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Community-based disaster risks management

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En collaboration avec :



Organisation

Shalom International is a national Civil Society Organisation founded in March 2004 and engaged in issues that concern the:

- Environment
- Education
- Empowerment

Since 2011, the organisation has been the National Coordinating Organisation for the Global Network for Disaster Reduction (GNDR) on the 'Views from the Frontline' (VFL) project, which is a survey based monitoring process to measure progress towards achieving the goals of the SENDAI Framework and other UN international mechanisms.

The Community-Based Disaster Risk Management –CBDRM) project is an important component of the VFL project which is assisting local communities develop capacities to manager their everyday disaster risks and threats.

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Reinforcing the local community's capacity to manage their own disaster risks



Fighting Climate extremes in the Sahel at Matam Region

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Senegal risk profile

Senegal is vulnerable to a multitude of climate change and man-induced disasters including flooding, high sea levels (Dakar, St Louis, Casamance regions), drought, desertification (Matam region) land degradation, deforestation (Ziguinchor/Sedhiou regions).

Flooding in particular is a major concern in the country and with a long coastline, it is the most serious natural hazard the country faces. Urban areas in and around the capital Dakar and other major cities are most at risk. Desertification and the resultant droughts have ravage a lot of the sahel parts in the north.

Project Concept

The CBDRM project empowers communities in target zones to develop innovative approaches based on their knowledge, experience and capacities in managing disaster risks and building resilience.

Project Technical and financier partners:

1. EU/DEVCO
2. GNDR

Implementing Partners:

1. JVE Sénégal
2. CORAD

Project Objectives

1. Reinforce the capacity of the vulnerable community members to manage disaster risks through developing their own action plans at a community wide level.
2. The inclusion of, and systematic collaboration between governments, vulnerable people, CSOs and community leaders in the design and implementation of climate change mitigation plans that will benefit the community.
3. Establish a local baseline and monitoring process to measure progress towards achieving an inclusive, 'people-centered' approach to resilience-building, as promoted within national guidelines and international frameworks.

Project Outcomes:

1. 03 community consultation workshops in Bokki to help develop local actions plans.
2. 300 families (2000 people) received COVID-19 prevention education and sensitization as well as support for basic daily needs in Rufisque.
3. 200 men supported with resources to build barriers against climate extremes in the sahel.
4. 50 women received skills training support for income generating activities in Thiaroye.
5. Tree planting campaigns organised to fight deforestation in Kolda

Empowering local communities with tools needed to manage their own disasters



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...in the sahel region

Building stone bunds



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