COUNTRY PROFILE AND BACKGROUND

- 1,341,000 population
- 46% children (0-14 years)
- 4.23% under five mortality rate
- 3.7% infant mortality rate
- 9% children (5-17 years) engaged in child labour
- 8% proportion of population using unimproved drinking water sources
- 74% proportion of women (15-49 years) who believe a husband is justified in hitting or beating his wife for one of the specified reasons

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OUR STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

Health and Water, Sanitation and Hygiene: “Ensure children enjoy good health, safe water and improved sanitation”

Livelihoods: “Enhance communities Resilience and Livelihoods”

Child protection: “Reduce violence against women and children”

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

Our strategy contributes to the Sustainable Development Goals:

WHERE WE WORK

- 248,800 people reached
- 113,000 girls reached
- 60,000 children reached
- US$ 4.9 million

- 6 municipalities
- 21 administrative posts, 120 suku (villages), 510 aldeia (sub-villages)
- 31 projects supported by institutional donors
- 30,000 girls and 3% of children living with disabilities reached
MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS

“Ensure children enjoy good health, safe water and improved sanitation”

Total number of beneficiaries in 2021:
Over 16,800 beneficiaries (64% female and 9% people living with disabilities),
10,100 children including 360 boys and girls with disabilities and 90% of the most vulnerable children.

Community Resilience and Livelihoods
“Enhance communities Resilience and Livelihoods”

Beneficiaries:
18,600 people reached, including 7,000 women and 680 people with disabilities. Over 9,000 children including 420 boys and girls with disabilities.

Child and Women Protection
“Reduce violence against women and children”

Beneficiaries:
Over 16,000 people reached, including 10,000 women, over 800 people living with disabilities and 11,000 children (including 385 boys and girls with disabilities).

Disaster Response

Disaster Management
COVID-19 Response

Cyclone Seroja Response

Heavy rains across Timor-Leste from 29 March to 4 April resulted in flash floods and landslides affecting all 13 municipalities in Timor-Leste to varying degrees and resulted in 41 fatalities.

Results

- 394 parents clubs with over 6,600 members including care givers of under-five-year-old children
- More than 5,000 women were supported to access health and nutrition services and grow nutritious, iron-rich foods for their family’s food needs and for sale at local markets.
- Provided 727 maternity kits for pregnant and breastfeeding mothers in 23 health centres.
- Advocated for improved health services with 22 villages involved in monitoring policies and service delivery standards in their communities.
- 47,733 people with safe hygiene practices during COVID-19 and cyclone Seroja responses.
- 269 local community groups received training on COVID-19 prevention messages.

Results

- Engaged 79 farmer groups with more than 2,400 members, in sustainable Farmer Managed Natural Regeneration (FMNR) practices.
- Assisted over 5,400 households on superfood production, 125 farmer groups and 48 food processing groups, with produce sold at markets to boost family incomes.
- Established 161 savings and social business groups with over 2,700 members (including 1,670 women members) with total capital over US$1.1 million.
- Training for 48 extension service providers and 536 farmers on improved agricultural practices.

Results

- Over 2,000 adolescents and youth members of IMPACT clubs, including 917 girls and young women who improved their life skills and are acting as champions of change for healthy, peaceful and equitable relationships in their communities.
- 477 religious leaders and caregivers trained in child protection laws and referral networks.
- 511 teachers trained in child protection and positive discipline, especially in working with children with disabilities.
- Mentoring 4,296 parents in positive parenting, especially with children with disabilities.
- 287 Community Police Council (KPK) and Community Action Team (EHF) members trained and better equipped to respond and report child protection and gender-based violence cases.
- 24 schools with 130 teachers orientated on disease prevention through handwashing and hygiene promotion.
- Supporting families, schools, community groups and religious leaders with over 5,500 hygiene kits.

Results:

- Over 146,000 people reached through COVID-19 Responses
- Nearly 9,000 households received hygiene kits
- 32,000 Information, Education and Communication materials distributed to target communities
- Supported Ministry of Health to provide awareness raising campaign for vaccination to 12,500 people.

Results:

- 140,000 people reached, including 70,600 women and 2,500 people with disabilities and 32,300 children (including 800 boys and girls with disabilities).
- Distributed clean up kits to 5,800 affected households
- Distributed household kits to over 12,000 households
- Distributed maternity kits to 1,600 households with pregnant and lactating women
- Established 10 child friendly spaces and supported them with the learning materials in collaboration with partners, UNICEF and Bta Futuru
- 800 children benefited from the child friendly spaces (CFSS) and received learning materials from World Vision.

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