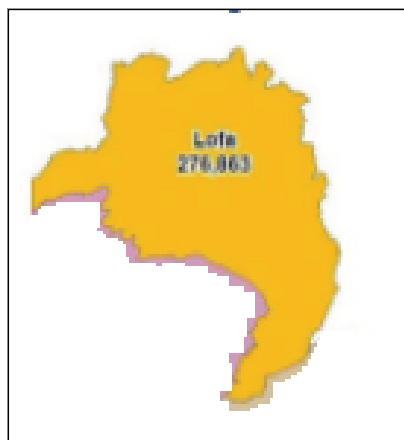




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Lofa County Profile

Map of Lofa



Lofa County has seven (7) Political districts and one township. The capital City is Voinjama. The County has 6 Liberian tribes ;(Lorma, Kissi, Gbande, Kpelle, Mende and Mandingo)

Traditional culture remains strong in Lofa with Poro and Sande Societies play a critical role in the education and initiation of boys and girls.

Lofa began a County in 1964. The symbol of Lofa is a flag comprised of three colors, green, light blue, and brown. In the middle of the flag, there is a hand holding a stick across a river which symbolizes unity. The river in the middle is the Lofa River which is named after the County.

Lofa lies in the north western corner of the Country.

Lofa is bounded on the north by Guinea, west by Sierra Leone and on the south by Gbopolu and Bong Counties. Lofa is the third largest County in Liberia.

The climate in Lofa is tropical hot and humid. The temperature normally ranges annually from 24°C to 30°C (75°F to 85°F). Lofa has an average rain fall of around 115 inches.

Important mountains ranges are the Wologisie, Wutizi and Wanigisi. The soil of Lofa is clay loam, sandy clay loam. And the vegetation is comprised of tropical of rain forest and low bush. Agriculture products of the County are Rice, Cocoa, Coffee and Sugar cane. Mining products of the County are Gold & Diamond.

Population per District

District	Male	Female	Total
Foya	36,152	37,150	73,312
Kolahun	28,586	31,971	60,557
Quardu Gbondi	8,824	9,961	18,785
Salayea	11,399	12,179	23,578
Vahun	8,621	8,516	17,137
Voinjama	20,623	22,516	42,790
Zorzor	19,406	21,298	40,704
		Grand Total:	276,863

Liberia 2008 Population Density, Area Acres and Hectares in square Miles

County	Total	Male	Female	Area	Acres	Ha	Density
Lofa	276,863	133,611	143,253	3,809.68	2,438,206.58	986,707.20	73

Number of Schools per District

Foya-----	80
Kolahun-----	92
Salayea-----	20
Vahun-----	13
Voinjama and Quardu Gbondi-----	83
Zorzor-----	<u>55</u>
Total:	343

Junior Colleges are 2, Lofa County Community College and the free Pentecostal College all in Voinjama City with one teacher training Institute in Fissebu Town, Zorzor District.

The Total number of health facilities in Lofa County, 57 health facilities, 50 clinics, 3 health centers and 4 referrer hospitals including personnel's per district.

See table below for details.

S/N	DISTRICT	# of Facilities			Total	PERSONNEL						Total Personnel
		Clinic	Health Center	Hosp.		Dr.	PA	RN	CM	LPN	Lab Technician	
1	Foya	10	0	1	11	1	6	22	16	3	1	49
2	Kolahun	10	1	1	12	2	7	19	18	1	1	48
3	Salayea	8	0	0	8	0	1	10	15	4	0	30
4	Vahun	0	1	0	1	0	2	2	4	1	0	9
5	Voinjama and Quardu Gbondi	14	0	1	15	3	12	48	26	4	3	96
6	Zorzor	8	1	1	10	2	3	29	26	15	1	76
Grand Total:		50	3	4	57	8	31	130	105	28	6	308

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Overview

This report covers the activities of the CSIO for the month of January 2014. During the period under review, the CSIO participated in coordination meetings and monitored Projects under the Aft/CDA deliverable in Voinjama, Quardu- Gboni and Foya Districts. The CSIO also carried out its weekly routine market price monitoring of consumer goods in Voinjama and Foya Markets.

2.0 Achievements

During the Period under review, the CSIO participated in monitored Development projects of Voinjama City streets pavement, County level meetings, and data collections.



Voinjama City streets pavement

2.1 County coordination/collaboration

During the month of January 2014, the CSIO participated in all coordination meetings that were held. Those meetings include Agriculture, Education, Peace Security and rule of law, Economic Transformation, Governance & Public Institution, cross cutting issues and CDSC.

2.1.1 Key Results from Aft/CDA Deliverables

❖ Pillar one (peace & Security pillar)

LNP- Reported during the period under review, that Lofa County Police detachment received the total of forty-one criminal cases, out of which twenty-two cases were sent to court, while six cases were resolved, eight cases are pending investigation.

LNP- Reported an alleged rape of a 10 years old girl, of the lorma tribe, student and a resident of Kortee's town was raped by a 23 years old man Tarnue Dakie, of the lorma tribe also a resident of the same address.

The child was taken to the Tellewoyan Hospital for medical check-up, and is awaiting report while investigation is ongoing.

LNP- A new batch of PSU officers have arrived in Foya.

INCHR- reported an awareness rising on human Right in the following communities; John's Town, Vezala Town, Samodu Town, Lawulazu Town and the following topics were explained.

- The act that created the **INCHR**,
- The work of Lofa Human Rights monitor in the county.

EPA- has observed for the month that there is no more deforestation in Foya.

EPA- also observed at the Voinjama central prison; septic tank overflow causing Pollution, poor sanitation; prison confection; crack walls; no electricity and compound not secure.

❖ Pillar two (Economic Transformation)

VDFCS- Signed 5 years contract agreement with **IFDA- MoA** to rehabilitate 200ha of Cocoa and Coffee. It also covers road rehab, building of mini warehouses.

There are 9 management team, Business manager, Accountant, warehouse/marketing office, M&E two tree crop officers, two securities and a driver with one Pick-up for office use now.

S/N	VDFCS Rehab.	Sex		District Voinjama	Clan Upper Workor	# of farm/farmer
		M	F			
1	Duworjallamai	21	5	"	"	26
2	Selega	15	12	"	"	27
3	Vonemai	18	7	"	"	25
4	Kugbemai	19	6	"	"	25
5	Lawalazu	21	7	"	"	28
6	Massamai	15	4	"	"	19
7	Korzomai	19	8	"	"	27
8	Loboba	17	6	"	"	23
Total		145	15	"	"	200

BRAC- Liberia work with women of about 400 from quarter I to quarter IV in training them about kitchen garden or back ground garden.

His Excellency Joseph N. Boakai, Vice President of the Republic of Liberia, exceedingly gracious in offering a visit to Mr. Cornelius C. Boganey the City Major of the City of Brooklyn, Minnesota USA and Party to visit, Lofa County 2014.

The visit of Mr. Boganey and Party was very important to the citizens and People of Lofa County. The Mayor (Mr. Boganey) and party had some high power discussion with the county leadership and as well as the youth and citizens of Lofa County. The discussion was center around how the city of Brooklyn can help with the development process of Voinjama City. They also discussed how Brooklyn and Voinjama can build a friendly relation tiles that could help both cities in a long way.

The visiting party and citizens visited the water fall site in Vezala and that Brooklyn Promised to use this water fall site to provide electricity to Voinjama and its surrounding towns. The visiting party departed Voinjama on January 23, 2014 for Brooklyn USA.



Visit of the City Major of Brooklyn Center, Minesotta,USA, to Voinjama.



Visit of the City Major of Brooklyn Center, Minesotta,USA, at the County Hall.

Pillar three (Governance & Public Institution)

Pavement of major streets in Voinjama City is ongoing. Completed portion of the project is 1.53, outstanding is put at 1.0 and total to be done is 2.53 kilometers.

The project is put at 2 million USD. This project is contracted to Liberia china LTD, and is monitor by the Ministry Public Works and SIDA.

LCCC-

The board members of the Lofa county Community College (LCCC) met for the first time in resolving some Problems that are facing the community college. The board met on the 25th of January 2014 met on the college main campus in Voinjama, Lofa County. Problem of budgetary allotment allotted to the college is small to maintain the Present enrollment and the activities of the college. The board met to discuss possible means to keep the college active in terms of operation. Some points under line during the discussion were:

1. To maintain the present enrollment for now with out entrance for one semester,
2. That Lofa county citizens take responsibility of the college in buttressing Government effort,
3. Viewing the application letters of applicants for the Vice President for Academic affairs, the position Saa Philip Joe Had.



The Board members of LCCC in Session .

Pillar four (Human Development) None for the Month

Pillar five (Cross Cutting)

MOL- reported that based upon information from inspector Joseph T. Yassadu, assigned in Zorzor and salayea District, a Company Known as Alpha Logging Company in Salayea District, is taking a stand to carry out prospecting in salayea District in order to select logs that are in demand on the world Market.

2.2.2. Humanitarian Issues (None for the month)

2.2.3 Coordination meeting

During the reporting period, the CSIO Participated in all coordination meetings that were held.

DEA- 1 suspect arrested in Foya with dangerous substance/drug. The suspect was send to prison while awaiting court trial.

Prison update:

51- Males includes 3 female are presently in the Voinjama prison. During last month (December) 40 prisoners broke jail and 20 were re-arrested by **LNP** and the local community members.

MoGD- reported during the month of family abandonment and rape awareness held in Galama Town, Voinjama District, and Community leaders from Galama and its surrounding Villages were in full attendance. The same awareness was held in Samodu, Quardu Gboni District. Community leaders from Sasanor, Womanor and Kpakuma attended the awareness. The awareness was sponsored by the Human Rights office UNMIL/HR in Voinjama, Lofa County.

2.2 Data collection

During the period under review the CSIO Participated in the schools enrollment data collection in Foya district. **See photos and details in the table below:**



Foya District School Statistics Report 2013-14 Academic Year

S/N	Description	# of Students			S/N	Type	Total
		M	F	Total			
	Elementary	8,637	7,256	15,893	1	Public School	66
	Junior High School	946	625	1,571	2	Private School	2
	Senior High School	698	374	1072	3	Mission School	12
	Grand Total	10,281	8255	18.536	Grand Total		80

2.2.1 Survey Activities

HIES- The Household Income and Expenditure Survey (HIES) Commenced activity in Lofa on January 27, 2014. Team 8-zone 5 arrived in Lofa and was introduced to the superintendent of Lofa County Hon. George S. Donur. The team started their first field exercise in Gbelahun, Kolahun District and than later move to the second EA in Sangai and Sakawoe in the Foya District.

In Gbelahun, 134 Household heads were listed and 10 household were interview. In Sangai and Sakawoe, 74 household head were listed and 7 household were interview in Sangai while 3 were interview in Sakawoe.

Sangai and Sakawoe make an EA (Enumeration area).

The names of team 8- zone 5 members are;

<u>S/N</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
1.	Alihiji Kamara	Supervisor
2.	Francis S. Kardar	GIS
3.	Paxton Mamen	Data Entry
4.	Abraham Ziagloy	Enumerator
5.	Joe Amara	Enumerator
6.	Mbutu M. Dulleh	Enumerator
7.	Bobby Wozee	Enumerator
8.	Sekou Kamara	Driver



HIES Team 8- Zone 5 Members in Lofa County.

2.2.2 Routine County Data collection Activities

As part of CSIO routine county data collection activities, CSIO monitored the Voinjama and Foya markets to collect data of major consumer goods. The monitoring of the market price is to compare prices of major consumer goods for the month.

Market Price monitoring details.

S/N	Commodity	Unit	Type/Origin	Weeks (Foya and Voinjama)			
				Foya		Voinjama	
				1 st week	3 rd week	1 st week	3 rd week
1	Parboiled Rice	50 kg	Indian	3,100	3,800	3000	3,400
2	Butter Rice	50 kg	Thailand	3.000	-	3.200	3.500
3	Other Rice	50 kg	White Rice(Vietnam)	2,400	2,600	2,600	2,600
4	Cassava	1 kg	Liberia	400	450	350	500
5	Charcoal	1 bag	"	200	200	150	210
6	Palm oil	1 gallon	"	500	480	550	550
7	Cane Juice	1 gallon	"	350	350	360	370
8	Gasoline	1 gallon	"	390	390	410	420
9	Exchange rate(LD to USD)			80	82	80	82

Market price Monitoring in action:



2.3 Dissemination (non for the month)

2.3.1 Product disseminated (non for the month)

2.3.2 Requests **Received/Addressed –NONE**

3.0 Administration

3.1 Red Flag issues:

Issues that is important for the smooth operation of the CSIO at Present.

- 1- Lacking stationeries,
- 2- Fuel supply no longer available,
- 3- Lacking of petty cash.

3.2 Yellow Flag issues:

The serving of the three Motor bikes and the office equipment remain a serious problem to the CSIO.

4.0 Constraints/Challenges

Challenges faced are the maintenance of the CSIO assets.

5.0 Recommendation

The CSIO recommendation to Headquarters for the repair and maintenance of the office assets.

6.0 ANNEXES

ANNEX-----A

SUMMARY OF STAFF September 2013 MONTHLY ATTENDANCE SHEET

No	Name of Staff	Position	# of Working days	Total days Worked	# of days Absent	comments
1	Joseph K. Bryant	Director	21	18	3	HIES Training
2	Jekeh F. Koian	Asst. Director	21	3	15	HIES Training
3	Sam A. Kpadeh	Research Officer	21	21	0	
4	Francis S. Kardar	Mapper	21	0	21	On the HIES Survey
5	Abdullah O. Swaray	Data Manager	21	21	21	
6	Nathaniel Koikoi	Monitor	21	21	0	
7	Robert Z Moisema	Monitor	21	4	17	HIES Training
8	Yarkpawolo Kpadeh	Office Assistance	21	21	0	
9	James K. Kpadeh	Driver	21	12	9	Gone to H.Q for HIES assignment

ANNEX-----B

STATUS OF ASSETS, EQUIPMENT & TOOLS

N	SERIAL NO	BAR CODE	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION	ASSIGNED TO	STATUS
1	7146		DELL 1525 Laptop	Data Unit	Director	Faulty
2	-	-	5wooden tables	Data Unit	Data staff	Functional
3	J6zqx31	-	200 DELL Desktop	Data Unit	Asst.Director3	Functional
4	010-00422-01	-	Map 60csxGPS	Data Unit	Asst. Director	Functional
5	3B0827X47965	-	APC Backups CS650	Data Unit	Asst. Director	Functional
6	-	-	Digital Camera	Data Unit	Research Officer	Faulty
7	-	CST/UNDP/2/IMO/B4-13	Standing Fan	Data Unit	Director	Functional
8	0H85747082153C24	-	Dell 3000 Desk	Data Unit	Monitor	Functional
9	MGZ42539	-	Canon Printer 3D40	Data Unit	Director	Faulty
10	L63726080700D42	-	AUX Two SPLIT Air conditioner	Data Unit	Director	Faulty
11	-	-	Office Cabinet	Data Unit	Director	Faulty

12	-	-	Wooden Office Cabinet	Data Unit	Director	Functional
13	14114707	LBR000011275	Mark76 GARMIN GPS	Data Unit	Asst. Director	Faulty
14	TF125-159785	-	Suzuki TF125	Data Unit	Research Officer	Faulty
15	TS1852-184635	-	Suzuki TS185	Data Unit	Data Manager	Faulty
16	2FZ982S	UNDP/EC	Dell Desktop	Data Unit	Data Manager	Functional
17	CNCOL51385	LBR000014405	HP Laser Jet P2035 Printer	Data Unit	Data Manager	Functional
18		2	Executive Chairs	Data Unit	Director	Faulty
19		10	Chairs	Data Unit	Director	Functional
20		1	Projector	Data Unit	Director	Functional
21		1	AG YAMAHA	Data Unit	Asst. Director	Functional

ANNEX----C

Monthly vehicle movement log (none for the Month)

ANNEX----D

Monthly fuel usage log (None for the Month)

ANNEX----E

Pictorials of interest for the Month



Photos above shows the Board members of the Lofa County Community College (LCCC) at work.



HIES Team 8- Zone 5 Members in Lofa County.



The Visiting Team from Brooklyn Center, Touring the City of Voinjama.



Price monitoring in Voinjama and Foya Markets.



Pevement work ongoing in Voinjama City.