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Project Title- COVID-19 PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE				
Objective of the Project: To Increase Public Awareness Around COVID-19 And Promote Hand Washing and Other Hygienic Practices to Curb the Spread of The Virus and Other Diarrheal Related Diseases.				
Project Start: December 2020 Project End: September 2021		Project Location: BULAWAYO		
Funding Partner: UNICEF		Donor: AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK (AfDB)		
Project Budget: US\$383,896.00		Staff on the Project: Spiwe Mpofu (Project Manager) Sikhanyiso Ncube (WASH Officer) Benjamin Chikonyora (WASH Officer) Munetsi Mapeture (WASH Engineer) Sukoluhle Ncube (MEAL Assistant)		
Project Beneficiaries: Overall-250,000 Male-112,500 Female-137,500		Key Government/Local Authority Departments Involved: BULAWAYO CITY COUNCIL, MINISTRY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT		
Project Targets and Achievements				
Activity	Target	Actual	% Achievement	Comments
Establishment of 22 x 85lt hand washing stations (HWS)at public places to increase positive hand washing practice HWS (includes installation & fabrication of stand on site).	22	4	18%	4 x 85 litre handwashing stations (this includes 2 handwashing stations distributed to housing offices in two of the city's diarrheal hotspots; Magwegwe and Mzilikazi) – which the local authority will distribute to key public institutions which are currently operating with no public handwashing facilities. Fabrication of additional handwashing stations underway
Provision of PPE to 90 volunteers including hand sanitizers.	90 pp	Nil	0%	Activity not yet implemented
Identification and training of 40 Community Health Workers/volunteers on COVID-19.	40 pp	Nil	0%	Community health workers/volunteers currently being identified, and training scheduled for week beginning 25 January 2021
Procurement and distribution of 1500 hygiene kits (comprising of 1x20l bucket, 1x25l Jerry can, 2 bars of soap, HH water treatment).	1500 NFI kits	Nil	0%	Beneficiary selection process initiated in consultation with BCC Social Welfare Officers. Targeted areas are Cowdray Park (pinpointed as a COVID-19 hotspot) and



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				Nkulumane where a diarrheal disease outbreak was recorded in December 2020
Assessment of boreholes	35	39	111%	Assessment of boreholes for rehabilitation ongoing and a BOQ for rehabilitation material compiled
Repair of boreholes.	35	Nil	0%	Submitted BoQs for material to UNICEf, awaiting delivery of the materials
Pump Minder (PM) refresher training	6	0	0	Training to commence once the materials are availed.
Refresher training for 35 Water Point Management Committees (WPMC)	35 WPMCs	Nil	0%	Activity not yet implemented. WPMCs will be identified during borehole rehabilitation
Rehabilitation of 5 x Mini-Piped Water Schemes	5 mini PWS	Nil	0%	Engagements with BCC on the piped water schemes scheduled for week beginning 25 January 2021
Refresher training for 14 EHPs on Water Quality Monitoring (WQM)	14 pp	Nil	0%	Engagements underway with BCC to deliberate on how and when the training can be conducted considering the constraints emerging due to the Covid-19 pandemic
Support for the revival of 40 health clubs (25 members per Club). Support includes monitoring visits, procurement of membership cards, visibility materials (bibs, sun hats), provision of 40 volunteer transport, lunch, and refreshments for 9 months	40 CHCs	Nil	0%	Activity not yet implemented
COVID-19 awareness campaigns	20	2	10%	Tentatively two awareness campaigns will be conducted per month with the activity being regarded as critical at a time when the country is experiencing a surge in COVID-19 cases
Forum theatre performances at bus stations	4	Nil	0%	Activity not yet implemented

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Pictures

Pictured below are community members during the COVID-19 awareness campaign in Cowdray Park, Empompini Ward 28. A snapshot of the large crowds drawn by the roadshow resulting in challenges with crowd control and enforcing physical distancing.



A fair number of children were present for the awareness campaign and it was observed that very few children are embracing the call to mask up as a key preventative measure. This emphasizes the need to strengthen public awareness of COVID-19 preventative measures with intentional efforts placed at reaching out to high risk groups such as children.



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AA team member Benjamin Chikonyora (in the reflector) conducting Covid-19 awareness, encouraging people to exercise public distancing at one of the public bus terminus



Left - The Executive Director for AA Regis Matimati and Councillor Jele for Ward 17 demonstrating the ten steps of handwashing at the Global Handwashing Day Commemorations held on the 5th of November at Queen Elizabeth II Primary School in Nkulumane, Ward 17

Right - AA Executive Director Regis Matimati handing over the handwashing stations to Councillor Jele who was standing in for the Mayor at the commemorations



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Left – The handwashing stations donated to the local authority during the 2019 Global handwashing Day Commemorations

Right – Visitors pictured making use of the handwashing station donated and installed at the Magwegwe Housing Office





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In 2019 the City of Bulawayo experienced unprecedented water supply challenges which resulted in the decommissioning of three (3) of the city's six (6) major supply dams and the introduction of a gruelling 144-hour water rationing schedule. To cope with the challenges of only receiving piped water supplies once per week on average, the city's residents turned to communal boreholes, most of which are now in a state of disrepair due to heavy use. Pictured above are some of the boreholes assessed for rehabilitation works under the COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Project.