

# Emergency Appeal Operation Update

## Ebola Virus Disease Emergency Appeals (Guinea, Liberia,, Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone and Coordination & Preparedness)

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#### Summary

IFRC's [Ebola strategic framework](#) is organised around 5 outcomes:

- The epidemic is stopped
- National Societies have better Ebola preparedness and stronger long term capacities
- IFRC operations are well coordinated
- Safe and Dignified Burials (SDB) are effectively carried out by all actors
- Recovery of community life and livelihoods

Six emergency appeals were launched to combat Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) outbreaks in Guinea, Liberia, Sierra Leone, Nigeria and Senegal, while providing coordination and technical support at the regional and global level.



Liberia, Monrovia: Young community members join a Red Cross community engagement and social mobilisation session. Photo: Stephen Ryan /IFRC

Ebola Emergency Appeals: Summary Update on Resource Mobilization							
Appeal	Guinea MDRGN007	Liberia MDRLR001	Sierra Leone MDRSL005	Nigeria MDRNG017	Senegal MDRSN010	Coordination & Preparedness MDR60002	Total Figures (CHF)
<b>Budget</b>	28.5 M	24.5 M	54.3 M	1.6 M	1.4 M	15.9 M	126.2 M
<b>Income to date</b>	22.1 M	21.9 M	47.4 M	0.6 M	0.2 M	5 M	97.1 M
<b>Coverage</b>	77%	89%	87%	39%	13%	32%	77%
<b>Funding Gap</b>	6.4 M	2.6 M	6.9 M	1 M	1.2 M	10.9 M	29.1 M
<b>Current top funding priorities:</b> Guinea Emergency Appeal, Global Coordination & Preparedness Appeal							
<b>Appeal revisions:</b> The Emergency Appeals for Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone will all be revised to include recovery programming in April 2015.							
<b>Federation-wide Information:</b> In addition to the total of CHF 97 million received through IFRC Ebola Emergency Appeals (above), it is estimated that to date there has been an additional CHF 41 million in bilateral income/contributions, making a total of CHF 138 million in Red Cross Red Crescent contributions/income to date.							

<sup>1</sup> A single combined operations update is produced for the 5 Ebola operations on a fortnightly basis

In helping stop the epidemic, the appeal operations employ a 5 pillar approach comprising: (1) Beneficiary Communication and Social Mobilization; (2) Contact Tracing and Surveillance; (3) Psychosocial Support; (4) Case Management; and (5) Safe and Dignified Burials (SDB) and Disinfection.

Smaller preparedness and response operations were financed by the IFRC Disaster Response Emergency Fund (DREF) in Mali, Cote d'Ivoire, Cameroon, Togo, Benin, Central African Republic, Chad, Gambia, Kenya, Guinea Bissau and Ethiopia. In total, 16 countries in Africa have launched emergency operations relating to this outbreak.<sup>2</sup>

Over the past two weeks case incidence has declined in both Guinea and Sierra Leone, and transmission has been restricted to districts in and around Conakry and Freetown. Liberia reported its first case in three weeks

The epicentre of the outbreak, in the tri-border area around the Guinean prefecture of Gueckedou, the Liberian county of Lofa, and the Sierra Leonean district of Kailahun, has not reported a confirmed case of EVD for over 90 days. Notwithstanding these improvements, cases continue to be identified outside of registered contacts, and the number of reported unsafe burials has increased, suggesting that the outbreak in Guinea continues to be driven by unknown chains of transmission.

The total number of confirmed and probable cases is similar in males and females. Compared with children (people aged 14 years and under), people aged 15 to 44 are approximately three times more likely to be affected. People aged 45 and over are three to five times more likely to be affected than are children.

The President of **Guinea** has declared a Health Emergency in Lower Guinea, in response to the high number of cases that continue to present in the region. In this reporting period, Guinea has recorded 112 confirmed cases and 84 deaths. With two days remaining in March, the month has seen 39 more cases and 15 more deaths than February. The epidemic is now concentrated in Conakry and in surrounding prefectures in Lower Guinea, particularly in Forécariah. The IFRC and Guinea Red Cross (GRC) continue to redirect human resources to reinforce teams in Lower Guinea and to increase the response capacity in the region.

With the epidemic now concentrated in Lower Guinea, resistance and acts of violence have also become concentrated in and around Conakry. There were six security incidents reported by GRC SDB teams and IFRC delegates during this reporting period, and all but one occurred in Conakry. In response to the continuing insecurity, 70 GRC volunteers in Conakry and Forécariah participated in security training run by the IFRC. The IFRC and GRC continue to work with local officials and coordinate with national awareness campaigns in order to reduce security incidents and improve the safety of volunteers and staff.

Planning and preparations are underway for the Presidential campaign in advance of the election in November, 2015, and to make contingency plans for the 2015 rainy season which will begin in June. In addition to the logistical challenges that the rainy season will present, humanitarian actors are anticipating secondary epidemics of other diseases.

After 27 days without any new EVD cases, a new case was confirmed in **Liberia** on 20 March 2015 in Montserrado County. The patient died in an Ebola treatment unit, after ten days of intensive care. The source of transmission has not been identified, although it is being suggested that the woman may have contracted the disease through sexual contact. Research has shown traces of Ebola in semen of some

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<sup>2</sup> An operation in Democratic Republic of Congo was launched to combat the separate Ebola outbreak that is not part of the West Africa outbreak.

survivors for at least 82 days after the onset of symptoms, meaning that survivors could carry the disease long after they have recovered. The Ministry of Health (MOH), with the support of partners, is following up a total of 185 contacts in Montserrado.

A measles outbreak has been identified in Grand Bassa, with a total of 27 children under five years testing positive.

In **Sierra Leone**, a three-day nationwide lockdown that was imposed to control the spread of Ebola ended on 29 March. The measure was enacted to allow health officials to identify people who might be infected with the virus and to raise awareness about the disease.

The supply of food, water, and adequate sanitation facilities to quarantined areas has become challenging, and is being exacerbated by poor coordination between agencies and road access issues, particularly in rural areas. In addition, poor mobile phone coverage is impeding disease surveillance in Koinadugu, Kailahun, and Pujehun.

Following the opening of the border with Liberia, there are signs that markets and trade are recovering across Sierra Leone. However high staple food prices and low wages are still hampering food access in northern areas, and it has been estimated that 10% of the population are now food insecure.

## Operation Updates

Latest available cumulative data are provided below for 11 situation and programme indicators.

	Operational Countries and Appeals					
	GUINEA	LIBERIA	SIERRA LEONE	NIGERIA	SENEGAL	TOTAL
	(MDRGN007)	(MDRLR001)	(MDRSL005)	(MDRNG017)	(MDRSN010)	
<b>Cumulative Cases</b>	3,485	9,898	11,907	21	1	25,312
<b>Cumulative Health Care Worker Deaths</b>	100	180	222	5	0	507
<b>Cumulative Deaths</b>	2,305	4,353	3,779	8	0	10,445
<b>Fatality rate</b>	66%	44%	32%	38%	0%	41%
<b>Safe and Dignified Burials(SDB) conducted by NS</b>	6,498	3,686	10,299	0	0	20,483
<b>Trained RC volunteers active in Ebola</b>	903	1,075	1,888	48	448	4,362
<b>Contacts traced by NS</b>	9,956*	7,827	79,377*	891	75	98,126
<b>Houses disinfected by NS</b>	19,180	2,736	7,942	14	0	29,872
<b>People reached through face to face social mobilization</b>	1,218,264	1,898,117	1,847,855	1,043,565	375,834	6,383,635
<b>People reached through Psychosocial support</b>	3,699	3,056	220,260	777	0	227,792
<b>People treated by NS</b>	N/A	N/A	836	N/A	N/A	836

NA= Not applicable - Treatment currently supported only by the Appeals in Sierra Leone

Source: Ministries of Health Sitreps (Guinea, Liberia, Sierra Leone, Nigeria, Senegal), WHO data

\*Data for this reporting period not available.

‡ Case management is being implemented bilaterally in Guinea.

## Guinea

### ***Social mobilization and beneficiary communication***

Social mobilization and beneficiary communications activities continued throughout Guinea, with 24,099 people reached through face-to-face interactions and 2,800 households reached through community engagement sessions in the reporting period, and significantly more through radio and television broadcasts. Two hundred and nine Red Cross volunteers were trained in social mobilization and beneficiary communications.

#### Highlights

- Production and distribution of 12 interactive radio shows on Radio-Television Guinea (RTG) and a number of rural radio stations. Themes that were discussed included illegal transportation of bodies and patients in taxis, the need for early treatment, disinfection and safe and dignified burials. In total 120 calls and 33 SMS were received during these interactive radio shows.
- Launch of the 'Words Against Ebola' campaign in Conakry on March 23. The launch was marked with a forum and discussion attended by Movement partners, humanitarian response agencies, representatives from the Government of Guinea, and community groups.
- Community dialogues held in the prefectures of Coyah, Forécariah and Boffa under the campaign 'Ebola is Enough', organized by the National Coordination Cell against Ebola, UNMEER and all partners involved in the response.

#### Planning

- Launch of interactive radio shows in Forecariah, Kindia, Bofa and Coya Prefectures.
- Organizing a symposium for religious leaders on the Ebola virus.

### ***Psychosocial Support***

Psychosocial support (PSS) activities are targeted at survivors, Ebola-affected families, and Red Cross staff and volunteers. In the reporting period, 15 volunteers were trained in PSS, and 145 people were supported through PSS activities.

### ***Contact Tracing and Surveillance***

The Guinea Red Cross provides volunteers to undertake contact tracing and surveillance activities with other response agencies around the country. Six Red Cross volunteers were actively undertaking contact tracing during the reporting period.

#### Planning

- Setting up 173 community teams for epidemic response in the most affected areas of Conakry and Lower Guinea. These inter-disciplinary teams will undertake community surveillance, active case finding through a door-to-door strategy, and social mobilisation. The first training for these teams is scheduled for the first week of April. These teams will also participate in the Government of Guinea campaign for active case finding, scheduled for 10-16 April, 2015.

### ***Case Management in Red Cross Ebola Treatment Centres – Macenta***

It should be noted that case management is being implemented bilaterally by French Red Cross in Guinea. Please refer to Movement Coordination for further information.

In the reporting period, GRC teams transported 49 suspected Ebola cases to Ebola treatment centres.

### ***Safe and Dignified Burials and Disinfections of Houses***

The Government of Guinea has now decreed that all community deaths in the epidemic hotspots (Conakry and Lower Guinea) should be safely buried without awaiting the laboratory result. This will greatly increase the workload on the SDB teams. However the decree has not been widely communicated, and the Red Cross is still following the Ebola alert system, with teams only burying those bodies that have been called in as Ebola suspects. In practice this change will be rolled out in phases, with the first phase focusing on Ebola victims identified at the morgues of the three public hospitals in Conakry.

The new strategy of separating swabbers from SDB teams, and having them accompany the Ministry of Health's investigation teams, has been a tremendous success, with a steady increase in the number of community deaths swabbed in Conakry over the last 4 weeks. The WHO and CDC have now requested that Red Cross swab all bodies at the morgues of the three largest public hospitals in Conakry as a check on the quality of the Ebola case detection and triage at those structures. The training of this next cohort of swabbers will start on 30 March 2015.

Over the past two weeks, Safe and Dignified Burial (SDB) teams conducted 294 safe burials, in addition to disinfecting 209 houses.

Three new polyvalent SDB/Patient Transfer teams have been trained and commenced in Forecariah, bringing the total number of teams in Forecariah to seven. In Conakry, five additional SDB teams and swabbing teams have been trained and commenced, bringing the total number of active SDB teams to 10 in Conakry.

### Looking Ahead

The IFRC and the GRC teams will work together in April to revise the Guinea Emergency Appeal and update the Emergency Plan of Action.

IFRC plans to continue to reallocate resources towards Lower Guinea and Conakry, with the expectation that the number of burial alerts will increase in the coming weeks. IFRC will be establishing operational bases in Dubréka and Coyah, and reinforcing bases in Conakry. To be able to meet the increasing demand in the localized hot spots, additional SDB and Beneficiary Communications teams will be trained, and the IFRC and GRC will work to improve hygiene conditions in the city of Conakry.

## **Liberia**

### ***Social Mobilization and Beneficiary Communication***

Red Cross volunteers continued to conduct social mobilization and community education sessions across Liberia, and 131,193 people were reached during the reporting period.

### Highlights

#### *Beneficiary Communications*

- A two day training was conducted in four counties from 9<sup>th</sup> -19<sup>th</sup> March for beneficiary communication field officers and volunteers. A total of five Beneficiary Communications Officers and 20 volunteers were trained in Montserrado, Grand Bassa, River Cess and Sinoe counties.
- The Beneficiary Communications activity plan for April-May 2015 was developed, which outlined the following key activities:
  - Define strategic plan and log frame for BC program until end of 2015

- Hire new BCOs and involve volunteers in the eight counties still not covered in order to have presence in the 15 counties (1 BCO and 4 volunteers per county)
- Provide training on audio visual production and BC/Community Engagement to BCOs
- Hire BC Data Management Officer
- Define database to manage community feedback and follow up response
- Conduct community assessment in all 15 counties to identify community information needs and message understanding in order to define better targeted and focus communication.
- Identify and develop new feedback mechanisms such as community information billboards, suggestion boxes, sms text messages and telephone calls, and beneficiary satisfaction surveys.

#### *Montserrado County*

Social mobilization activities have been conducted in five schools, and 34 buckets and hygiene kits were distributed. 134 IPC kits were distributed to target schools as part of the school opening programme. A total of 350 volunteers were mobilized to raise awareness about Ebola, while the Chapter has been conducting assessments in more than 500 target schools in the county.

#### *River Cess County*

A total of 100 volunteers were mobilized during the reporting period, with 88 volunteers engaging in social mobilization in nine communities, and an additional 12 volunteers conducting other EVD emergency response interventions. Two monitoring visits were carried out by chapter staff to ensure that interventions were carried out effectively.

#### *Grand Bassa County*

LNRCS Grand Bassa Chapter mobilized 124 volunteers to disseminate EVD information in five districts. For the reporting period, LNRCS volunteers also covered Tutu town and No Way Camp communities. The chapter is continuing social mobilization campaigns in schools, communities, transport centres and market places regarding EVD interventions, and established four hand washing points in communities where there were no such facilities.

#### *Gbarpolu County*

Fifty volunteers were engaged in social mobilisation covering 92 communities in two districts of Kongba and Belle. The chapter also participated in a joint partners border assessment during the reporting period. The purpose of the assessment was to identify the border crossing points in four communities of Kongba district which borders Sierra Leone. Along with LNRCS chapter team members, officials from county health team, WHO, UNFPA, CDC, Global community, and eHealth Africa were part of the assessment.

#### *Grand Cape Mount County*

One hundred and nineteen volunteers were engaged in social mobilisation activities in five districts of Grand Cape Mount County, (Commonwealth, Garwula, Tewor, Porkpa and Gola Konneh). Chapter volunteers are engaged in EVD awareness in Tewor and Porkpa. Volunteers are engaging with communities to promote handwashing and other precautionary measures.

#### *Bomi County*

Seventy eight volunteers were engaged in social mobilisation activities during the reporting period in 101 communities in the districts of Sinjei, Dowin, Klay and Suehn Mecca.

#### *Bong County*

A total of 110 volunteers carried out social mobilization activities targeting nine communities and reaching 4,012 beneficiaries from nine communities.

#### *Nimba County*

Chapters conducted training for 50 volunteers on Ebola awareness. Volunteers conducted social mobilization campaign in 134 household and covered a total of 6,348 beneficiaries.

## Challenges

- Roads are bad and most of them not easily accessible by vehicle.
- Internet connectivity is poor.
- Secret burials are still taking place in some communities.
- Parents are still reluctant to send their children to schools due to Ebola Virus.
- County health teams looking for additional support from LNRCS chapters in terms of school opening program.

## ***Psychosocial Support***

Psychosocial support continues to be provided to affected individuals, families, community members and Red Cross staff and volunteers, with 389 people reached by the National Society in the reporting period.

## ***Safe and Dignified Burials and Disinfection of Houses***

SDB teams are collecting the majority of bodies from hospitals in Monrovia, when disinfection has already taken place. This is likely to influence the overall test results. SDB teams have now commenced training nurses at the hospitals to take the swabs.

The timeframe for handing over SDB activities to Montserrado Health Teams is yet to be finalised.

## ***Surveillance and Contact Tracing***

There are no contacts being followed up in Liberia at present.

A second round of active case finding ToTs is planned for eight health officers in four counties, who will then train volunteers in six counties.

## ***Case Management Community-Based Household Protection***

During this reporting period, LNRCS distributed a total of 30 kits to ten townships in Montserrado County. Following up the distribution, training will be conducted in the next week.

Pre-positioning of CBHP kits in hard to reach communities is ongoing, and a total of 36 kits were delivered to nine communities in four districts of Gbarpolu. It is intended that CBHP kits be pre-positioned in all chapters across the country.

## **Sierra Leone**

### ***Social Mobilization and Beneficiary Communications***

Social mobilization and beneficiary communications activities continued during the reporting period, and 133,292 people were reached through direct social mobilization activities, including focus group discussions and house-to-house campaigns.

### Highlights:

A new approach known as Community Lead Ebola Action has been adopted by all partners in Koinadugu District, whereby community engagement campaigns will jointly implemented by DERC, UNICEF, Medicos, Cause Canada, DHMT and community based organizations targeting neglected communities in hard to reach areas and previous Ebola hotspots.

The Red Cross monthly survey was conducted in Kambia, Kenema and Western Area Urban, which targeted 261 households. Key findings included:

- Acknowledgement of Ebola is almost 100% in all three districts.
- Perception of risk of infection in “the next 6 months” varied depending on a number of factors, including the level of understanding of prevention measures, collective fear and lack of awareness.
- Knowledge of modes of transmission, signs and symptoms of Ebola is highest in Freetown and Kenema.
- Less than half of respondents in all three districts believe that a person can be infected with Ebola but not show signs or symptoms.
- Religious venues are becoming a more effective source of information dissemination than was previously noted, particularly in Kambia.
- There is a recognised need by the respondents to receive more information on Ebola. In Kambia and Freetown the most quoted topics of information required are “medical care and treatment”, “prevention” and “signs and symptoms”.
- Behaviour change is noted in all three districts, and over 80% of respondents reported frequent hand washing with soap and water.

#### Challenges:

- Inaccessibility of some areas remain a challenge, more vehicles are needed to support volunteers to reach these areas.
- Discrimination and stigmatisation against survivors is still widely reported

#### Planning

- ToT on CBHFA-ECV is planned for 8 April 2015 to strengthen the resilience of affected communities. A follow up training is being organised for volunteers and community leaders from 18 April - 10 May 2015.
- Construction is soon to begin on 150 Red Cross information kiosks in all operational districts.
- Train 2000 community Red Cross volunteer groups (mother clubs, Youth peers educator club, DRR community volunteers, Communication community volunteers).
- Provision of monitoring tools and IEC material to community groups.
- Distribution of community hygiene kits.
- Briefing of teachers to support the reopening of schools.

#### ***Psychosocial Support***

The Red Cross continues to support the reintegration of survivors back into their communities through the provision of psychosocial first aid, using individual and group counselling, and broader community engagement. To date, 570 psychosocial support volunteers have been trained. In the reporting period, 11,580 people were supported through psychosocial support activities.

#### ***Surveillance and Contact Tracing***

In the reporting period, 500 Red Cross-trained contact tracing volunteers were actively involved in the national surveillance system.

#### Highlights

- In Koinadugu, the Community Event-Based Surveillance (CEBS) project was introduced in 12 of the 13 chiefdoms targeted.

### Challenges

- Poor transport and communication networks in some districts makes it difficult for effective surveillance and contact tracing to be undertaken.
- Movement of EVD-suspected people across different administration boundaries hampers effective surveillance.

### ***Case Management in Red Cross Ebola Treatment Centres - Kenema and Kono***

In the reporting period, 39 people were admitted to Red Cross Ebola Treatment Centres at Kenema and Kono, while 30 were discharged. Seven people remain admitted at the treatment centre. The case fatality rate at the treatment centres is 16%.

### Highlights

- Kenema ETC has been empty for the last two weeks, Kono ETC continues to screen patients but has not had a confirmed case in the reporting period.
- IFRC ETC teams continue to build the capacity of Lassa fever ward staff at Kenema General Hospital
- Red Cross has supported the rehabilitation of a new site for the local vocational school in Kono to facilitate its opening in April 2015.

### Planning

Plans for decommissioning both ETCs at Kenema and Kono in the coming months are underway. Discussions with government health authorities are in progress to ensure that any scale down does not leave gaps in these districts. Caution remains, and it is acknowledged that the epidemiological situation may change at any time, and that rapid surge capacity is required for the coming months.

### ***Safe and Dignified Burials and Disinfections***

Red Cross currently has 54 SDB teams and four decontamination teams operating across Sierra Leone, who conducted 953 safe burials in the reporting period, in addition to disinfecting 832 houses. Red Cross SDB teams continue to carry out more than 50% of all safe burials across Sierra Leone.

In the reporting period, SDB teams collected 77% of the bodies for burial from the community, 13% from Community Care Centres, 6% from Ebola Treatment Centres, with the remaining 4% collected from other locations.

### Challenges

- The main challenge continues to be related to government swabbers, who are not fully integrated into burial teams, which negatively impacts the disinfection process and complicates the data collection process.
- Community members are still preparing bodies before the arrival of burial teams. In the reporting period, 12 corpses appeared to have been prepared prior to burial teams arriving, which represents a serious risk to those who have had contact with the deceased.

### Planning

- First Aid training for SDB teams
- Refresher training for SDB teams

## Nigeria

On 20 October, WHO officially declared Nigeria free of Ebola. Over the reporting period, 40 Red Cross volunteers conducted sensitization sessions on infection control and prevention in markets in three markets in Lagos, reaching over 900 people. Three more public awareness-raising events are planned for the 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> March, to coincide with the once year commemoration of the start of the Ebola outbreak. Thirty volunteers participated in Ebola preparedness training in Kaduna, where an international airport is located. Additional trainings are planned to occur in Enugu, Anambra and Ondo States in the coming week. The Port Health Department has now reduced the number of volunteers screening passengers at Murtala Muhammed International Airport in Lagos, and a team of five are continuing to check temperatures as people arrive.

## Senegal

On 17 October, WHO officially declared Senegal free of Ebola. Senegal remains a high-risk country and strengthening of response capacity and preparedness is vital for early and effective response to potential new cases. In response to this continued threat of transmission, Senegalese Red Cross Society has implemented Ebola prevention activities in regions bordering Guinea, including:

- In Tambacounda Region, 272 Red Cross volunteers carried out awareness-raising activities, including home visits, focus group discussions, sensitization caravans, demonstrations and distribution of information and education communications (IEC) materials. These activities reached a total of 22,508 people.
- In Kédougou Region, 62 volunteers reached 17,517 people through home visits.
- In Matam Region, 114 volunteers were mobilized and conducted 1,830 home visits, five mobilization activities, and distributed flyers and posters. These activities reached a total of 13,269 people.

## Regional Coordination and Preparedness

### *Recovery Assessment*

A multi-sectorial recovery assessment commenced in February 2015, which was co-led by National Society counterparts, and was designed to identify the early recovery needs of affected populations in Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone. A regional debriefing was held in Conakry, Guinea from 21 – 22 March 2015, where the results from the recovery assessment were presented, and planning on the recovery phase of the Red Cross EVD operations continued.

Recovery options for Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone were prioritized in collaboration with the three respective National Societies, which focussed on health and care, water and sanitation, food security and livelihoods, psychosocial support and organizational development. Recommendations to guide the recovery plan of action were presented, and included systematic information sharing among headquarters, branches and sub-branches; the linking of contingency and response plans; and the use of surveillance data for cross-border early warning systems. The final report for the recovery assessment is expected to be released by the end of April 2015, followed by a donor meeting in May 2015, where recovery planning within each country will be outlined and discussed further.

## Movement Coordination

### *Launch of the Words Against Ebola Campaign*

The IFRC, together with the ICRC and National Societies in the Ebola affected countries, launched the *Words Against Ebola* campaign on 23 March 2015, the one year commemoration of the outbreak. The campaign was intended to promote knowledge and awareness, alleviate fear, overcome complacency, and

create a community of global support to get to zero cases of Ebola. The campaign was launched in Guinea and Senegal, and meetings there were attended by members of the Guinean Government, representatives from Ebola response organizations, the Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement, and members of community organizations.

Press conferences were held in Conakry and Dakar, where 84 journalists attended from international, regional and national media including Reuters TV, BBC radio (French), VOA radio (French), Internews, Africa 24, Africable, AP, RFI, IRIN and the Chinese press service. A number of news stories were published, including:

Times - [The Red Cross: 'Ebola Started In Silence and Will End With Our Words'](#)

Reuters - [Guinea starts testing Merck vaccine in Ebola hotspots](#)

Bloomberg - [Last Mile of Ebola Eradication Is Seen as the Most Difficult](#)

Yahoo News - [Ebola one year on](#)

All Africa - [Liberia: Red Cross Calls On All Liberians to Help End the Stigma and Ebola](#)

Business Insider - [Guinea starts testing Merck vaccine in Ebola hotspots](#)

RFI - [Ebola: mobilisation et vaccination un an après le début de l'épidémie](#)

Agence de Presse Sénégalaise - [Ebola: la Croix-Rouge sensibilise avec des "mots justes"](#)

African Press Agency - [Lancement au Sénégal de la campagne "des mots justes contre Ebola"](#)

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Guinéenews - [« Des mots contre Ebola », une campagne mondiale lancée à Conakry](#)

ATS - [La Croix-Rouge lance une campagne: des mots contre Ebola](#)

#### *Bilateral Contributions*

The French Red Cross (FRC) are currently operating two 30-bed treatment facilities in Macenta and a 25-bed treatment facility in Forecariah. The French Red Cross Ebola response operation has an estimated budget of € 24 million, which is 100% covered. 150 international delegates have been deployed since the start of the operation, and more than 300 national staff are currently under contract.

Seven pre-deployment courses have been held at the FRC HQ in Paris, and 107 people have been trained to date.

German Red Cross is also operating a severe infection temporary treatment unit in Monrovia for patients who fit the case definition of Ebola. After triage, confirmed Ebola cases are transferred to ETCs, while those who are negative are treated on-site. More than 200 international staff (including 81 German Red Cross delegates and military personnel) and 230 national staff are involved. The German Red Cross Ebola response operation has a budget of € 7.4 million, which is funded by the German Government.

A number of Partner National Societies have provided bilateral support to the affected countries, as well as preparedness activities in surrounding countries, including:

<b>Partner National Societies' bilateral contributions in West Africa</b>			
Guinea	Liberia	Sierra Leone	Surrounding countries
French Red Cross	Austrian Red Cross	Austrian Red Cross	Belgian Red Cross

Belgian Red Cross	Botswana Red Cross	Botswana Red Cross	British Red Cross
Botswana Red Cross	Canadian Red Cross	Finnish Red Cross	Canadian Red Cross
Canadian Red Cross	Danish Red Cross	Iranian Red Cross	Danish Red Cross
Danish Red Cross	German Red Cross	Spanish Red Cross	Iranian Red Cross Netherlands Red Cross
Spanish Red Cross	Spanish Red Cross		Spanish Red Cross  Swiss Red Cross

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# EBOLA

At a glance

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## EMERGENCY APPEALS

Appeal Code	Appeal Name	Appeal Timeframe		Budget	Funding	Coverage	Gap	Income	DREF	Expenditure	Balance	Commitments	Exp/Bud
MDR60002	Africa - Ebola Coordination and prep	19-Aug-14	31-Dec-15	15,882,441	5,011,109	32%	10,871,332	5,034,905		2,547,413	2,487,493	1,617,258	16%
MDRGN007	Guinea - Ebola Virus Disease	26-Mar-14	30-Jun-15	28,509,039	22,091,915	77%	6,417,124	22,028,986	0	7,767,967	14,261,018	2,790,257	27%
MDRLR001	Liberia - EVD Outbreak	09-Apr-14	30-Jun-15	24,464,985	21,853,189	89%	2,611,796	21,688,277	0	7,807,859	13,880,418	1,071,716	32%
MDRNG017	Nigeria - Ebola Virus Disease	08-Aug-14	31-May-15	1,619,444	626,151	39%	993,293	626,151	0	615,615	10,536	45,950	38%
MDRSL005	Sierra Leone - Ebola Virus Disease	06-Apr-14	15-Jun-15	54,330,063	47,351,578	87%	6,978,485	47,055,728	0	20,666,881	26,388,847	8,557,388	38%
MDRSN010	Senegal - Ebola Virus Disease	08-Sep-14	28-Feb-15	1,380,962	182,266	13%	1,198,696	182,266	253515	245,495	190,287		18%
<b>TOTAL EMERGENCY APPEALS</b>				<b>126,186,934</b>	<b>97,116,209</b>	<b>77%</b>	<b>29,070,725</b>	<b>96,616,313</b>	<b>253,515</b>	<b>39,651,229</b>	<b>57,218,599</b>	<b>14,082,569</b>	<b>31%</b>

## DREF OPERATIONS

Appeal Code	Appeal Name	Appeal Timeframe		Budget	Expenditure	Balance	Exp/Bud
MDR42002	Americas - Ebola Preparedness	21-Oct-14	21-Jan-15	100,000	82,611	17,389	83%
MDR64007	East Africa - Ebola Preparedness	10-Feb-15	10-May-15	181,050		181,050	
MDR80001	MENA ZONE - Ebola Preparedness	05-Feb-15	05-May-15	119,324	8,435	110,889	7%
MDRBJ014	Benin - Ebola Virus Disease	27-Aug-14	27-Nov-14	50,204	35,250	0	70%
MDRCF018	Central African Rep - Ebola Virus Di	29-Aug-14	29-Dec-14	48,697	44,699	3,998	92%
MDRCI006	Côte d'Ivoire - Ebola Preparedness	18-Apr-14	18-Jul-14	60,950	59,919	0	98%
MDRCM019	Cameroon - Ebola Virus Disease	24-Aug-14	25-Jan-15	49,922	30,560	19,362	61%
MDRET014	Ethiopia - Ebola Virus Preparedness	29-Oct-14	29-Mar-15	46,641	41,863	4,778	90%
MDRGM009	Gambia - Ebola Virus Disease Prepare	15-Sep-14	30-Jan-15	46,856	37,707	9,149	80%
MDRGW002	Guinea Bissau - Ebola Virus Prepared	08-Oct-14	08-Jan-15	49,168	16,076	33,092	33%
MDRKE031	Kenya - Ebola Virus Disease Prepared	23-Sep-14	23-Dec-14	59,127	53,802	5,325	91%
MDRML010	Mali - Ebola Preparedness	18-Apr-14	31-Aug-14	57,715	50,132	0	87%
MDRML011	Mali - Ebola Preparedness	19-Feb-15	19-May-15	59,882		59,885	
MDRSN009	Senegal - Ebola Virus Disease	11-Apr-14	24-Aug-14	54,848	53,627	0	98%
MDRTD013	Chad - Ebola Virus Disease Preparedn	12-Sep-14	12-Dec-14	54,766	22,924	31,842	42%
MDRTG005	Togo - Ebola Virus Disease	27-Aug-14	27-Nov-14	49,530	38,127	0	77%
<b>TOTAL DREF OPERATIONS</b>				<b>1,088,680</b>	<b>575,733</b>	<b>476,759</b>	<b>53%</b>

# Donor response

## Ebola Emergency Appeals Consolidation, by Appeal

TIMEFRAME: 2014-2015

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TOTAL AMOUNT SOUGHT	126,186,934
TOTAL RECEIVED TO DATE	97,116,209
APPEAL COVERAGE TO DATE	77%

	MDR60002	MDRGN007	MDRLR001	MDRNG017	MDRSL005	MDRSN010	Total
	Africa	Guinea	Liberia	Nigeria	Sierra Leone	Senegal	CHF
<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>15,882,441</b>	<b>28,509,039</b>	<b>24,464,985</b>	<b>1,619,444</b>	<b>54,330,063</b>	<b>1,380,962</b>	<b>126,186,934</b>
<b>FUNDING</b>							
<u>Opening Balance</u>							
<b>Income</b>							
Airbus		65,256					65,256
American Red Cross	157,214	1,400,883	451,884		1,308,722		3,318,703
Andorran Red Cross	6,153						6,153
Australian Government				50,441			50,441
Australian Red Cross	87,742	68,649	81,647				238,038
Austrian Red Cross (from Austrian Government)		582,579	582,579				1,165,159
Belgian Federal Government			2,407,190				2,407,190
Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation		909,770	909,770		1,053,418		2,872,958
British Red Cross	151,378	26,675	133,317		458,549	75,314	845,232
British Red Cross (from British Government)			1,064,307		19,836,708		20,901,015
British Red Cross (from Children's Investment Fund Foundation)			2,375,671		1,764,933		4,140,604
British Red Cross (from DEC (Disasters Emergency Committee))		574,596			674,887		1,249,482
Canadian Red Cross	83,983				272,413		356,396
Canadian Red Cross (from Canadian Government)	493,707	1,803,354	901,290	58,969	894,349	46,250	4,197,920
China Red Cross, Hong Kong branch			72,813				72,813
Czech Government					130,033		130,033
Danish Red Cross	50,000						50,000
Danish Red Cross (from Danish Government)		77,557					77,557
European Commission - DG ECHO	779,651	1,800,990	1,164,206	115,075	989,405		4,849,327
FIATA-Intl Fed Freight Forwarders Assoc.		29,541					29,541
Finnish Red Cross		73,261	55,309		24,406		152,975
Finnish Red Cross (from Finnish Government)	144,259	417,469	288,815		266,936		1,117,480
French Red Cross		14,835					14,835
French Red Cross (from Total)			179,657		179,657		359,314

	MDR60002	MDRGN007	MDRLR001	MDRNG017	MDRSL005	MDRSN010	Total
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<b>FUNDING</b>							
<b>Opening Balance</b>							
<b>Income</b>							
German Red Cross	20,930						20,930
Icelandic Red Cross	160,000				714,155		874,155
Icelandic Red Cross (from Icelandic Government)					195,600		195,600
ICRC	10,000						10,000
Irish Red Cross Society	62,845						62,845
Israel - Private Donors	9,653						9,653
Italian Government Bilateral Emergency Fund (from Italian Government)					1,203,910		1,203,910
Italian Red Cross	209,304						209,304
Japanese Government	671,527	7,764,238	3,972,226		1,410,745		13,818,736
Japanese Red Cross Society	87,579	208,861	208,743	53,400	208,780	45,600	812,963
KPMG International Cooperative(KPMG-I)	20,120	43,924	32,349		32,348		128,741
Luxembourg - Private Donors	2,824						2,824
Monaco Government	24,030						24,030
Nestle		42,000					42,000
Nethope INC.		45,673	45,673		45,673		137,020
Norwegian Red Cross			51,244		42,728		93,972
On Line donations	88,607						88,607
Philippine Red Cross	24,110						24,110
Portuguese Red Cross		1,804					1,804
Qatar Red Crescent Society	9,501						9,501
Red Crescent Society of Islamic Republic of Iran		25,000			10,000		35,000
Red Cross of Monaco	28,191	18,213	12,142	18,096	18,097	15,102	109,842
Shell				61,599			61,599
Sime Darby Berhad			142,332				142,332
Spanish Government	753,067		1,613,715		3,872,916		6,239,698
Spanish Red Cross					284,955		284,955
Swedish Red Cross		1,021,899	1,102,777		508,219		2,632,895
Swiss Red Cross	19,245				308,312		327,557
Swiss Red Cross (from Swiss Government)		800,000	1,000,000		1,700,000		3,500,000
Switzerland - Private Donors	1,072						1,072

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<b>FUNDING</b>							
<b>Opening Balance</b>							
<b>Income</b>							
Taiwan Red Cross Organisation		26,415					26,415
The Netherlands Red Cross	10,567	1,063,314	203,786		72,888		1,350,555
The Netherlands Red Cross (from Netherlands Government)	965,448	723,726	723,726	241,651	1,206,285		3,860,836
The Netherlands Red Cross (from Netherlands Red Cross Silent Emergency Fund)		48,840			51,875		100,715
The Republic of Korea National Red Cross		30,000		30,000			60,000
Tullow Guinea Limited		181,376					181,376
UNICEF - United Nations Children's Fund	46,655		174,644				221,299
Unidentified donor			236				236
United States Government - USAID		1,922,631	964,450		6,680,897		9,567,978
World Cocoa Foundation	138,598	181,163					319,761
<b>Cash contributions</b>	<b>5,317,960</b>	<b>21,994,494</b>	<b>20,916,500</b>	<b>629,231</b>	<b>46,422,799</b>	<b>182,266</b>	<b>95,463,250</b>
British Red Cross		100	100		100		300
Finnish Red Cross					162,531		162,531
Spanish Red Cross					4,050		4,050
Swiss Red Cross					127,872		127,872
The Netherlands Red Cross		30,078	11,790		162,539		204,407
UNICEF - United Nations Children's Fund			541,093				541,093
<b>Inkind Goods &amp; Transport</b>		<b>30,178</b>	<b>552,983</b>		<b>457,092</b>		<b>1,040,253</b>
Australian Red Cross			65,515				65,515
British Red Cross			68,874				68,874
British Red Cross (from British Government)					113,835		113,835
Canadian Red Cross	6,230	68,155					74,385
Canadian Red Cross (from Canadian Government)	26,939						26,939
Danish Red Cross			209,849				209,849
Finnish Red Cross	21,245		26,700				47,945
French Red Cross		12,450					12,450
Irish Red Cross Society			5,035				5,035

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<b>FUNDING</b>							
<u>Opening Balance</u>							
<u>Income</u>							
Kenya Red Cross Society			16,467				16,467
Norwegian Red Cross					28,663		28,663
Swiss Red Cross					20,173		20,173
United States Government - USAID					283,969		283,969
<b>Inkind Personnel</b>	<b>54,414</b>	<b>80,605</b>	<b>392,440</b>		<b>446,640</b>		<b>974,100</b>
British Red Cross (from British Government)					573		573
DFID Partnership Allocations	-360,259						-360,259
KPMG International Cooperative(KPMG-I)	-1,006	-2,196	-1,617		-1,617		-6,437
Nestle		-2,100					-2,100
Shell				-3,080			-3,080
Sime Darby Berhad			-7,117				-7,117
Sundry Income		3					3
Tullow Guinea Limited		-9,069					-9,069
United States Government - USAID					26,091		26,091
<b>Other Income</b>	<b>-361,265</b>	<b>-13,362</b>	<b>-8,734</b>	<b>-3,080</b>	<b>25,047</b>		<b>-361,394</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>5,011,109</b>	<b>22,091,915</b>	<b>21,853,189</b>	<b>626,151</b>	<b>47,351,578</b>	<b>182,266</b>	<b>97,116,209</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDING</b>	<b>5,011,109</b>	<b>22,091,915</b>	<b>21,853,189</b>	<b>626,151</b>	<b>47,351,578</b>	<b>182,266</b>	<b>97,116,209</b>
<b>COVERAGE</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>77%</b>	<b>89%</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>87%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>77%</b>

ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE OPERATION (based on information Logistics received from partners)

	MDR60002	MDRGN007	MDRLR001	MDRNG017	MDRSL005	MDRSN010	Total
	Africa	Guinea	Liberia	Nigeria	Sierra Leone	Senegal	CHF

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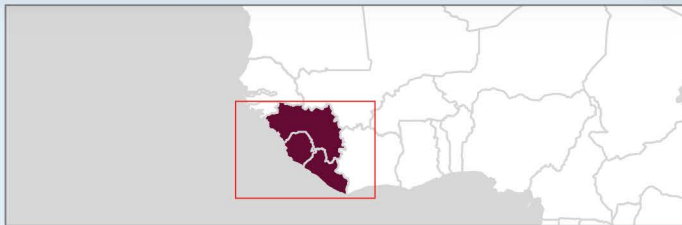
American Red Cross					38,148		38,148
British Red Cross					3,123		3,123

Canadian Red Cross		660,710	660,710
Danish Red Cross		25,089	<b>25,089</b>
Finnish Red Cross		155,627	155,627
French Red Cross	20,000		<b>20,000</b>
German Red Cross		845,560	845,560
Norwegian Red Cross		335	<b>335</b>
Spanish Red Cross		563,590	563,590
Swiss Red Cross	39,500		<b>39,500</b>
<b>Total Bilateral Contributions</b>	<b>59,500</b>	<b>2,292,182</b>	<b>2,351,682</b>

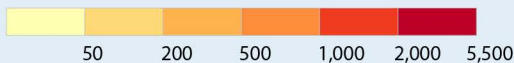
# West Africa Ebola Outbreak

## Cumulative Cases

23 March 2015



### Total Cases



Country	Cases	Deaths	TOTAL
Guinea	3,459	2,273	
Liberia	9,602	4,301	Cases 24,927
Sierra Leone	11,866	3,764	Deaths 10,338

Country-level and total cases/deaths sourced from WHO SitRep Mar 26

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New cases and deaths include "Probable/Suspected" and "Confirmed"

Sources: GADM, Natural Earth, STEWARD Project, Africa Albers Equal Area Conic Projection, WGS 1984; Guinea - Organisation mondiale de la Sante; Liberia - Ministry of Health and Social Welfare; Sierra Leone - Ministry of Health and Sanitation

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