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## Emergency Plan of Action operation update

### Nigeria: Cholera

 International Federation  
of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

<b>DREF</b>	<b>Appeal n° MDRNG020;GLIDE n° EP-2014-000055-NGA</b>
<b>EPoA update n° 2; Date of issue: 22 July 2015.</b>	<b>Period covered by this update: 6 March 2015 to 20 July 2015.</b>
<b>Operation start date: 6 March 2015</b>	<b>Operation timeframe: 5 months (New end date: 20 August 2015)</b>
<b>Overall operation budget: CHF 200,794</b>	<b>N° of people being assisted: 15,000 people (3,000 households)</b>
<b>Red Cross Red Crescent Movement partners currently actively involved in the operation: International Committee of Red Cross; International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies.</b>	
<b>Other partner organizations actively involved in the operation: Federal and State Ministries of Health, DG ECHO, United Nations Children's Fund and the World Health Organisation.</b>	

**Request to extend timeframe by 2 weeks (New end date: 20 August 2015) to enable the completion of an operational review/lessons learnt exercise.**

## A. Situation analysis

### Description of the disaster

In Nigeria, following the epidemic in 2010, which recorded 41,787 cases and 1,716 deaths attributed to cholera, there have been recurrent outbreaks every year. In 2014, there were 35,996 suspected cases and 755 deaths (Case Fatality Rate (CFR) of 2.10%) reported. In 2015, 13 of 36 states have reported cases, with Anambra, Kano, Rivers and latterly Ebonyi states being the worst affected. On 6 March 2015, the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) released CHF 174,228 from the Disaster Relief Emergency Fund (DREF) to support the Nigerian Red Cross Society (NRCS) respond to the needs of the affected population. The DREF operation was intended to support 15,000 people (3,000 households) in Anambra, Kano and Rivers states, with health and care, water, sanitation and hygiene promotion activities; over a period of three months.

Following initial assessments, Kano state was removed from the DREF operation, as it was confirmed that there were no cases at the time of the assessment and the state Ministry of Health (MoH) indicated that they did not require any preparedness or response assistance; as such it was replaced by Ebonyi state, where an increase in cases had been reported. In addition, the DREF operation had also coincided with the Presidential and Governorship elections, which has had implications for mobilization of volunteers for training due to security concerns, and thus caused delays to the implementation of the activities planned. In addition, delays in procurement have been caused by a change in the governance, which resulted in the introduction of new logistics and supply chain procedures.

On 11 June 2015, an [Operations Update n°1](#) was issued to extend the timeframe by 2 months, (New end date: 6 August 2015), in order to enable the completion of the activities planned within the EPoA, which had been delayed by the need to re-orientate the area of implementation, security conditions and issues related to logistics and supply chain (see above); as well as additional allocation of CHF 26,566 to support: 1) mobilization of volunteers to additional two days; 2) new rotation of an RDRT for additional two months, and 3) additional NHQ / branch monitoring visit. The progress on the activities carried out within this DREF operation was also provided in the update.

This Operations Update is requesting an additional extension of timeframe by another two weeks; in order to carry out a DREF operational review/lessons learnt exercise. This has had to be postponed until the week commencing 9 August 2015, to ensure personnel were available to complete the exercise. The IFRC zone and Nigeria country representation have developed a Terms of Reference; and team members have been identified from the IFRC zone disaster management unit and emergency health units. The DREF operation will therefore end by 20 August 2015, and a final report will be made available on 20 November 2015 (Three months after the end of the operation).

The major donors and partners of the DREF include the Red Cross Societies and governments of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Monaco, the Netherlands, Norway, Spain, Sweden and the USA, as well as DG ECHO, the UK Department for International Development (DFID) the Medtronic, Zurich and Coca Cola Foundations and other corporate and private donors. The IFRC, on behalf of the Nigerian Red Cross Society would like to extend many thanks to all partners for their generous contributions.

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**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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