

## ***Component 1: Discharge package to 500 EVD survivors and destitute families***

### **Concept Note**

#### **1. Context**

The SRPSF project was designed to provide support to two specific groups of EVD victims: Survivors and destitute families. The members of the first groups are referred to as people who have been tested EVD positive, have successfully undergone the appropriate treatment and later on discharged from the Ebola treatment centre. The second ground is formed by a wide variety of people and NACSA and Ministry of Social Welfare, Gender and Children Affairs – MSWGCA- (which has the mandate to manage survivors’ issues) have formulate a long list of eligibility criteria to be considered a destitute family. For the purpose of the SRPSF, three main criteria are considered: (i) children orphaned by the loss of parents or official custodians as a result of EVD, (ii) widows/widowers deprived from their partner who died of EVD and (iii) families who are hosting at least 2 EVD orphans and as a result are facing incremental cost of living.

As of 16, April 2015, the country recorded 3,469 survivors and discharged cases (closed to the number of deaths, 3,499, NERC, 2015). The number of destitute families is still to be confirmed and the list verified by the mandated agencies. UNICEF is managing a data base of more than 9,000 registered EVD orphans. However, the first challenge faced by the implementation of this project has been the identification of beneficiaries coupled with list management.

#### **2. List management challenge**

The SRPSF was design with the assumption that survivors’ lists existed and were available. This assumption was based on assurance given by state agencies giving update of the number of survivors. It appeared afterwards that it was just figures aggregated from other figures provided by district level EVD management teams (DHMO and DERC). To date it has been impossible to find a comprehensive list of the declared 3,499 survivors. List collected from MSWGCA records less than 500 names (without contact details). List collected from NACSA/WB contains 1,145 names. The project also engaged District Chief Administrators and UNMEER/Field Crisis Manager who also cooperated by providing district level lists. All these list were aggregated, cross-checked to come out with the first comprehensive list encompassing all the list hosted by the various agencies at national and local levels. The list has 1,075 entries (EVD survivors, orphans, widows, see table 1 below).

The second challenge came with the identification of beneficiaries. Many names are without contact details (telephone number, physical address etc.). Telephone numbers are particularly important for the purpose of using mobile money instruments to deliver the support; but also to inform the beneficiaries about their entitlements. However, for the time being, a group of 500 beneficiaries targeted in component 1 of the project have been selected based on (i) the availability of their telephone contacts, (ii) gender (females and widows are prioritized) and (iii) level of concentration (localities with highest number of beneficiaries are prioritized to minimize transaction costs. This first group of beneficiaries are located in Bombali (166), Kenema (97), Kailahun (89), Port-Loko (79), Bo (40) and Moyamba (29) as shown in table 1 below. Once again the main criteria is the availability of a phone number and the density.

Table 1 - Summary table of number of beneficiaries

Districts	Survivors	Survivors with tel.	Survivors. not in the master list	Survivors not in ML &with tel	Widows	Widows with tel	Selected for commodity Package
Bombali	281	223					166
Kailahun	161	121					89
Port Loko	140	89					79
Kenema	136	96	64	38	93	25	97
Tonkolili	100	58					0
Bo	78	56	24	12			40
Moyamba	65	43					29
Kono	36	27					0
Kionadugu	21	1					0
Kambia	15	10	44				0
Pujehun	6	6					0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1039</b>	<b>730</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>500</b>

### 3. Implementation of the activity

3.1. As per the list consolidated (see above) almost all survivors registered have received the first discharge package from various agencies including MSWGCA and UNDP. As a result, under the SRPDF, priority will be given to consumable goods (mainly food items, toiletries and other WASH package).

Market centres	Localities to supply
Kenema	Kenema
	Kailahun
Bo	Bo
	Moyamba
Makeni	Bombali
	Port-Loko

3.2. In order to ensure cost effectiveness of this activity, wherever applicable, a decision will be made either to purchase goods in Freetown or to tap into the local market. Preliminary survey has been successfully conducted to ensure availability of goods in some of the local markets. A window shopping mission will be conducted for the purpose of (i) identifying the best

offers, (ii) secure the availability of the goods in terms of quantity and local logistics (delivery at local councils' office). The same mission will also take that opportunity to meet with the respective district councils' authorities (see table 2 above). A ToRs will provide more details for the mission.

3.3. The lists as finalized will be communicated to the hosting district authorities to start organizing the distribution.

### 4. Budget of the activity per locality

The total budget for this activity is USD 100,000 with a per capita amount of USD 200 for 500 beneficiaries. Table 3 provide details per locality with Bombali having the biggest share (USD 33,200) by hosting the highest number of beneficiaries (166). Moyamba has the smallest share (USD 5,800) with the lowest number of beneficiaries (29).

Table 3 - budget per locality

Districts	Amount per capita (\$)	Nber of Beneficiaries	Total (\$)
Bombali	200	166	33,200
Kenema	200	97	19,400
Kailahun	200	89	17,800
Port-Loko	200	79	15,800
Bo	200	40	8,000
Moyamba	200	29	5,800
Total:			100,000

### 5. Content of the package

Table 4 - Content of the package

Items	Qty
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Food items		Toiletry	
Jasmine Rice	1 bag (25 kg)	Tooth brush	1 dozen
Vegetable Oil	1 gallon	Tooth paste	1 dozen
Palm oil	1 gallon	Bath Soap/antiseptic	1 dozen
Dried fish/sardine	1 carton	Laundry Soap	1 dozen
Yellow beans	1 carton	Vaseline	1 dozen
Salt	1 carton		
Onions	1 bag (sz)		
Maggi	1 carton		
Sugar	1 carton		
Milk (powder)	1 carton		
Tea	1 packet		