<b>8,752,366</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>180,000</b>	<b>8,932,366</b>
<b>Available Resources</b>				
Multilateral Contributions				0
Bilateral Contributions				0
<b>TOTAL AVAILABLE RESOURCES</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>NET EMERGENCY APPEAL NEEDS</b>	<b>8,752,366</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>180,000</b>	<b>8,932,366</b>



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