

**ChildFund International  
Humanitarian Situation Report Template**

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COVID-19 – [Senegal]  
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Part 1: The Overall Situation

**COUNTRY**

Total Number of COVID-19 Cases Reported	Number of Deaths	Number of Cases Recuperated
<b>882</b>	<b>09</b>	<b>315</b>
SOURCE: <a href="http://www.sante.gouv.sn/actualites">http://www.sante.gouv.sn/actualites</a> <a href="https://www.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/bda7594740fd40299423467b48e9ecf6">https://www.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/bda7594740fd40299423467b48e9ecf6</a>		

ChildFund-supported areas (Dakar Diourbel Fatick Kaffrine Kaolack Kedougou Kolda Matam Saint-Louis Sédhiou Tambacounda Thiès Ziguinchor)

Geographical area (country or state/region/province)	Total Number of COVID19 Cases Reported	Number of Deaths	Number of Cases Recuperated
Dakar Sud	<b>123</b>	09	<b>315</b>
Dakar Ouest	<b>104</b>		
Touba	<b>97</b>		
Goudiry	58		
Dakar Nord	<b>67</b>		
Dakar Centre	<b>83</b>		
Louga	29		
Pikine	<b>32</b>		
Mbao	<b>33</b>		
Guediawaye	<b>58</b>		
Mbacke	15		
Yeumbeul	<b>20</b>		
Mbour	16		
Ziguinchor	14		
Thies	<b>14</b>		
Rifusque	<b>10</b>		
Velingara	08		
Pout	<b>14</b>		
Sangalkam	<b>09</b>		
Keur Massar	06		
Saint Louis	04		
Popenguine	03		
Diamniadio	<b>05</b>		
Oussouye	01		
Tivaouane	01		

Geographical area (country or state/region/province)	Total Number of COVID19 Cases Reported	Number of Deaths	Number of Cases Recuperated
Tambacounda	01		
Richard-Toll	01		
Sakal	01		
Kaolack	01		
Fatick	01		
Nioro du Rip	01		
Evacuate to country of origin		01	
SOURCE: National Ministry of Health or other reliable source <a href="http://www.sante.gouv.sn/">http://www.sante.gouv.sn/</a>			

○ **Any relevant background information about areas affected.**

On December 31, 2019, the Chinese authorities informed the World Health Organization (WHO) of a group of pneumonia cases of unknown origin that occurred in the city of Wuhan, Hubei Province. On January 7, 2020, the Chinese authorities have isolated a new type of coronavirus, called COVID-19, responsible for this epidemic. On 20 January 2020, confirmed cases of COVID19 infection were reported outside China, including Thailand, Japan and the Republic of Korea. On January 30, the WHO declared the outbreak of COVID-19 as a public health emergency of international concern. Senegal has identified 45 priority districts for COVID19 preparedness out of the 78 in the country.

As part of the epidemic surveillance, the Ministry of Health and Social Action (MSAS) alert unit contacted the Dakar Health West District on February 28, 2020, at approximately 11:00 a.m. for a suspected case of COVID-19. The information came from a doctor working at SOS Medicine. This suspected case exhibited signs after a recent trip to France. The samples taken on 02 March 2020 proved positive for COVID-19.

In this context, the Operational Centre for Health Emergencies (COUS) was activated on 2 March 2020 and an incident management system was set up.

To date (April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020), there are 882 total confirmed cases of COVID19, of which 315 have now recovered. In terms of new cases, community cases are now a serious concern among the population and Government.

○ **Host government position:**

- A contingency plan was activated on 14 March; mobile hospitals deployed by the national army,
- **Ban on all public events still in effect, until May 31<sup>st</sup>, the period of the curfew**
- Cruise ships not allowed to enter Senegal
- **Schools and universities remain closed, since Monday 16 March, until May 4<sup>th</sup> with further direction from the Ministry of National Education expected on May 4<sup>th</sup>.**
- Suspension of Muslim and Christian pilgrimage procedures & Suspension of mass prayers (Friday prayer and Sunday church)
- Religious leaders and authorities invited to support the State in the measures adopted
- Senegalese in the diaspora encouraged to respect the instructions issued in their countries of residence.

○ **What responses has the government put into place to address the health crisis and/or the economic impact?**

1. Advocacy visits to religious leaders in Touba (religious community) Home visits (VAD) in Touba and Mbacké
2. Deployment of a team of socio-anthropologists and communication actors in support to Diourbel region.
3. Orientation of community actors in Touba on VIDOC-19 Participation in prime-time broadcasts and awareness-raising on VIDOC-19 Broadcasting of spots on TV and radio (including

- community radio) Production and dissemination of materials in local languages and in "Wolofal" (Wolof written with Arabic characters)
- 4. Availability of support communication materials in regions and hospitals Media monitoring
- 5. Distribution of daily press releases via public and commercial television channels

On Monday March 24 2020, President Macky Sall declared a state of emergency throughout the national territory followed by a **curfew from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m.**

- The Defense and Security Forces to stand ready for the immediate and strict execution of the measures enacted over the national territory according to these points:
- To regulate or prohibit the movement of persons, vehicles or goods in certain places and at certain times.
- To prohibit, generally or, all processions, parades, rallies and demonstrations on the public highway.
- To order the temporary closure of public places and places of meetings.
- To prohibit public or private gatherings/meetings of any kind whatsoever which are likely to cause or maintain disorder.

The Government of Senegal having noted the development of community contamination of COVID-19, following daily communications by the Minister of Health and Social Action, has suspended, until further notice, the approval of special authorizations to circulate throughout the national territory, with the exception of those for reasons of illness, for transporting corpses and for professional reasons, in order to reduce the rate of progression of the disease. In Dakar the closure of non-essential shops and petty mobile traders is the responsibility of the Prefects of the Departments, in conjunction with the Mayors and other actors involved. Reinforcement of the presence of the security and defense forces (Police, Gendarmerie and Army) in public places, particularly on beaches and recreation areas, with a view to rigorous enforcement of measures prohibiting gatherings is in effect. Reinforcement of the monitoring of public transport vehicles, with a view to ensuring compliance with the respect of the preventive measures against the spread of COVID10, enacted by the Minister in charge of land transport is also in effect. The President has released a communication alluding to possibility for complete lockdown if the population does not respect the measures in place.

Considering the high number of cases resulting from community transmission, the Senegalese Government has made it mandatory to wear protective masks during the state of emergency in the following places:

- Public administration services, regardless of their management mode.
- Private sector services
- Places where businesses are located
- Public transport.

The state of emergency is still maintained and has been extended to May 31<sup>st</sup> 2020. There is now strict monitoring by the Gendarmes for wearing masks at all places of business, etc. but this is also being enforced in the streets.

○ **What travel restrictions has the government put in place for travelers entering the country?**

1. The total closure of Senegal's air and land borders is now in effect. The Government of Senegal through the Minister of Tourism and Air Transport has decided to suspend "the operation of all flights to and from Senegal's airports, with the exception of domestic flights between Aibd and Ziguinchor, cargo flights, medical evacuations and authorized special flights". The measure took effect on Friday March 20<sup>th</sup> at 11:59 p.m. for one month.
2. Inter-regional movements have been stopped unless authorized by the administrative authority. Regarding transport, capacity of buses and taxis is now reduced to half of original capacity and is heavily monitored. The transport of persons by motorcycles is prohibited by the administrative authorities at the local level.

Part 2: The Situation in Areas Where ChildFund Works

Partner Organization (Use Salesforce identifying code/name.)	# of Enrolled and Sponsored Children		COVID19 Cases Reported in ChildFund Communities (Y/N/Unknown) Provide number if available.	Number of Enrolled Children Reported with COVID19 (If available.)	Number of enrolled children diseased as result of COVID19
	Sponsored	Enrolled			
147-0002 (Federation du Baol)	2253	3054	0	0	0
147-0003 (Federation Fel Yook)	3548	4458	15	0	0
147-0001 (Federation Dimbaya Kagnalen)	2053	2890	13	0	0
147-0005 (Federation Pencum Ndakaru)	2511	3396	136	0	0
147-0004 (Federation Kajoor Jankeen)	4089	5019	13	0	0
FODDE: 147-4308 (Kerewane) + 147-4307 (Pata)	1400	2045	0	0	0

**Child deaths:** List any sponsored child (with Partner organization and child ID from salesforce) diseased as a result of COVID19. (Note: These need to be reported immediately following the regular sponsorship protocols.).

- No recorded cases.

Partner Organization (Use Salesforce identifying code/name.)	What is the status of the program/sponsorship processes (operational/suspended)?					
	Program Implementation	CVS	M&E Level 2	Enrollment /Disaffiliation	Sponsorship Communication	DFC
Federation du Baol: 1470002	Only activities that do not require a grouping of people are currently being implemented.	suspended	Not planned this year		We continue to log new correspondence in LTE/Salesforce. Child Letters are collected electronically. As soon as we receive appropriate Alliance	DFCs of April and May 2020 are on hold

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	Program Implementation	CVS	M&E Level 2	Enrollment /Disaffiliation	Sponsorship Communication	DFC
	Most are suspended				email address, we will start sending letters to Alliance members.	
Federation Fel Yook: 1470003	Only activities that do not require a grouping of people are currently being implemented. Most are suspended	suspended	Not planned this year		We continue to log new correspondence in LTE/Saleforce. Child Letters are collected electronically. As soon as we receive appropriate Alliance email address, we will start sending letters to Alliance members.	DFCs of April and May 2020 are on hold
Federation Dimbaya Kagnalen: 1470001	Only activities that do not require a grouping of people are currently being implemented. Most are suspended	suspended	Not planned this year		We continue to log new correspondence in LTE/Saleforce. Child Letters are collected electronically. As soon as we receive appropriate Alliance email address, we will start sending letters to Alliance members. registered in Salesforce	DFCs of April and May 2020 are on hold
Federation Pencum Ndakaru: 1470005	Only activities that do not require a grouping of people are currently being implemented. Most are suspended	suspended	Not planned this year		We continue to log new correspondence in LTE/Saleforce. Child Letters are collected electronically. As soon as we receive appropriate Alliance email address, we will start sending letters to Alliance members.	DFCs of April and May 2020 are on hold
Federation Kajoor Jankeen: 1470004	Only activities that do not require a grouping of people are	suspended	Not planned this year		We continue to log new correspondence in LTE/Saleforce. Child Letters are collected	DFCs of April and May 2020 are on hold

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	currently being implemented. Most are suspended				electronically. As soon as we receive appropriate Alliance email address, we will start sending letters to Alliance members.	
FODDE: 1474308	Only activities that do not require a grouping of people are currently being implemented. Most are suspended	suspended	Not planned this year		We continue to log new correspondence in LTE/Saleforce. Child Letters are collected electronically. As soon as we receive appropriate Alliance email address, we will start sending letters to Alliance members.	DFCs of April and May 2020 are on hold

**Note: As a global measure, all sponsor visits have been suspended.**

- What issues are children in these areas facing (food shortages, safety concerns, schools' closure, etc.)?
- Child protection risks caused or exacerbated by crisis. Much more exposure to risks and abuse.
  - o The closure of schools: children have been out of school for dozens of days by decision of the Government. The measure is valid for 3 weeks, after which it could be extended if the situation does not improve.
  - o Exposure to increased risks of infection for children living in communities where cases are confirmed.
  - o A food shortage for children living in families impacted by the restriction measures taken in the fight against COVID-19.
- Idleness in cases of total containment
- Difficulties for parents to keep children inside the homes, lack of toys/appropriate activities to occupy them at home.
- School closures prolonged to May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020 and then reviewed; for children especially in the public-school system, a lack of continued instruction i.e. online, and no other activities at the homes to engage them. This is leading to increased difficulties in keeping an eye on children, frustrations at household levels.

Part 3: ChildFund's Response

**3.a. Overall**

- **Who is or will be leading/managing the response?**

ChildFund's response is led by the Country Director, with support principally from the ChildFund Senegal COVID19 Taskforce put in place and the Partnership Portfolio Specialist

- **How is ChildFund linked with humanitarian coordination structures, i.e., in which clusters or working groups do we participate? The most recent/next meeting and who is representing ChildFund? Donor meetings we have attended, or missions that we are aware of related to the response?**

We continue to work within the National Child Protection Group, the Joining Forces Initiative (JFI) clusters, the EIE cluster, . A consolidated response plan was put together over the course of the last week, where the actions of each member were identified and put in the plan. This plan was submitted to the Ministry for Women, Families, Gender and Child Protection. Through its local partners, ChildFund will contribute 122,665,241 CFA francs (\$203,017.56) to the COVID19 response.

Still with the National Child Protection Group, ChildFund will support the Ministry of Families, Women, Gender and Child Protection on its plan to return talibe children to their families. This is currently being carried out with 145 koranic schools (daaras) in the area of Guediawaye, a suburb of Dakar, where our LP in Dakar intervenes. Our LP has been active in the mapping of the daaras and working with the local government and Prefet's office on the plan. ChildFund Senegal is also a member of the Humanitarian Coordination and Development Platform.

Indeed, the COVID-19 pandemic increases the vulnerabilities of children, especially girls, who are forced to stay in their homes or are more exposed in the streets or neighborhoods, especially in the context of school closures. The risks of neglect, abandonment and violence are also greater, especially in cases of family separation. Moreover, during a crisis such as the one we are currently experiencing, children need to understand the situation, be reassured to limit the impact of isolation or stigmatization on their mental health and well-being, and be guided to comply with preventive health measures in place. This is why ChildFund has joined the coalition Agir Ensemble (Joining Forces), made up of the NGOs ChildFund, Plan International, Save the Children, SOS Children's Villages, Terre des Hommes, World Vision and Educo and our associated partners, the National Coalition of Associations and NGOs for Children (CONAFE) and the Association of Senegalese Lawyers (AJS) to launch on Wednesday 22 April a digital campaign to mobilize the public and raise awareness of the risks of the COVID-19 pandemic for children beyond the risk of infections.

During this period of the COVID19 pandemic, it has become clear the necessity to protect children from all forms of violence which come about because of school closures and therefore having to keep them at home. The protection of street children is a top priority. Thus, following the launch of the digital campaign by Joining Forces Initiative (JFI), media requests were made and it was agreed that the Director of World Vision would speak on behalf of the Coalition Joining Forces made up of the NGOs ChildFund, Plan International, Save the Children, SOS Children's Villages, Terre des Hommes, World Vision and Educo and our associated partners, the National Coalition of Associations and NGOs for Children (CONAFE) and the Association of Senegalese Lawyers (AJS). This campaign was launched on April 22<sup>nd</sup> and will last until May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020. A mid-term evaluation is scheduled before considering the next steps.

ChildFund is currently participating in the drafting of a European Union proposal for an adequate response for the proper management of child protection during the COVID19 crisis. This is in the amount of 10million Euros, among three JFI countries – Senegal, Kenya and Uganda. **JFI Senegal sent last weekend to the JFI Secretariat the answers to the preparatory questions for the development of the proposal.**

In addition, in connection with the National child protection group (GNPE), ChildFund participated in a meeting at UNICEF headquarters to discuss the following issues on stakeholder mapping (WV and Plan to send their mapping) ; updating of partner support at the request of the MFFGPE: analysis of the risks of duplication and identification of gaps for a reorientation of partner actions; Validation of the Child

Protection Positioning Note in the COCOVID-19 context; discussion on the proposed Strategy for the psychosocial care of affected children.

### 3.b. Program Response

Please organize your program response report as per the 4 objectives included in our global response plan. You can add an additional category if you have response activities planned or executed that do not align with these objectives. For each objective use the questions below to guide your report.

- What kind of response activities or interventions have been executed? What support items are needed or have been collected/distributed?
- What is the current progress of implementation vs. the established response plan?
- Who are we partnering or collaborating with to provide our response?

What kind of response activities are you still planning for the coming period?

*The table below reflects the guidance given to the LPs in terms of the COVID19 response.*

LP	Type of activities				
	Purchase of hygiene kits	Support with basic foods	IEC Support	Home visits/Welcomes centers,	Staff & relays training
<b>Kajoor Janken</b>	2000 targeted families	1300 targeted families	8750 targeted households with flyers/leaflets	20 targeted daara	100 targeted
<b>Fel Yook</b>	3000 targeted households planned	200 targeted households	3 targeted community radios 16 radio broadcasts	3000 home visits planned	119 targeted
<b>Pencum Ndakaru</b>	3000 targeted families	300 targeted families	6 targeted associations	36 daara targeted in 4 associations	
<b>Baol</b>	3,279 targeted families	710 targeted families	250 t-shirts to be made	6,558 Expected home visits 30 targeted daaras	170 targeted
<b>Dimbaya</b>	1,199 targeted families	450 targeted families	1000 flyers	40 targeted daara	64 targeted
<b>FODDE</b>					
• <b>Pata</b>	780 targeted households	780 food kits	5 radio programmes planned 30 commercials planned	780 households targeted for home visits  1 targeted daara	
• <b>Kerewane</b>	920 targeted households	920 food kits	5 radio broadcasts planned 30 advertising spots planned	920 households targeted for VADs 5 targeted daaras	

#### 3.b.1. Stop COVID-19 from infecting children and families

##### ChildFund's Global Response Plan

To help children and families protect themselves from COVID-19, we are installing community, handwashing stands; educating communities about symptoms, hygiene measures and where to get tested or treatment; and distributing soap, hand sanitizer, gloves and masks to families and frontline, health workers. For children who are being treated for COVID-19 or are subject to quarantine measures, we are creating child-friendly spaces with age-appropriate toys and reading matter.



To this end, ChildFund Senegal, in collaboration with District Health teams, has been providing training on COVID19, to LPs' staff and community actors. This training includes information around the means of transmission of COVID19, the appropriate hygiene measures, the signs and symptoms, and on the management system in place i.e. the plan in place at decentralized level, to allow access for testing, or treatment.

- To date, **out of the 469 staff and community players planned, 494 have been carried out for all the local partners, i.e. a completion rate of 105.33%.**

Following strict preventive measures, staff and community agents have been conducting **home visits** with families to sensitize on COVID19, while distributing hygiene kits. At Departmental and Regional Health offices, handwashing stands are being installed as per requests. In term of sensitization around COVID19 to families with enrolled children, weekly follow up via telephone, radio emissions, posters, distribution of flyers

- **11,097 families have been visited at home, out of a target of 14,530, i.e 76.37% of achievement.**

Messages are also disseminated through radio programs (contracts with community radios). Posters, flyers are also being distributed.

- **Twenty-three (23) radio broadcasts were held in all the intervention zones of the local partners while 21 spots were broadcast.**

The basic hygiene kits contain preventive material support (hand washing device, hydro-alcoholic gels, soaps, bleach, etc.).

- Support with basic hygiene kits (alcohol gels, soap, bleach, handwashing guide) to daaras (koranic schools) has been provided to **102 daara out of a target of 120**, i.e. a realization rate of 85% to date.
- Support with basic hygiene kits (alcohol gels, soap, bleach, handwashing guide) to families with enrolled children has been provided to enrolled families. **To date 10,370 families have been reached out of a target of 12,440, i.e. a completion rate of 83.36%.**

A strategic approach has been to engage Youth in the COVID19 response. Hence three of our six local partners (Ziguinchor, Baol, Thies) also trained youth in sensitization so that they are also able to sensitize their communities. In terms of collaboration, we are working with the MoH, the District health teams, and the Regional and Departmental COVID19 response teams in place. To date, we have not had cases of children in our Sponsorship system infected or quarantined but we continue to monitor. 7651 home visits have been made by the Relays and staff in the children's homes. Such visits have also been carried out in 54 daara (coranic schools) in Pencum Ndakaru, Baol, Dimbaya, Kajoor jankeen and Dimbaya. 9850 T-shirts were distributed to the relays to enable communities to distinguish them (note they also have protective gear: masks, gloves and adhere to social distancing guidelines). Regarding the flyers, 9850 have been distributed to improve awareness among children, families and communities. Six departmental and two regional COVID19 Response committees in place have been supported.

### 3.b.2. Ensure that children get food they need

#### **ChildFund's Global Response Plan**

To ensure that the most vulnerable families can keep food on the table, pay rent and cover other basic needs, we are providing cash for those families most needing this support, such as those who have lost their income because of COVID-19, child or elder-headed households, and/or households affected by disability or chronic illness. Where possible, we are distributing food and basic household items directly, carefully abiding by COVID-19 protection measures

ChildFund Senegal, through its local partners, has worked to ensure that the most vulnerable families can keep food on the table during these trying times. Thus, we have been distributing basic food items (rice, oil, sugar) to the most affected families. Note that most vulnerable families were identified by criteria validated at LP level.

- Support with basic food items (Voucher) to families with enrolled children: **2,497 families reached out of a target of 3,788, i.e. an achievement rate of 65.91%**. In terms of number of people reached, it should be noted that out of a target of 26,280 to date, 24,970 people have been served, i.e. a realization rate of 95.01%.
- Also using food vouchers, the local partners in Mbour (700 families identified) and Ziguinchor (450 families identified) will commence distributions the week of May 4<sup>th</sup>.

Support is also being provided to koranic schools (daaras) in our intervention communities as well as to those daaras that had been supported through prior grants. Five out of our six local partners are distributing food through food vouchers, but one local partner distributed directly respecting the strict national COVID19 protection measures in place. strengthening the economic resilience of the poorest families.

- Support with basic food items (Voucher) to daaras impacted by measures to combat pandemic (coranic schools) and to date, **90 daara out of a target of 96 planned, have been reached, i.e. an achievement rate of 93.75%**.

Support is also provided to departmental and regional committees for the implementation of local COVID-19 risk plans, support for the financing of the project of the Ministry of Family and Child Welfare, support to Reception centers, with basic hygiene kits as well as basic food items, for the care of children in transit. We are partnering with local administrative authorities through regional and departmental crisis management committees, decentralized State services, health authorities, relays, and communities.

- It is extremely important to note the support with basic hygiene kits (alcohol gels, soap, bleach, handwashing guide) to **VS&L groups** which constitutes the participation of the Pencum Ndakaru community in the fight against COVID-19. This support has so far reached 297 people out of 369 planned, for an implementation rate of 80.48%.

#### **3.b.2. 1. Cash Transfers and vouchers**

-Is your CO planning or implementing cash transfers or vouchers as part of COVID19 response?

- If so, brief description of progress to date.

**Cash transfers or vouchers executed**

Beneficiaries		Amount transferred (US\$)	Transfer mechanism (i.e. mobile money, banking system other financial service provider etc,
Total	Gender (if available)		
<p><b>26 280 beneficiaries in 2,497 children's households</b></p> <p><b>1,120 beneficiaries in 30 daaras (coranic schools)</b></p>		<b>95,153.20</b>	<p><b>Food vouchers:</b> Beneficiaries identified as per validated criteria; sample food voucher developed and presented to approved supplier; with whom contracts signed. The local partner provides beneficiary list to the suppliers. The choice of local suppliers follows the logic of reducing distances and procurement time for beneficiaries already stressed by the context.</p> <p>This strategy also allows ChildFund and local partners to stimulate the local economy while allowing local suppliers to participate in the response to COVID-19. Beneficiaries, informed of where to collect the products, will go to these suppliers to obtain their supplies by presenting the acknowledgement of receipt form with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The purchase voucher with number, date and time of collection to avoid the maximum possible attendance of beneficiaries at the supplier's premises,</li> <li>- The name of the beneficiary,</li> <li>- The quantities of food mentioned in the voucher,</li> <li>- the beneficiary's national identity card.</li> </ul>

*Note that support for food items through food vouchers has just commenced. Note also that one local partner has distributed foods to 1,250 households (12,500 beneficiaries reached).*

**3.b.2.2. Other responses in relation to objective 3.b.2.**

n/a

**3.b.3. Keep children safe from Violence: physically and emotionally**

**ChildFund's Global Response Plan**

We are supporting community-based child protection systems that identify, respond to and refer cases of abuse, neglect, violence or exploitation. We are also providing virtual, online psychological first aid and counseling, and supporting temporary shelters for children who live on the street, providing hygiene supplies, food and other basics. We are also arranging safe and appropriate care for children who are separated from their caregivers due to treatment or prevention measures

- Supporting those formal Koranic schools (daaras) that are confining their students (talibes), with basic hygiene kits and food items. Note that these are Koranic schools recognized by the Government
- Supporting the Government in the mapping exercise in the region of Dakar, to identify all those informal daaras and in the removal of their talibes from the streets, the focus being on those talibes from “roving/mobile” daaras, that do not meet standards, are not recognized by the Government, and whose talibes are maltreated and on the streets for hours on end begging. There are also other “informal” mobile daaras that are being closed and the children returned to their families
- Support to Departmental Child Protection Committee (CDPE) to map the above-mentioned Daaras in certain zones
- Support to MFFGPE to remove children from the streets and back to their families
- Support to safe spaces at Reception centers that will temporarily house talibes to be returned to their families.
- Support with basic hygiene kits and food items at the Reception centers
- Radio disseminations will also include segments around child protection: closer monitoring of children at home, encouraging parents to ensure children occupied at home, with schoolwork, games, etc

In addition, in connection with the National child protection group (GNPE), ChildFund participated in a meeting at UNICEF headquarters to discuss the following issues on stakeholder mapping (WV and Plan to send their mapping) ; updating of partner support at the request of the MFFGPE: analysis of the risks of duplication and identification of gaps for a reorientation of partner actions; Validation of the Child Protection Positioning Note in the COCOVID-19 context; discussion on the proposed Strategy for the psychosocial care of affected children

**3.b.4. Help children continue to do their job: Learning**

**ChildFund’s Global Response Plan**  
 While schools remain closed, we are supporting children’s learning through activities and tutoring sessions online or by radio. For students without reliable internet access, we are distributing home learning kits with materials and guides for their use.

Nothing planned yet. Note that the Ministry of National Education is now broadcasting courses via radio, but also via two Television stations.

**3.b.5. Other responses**

**Below Sections for Internal Use Only**

Part 4: Office and Staff Status

***Note: total number of staff 44***

Office Status (Open/Closed)	Number of Staff:				
	Diagnosed with COVID19	Diseased from COVID19	Working from Office	Working from Home	On Special Leave
Open	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>Only essential personnel</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>04</u>

Notes:

- Any cases of staff diseased need to be reported immediately to RD and GHR.
- Special leave as per [COVID19 Administrative Guidelines](#).

Number of staff/partner organization staff completed WHO COVID online training  
<https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/training/online-training>.

About fifteen (15) have completed the WHO online training so far, based on the feedback we received.  
***But here one must note the difficulties in accessing the course online, with almost all of the country now on telework. This has been particularly tough for those staff in the field. Access has proven difficult***

Part 5 Human Resources

- **Which visitors are there in the country? Please include names, functions, contact information and arrival/departure dates for both IO and RO staff (note: due to the travel ban, this will apply only once the ban has been lifted)**  
No visitors in country currently
- **Any gaps in staffing/need for deployment from other COs or Global Teams?**  
NO
- **Are there any other major HR issues?**  
No

Part 6 Safety & Security

- **Are police and other services functioning in the normal manner?**  
The government has strengthened the police presence in order to monitor and enforce movement restrictions on possible confinement.
- **Are the courts still operating?**  
The court provides a minimum service in order to avoid the assembly of people.
- **Are there reports of looting or increased criminality?**  
So far, no scenes of violence or looting have been noted.
- **Have military personal being deployed to patrol towns or cities?**  
**Yes, since the emergency state was declared by the Government, and an official communication shared on obligatory wearing of masks.**
- **Confirm the safety of staff and their families in the affected area.**  
Currently, staff and their families are safe, and no staff and families are near these affected areas.
- **Have Safety and security risks/mitigation plans been updated to current environment?**
  - A Security Management Plan & SOP's regarding country environment
  - A contingency plan was developed and approved
  - A COVID19 Taskforce team in place
  - COVID19 Emergency Response Plan has been submitted
- **Recommendations around any upcoming travel planned for staff or donors (note: Only once global travel ban has been lifted)**  
We are closely monitoring the situation to make recommendations, in close cooperation with the Government and the health authorities in order to take the right decision.

Part 7 Grants

List all active grants:

Grant Job Code	Grant Name	Donor	Status of Implementation (Normal/Reduced/Suspended)	Any specific guidance received from donor? (Yes/No)
98-010D	ISD	Intra Health	In the 7 intervention regions of the USAID/Neema project, community health staff are involved in the response activities to the COVID-19 epidemic, particularly in the <i>psycho-social support commission for persons placed in quarantine in Diourbel, the alert committees for incoming travellers in the Saint Louis region, the partnership and resource mobilization commission in Kolda, and the departmental response committees in the Tambacounda region</i> . Community health staff also supported the orientation of district teams on the community engagement component of the COVID-19 response	Maintain planned activities
99-0234D	SUKABE	Grand Defis Canada	Completed	
25-041D	P&G 2018	Procter & Gamble	Reduction of interpersonal communication activities (IPC) to avoid groupings of people which is a transmission risk. These activities include talks, social mobilizations, home visits to households. Since March, schools have been closed until further notice and all project activities at school level have been now suspended.	Continuation of planned activities except at the school level
2-0346D	PRN KOLDA 2019	World Bank / Senegal Government	reduced	Stopping activities that require population regrouping
2-0347D	PRN ZIGUINCHOR 2019	World Bank / Senegal Government	reduced	Stopping activities that require population regrouping
2-0348D	PRN FOUNDIOUNGNE 2019	World Bank / Senegal Government	reduced	Stopping activities that require population regrouping

2-0349D	PRN PASSY 2019	World Bank / Senegal Government	reduced	Stopping activities that require population regrouping
2-0350D	PRN MBOUR 2019	World Bank / Senegal Government	reduced	Stopping activities that require population regrouping
2-0351D	PRN JOAL 2019	World Bank / Senegal Government	reduced	Stopping activities that require population regrouping
2-0352D	PRN POPENGUINE 2019	World Bank / Senegal Government	reduced	Stopping activities that require population regrouping
2-0353D	PRN THIADIAYE 2019	World Bank / Senegal Government	reduced	Stopping activities that require population regrouping
2-0354D	PRN THIES 2019	World Bank / Senegal Government	reduced	Stopping activities that require population regrouping
2-0355D	PRN MECHE 2019	World Bank / Senegal Government	reduced	Stopping activities that require population regrouping
2-0356D	PRN SOKONE 2019	World Bank / Senegal Government	reduced	Stopping activities that require population regrouping
2-0359D	PRN KOLDA 2020	World Bank / Senegal Government	reduced	Stopping activities that require population regrouping
2-0360D	PRN ZIGUINCHOR 2020	World Bank / Senegal Government	reduced	Stopping activities that require population regrouping
2-0361D	PRN GOUDOMP 2020	World Bank / Senegal Government	reduced	Stopping activities that require population regrouping
2-0362D	PRN MBOUR 2020	World Bank / Senegal Government	reduced	Stopping activities that require population regrouping
2-0363D	PRN JOAL 2020	World Bank / Senegal Government	reduced	Stopping activities that require population regrouping

2-0364D	PRN POPENGUINE 2020	World Bank / Senegal Government	reduced	Stopping activities that require population regrouping
2-0365D	PRN THIADIAYE 2020	World Bank / Senegal Government	reduced	Stopping activities that require population regrouping
2-0366D	PRN THIES 2020	World Bank / Senegal Government	reduced	Stopping activities that require population regrouping
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2-0369D	PRN PASSY 2020	World Bank / Senegal Government	reduced	Stopping activities that require population regrouping
2-0370D	PRN SOKONE 2020	World Bank / Senegal Government	reduced	Stopping activities that require population regrouping
25-062D	P&G 2020	Procter &Gamble	Not yet	

Provide any additional narrative on how the COVID19 crisis affects implementation of your major grants.

#### Part 8 Funding

Provide information about potential sources of funding, including grant donors, subsidy, Emergency Action Fund, Alliance members, GIK, etc., for these emergency response efforts using the chart below:

- USAID has requested potential COVID19 response activities at community level and associated budget. This has been submitted to the IntraHealth COP

Availability of funding for the training of Community Health Actors (ACS) on COVID-19 response activities (community engagement and communication): cost 57,275,000 CFA francs or US \$ 96,260.50 (Budget sent to IntraHealth on March 25, 2020).

- **European Commission** – 10 million Euros earmarked for three JFI countries (Senegal, Uganda, Kenya). Proposal team is in place and the effort will be led by World Vision Senegal
- **Plan International Germany would be the Lead Applicant Agency (Consortium lead) on behalf of the Joining Forces Initiative and that the partnership is the basis of going forward.** All of the member agencies have also identified their co-applicant agencies. (**Child Fund International**, Save the Children TBC, **World Vision Germany**, **Terre Des Hommes Netherlands**, SOS Children’s Villages International TBC)



The CEOs welcomed Plan International Germany's willingness to lead and the thought gone into supporting and staffing the proposal writing process and project implementation.

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- Budget
  - Outline how we will use this funding with a rough topline budget.
- Part 9 Media/Communications
  - **List of media who will be or have been contacted with press releases.**  
*This is being done jointly with the JFI/CRN group of INGOs. We are currently finalizing the Concept note and will share*  
*A joint press conference is planned, with our Local partners to communicate on our response and enhance visibility of ChildFund Senegal's contribution to the COVID19 response –The tentative date is April 20, 2020. It will also be an opportunity to celebrate Talibé Day in connection with ChildFund's support for these schools.*
  - The Digital campaign by JFI entitled « Aar Xaleyi/Protegeons nos enfants » was launched on April 22<sup>nd</sup>. This campaign is JFI's contribution to raising awareness around the plight of children and the increased risks to violence, in addition to the health risks associated with the virus. Until May, a message will be posted each week. ChildFund Senegal is posting these on our social media sites (Facebook, twitter)
  - In addition to the Digital campaign launched by JFI entitled « Aar Xaleyi/Protegeons nos enfants » since April 22<sup>nd</sup>, **a press release was published in the "KRITIK" newspaper by the "joining forces" coalition to raise awareness on the necessity to protect children during this period of COVID19 pandemic: [JOURNAL KRITIK Mercredi 29 Avril 2020.pdf](#)**
  - At LP level, a sensitization campaign by the Children's Communal Advisory council of Ziguinchor, Adeane, and Botoupa Camara counda, was launched via radio diffusions, with the slogan « And Daan Coronavirus, Je m'engage » (Together to defeat Coronavirus, I pledge)

**List of emergency CO spokespeople, including name, location, contact information, and languages spoken.**

- Country Director - Yaikah Joof [yjoof@childfund.org](mailto:yjoof@childfund.org) (221) 766442163; English, French, Wolof
- Program Sponsorship Director – Mamadou Mbaye [mmbaye@childfund.org](mailto:mmbaye@childfund.org); (221) 766370023; French, Wolof
- Communication Specialist – Adeline Lishou
- **Plans for collecting photos/videos/stories, e.g., should an outside photographer be hired?**  
LPs have been alerted to collect photos, videos, stories whenever possible and we have been receiving and sharing with Maureen Siele and Kim Repp. We have been sharing pictures and videos with Rachel Ringgold & Maureen (instead of Kim). Photos / videos on activities undertaken by LPs around this pandemic are regularly shared on social media.
- **Key points for messaging and visibility, particularly any host-government sensibilities that must be considered.**
  - Currently a sensitive topic is around removal of the talibes (child beggars) from the streets. INGOs, UNICEF are pushing the Ministry of Women, Families, Gender and Child Protection to use this as an opportunity to effect the law. The discussions are around the "how" of such an exercise:  
*(i) where will these children be housed until such a time that their families are identified? Given the current context, repatriating these children to their families is not possible. (ii) So do we leave them confined in these informal daaras that are going to be closed down or put them up in welcome centers?*

A key challenge here is that there are not enough welcome centers to house all of these talibes. So we are presenting a unified voice of support (i.e. JFI/CRN, UNICEF), but are also mindful of the sensitivities around this issue.

- Support needed or requested from IO, GSS or Global Teams – whether onsite or remote.
  - Support from EMU Director, other Cos, on cash transfers as needed
  - IO to expedite transfer of funds so as to start implementation of response activities amongs LPs