

Project Highlights NIGERIA

"Emergency agricultural assistance and livelihood support to IDPs, returnees and host communities affected by conflict in North East Nigeria (Borno, Yobe and Adamawa States)"

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Resource partner: Germany **Contribution:** USD 2 844 235

Implementation: 01/10/2018 -31/12/2019

Target areas: Northeast Nigeria in Borno, Yobe and Adamawa States

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Objective:

To improve the level of food access and availability of farming households in the affected states of Borno, Adamawa and Yobe states with a general mission to improve food security.

Key partners:

State Ministries of Agriculture & Natural Resources, of Borno, Yobe and Adamawa and the Agricultural Development Programme

Beneficiaries reached:

25 579 households (130 620 individuals)

Activities implemented:

- Procured and distributed 17 739 tonnes of crop seed kits for different seasons as well as 4 372 tonnes of NPK fertilizer.
- Supported 1 900 vulnerable female households with goat restocking kits including 7 600 goats and 570 tonnes of animal feed.
- Provided 500 youth headed households with ram and feed (fattening) kits distributing 1 000 rams and 135 tonnes of animal feed.
- Distributed 400 poultry kits to IDPs, returnees and vulnerable host family households including 4 800 pullets and 40 tonnes of animal feed.
- Trained 22 women's associations and mixed groups to increase capacity on financial practices and livelihoods support.
- Created a seed grant program by which trained groups would each receive USD 833 to provide micro-loans to safeguard the savings they make for business purposes.

Results:

- Improved crop yields through distribution of seed kits with an estimated total yield of 90 tonnes of vegetables.
- Contributed to households through goat breeding kits which provided training of beneficiaries on good husbandry practices for improved livestock management.
- Enabled female led households to provide a small but reliable source of income and improve nutrition through poultry distribution.
- Allowed for households to generate income thus improving livelihoods through the ram fattening kits.
- Empowered women of vulnerable households through training on financial inclusion in order to diversify family incomes.
- Enabled targeted groups to use profits from the seed grant to create secondary projects such as investments in grinding mills, and the wholesale of grains and cereals within and outside of IDP camps.

