

**Symbol and title:**  
**GCP/RLA/160/BRA: “Iniciativa América Latina y el Caribe Sin Hambre 2025” (ALCSH 2025) – Contribution of the Federal Republic of Brazil for Humanitarian Assistance**

**Recipient Country:** Haiti

**Baby Number:** 01

**Baby Title:** “Emergency Food Security Response to the 2010 earthquake in Haiti” a FAO-Brazil America Latina e Caribe sem Fome humanitarian programme

**Date of approval:** January 2010

**EOD:** 15/01/2010

**NTE:** 31/12/2011

**Budget:** USD 250 000

**Delivery at 31/12/2011:** USD 238 750

**Objectives/Expected results:**

**Overall Programme Objective:**

Support Haiti to efficiently respond to the current emergency and food security disaster caused by the 12-01-2010 earthquake and to future crisis with food and agriculture related interventions based on locally produced agriculture inputs.

**Immediate Objective:**

Support at least of 2,500 vulnerable households to recover from the 12-01-2010 Earthquake and crisis through the provision and use of locally produced agriculture inputs.

**Major achievements/outcomes**

Achievements:

- Seeds donated from Brazil transported to Haiti (36 MT of beans and 36 MT of maize donated by Brazil). They have been distributed for the Summer planting season.
- 90 MT of maize, lima beans and beans seeds (local and improved varieties) distributed for the Summer planting season.
- 130 hectares of land have been ploughed. This has enhanced the productivity of 275 households.
- Set up of 2 centres of banana multiplication.
- Substantial contribution to the logistic and transportation needs of the FAO emergency programme to support earthquake affected beneficiaries.
- Moreover, because of the impact of the Hurricane Tomas, 50,000 banana vitro plants have been distributed to meet the needs of affected population by this natural disaster. This activity was not initially foreseen in the project document. The distribution of the banana vitro plants in the disaster affected areas targeted the most vulnerable and food insecure population.

Outcomes:

During summer and winter planting seasons 2010, **9 800** vulnerable households affected by the earthquake benefit from maize seeds distributions and **7 200** from beans and lima beans seeds, as support to their food insecurity situation.

In 2011 a total of **1 800** farmers' households received banana plants resistant to Syngatoka pest.

**Any deviation from work plan (changes of planned activities, change of timing of activities etc):**

Deviation:

The intervention for the Spring planting season 2010 under this project was hampered by the difficulties faced to procure and distribute the volumes of needed seeds, in particular the short time between the earthquake and the planting season, as well as the availability of seeds in the local market. For this reason and to respond to the emergency related to the earthquake, the project focused the 2010's Summer and Winter planting seasons. The project demonstrated to be able to complement other interventions and contribute to strategically support the country needs.

Moreover, the project responded to the unforeseen needs caused by the impact of Hurricane Tomas (end of 2010) with 50,000 banana vitro-plants distributed during the summer and winter seasons 2011.

Furthermore, FAO was implementing of a food security project funded by ECHO that ended in August 2011. The project was implemented through the FAO sub-office in the Grande Anse department. Taking into account the food security situation of the most vulnerable population in the department, the GCP/RLA/160/BRA project contributed to the distribution in the Grande Anse Department of banana plants jointly with about 500 Kg of vegetable seeds procured under the ECHO project.

**Comments – Issues that need to be brought to donor attention**

**DATE: March 2012**