CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC


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FACTS:

- **No. of beneficiaries (2025):** 22,231 people; 10,832 women and 11,999 men.
- **Year since mission started:** DCA has operated in CAR since 2015
- **Partners:** M3D, CATDEC, AFPE, Bria Londo, Conciliation Resources, Fondation Vegas Jeunes pour le Développement, Zo Kwe Zo.
- **Number of employees:** 70
- **Turnover 2025:** 27,987,793 DKK (3,744,436 EUR).
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OPERATIONAL CONTEXT:

The humanitarian crisis in the Central African Republic continues:

- In 2025, 2.3 million people — 36% of the population — require humanitarian assistance and protection. This is a 4% decrease compared to 2024.
- An improvement of the security context with a reduction of armed violence following the signature of Ndjamena accords but the population is still vulnerable to humanitarian shocks and displacement.
- Use of explosive devices continues, especially in the Ouham Pendé region.
- Natural disasters, especially floods, affect the population and put their livelihoods at risk.
- Populations still face protection issues and human rights abuses (42,846 GBV cases reported in 2023-2025).
- To target systemic issues and complement humanitarian action, it's necessary to work across humanitarian-development-peace issues.

WHAT WE DO:

- Support to civil society, democratic authorities, and a responsible private sector for peacebuilding, social cohesion and democratic governance. DCA focuses on empowering local actors and works with marginalized groups (women, youth, people with disabilities) to ensure their inclusion in democratic processes and decision-making.
- DCA in CAR has an important protection mandate from GBV prevention and support for survivors, to protection of vulnerable populations and children associated with armed groups. DCA focuses on community-based approaches, safe spaces, psychosocial support and socioeconomic rehabilitation of survivors.
- DCA implements a comprehensive approach to alleviate immediate needs and durably strengthen community resilience through initiatives related to food security combined with emergency food aid during the lean season.
- DCA in CAR value innovative approaches such as cash distributions (food aid and multisectoral emergency cash assistance) and innovative approaches to sustainable agriculture.
- DCA CAR's overall approach is transversal. Through the principle of localization, DCA works in partnership with multiple national NGOs, effectively strengthening their capacities. With a focus on enhancing gender equality through empowerment and inclusion of women and girls and EMAP programs (Engaging Men through Accountable Practice). Lastly, the adoption of a Human rights-based & environmental protection approach.

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HOW AND WHERE WE WORK:

Food security and food aid: In Haute-Kotto, Lim-Pendé, Ouham, and Ouham-Pendé, DCA is delivering a comprehensive response consisting of:

- Agricultural recovery through innovative and sustainable practices
- Combined with emergency food aid during the lean season mostly through cash distribution

Protection & MHPSS: for sexual violence and GBV survivors, vulnerable populations, children previously associated with armed groups, vulnerable children and explosive devices victims. These initiatives are being implemented in Lim-Pendé, Ouham, and Ouham-Pendé.

- Implementation of community-based protection & prevention mechanisms.
- Community awareness.
- Safe spaces for women/girls.

In Ouham-Pendé DCA is delivering

- Safe spaces for at risk children & children previously associated with armed groups.

Peacebuilding & social cohesion:

In Bangui, Sibut, Kaga Bandoro DCA is delivering

- Support to CSOs and youth-led organizations through community-based approaches.

In Ouham Pendé DCA is implementing

- Cash4work.
- Reinsertion of children previously associated with armed groups.
- Community-based conflict prevention mechanisms between agricultural and pastoralist communities.

Livelihoods:

Support for income generating activities for:

- Survivors of sexual violence linked to conflict in Sibut.
- Women & youth in Bangui, Sibut, Kaga Bandoro, and Ouham Pendé.
- Implementation of village savings and credit association in Bangui, Sibut, Kaga Bandoro, Bocaranga and Koui.

Gender equality: Strengthening of CSOs, women-led organizations, youth, authorities, community and religious leaders for the promotion of gender equality in Lim Pendé, Ouham Pendé, Bangui, Sibut, and Kaga Bandoro

Mine Action: Risk education, strengthening community-based information sharing mechanisms, support to victims in Ouham Pendé, and Ouham

Emergency response: Emergency cash distributions to bring relief to populations affected by shocks (displacement and floods) in Haute-Kotto, Lim-Pendé, Ouham, and Ouham-Pendé.



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