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World Vision Mauritania has a staff of 139 including 31 women with key positions in almost every department.
Dear readers,

World Vision Mauritania has, by my voice, the pleasure to present you its annual report that gives an overview on its achievements through the 2016 fiscal year. Children and communities well being is at the heart of our work, and we are committed every day to do our best to reach our objectives to find long term solutions in order to eradicate poverty and seek justice. With the help and the dedication of the communities with whom we have been collaborating for approximately 33 years, we’ve been able to widen our programs in the fields of Health, Nutrition, Resilience, WASH, children’s Protection, Humanitarian Emergencies and Advocacy.

In the name of the entire team, I would like to thank all the staff of our programs in the field, all the staff of World Vision Mauritania in general and all our partners for a successful collaboration.

I must hereby pay tribute to the professional spirit of our program teams that work without respite to mobilize and prepare our local community partners.

I thank our partners such as the Governance of Mauritania, UNICEF, WFP, the European Union, Imams and Oulémas of Mauritania’s Association, and the parliamentary women’s network, for their trust in World Vision which motivates their choice as partners in the implementation of our programs.

I am grateful to them and would like to renew my gratitude to them for believing in World Vision Mauritania.

Our thanks go to the World Vision offices in Germany, Canada, USA, Ireland, and Switzerland, for their support and their contributions during the implementation of these projects both with technical and financial support.

Finally, I can’t forget our projects teams that have worked constantly to raise projects’ performances to a level that can guarantee a better impact. We can’t end without thanking the administrative authorities such as the Walis and the Hakems as well as the regional government services and the mayors of the communes who did their best to support the implementation of this year’s activities.

Together with a perpetual persistent determination to succeed, we can give each child in Mauritania the possibility to live in security, a full life.

Lilian Dodzo
National Director
Mali - Mauritania
**EDUCATION**

**All Children are educated for life**

- All children from 3 to 6 have pre school skills to read and count
- All children can read at the end of primary school
- All teenagers are ready to seize the opportunities of a productive life

**HEALTH / NUTRITION / WASH**

**All children under 5 have a better health and nutritional status**

- No child dies of diarrhea, malaria, pneumonia or other preventable diseases
- All children live in households and communities that practice improved sanitation and hygiene
- All children from 0 to 5 years have adequate nutrition

**FOOD SECURITY/ RESILIENCE / REDUCTION OF RISKS AND DISASTERS**

**All children live in households that are food secure and resilient to shocks**

- All children live in communities that have adopted supportive and responsible practices that are supportive of the climate and the environment
- All children live in households economically independant
All children are educated for life

All children from 3 to 6 have pre school skills to read and count
OUR ASPIRATION: World Vision Mauritania will work with partners to ensure that children master the skills of reading, writing and arithmacy and that they acquire everyday competences for a productive life.

World Vision Mauritania collaborates with technical partners, associations and students’ parents’ boards to make sure that the children master reading, writing and counting.

In this noble mission, World Vision works with the Ministry of Education’s administrative authorities for the application of sustainable solutions to reinforce children’s competences in pre reading / pre counting (pre school), in reading and counting (primary school), and also in vocational training for children outside a formal educational system.

World Vision works with the Ministry of Social Affairs for the Child and the Family (MASEF) for an integrated development of the child through awakening and early development and to prepare them with an easy transition toward fundamental schooling.

OUR ACHIEVEMENTS:

- **113** Pre-School Teachers trained on the fundamentals and principles policy for small infants
- **4372** Children trained through a partnership program with pre school structures (nursery, kindergarten) in the Brakna, Gorgol, Assaba and Nouakchott Regions.
- **7,955,000 UM** (23,536 $) financed for activities that can generate revenues for the committee that run community development center pre-school
- **03** Support to supervisory training missions of regional MASEF authorities
- **03** Early Childhood Network reactivated
All children can read at the end of primary school

Hawa and Baba, two members of the camps of Reading installed by WorldVision to Bababé.
World Vision programs invested themselves in the qualitative improvement of learning objectives, the school environment, and in the reinforcement of community commitment through students’ parents association (APE) and the board of students’ parents (BPE) in 42 partner schools scattered throughout 3 regions.

**OUR ACHIEVEMENTS:**

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<th><strong>APE/BPE</strong></th>
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<td>PUPILS</td>
<td>were monitored within the pedagogical training under the administrative control of Regional and District Educational Authorities</td>
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<td>were trained on their roles and responsibilities</td>
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<td>TEACHERS</td>
<td>were trained on pedagogical and innovative approaches as well as on didactic reading</td>
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<td>CHILDREN’S CLUBS</td>
<td>were supported in socio-cultural activities</td>
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<td>PUPILS</td>
<td>were primed on reading didactics</td>
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<td>VOLUNTEERS</td>
<td>for reading camps were trained on the 5 reading skills</td>
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<td>READING CAMPS</td>
<td>were created in Bababé, M’Bagne and Dar El Barka</td>
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<td>CLASS HOURS</td>
<td>to improve reading through reading camps were conducted</td>
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Marieme Sy, one of AIM HEALTH project beneficiary implanted in the village of Wolloum Hattar, Mbagne department.

All children under 5 have a better health and nutritional status.
HEALTH AND NUTRITION

OUR APPROACH: World Vision Mauritania uses strategies aiming at improving the nutrition of children under 5 and mother-child health through its technical approaches based on the promotion of community health by: Reinforcing the capacity of Community Health Workers and community relays in order to introduce a set of minimum services of maternal and infant health at the community level (Basic Health Unit).

World Vision Mauritania’s ambition is to contribute to reduce the malnutrition of children under 5 and improve mother and children’s health.

OUR ACHIEVEMENTS:

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<th>Enrolled Children</th>
<th>Community Nutritional Treatment Centers</th>
<th>CHWs and community relays trained</th>
<th>Local Level Advocacy Groups trained for a fruitful dialogue with political leaders</th>
<th>Health Structures rehabilitated</th>
<th>Health Structures equipped with water and sanitation infrastructures</th>
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<td>18,044</td>
<td>115</td>
<td>433</td>
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<td>10,588</td>
<td>Community Health Workers and community relays in order to introduce a set of minimum services of maternal and infant health at the community level (Basic Health Unit).</td>
<td>trained for a fruitful dialogue with political leaders</td>
<td>created</td>
<td>structures de santé équipées en chaînes de froid pour la vaccination</td>
<td>health structures equipped with water and sanitation infrastructures</td>
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All children live in households and communities that practice improved sanitation and hygiene.

Toutou, 4 years old, cured from severe malnutrition thanks to the Wash Nut Project in Guerrou, (Assaba Region).
The promotion of hygiene and cleanness

**OUR APPROACH:** Through its four project models which are the promotion of hygiene and sanitation, integrated community WASH, WASH inside schools and WASH in emergencies, World Vision Mauritania bases its interventions in its 14 programs on three big interventions:

- **Improving access to water**
  - building water points for schools, health infrastructures for villages, the rehabilitation and the extension of water networks in urban and suburban areas, water treatment and its safe storage at home.

- **Promoting hygiene and sanitation**
  - promoting hand washing with soap and implementing the Community Led Total Sanitation approach in the community, schools and health structures.

- **Capacity building**
  - improving advocacy capacities, community mobilisation, management and maintenance of WASH structures in collaboration with religious leaders.

**OUR ACHIEVEMENTS:**

With an investment of 189,436,494 MRO (560,463 $) invested to promote hygiene and sanitation, and 197,076,800,804 MRO (583,067,458 $) invested in improving access to water (including capacity building), World Vision Mauritania has been able to achieve the following:

**The promotion of hygiene and cleanliness**

- **Access to water / Capacity Building**
  - 3 DRILLED and equipped wells to benefit more than 3,855 people
  - 10 HEALTH POSTS receiving access to water
  - 1 HEALTH CENTER

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<th>22 HANDWASHING FACILITIES</th>
<th>12 LATRINES BUILT</th>
<th>9185 PERSONS</th>
<th>3215 MEN</th>
<th>178 IMAMS</th>
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<td>installed in 22 health structures</td>
<td>and 7 latrines rehabilitated in 9 health structures</td>
<td>benefiting from the distribution of Proctor &amp; Gamble water purification kits</td>
<td>trained on water treatment at home and about hygiene</td>
<td>trained by members of the group of Imams’ trainers</td>
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<td>11 INFRASTRUCTURES</td>
<td>441 WASH KITS</td>
<td>12 AWARENESS SESSIONS</td>
<td>1210 WOMEN</td>
<td>180 WOMEN LEADERS</td>
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<td>for the disposal of medical waste inside 11 health structures</td>
<td>distributed to mother-child couples admitted in the health structures</td>
<td>conducted on hygiene and essential family practices for 80 girls and 70 boys members in 15 children’s clubs</td>
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Fatimetou, 10 years old, one of the beneficiary of the project Goat Gifts in the village of Rachid (Assaba Region).

All children live in households that are food secure and resilient to shocks.
EMERGENCIES

OUR APPROACH:

**HEA/health**
- targets prevention actions for pandemics, community health structures, the training of community social workers, early warning systems and preparation committees.

**HEA/Education**
- Aims at introducing children and management committees to practices of Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR).

**HEA/Resilience**
- This domain being combined with the objective of Health / Nutrition puts the accent on the building of technical capacities of community structures for the management of disasters and disaster risk reduction. Advocacy and networking are reinforced to encourage the mutualisation of resources in order to reduce the vulnerability of the populations that are exposed to shocks.

OUR ACHIEVEMENTS:

TRAINING TO FACE DISASTERS

6.186.700 MRO (17 500$)

INVESTED TO REACH THE FOLLOWING ACHIEVEMENTS:

- **26 FIELD FACILITATORS** trained on the system of managing emergencies at community level.
- **46 MEMBERS OF COMMUNAL DRR COMMITTEES** were trained.
- **287 MEMBERS RECYCLED**.
- **130 MEMBERS OF VILLAGE DRR COMMITTEES** were trained on the management of disaster risks.
### RESPONSES TO DISASTERS - Food and nutritional crisis

#### WASH IN NUTRITION PROJECT (UNICEF)

134,952,308,6 MRO (404,365,95$)

were invested in achieving the following activities:

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<td>VOLUNTEERS</td>
<td>NURSES (ICP)</td>
<td>MIDWIVES</td>
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<td>trained on applying the national malnutrition treatment protocol, the management of stocks and the monitoring of medical and nutritional data.</td>
<td>equipped with latrines, handwashing facilities, systems for the management of medical and non-medical waste and potable water points.</td>
<td>of health reactivated and trained on the maintenance and cleanliness of the health facility and the treatment of potable water in nutritional centers.</td>
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<td>WOMEN</td>
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<td>trained on water treatment and hygiene</td>
<td>distributed to mother-child couples</td>
<td>recyclé sur l’enquêtes des ménagés sans.</td>
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EMERGENCIES

RESPONSES TO DISASTERS - Food and nutritional crisis

ASAPRA PROJECT (WTF)

194,870 MT
OF FOOD DISTRIBUTED TO BENEFICIARIES OF WHICH
102,339 MT
distributed to 5,263 Blanket supplementary feeding beneficiaries for 3 months
92,531 MT
served to 1,858 beneficiaries of targeted supplementary feeding for 7 months in the Assaba Region

188 136 000 MRO (561 600$)
inconditional cash distributed to 4,600 beneficiaries for 3 months
conditional cash distributed to 83 households for 2 months
conditional cash distributed to 856 households for 1 month

MULTISECTORIAL HEALTH AND NUTRITION EMERGENCY PROJECT (EUROPEAN UNION)

27.710.110,42 MRO (82 185,67$)
INVESTED IN THE ACHIEVEMENT OF THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES:

- 26 NURSES
  trained on applying the national malnutrition treatment protocol in Boumdeid

- 18 AUXILIARIES/VOLUNTEERS
  trained on the 1,000 days approach and on active community

- 100 COMMUNITY RELAYS

- 926 WOMEN
  trained on the Mother MUAC approach

- 6 HEALTH COMMITTEES
  redynamized in Boumdeid
 Loads of sand for backfilling of the arteries after the floods in Sebkha
RESPONSES TO DISASTERS - Food and nutritional crisis

RESPONSE TO FLOODING IN SEBKHA

4.016.000 MRO (11 375$)

Were invested to support the commune of Sebkha to face flooding through creating banks for the flooded roads with:

- 80 Truck loads of sand
- 50 Tanks
- 60 Cases of bleach
- 50 Cases of fine hail
- 1 000 Mosquito nets

Truck loads of sand for backfilling of the arteries
Pumping out stagnant water
Being distributed
Being distributed
For the benefit of the most vulnerable 500 households
Aicha, in the middle with her peers, members of a community credit group (savings group) and AGR shop which sell gas bottles in Guerrou (Assaba region).

Improve and stabilize the income of the most vulnerable households
SAVINGS AND CREDIT GROUPS

Through the saving and credit group approach, WVM is trying to favour the mobilization of local saving and provide the poorest communities with access to credit, prepare youth for economic opportunities and finally build a social fund for vulnerable populations in order to face emergences.

**OUR OBJECTIVE:** Improve and stabilize the income of the most vulnerable households of Brakna, Gorgol, Assaba and Nouakchott through the promotion of women’s access to nearby financial services that match their requirements and socio-economic profile.

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**OUR ACHIEVEMENTS:**

**SAVINGS AND CREDIT GROUPS**

Saving is a necessary component of a household well being. There are decisive proofs that the increase of households assets, including money, has a positive impact on all identified domains of child’s well being (health, education, protection and participation, etc…). With the improvement of their economic well being, families can send their children to school for a longer time, pay for better health care, better protect them against disasters and difficulties, feed them better, and build better and more reliable houses.

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<th>PROGRAMS</th>
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<td>14</td>
<td>64</td>
<td>5400</td>
<td>42,591,040 UM (126,009$)</td>
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Advocacy to the promotion of citizenship in order to improve public services
OUR APPROACH: Local and national advocacy, a model support to the promotion of citizenship in order to improve public services.

Our advocacy approach intervenes at the national and local level. The first one aims at influencing public policies for them to be sensitive to the «child well being » dimension, in both the outlook and the implementation.

The local advocacy aims at increasing the dialogue between communities and local governments in order to improve the quality of public services.

WV Mauritania supported the creation and the capacity building of 31 Citizens Voice in Action groups, reaching a total of 460 members, who develop advocacy actions around:
- Appointing health staff
- Giving children access to birth certificates
- Creating certain health positions in health centres

Also, WV started a partnership with the parliamentary women’s network of Mauritania through a national caravan for the promotion of feminine citizenship and the fight against violences done to children with child marriages in particular.

OUR ACHIEVEMENTS:

Our support in the implementation of public policies (law on mandatory education, communautarian health national strategy,…), made it possible to reach:

0 471 CHILDREN

Testimony

“My name is Aicha Mint Sakhaire, I was trained by World Vision on advocacy in my group. Training helped me a lot. In our village there are lots of children without civil status documents. For example in one neighbourhood we listed 20 children with no ID card who got their rights through our advocacy. Thanks to WV for helping us to have an advocacy group.”
Children who are well educated and supported to contribute to their well being and that of their community
OUR OBJECTIVE: Equip the staff, the children and religious leaders to support the well being and the holistic development of children.

OUR APPROACH: To make sure that the Faith and Development interventions are done in a transversal and efficient manner through a series of trainings and capacity building sessions with WV employees, imams, children’s clubs monitors and community leaders in partnership with the association of Imams and Oulemas of Mauritania.

OUR ACHIEVEMENTS:

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<td>Children Impacted</td>
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<td>Facilitators</td>
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Religious Leaders trained with the association of Imams and Oulemas.

Children’s Clubs monitored.

Children’s Clubs Monitors trained.

Women Leaders trained.

TV Broadcasts on children’s protection.

Children Impacted.

Facilitators trained on the Celebrating Families approach for adopting good parental practices with the assistance and the lead of World Vision International.

Leaders oriented and trained on the Celebrating Families approach.
Visit of World Vision partnership leader

Jayakumar Christian (Faith and Development Partnership Leader) and Dan Ole Shani (Christian Engagement Partnership Leader) visited Mauritania from April 11-15, 2016. Many meetings were held with the Minister of Islamic Affairs and Original Teaching, the Association of Imams and Oulemas, the Catholic church of Nouakchott and the members of Parliament as well as a field visit to the various programs. Before their departure, Jaya and Dan expressed their appreciation for the warm welcome, the impressive evolution of World Vision’s work in Mauritania, and the positiveness of our staff.

Visit from the Regional Leader

Mme Esther Lehmann Sow West Africa Regional Leader visited World Vision Mauritania from September 6-7, 2016 in order to share more on the structural changes started in the region to maximise investment efforts to benefit the populations for children’s well being.

World Water day celebration

World Vision Mauritania represented by National Director Lilian Dodzo celebrated World Water day, by organising on March 22, 2016 a ceremony for the delivery of 60 water points in Nouakchott, under the supervision of the General Secretary of the Ministry of Hydraulics of Mauritania, Mohamed Ould Vall Ould Abdi. This event closed the Water for All in Nouakchott project which started off on October 1, 2014, and ended on March 31st 2016. The objective of this project, funded by the Coca Cola Africa Foundation, was to improve physical and economic access to quality water for households in Nouakchott.

The well drilling built by World Vision Mauritania WASH Program in the village of Freikika in Assaba.
On an overall view, the audit has been acceptable on the national level.

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