



Emergency agriculture assistance to returnees, IDPs and host communities affected by the insurgency in the northeast of Nigeria (Adamawa, Borno and Yobe States)

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Target areas: Adamawa, Borno and Yobe



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Objective: To improve food security and enhance the productive capacity of conflict-affected populations in Borno, Adamawa and Yobe States.

Key partners: World Food Programme and Federal and State Ministries of Agriculture.

Beneficiaries reached: 11 500 households.

Activities implemented:

- Distributed a total of 35.15 tonnes of seeds (okra, tomato, onion, amaranth, cabbage, carrot and rice) and 250 tonnes of fertilizer to 10 000 beneficiary households.
- Distributed a total amount of NGN 12 150 000 (USD 33 657) of vouchers worth NGN 8 100 [USD 22]/household to 1 500 internally displaced people (IDPs), to purchase fresh foods (beans, sweet potatoes, pepper, tomatoes, etc.) and a crate of 30 eggs.
- Established 18 new farmer field schools (FFS) benefiting 405 farmers across seven local government areas of Adamawa and Yobe states and trained beneficiaries on agricultural practises, including general crop management, modern fertilizer application, post-harvest management, composting and pest management.
- Conducted a refresher training for 20 FFS facilitators on how to support conflict-affected farmers in the northeast and to manage at least two FFS per facilitator.

Results:

- Produced about 5 880 tonnes of vegetables and 125 tonnes of rice.
- Improved households' agricultural production, nutrition and access to food.
- Supported IDPs in Gubio and New Stadium Camps, in order for them to purchase their own food thanks to the vouchers, enhancing the diversification of their diets.
- Created a link between local producers in host communities and beneficiaries, providing a platform for farmers to sell their products, while enhancing the nutrition and food security of displaced families and strengthening social cohesion.