



ORGANIZATION

Bureau pour la Croissance Intégrale et la Dignité de l'Enfant, Congo
(Democratic Republic of the)
pledges to

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Description:

We are committed to eliminating child labour by advocating with the government, the National Assembly, involving the mass media, through awareness raising, outreach, identification, training and mainstreaming.

We are going to organise door-to-door awareness campaigns and mobilise parents by encouraging them to send their children to school, as our government has launched the free basic education programme starting in 2020, which is a significant step forward in children's education and training.

We intend to develop a pilot and experimental project on the primary activity of awareness raising, but also to launch in-depth research for better documentation. Given that in the Democratic Republic of Congo, the situation of child labour takes several forms, namely:

- Child labour involving children with family ties;
- Child labour involving children without family ties, commonly known as street children;
- Child labour involving children who are victims of wars, disasters, etc., and who have lost their families

Implementation plan:

We intend to advocate with the country's authorities for the implementation of a series of proposals to strengthen the application of the laws prohibiting child labour.

We will work in synergy with the Independent Observatory for Education in the DRC, which will accompany us in reporting on the progress of activities related to training, apprenticeships for children, including children who have become independent for their integration.

These activities are divided into four axes and a transversal axis which is research:

Axis 1: Awareness raising

Axis 2: Advocacy

- With the Government
- The National Assembly, to follow up on the application of certain existing laws and to vote on a certain number of laws that we are going to propose based more on sanctions.

Axis 3: Outreach activities

- By proposing improved laws and regulations in the fight against child labour, with the possibility of translation into several national and international languages for popularisation.

Axis 4: Identification, training and mainstreaming.

We intend to work in all the provinces of the DRC, i.e. the 26 provinces. To reach our goal, we need financial and material means to carry out concrete actions in order to achieve a good result at the local and national levels. Nevertheless, for a start, we are going to start with the city and province of Kinshasa in its four districts by the end of December 2021, with the prospect of covering the two provinces closest to Kinshasa, including the provinces of Kongo-Central and Kwilu.

- The type of awareness-raising campaign envisaged:
- Awareness-raising campaign against child labour among households, religious communities and other community groups, so-called "door-to-door" awareness-raising.
- Raising awareness among parents and children about the importance of free education in the DRC so that children are sent to school,
- Making contact with charitable organisations to help the needy,
- Organisation of a Forum at the university and workshops in some neighbourhoods;
- Raising awareness in the media through television programmes and social networks, also by creating a special announcement that will be promoted in several groups;
- Organisation of visits to the National Assembly and provincial assemblies, drafting a number of memos that will be sent to 10% of the elected representatives of the 26 provinces for awareness raising in their respective communities during the parliamentary recess.

We envisage quarterly campaigns, two of which will take place in 2021, as well as regular and occasional awareness-raising campaigns with a target of four quarterly campaigns in 2022, and a mid-term and final evaluation of each campaign.

Impact:

The awareness of all layers of society through actions to be carried out on the ground for the eradication of child labour as everyone has a role to play.