

A.13 Rwanda - 2008 - Conflict returnees

Case study: Update - Distribution and information

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2008 for more

Project type:

Community mobilisation
Establishment of beneficiary
associations
Technical guidance
Materials distribution

Emergency:

Forced repatriation of people
of 'Rwandan origin' from
Tanzania to Rwanda

number of people displaced:

Approximately 60,000 people
considered to be illegal
immigrants in Tanzania were
required to return to Rwanda.
8,000 people had been forced
to return by June 2007.

Project target population:

469 households

Occupancy rate on handover:

100%. Of the 220 shelters
completed by August 2008, all
were occupied

Shelter size

48 m² (6x8m)



Project timeline



Summary

This project provided support to people of Rwandan origin expelled from Tanzania by providing materials for house building, masons and providing shared services at the site of return. Communities were mobilised by forming beneficiary associations in consultation with the local government. The role of the implementing organisations was to collectivise the tasks required for house building.

Update

In 2009, 119 returnee families from Tanzania were still living in the Kiyanzi camp. A project had been initiated to build 110 houses, a permanent shelter solution for beneficiaries who had poor access to both water and health services in the camp.

The wider resettlement and reintegration program for 18,000 returnees from Tanzania was described as a success by a UN source.



Completed shelters
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