

Drinking water supplies and promoting hygiene and sanitation in rural areas



Areas of intervention

- with rate of access to water
 - Matankari: 48%
 - Torodi: 47%
- National rate of access to sanitation = 7%

Main topics

- Drinking water and sanitation infrastructure
- Hygiene practices
- Advocacy
- Water management

Beneficiaries

- 26,023 people including:
 - 2,511 pupils, 15 schools,
 - 11,509 patients and 7 nurses, 3 health centres.

Initial budget

- Total: 1,108,829 CHF
- SDC: 831,622 CHF
- SWISSAID: 277,207 CHF

Additional budget

- Total : 90,571 CHF
- SWISSAID: 90,571 CHF

Activities carried out

- Execution of studies
- Set-up and training of structures
- Implementation of CLTS
- Hydraulic works: 3 wells, 1 borehole with PMH, 5 MAEP
- Rehabilitation: 1 well, 8 boreholes, 7 cemented village wells
- Sanitation: 21 latrine blocks (market: 3, health centre: 2, schools: 16, household: 108)
- Support of 'Local Water and Sanitation Plan'

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Strategies and approach

- Community-led, participatory and inclusive
- Project managed by SWISSAID Niger
- Promotion of municipal contracting
- Establishment of a steering committee
- Local monitoring
- Open calls for tender
- Capacity building
- Inclusion of gender and sexual equality aspects
- Participation in sectorial dialogue
- Knowledge-sharing and advocacy

Lessons learnt

- The water quality in the existing cemented wells is mediocre
- Do not trigger implementation CLTS in lead-up to rainy season

Good practice

- Surface installation of PHNS-type wells (HEKS models)
- Project steering committee
- Local monitoring
- Designation of a water, hygiene and sanitation (WASH) point
- Capacity-building for project staff
- Involvement of all stakeholders
- Multi-Village Small-Scale Drinking Water Supply (MAEP-MV)
- Blue School Approach (Helvetas model)
- Musical animation for the promotion of hygiene and sanitation

Advocacy & political dialogue

- May 2015: Participation in the International Media Symposium for Sustainable Development
- June 2015 and June 2016: Participation in the 2015/2016 annual review of the water and sanitation sector and in defining the national vision and objectives for the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- February 2016: meeting with the political parties to discuss their hydrological and sanitation programs for the presidential elections
- 22 March 2016: National Water Day Celebrations

