SUPPORT FOR THE FLOOD VICTIMS

The 2018 flooding was huge as many homes, schools, churches and farm yards were totally submerged and this left many household properties and crops destroyed. Household members were reduced to communal life at different camps designated by government in the affected local government areas in Anambra state. More than 12,000 internally displaced persons (IDPs) were accommodated in 12 camps in 4 local governments (Ayamelum, Anambra East, Ogbaru and Onitsha North) in Anambra state. This report shows the phases and intervention components undertaken by JDPC and its partner agencies.

First Phase of Emergency intervention

With the support of the Archbishop of Onitsha, JDPC distributed 30 bags of rice, 5 bags to each of the 6 IDP camps across 3 LGAs (Crowther primary school in Onitsha North, Community primary school Igbakwu in Ayamelum, Health centre Ifite-ogwari, General Hospital Umuleri in Anambra East, Unity primary school Umuoba-Anam in Anambra East and Fr. Joseph secondary school also in Anambra East). The Archdiocese also promised to pay school fees of children for parents who were affected by the flood.





Second Phase of Emergency intervention

With the support of Onitsha Archdiocesan faithful, JDPC visited 11 IDP camps Ogbaru, Anambra East and Ayamelum with the distribution relief materials. There were also special gifts to some of the women who gave birth in the camps. These food and non-food relief materials were donated by parishes according to Episcopal Regions. Items distributed were 140 bags of rice, 596 tubers of yam, 60 bunches of plantain, 75 cartons of indomie, 3 big bags of beans, 36 cartons of tissue, 35 bags of semovita, 36 bags of garri, 18 cartons of tin tomatoes, 78 pieces of mats, 6 cartons of groundnut oil, 13 cartons of washing soap, 3 cartons of detergents, beverages, cooking condiments, 15 bucket, 12 plates, 4 gallons of palm oil, 12 new wrappers, over 100 bags of fairly used cloiths, 24 cartons of biscuits, 1 bag of sweet potatoes, and 18 cartons of yale bread.



Third Phase of Emergency intervention

The phase of intervention targeted mostly flood affected priests and communities members in the hard-to-reach areas whose homes were submerged and businesses closed down but were not in the IDP camps. Relief materials were sent to them through boats.



Fourth Phase of Emergency intervention

The intervention component adopted in this phase was to appeal to the conscience of the IDPs on environmental cleanliness. Partnering Christian Aid (CA) with fund support from STARTFUND, JDPC carried out sensitization programmes in the IDP camps on water, sanitation and hygiene – WASH, and on protection against gender based violence (GBV) and child's rights in 10 IDP camps in Anambra and Delta states. More than 12, 000 people benefitted from these programmes.





Fifth Phase of Emergency intervention

In addition to the hygiene sensitization programme, hygiene kits were distributed to 154 pregnant women and nursing mothers in the 10 IDP camps in Anambra and Delta states. This was intended to reduce the shortfall in provision of sanitary to vulnerable women in the camps. Items contained in the hygiene kits include: Dunlop slippers, tooth brush and paste, washing and bathing soaps,

baby diaper, ladies' sanitary pad, face towel, Dettol, tissue paper, baby lotion, wet wipes, and packing bag).



Sixth Phase of Emergency intervention

JDPC Onitsha partners with Christian Aid, CAFOD and CARE International on Humanitarian and Emergency Intervention with funding support from STARTFUND to provide relief to the victims of flood disaster. This phase of STARTFUND emergency response was designed to provide non-food relief in form of cash distribution of N23, 000 to over 1,200 registered flood affected households in the 10 IDP camps in Anambra and Delta states.

ANAMBRA STATE

- i) Local Government Headquarters, Atani (Ogbaru LGA)
- ii) Central School, Odekpe (Ogbaru LGA)
- iii) St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Ossomala (Ogbaru LGA)
- iv) St. James Anglican Church, Iyiowa-Odekpe (Ogbaru LGA)
- v) Health Care Centre, Ifite-Ogwari (Ayamelum LGA)
- vi) Fr. Joseph's Secondary School, Aguleri (Anambra East LGA)
- vii) General Hospital, Umuleri/Unity Primary School, Umuoba (Anambra East LGA)

DELTA STATE

- viii) Omorka Primary School, Illah (Oshimiri North)
- ix) Onneh Primary School, Asaba (Oshimiri South)
- x) Ewulu Grammar School, Ewulu (Anaocha South)



Seventh Phase of Emergency intervention

This phase targeted the most vulnerable after the flood. Here we distributed relief items to affected parishes for the old people, widows, orphans and people living with disability (PLWD). Items distributed include: 308 tubers of yam, 28 cartons of indomie, 28 bags of semolina, 34 bags of rice, 32 bags of garri, 13 cartons of tin tomatoes, 8 cartons of soap, 1 big bag of detergent, 4 cartons of sachet power vegetable oil, 19 bags of fairly used cloths, 1 bag of beans, drugs, gallons of groundnut and palm oil and assorted cooking condiments.

