

Country Card

DRC

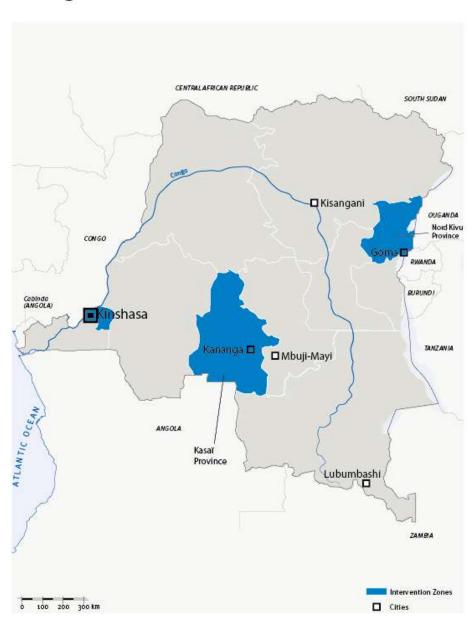




HI Team and intervention areas

The HI DRC program has 113 staff members.

Democratic Republic of Congo





General data of the country

a. General data

Country	DRC	Rwanda	Belgium
Population	89.5 million	12.9 million	11.5 million
HDI	0.48	0.54	0.93
IHDI	0.845	0.945	0.974
Gender development index	473	248	5
Population under HCR mandate	42.1	43.7	27.4
Maternal mortality	529,061	145 360	42 168
GINI Index	7.7	4.2	1.9
INFORM global risk index	109.39	86.03	27.10
Fragile State Index	3.5	7.3	29.2
Development aid (in millions USD)	3471.9	1332.3	0

b. Humanitarian law instruments ratified by the country

Humanitarian law instruments	Status
Mine Ban Treaty	Ratified on 02/05/2002
Convention on Cluster Munitions	Signed on 18/03/2009
UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities	Signed on September 13, 2015



c. Geopolitical analysis

1. Social, cultural and demographic context

The second largest country in Africa, four times the size of France and eighty times the size of Belgium, the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) is a country whose history is marked by power struggles for its wealth, and this is still today the main cause of most of its ills.

The DRC is facing a large-scale humanitarian and health crisis, affecting more than 25.6 million people in 2020, including more than 15 million children. This crisis is the consequence of decades of local and regional security instability, particularly affecting the eastern provinces of the country. Over the years, armed conflicts and inter-community violence have led to a very high vulnerability of the populations. New conflicts have emerged in 2016 affecting previously unaffected provinces, such as Kasai, and have led to a sharp increase in the number of people in need. In addition, since 2018, continuous epidemics (Ebola, measles, cholera, Covid-19) have been breaking out and spreading in several provinces of the country, undermining a population and health system that had already been greatly weakened.

2. Economic situation

Significant improvements in the DRC's socio-economic situation have been hoped for by the population and are still awaited, despite the obvious presence of wealth and therefore financial resources. Nevertheless, the country has moved up 11 places in the HDI ranking in 2015, from 186th out of 187 countries in 2013 to 176th out of 188 countries in 2014.

Progress is visible in terms of life expectancy (rising from 49 years in 1997 to 59 years in 2015), school enrolment (28% in 1995 to 44% in 2014 for secondary education) and gross national income per capita (\$338 in 1997 to \$392 in 2015). However, this discrete progress in socio-economic indicators does not reflect the reality of the vastness of the Congolese territory. Inequalities and the socio-economic situation remain worrying in most of the country's territories.

Between 2016 and 2018, during the political crisis linked to the "slippage" of the presidential majority, inflation began to rise again. Despite a major smooth handover at the head of state in January 2020, the health crisis linked to the Covid-19 had a strong impact on the country's socio-economic indicators. In March 2016, 1 US dollar was exchanged for



900 Congolese Francs, and for 2000 Congolese francs in August 2020. Purchasing power is declining, and basic consumer prices are rising.

As a result of the COVID-19 epidemic, the Congolese national budget was cut by 40% over the period 2020 to 2021; the budget was already insufficient to cover all of the government's prerogatives (11 billion in 2020).



Summary of HI presence in the country

HI has been present in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) since 1995, and in the East since 2001: in Kisangani for a demining project (Tshopo Province), and since 2007 in Goma for rehabilitation and logistics platform projects.

Since 2007, several projects have been carried out in the field of physical rehabilitation, victim assistance and care for vulnerable people in North Kivu, including people with injuries and/or disabilities. Interventions alternate according to areas and needs between development and emergency without disconnecting them from each other.



Overview on ongoing projects

Sectors of services where HI conducts projects and focus on beneficiaries and operational partnerships

Main sectors and project title	Project goals in the sector	Main activities	Beneficiaries	Beneficiaries at the end of the project	Partners	Location	Project start and end date and funding bodies
Common	Support and adapt	Organise, prioritise and	Humanitarian	17 humanitarian	Cluster Logistique	Nord-Kivu/	09.2020-
transportation and	humanitarian	optimise the supply chain and	organisations	organisations	Office de routes	Goma	10.2021
storage platforms	response in Nord-	the health and humanitarian	working in DRC	including 13	Direction des voix		
& Access civil	Kivu by analysing	response		international	de dessertes		CDCS
engineering	priority logistics	Share stock management to		NGOs and 4	agricoles		
	environments, the	make it easier to secure sites		national NGOs			Mae Lux
Optimise access to	management of	and optimise the dispatch of					
assistance and	logistics platforms	assistance from the most					
services for people	and the removal of	strategic locations					
impacted by	physical obstacles	Share the transport of goods to					
COVID-19 and		stabilise the market					
humanitarian crises						_	
Inclusive	Provide	• Support clusters to make their	CRIO, Clusters	14	Clusters	Goma,	01-12.2021
Humanitarian	humanitarian	strategic plan, action plan and	(including sub-		Disabled people's	Bukavu,	
Action	cooperation bodies	tools disability inclusive	clusters and		organisations	Kalémie,	Fonds
	in DRC with	Train disability and inclusion	working groups),			Kananga,	Humanitaire
Help humanitarian	support over a 12-	focal points set up within	INGOs			Kinshasa	
actors deliver	month period to	clusters					
inclusive	strengthen and	Help humanitarian coordination					
humanitarian	consolidate	make the humanitarian needs					
response Stage II.	inclusive practices	2021 and 2022 overview and					
	and activities	response plan inclusive of					



	during humanitarian response.	disability during planning and implementation • Assessment of NGOs, co-lead or active members and implementation of personalised support plans and training in inclusive humanitarian action					
Mental health and psychosocial support / Physical and functional rehabilitation Emergency response to the needs of the population of Nord Kivu in the wake of the volcanic eruption	Improve the living conditions and psychosocial well-being of the most vulnerable households returning to Goma	 Identify people with disabilities in need of personalised assistance and the supply of adapted mobility aids Awareness-raising and psychoeducation sessions Individual or group care management Referral of cases of genderbased violence and unaccompanied children 	 People with disabilities in need of mobility aids Displaced people / returnees showing signs of psychological and / or emotional distress People particularly at risk and/or survivors of violence and abuse 	1,950 people		Territoire Nyiragongo, Groupement de Buvira	07-10.2021 MAE Lux
Emergency food assistance and livelihood support for affected people	Help improve the food security and living conditions of the most vulnerable households	 Distribute in cash the equivalent of 50% of the value of the household food basket via a financial services provider Monitor market prices 	Households	15,750 households (HI)	ACF	Dimbelenge, Kazumba and Dibaya (HI) Kamonia (ACF)	11.2020- 12.2021 BHA
Maternal and Newborn Child Health KOSEKA YA BANA	Integrate, prevent, detect and care manage impairments	 Implement prevention and detection actions inclusive of impairments in communities Improve the quality of mother and infant care services in 	 Health staff People dedicated to health development Children under 5 	261,176 people	Provincial Ministry of Health (Kinshasa) Rotary club	Ndjili, Bumbu, Nsele and Selembao health districts	01.2017- 12.2021 DGD



ELIKIA YA BABOTI - A child's smile, a parent's hope (SMNI)		general referral hospitals and health centres • Improve access to health care for pregnant women and children under 5	Pregnant womenPeople with disabilities				Fondation Jos
Inclusive education Improve access to quality education and rehabilitation for children with disabilities	Improve the health, living conditions, social inclusion and social and economic development of people with disabilities	 Build the capacities of education, health and social actors to assist children with disabilities in the project areas Implement quality care services for the holistic care management of children with disabilities through the education, health and social system Strengthen understanding of disability in the community Actively involve communities and parents to improve the quality of life of children with disabilities and their inclusion in society 	Children in beneficiary schools Education actors Civil society working in the field of education Communities living in the project areas, including care service providers	976 people	Ministry of Primary, Secondary and Vocational Education (MEPSP)	Districts of Limete, Ngaba, Kisenso, Nsele, Selembao, Lemba	01.2018- 12.2022 MAE Lux
Inclusive governance Support to non- profit organisations	Build the organisational and technical skills of disabled people's organisations in Kinshasa to improve the representation of all people with disabilities	 Strengthen the inclusion of people with disabilities, their families and representative organisations in society and promote their involvement in advancing their rights Build the capacity of people with disabilities to play an active role in order to facilitate 	 The leaders of partner disabled people's organisations Community leaders Authorities Civil society organisations 	1,992 people	 National Association of Parents with Intellectually Impaired Children in the Congo (ANPEHMC) Kinshasa Organisation for 	N'djili, N'sele, Bumbu and Selembao health areas	01.2017- 12.2021 DGD



		their inclusion in community activities • Perform advocacy to implement the directives under the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities within the legal and institutional framework of the DRC	People with disabilities benefiting from training, local advocacy initiatives, innovative community-based projects and the activities of mutual support groups		the Hearing Impaired (ASK) Platform of activists and supporters of the rights of people with disabilities in the Congo (PADDPHC) National Union of the Visually Impaired in the Congo (UNAC) Other disabled people's organisations Ministry for Social Affairs in charge of people with disabilities and other vulnerable individuals CBM Viva Salud		
Physical and functional rehabilitation	Enable people with disabilities to benefit from care services and increase their involvement and	Build the capacities and improve the services provided by the Mama Yemo orthopaedic-fitting workshops and university clinics of Kinshasa	 Health and rehabilitation professionals Community focal points 	1,968 people	Provincial Health Division	Ndjili, Bumbu, Nsele and Selembao health districts	01.2017- 12.2021 DGD



	autonomy in everyday activities.	Improve rehabilitation services Implement mechanisms to make it easier to access rehabilitation services	People with disabilities requiring functional rehabilitation care				MAE Lux
Safe and Inclusive Mobility	Help reduce the risk of road accidents due to drink driving in synergy with NGOs, the police and the national road safety commission (CNPR)	 Make data available to governments and stakeholders to analyse, plan and assess the road safety actions put in place Build the capacities of civil society organisations working in the field of road safety Build the technical capacities of traffic police and put in place mechanisms to monitor road traffic violations in the district of Limete 	 Vulnerable users People living near streets or roads with particularly heavy traffic Researchers Local road safety NGOs Authorities responsible for road safety 	72,824 people	 Congolese Road Accident Reduction Organisation (OCLCARRE) Road Safety Improvement Committee (CAPR) National Road Safety Committee (CNPR) International Road Safety Organisation (OISR) 	District of Limete and public transport stations in Kinshasa	01.2017- 12.2021 DGD
Inclusive Humanitarian Action Consultance PGL	Build the self- reliance of girls, adolescent girls and women victims of conflicts in the Grands Lacs region through education	 Analyse access to education and its quality for women and girls with disabilities in the areas falling within the scope of the programme in Rwanda and DRC Review three project activity components to adapt and refocus its actions 	Fondation PGL			Rwanda (Mahama camp, district of Kirehe) DRC (Fizi, Sud-Kivu, close to the Lusenda and	PGL



Train two project teams		Mulongwe	
(Rwanda and DRC) on		camps)	
managing an inclusive project			
Project follow-up assessment:			
revise project planning, follow-			
up and assess tools to make			
them inclusive			



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