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WORKSHOP TITLE	Nutritional Dialogue with the children of the city of Beni
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LANGUAGE OF THE EVENT	French / Kiswahili
HOST CITY	Beni, Democratic Republic of the Congo
GEOGRAPHICAL SCOPE	RWANGOMA Primary School · Me · North Kivu · RDC
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- that cover the nutrition challenges faced, the urgent actions that need to be taken, and how to move them forward – in particular, ahead of the Nutrition for Growth
- Summit in Paris in March 2025.

SECTION ONE: PARTICIPATION

TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

15

PARTICIPATION BY AGE GROUP

0 12-15

15 16-18

PARTICIPATION BY GENDER

8 Female

7 Male

0 Other/Prefer not to say

ADDITIONAL DETAIL ON DIVERSITY OF PARTICIPATION

In the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), the territory and city of Beni have been in the headlines lately because atrocities committed there in the ADF attacks against the populations and which sow desolation. The Nutritional dialogue with children in Beni brought together students from the final year of primary school at RWANGOMA, BENI. All these children, numbering 15 people, are aged between 15 and 18 years old.

SECTION TWO: FRAMEWORK

The nutritional dialogue of Beni organized with the children of the RWANGOMA Primary School initially took on a school aspect with presentations, then group work and finally a plenary session where the children put their ideas together. In effect, after the prayer and the presentation of each child we moved on to the summary on nutritional dialogue to go then the work in crossroads and the pooling. The briefing of the dialogue made by the moderator was punctuated in six highlights namely key concepts groups most affected by malnutrition, factors exacerbating malnutrition and hunger in the world, the importance of good nutrition impacts of improved the determinants of good nutrition nutrition in children. A short moment of exchange took place where the children asked many questions to better understand this subject which seemed to them as interesting as it was practical. Indeed, regard to their context. Finally, the time came for work in two groups which was finalized in plenary. The it was admitted that the children of Beni spoke of challenges that were both endogenous (laziness, unemployment, poverty) and exogenous (insecurity) and addressed to the various authorities the batch of urgent actions which deserve close monitoring for effectively combat malnutrition.

SECTION THREE: WORKSHOP RESULTS FOR CHILDREN

CHALLENGES

First of all, the children of Beni recognized that the soil of the Great North is very fertile, but that there are just factors that contribute to the persistence of malnutrition such as

PLAN ENDOGENE

- The laziness of many communities who rely more on easy money from trade than on agriculture
- Widespread unemployment which does not allow families to make ends meet
- The consumption of alcoholic beverages which destroy the health of certain families

EXOGENOUS PLAN

- The ADF phenomenon which causes populations to flee from their sites and villages, leaving and fleeing their fields and lands.
- The flow of displaced people in the area who, due to the lack of good food assistance, also take the little food from households (host families in distress)
- Insecurity causes communities to be displaced at all times

URGENT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION

FOR THE CONGOLESE STATE:

- Work hard to secure sites and villages to allow communities to return to their fields
- Encourage exemptions from certain so-called nutritional products
- Remobilize the State's nutritional services which must continue to ensure good awareness
- Ensure a decent payment to parents so that they are able to provide food for their families
- Implement a program to combat unemployment

FOR THE POPULATIONS

- Fight against excessive alcohol consumption
- Return to field work

AREAS OF DIVERGENCE

No notable divergences were raised in the discussions between participating children.

GENERAL SUMMARY

The students of the RWANGOMA primary school in Beni were active in the Nutritional Dialogue. Under the support of their parents for some the children gave the best of themselves of their teachers, during this workshop which took place in three stages (malnutrition briefing . crossroads and plenary work)

The briefing of the dialogue was developed in six points, namely the key concepts of malnutrition, . the groups most affected by the factors exacerbating malnutrition and hunger in the world, the importance of good nutrition, the determinants (what contributes to) of good nutrition, impacts of improved nutrition. The discussions in groups were a crucial moment. divided into two groups, each of which was responsible for reflecting on the context nutritional of the region the challenges of nutrition but they . urgent actions or recommendations. Children also had the noted the endogenous problems were unanimous on all the issues debated. In the wake of the challenges latitude to raise the points, . they (laziness of several communities who rely more on easy money from trade rather than agriculture, widespread unemployment which does not allow families to make ends meet, consumption of alcoholic beverages which destroy the health of certain families) and exogenous ones (ADF phenomenon, flow of displaced people in the area who, for lack of good food assistance, also take the little food from the households, insecurity displaced communities at any time). In the chapter recommendations targeted both the Congolese State and the . these children communities to provide adequate and urgent response to the challenges.

SECTION FOUR: PRINCIPLES OF ENGAGEMENT AND METHOD

PRINCIPLES OF COMMITMENT

The children promised to mobilize their parents to carry out the following activities: -Awareness raising on good food practices in households - Creation of AVECs to raise the financial level of the community.

METHOD AND FRAMEWORK

To conclude the workshop called nutritional dialogue with children of Beni, the following the moderator and the organizer take turns approaches were used: presentations, brainstormings, group work, plenary sessions, etc.

TIPS FOR OTHER CONVENERERS

For future workshops and dialogues, it is advisable to prepare the children in advance and . and above all to think better refine the logistical means to contain the children in a spirit of tranquility and conviviality.

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THANKS

Heartfelt thanks are addressed to the parents who accepted the participation of their children in this dialogue, but also to the parents who accompanied their children to this working session. A deserved gratitude is also to be addressed to World Vision for having thought of an exercise as salutary as it prevents many evils.

ATTACHMENTS

- Attendance list
<https://nutritiondialogues.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/1.LISTE-PRESENCE-enfants-beni.pdf>
- Consent form Beni
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