



PROJECT STATUS REPORT

Project Name: Solar Bulb Project

Focus Area: Douala and Yaoundé

Product/Process: Installations of 3,000 solar light bulb units in urban slum areas

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1 PROJECT STATUS REPORT PURPOSE

Life in urban slum areas in Cameroon is characterised by high levels of insecurity and inadequate access to basic amenities such as water, sanitation and electricity etc. The nature of buildings in these informal settlements with the inadequate size of windows prevents the use of natural daylight, living indoor spaces in darkness. This also lives dwellers of these areas with no choice other than use of artificial lightings such as kerosene lamps or candles during the day. They contribute to indoor air pollution and significant cost implication. In order to provide access to a clear lighting system to people living in informal settlements, FCTV and UN-Habitat under the framework of GENUS are working together to install solar bulbs in urban slum areas in Yaoundé (Briqueterie, Emombo and Vieux panier) and in Douala (Dakar, Grand Moulin, Béedi, Brazzaville, Bilongue, New Bell, Bonaberie, Village, and Bepanda). This report presents the current status of the installation of solar bulbs in the aforementioned areas.

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<i>Prepared By:</i> FCTV	<i>Date:</i> 04/02/2014	<i>Reporting Period:</i> 03/03/2014 to 04/30/2014
<i>Project Overall Status:</i> We have already installed 2,593 solar bulb units with 2,309 in Yaoundé and 284 in Douala		
<i>Project Summary:</i> We started the installation of solar bulbs on June, 17 th 2013 and July 8 th 2013 in Yaoundé and Douala respectively. Based on the last report (up to January 2014), by we were supposed to have installed 1,500 solar light bulb more units by the end of April 2014. We have already installed 1,306 more units in 119 households in Yaoundé and 04 volunteers have expressed their interest to embrace it as their business as usual. In aggregate, we have installed 2,593 units in 338 households . We did hire new team (7 volunteers), made few T-shirt, supply new material (some of the old ones were damaged) and identity badges as well as develop stickers to increase the visibility of the project.		

We also used the personal car of the FCTV's national Coordinator to move faster with the installation. A reportage on solar bulb has been established and broadcasted onto the Cameroon National Television (CRTV).

Activities and performance reporting over last period

Activities	Due Date	% Completed	Deliverable Status
• Signing of the Agreement of Cooperation and payment by UN-HABITAT of 1 st instalment	May 2013	100%	Authorization to start with field actions
• Baseline study on households	May 2013	100%	On Schedule
• Printing of T-shirts for project staff, preparation of leaflets and volunteers and media promotion	May 2013	100%	On Schedule
• Awareness-raising in the community on solar bulbs	April 2014	100%	On Schedule (more than 7,000 people tapped into and a TV slot has been produced)
• Training of volunteers	April 2014	100%	On Schedule with 35 volunteers fully trained (22 in Douala and 13 in Yaoundé)
• Installation of 3,000 solar bulb units	April 2014	86%	Behind Schedule

Project Budget/Financial Status – up to April 2014

Budget Item	Planned Budget in US Dollars	Actual cost in CFA	Actual Cost in US Dollars
Baseline study on energy consumption within the day	250	147,000	313
Awareness-raising campaign for community	600	438,375	933

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Project promotion through media and production of leaflet and T-shirt	2,000	100,000	213
Training of volunteers	500	96,360	205
Installation of 3,000 solar bulb units	8,000	3,550,095	7,553
Allowance for project staff and volunteers	800	1,835,000	3,904
Project administration and supervision	442	196,095	417
Project monitoring and evaluation	250	-	-
Total	12,842	6,362,925	13,538
NB: Assume exchange rate – 1 US Dollars = 470 CFA			

Payment sheet – May 2013 to February 2014

Payment schedule	Amount (US\$)	Percent (%)	Reception date
First payment	4,000	40%	May 2013
Second payment	4,000	40%	December 2013
Third and final payment	2,000	20%	This fund was supposed to be available into FCTV account since February 2014, but up to this date, this money hasn't be discharged from UN-Habitat to FCTV
Contribution from FCTV US \$5,538			

Activities scheduled for completion over next period

Activities	Due Date
• Continue with the installation with the last payment	May 2014
• Submission of substantive project report on the Installation of 500 solar bulbs	June 2014
• Project impact assessment conducted by FCTV and joint project evaluation	June 2014

Objectives for Next Project Status Review

If the last payment is done, the next project status will be about the progress report (3,000 SB units settled and Project impact assessment) in June. Due to the fact of fund insufficiency and few difficulties we faced with the new strategy, we have come to understand that in reality we can install 3,000 SB units to come to the end of the project instead of 4,000 SB units as agreed in the protocol agreement.

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