



COUNTRY DESCRIPTION

Guinea-Bissau borders Senegal, Guinea Conakry and the Atlantic Ocean.

Population: 1.8 million people

Income per capita: 590 euros

Life expectancy: 57.8 years

Human Development Index: position 175

Capital: Bissau

Territorial division: it is divided into an autonomous sector (Bissau) and eight regions, which in turn are divided into sectors

Language: Portuguese and Creole are spoken, as well as other tribal languages

Currency: FWest African CFA franc



MAIN CHALLENGES AND ANALYSIS OF THE SITUATION

Guinea Bissau is a small country with 1.8 mill people 36,125 square km with 8005 square km rivers. 43.4% of the people live in the cities. 1.06 million are from 0 to 24 years old. The main part of the population still live in the countryside, and the primary cash income is coming from Cashew. Areas in Guinea Bissau was hit by an intense heat wave in April 2018 when the Cashew trees flowered, that meant that the flowers dried out and the cashew nut harvest and export dropped – the export was 150,000 tons in 2018 as in 2017 it was 175,000 tons. The lack of nuts had a significant impact on the family and country economy for 2018.

Political instability continued in 2018, and it was only in April 2018 a prime minister was appointed, sitting

for a longer time, and the government was formed under Aristides Gomes. Since 2015 there have been 5 prime ministers.

At the beginning of 2018, it meant unstable electricity and water supply in Bissau where 492,000 people are living. This instability also meant strikes from teachers, health personnel and people in the transporting areas. It also meant a lack of payments from the government to the teachers and health personnel.

At the end of 2018 agreement was made to have an election in 2019 for the parliament and later in the year election of the president.

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Ajuda de Desenvolvimento de Povo para Povo (ADPP) Guinea-Bissau started its activities in 1981.

In 2018, it managed projects in the following areas:

- Education
- Agriculture and rural development
- Health
- Community development

In 2018 ADPP reach more than 240,000 people in the projects and 360,000 people with it fundraising project ADPP Second-Hand Clothes and Shoes.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS BY ACTIVITY SECTORS - 2018

Education

At the DNS teacher training college, 40 students graduated and are ready to teach in the community schools in Guinea Bissau. The last building at the premises is reconstructed and prepared to be used for training 200 local farmers.

Vocational School graduated 91 students and ended 2018 by having graduated 1,584 students. Vocational School expanded its capacity with a new building with 32 beds and created the advanced curriculum for electricity and solar energy. A new workshop for mechanics was constructed to offer the new program for motorbike repair and agriculture mechanisation in 2019.

During 2018, 3 new programs were created; tailoring & broidery, informatics and bicycle and motorbike repair, which will start in January 2019.

Health

The project has trained volunteers in 190 villages, reached 62,685 people with campaigns about preventable diseases. Held information campaigns in 5 sanitary regions about Zika and yellow fever. Mobilised 15 women to get operated for Obstetric Fistula and did 8,955 door-to-door visits.

Agriculture and rural development

In the Farmers' Clubs in Oio, Cashew Processing & Marketing continue to work with 31 communities. The factory was constructed with ecological stones for processing cashew nuts and cashew apples. The machinery for processing cashew nuts was installed.

An agreement with a company for buying the processed nuts was agreed. The Factory was certified to process organic cashew nuts. In December the Factory received 50,154 Tons of RCN (Raw Cashew Nut) for processing.

The ADPP 450-hectare cashew plantation was certified as organic and contracts were made by the farmers to sell the nuts to the factory.

Community development

In 2018 239 youth finalised their training and received a certificate. Currently, the project has a total of 581 youth (284 male and 297 female) participating in project activities, organised in 23 youth clubs of the 22 neighbourhoods training in cooking, dance, singing, theatre, sculpturing, painting, and tailoring.

2 cultural centres are functioning, the third under construction, and the fourth centre has got the authorisation to be constructed in the Bandim neighbourhood.

The CLTS project was implemented in 31 villages and VAG's (Village's Action Groups) were created to secure water and latrines. 5 villages have made a declaration of the elimination of open defecation.