



Guernsey Overseas Aid Commission

2013 Annual Report



***“Helping the world’s
least developed
countries through a
hand up rather than
a handout”***

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Chairman's Introduction

I am pleased to present my second Annual Report as Chairman of the Guernsey Overseas Aid Commission.

2013 has proved to be a very busy year for the Commission and I continue to be impressed at the hard work and commitment of the Commissioners. I am very mindful that the Commissioners are unpaid volunteers who are not only giving of their time, energy and experience to do something for Guernsey but are also ensuring that the funds the States of Guernsey provides the Commission for use on overseas aid projects brings the greatest benefit to some of the poorest and most vulnerable communities in the world.

At the start of 2013, the Commissioners were busy reviewing and assessing the applications for Grant Aid funding. No sooner had they completed this task, they turned their attention to a review of the Commission's policies and procedures. This review saw a number of changes in how the Commission allocates money from both its Grant Aid and Disaster Emergency Relief budgets and, perhaps most importantly, strengthened its approach to the monitoring and scrutiny of how the various charities receiving funding use the awards. In undertaking this review, the Commissioners were very mindful that they are acting "on behalf of the people of Guernsey" and so it is essential that we use our best endeavours to ensure that each £1 of our budget reaches those most in need of overseas aid.

At the end of 2013 the Commissioners again turned their attention to scrutinising the applications for Grant Aid funding from the Commission's 2014 budget. This undertaking has placed unprecedented demands on the Commissioners time as the number of applications for funding rose by nearly 45 percent, with 329 applications totalling £14 million seeking a share of Guernsey's annual Overseas Aid budget of £2.6 million. There are several reasons why the number of applications increased so dramatically and all appear to be as a direct result of the Commission's more pro-active approach in publicising its work. Indeed, over 20 percent of applicants indicated that they had learnt of the Commission's Grant Aid Awards from an internet search.

In the midst of this heavy work load, several of the Commissioners also took the opportunity to visit charities and agencies to learn at firsthand about some of the work being undertaken with Commission funding. In each case the Commissioner funded the visit at entirely their own cost and I am grateful to them for "going the extra mile" to gain a better insight into how projects funded by the Commission do change the lives of so many.

In closing, I wish to re-iterate my appreciation and thanks to each of the Commissioners for their continued hard work and dedication.

Deputy Mike O'Hara
Chairman
Guernsey Overseas Aid Commission

1. The Commissioners

During 2013 there were no changes in the Commission's membership. Deputy Mike O'Hara remained as the Commission's Chairman and the Commissioners are:

Mr. Tim Peet.
Mr. Steve Mauger
Mr. Philip Bodman
Miss Judy Moore
Dr. Nick Paluch
Ms. Teresa de Nobrega

In addition to reviewing and assessing all applications for funding from the Commission's Grant Aid and Disaster Emergency Relief Funds several of the Commissioners undertook a number of fact finding visits in their own time and at their own expense.

In April 2013, Ms. Teresa de Nobrega and the Commission's Secretary visited the offices of the UK's Disaster Emergency Committee and were able to see at firsthand how a small but dedicated team drawn from across the fourteen charities that make up the DEC determine whether a disaster is one which the Committee should respond to through the launch of a national appeal and how the funds raised during such an appeal are distributed across the various member charities.

In June 2013, Miss Judy Moore and Ms. Teresa de Nobrega accepted an invitation from UNICEF to visit its emergency aid distribution centre in Copenhagen. Two Commissioners toured the charity's new warehouse and attended a seminar on UNICEF's role in providing life-saving supplies to children around the world.



Exterior of the UNICEF Supply Division warehouse



Interior view of the warehouse's storage system

UNICEF's Supply Division moved into the above fully automated warehouse in 2012 which is over 20,000m² (the equivalent of 3 football pitches) in size. The warehouse houses over 850 different supply items and is the largest humanitarian warehouse in the world.



An emergency midwifery pack



An emergency "school in a box"

In November 2013, Dr. Nick Paluch travelled to Zambia where he was able to check on the progress of some much needed staff accommodation at the St. Francis Mission Hospital in Katete which is being built with funding from Guernsey based charity The Friends of Katete and with a grant from the Commission. The 400 bed hospital serves a local population of more than 250,000 and acts as a referral centre for the whole Province.



Dr. Paluch presenting the building crew at St Francis Hospital with a plaque to acknowledge the financial support given to the hospital by the people of Guernsey

During his visit Dr Paluch was able to join the medical ward rounds and help in the outpatient clinic. He said,

"The hospital serves a very large population spread across a remote and rural part of Zambia which makes it difficult for them to recruit and retain staff. The accommodation which the Commission is funding will improve this but at present they still rely heavily on volunteers from abroad. During my visit there were just two resident Zambian doctors and the hospital's busy 80 bed paediatric ward was being covered by a single junior doctor from the UK."

Cases of infectious disease are far more common than in Guernsey and I was involved in the treatment of many patients suffering with problems I rarely see here such as malaria, meningitis, TB, typhoid and of course HIV/Aids. On the surgical ward I was particularly struck and saddened by the number of children with severe and extensive burns sustained on the open village fires and I was fascinated to see that these burns are often dressed with sterilised banana leaves."

In December 2013, Tim Peet took the opportunity of a few hours to spare whilst travelling through London to also visit the DEC's offices. His visit was a few days after the DEC had launched its appeal in response to Typhoon Haiyan (see Section 7 for further details) and so he was able to see the team "in action".

During 2013, representatives of several charities and agencies either made short presentations to the Commission or met with the Commission's Secretary.

The feedback from these various visits and from talking at first hand with key players from the charities funded by the Commission is invaluable as it enables the Commissioners to gain a clearer insight into the work being undertaken, the challenges that have to be overcome and how the completed projects do make a lasting difference in improving the lives of some of the world's poorest and most vulnerable people.

2. Commission Staff

During 2013, there were no staff changes within the Commission and Ms Dene continues to act as its Secretary on a half-time basis.

3. Commission Budget

In January 2012, the States of Deliberation resolved,

"1. That the States of Guernsey maintain its current level of contribution (+RPIX) per annum.

2. That the States of Guernsey monitor the level of Overseas Aid expenditure with a view to reconsidering it once there is a higher degree of certainty over corporate taxation and when the fiscal position improves, or within 5 years, whichever is sooner."

The Commission's Grant Aid Budget for 2013 was £2,600,000 and its Disaster Emergency Relief budget was £200,000.

4. 2013 Grant Aid Awards

In 2013 the Commission received 180 applications from 98 individual different charities and humanitarian agencies.

The applications for Grant Aid amounted to £6,107,431 and ranged from applications for £4,400 towards the costs of shipping a container from Guernsey to Tanzania (reported on in the Commission's 2012 Annual Report) to a number of applications for £40,000 (the Commission's general maximum level for Grant Aid awards).

The Commission approved funding for 81 individual projects and the total amount of the awards was £2,657,392 (see Appendix 1 for the details of the funded projects and Appendix 2 for the details of the unsuccessful applications). The over-subscription of applications for Grant Aid funding meant that the Commission again was faced with some very hard decisions as its budget did not allow it to fund many projects which would have merited support had more funds been available.

Table 1 provides an overview of the Grant Aid awards by project category and region. The Commission has adopted the following award categories which reflect the principle focus of an application for funding:

Agriculture	Includes projects focusing on agriculture, horticulture, forestry and fishing and food security projects
Education	Includes all education and training programmes and the construction of schools and education facilities
Health	Includes all health care, vaccination and disease prevention programmes and public health projects and the construction of medical facilities
Other	Includes income generation programmes, micro-loans, outreach projects, disaster preparedness, land mine clearance and rehabilitation projects)
Water	Includes projects to provide or improve water and sanitation services, the provision of wells and clean water supplies and the construction of latrine and washing facilities

Just over 80% of all awards were for projects in Africa. This was an increase of approximately 10% on 2012. The Commission only received two applications for projects within Latin America (both in Haiti) and there was also a drop in the number of applications from the India Sub-Continent and Asia and the Pacific regions, especially for projects in India, Thailand and Pakistan. This change may reflect the improving economies in these two countries.

Table 1	Africa	Latin America	Indian Sub-Continent	Asia and Pacific Regions	Total
Agriculture	7	2	0	1	10
Education	17	0	0	1	18
Health	17	0	3	6	26
Other	11	0	0	0	11
Water	13	0	1	2	16
TOTAL PROJECTS	65	2	4	10	81

Figure 1 shows how the various Grant Aid awards were distributed by region across the world.

Figure 1 - Distribution of 2013 Grant Aid by Region

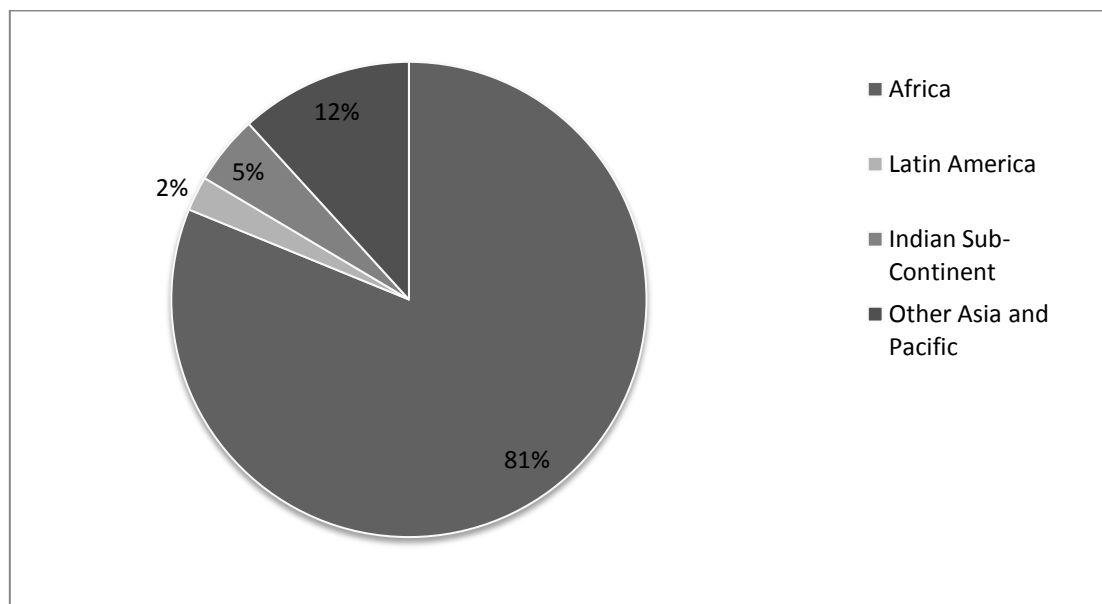


Figure 2 shows what percentage of Grant Aid allocated to each category of project.

Figure 2 - Percentage Distribution of 2012 Grant Aid by Project Category

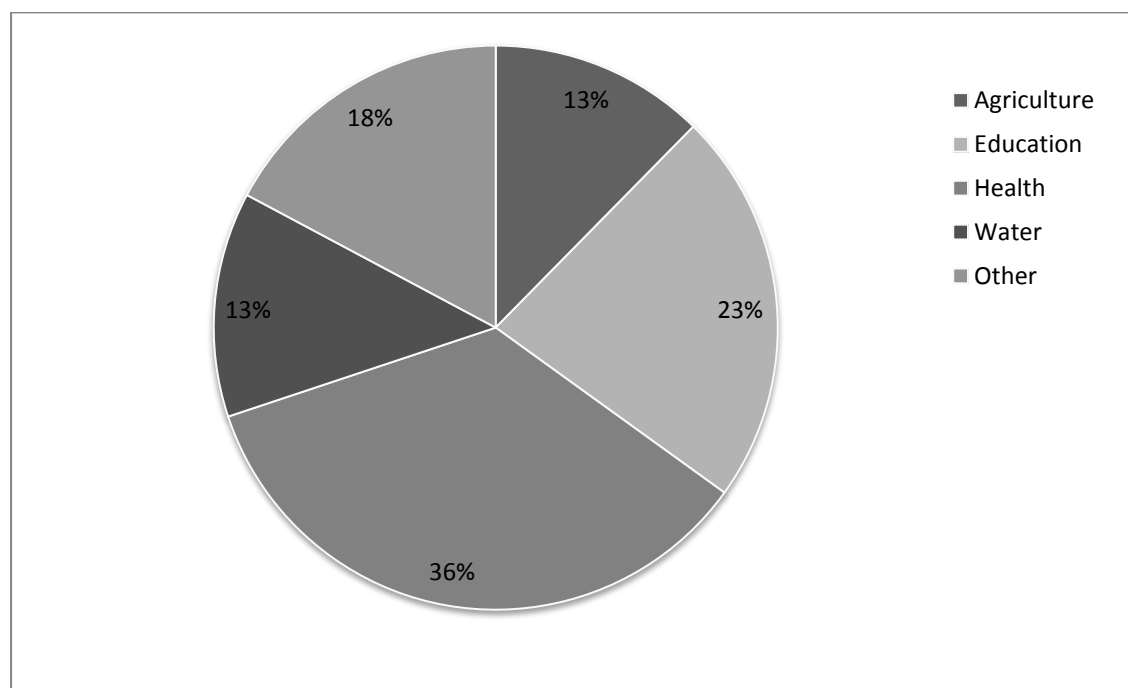


Figure 3 provides an overview of the distribution of the total amounts of Grant Aid requested and the value of awards made by the Commission by country.

Figure 3 - Distribution of 2012 Grant Aid requests and awards by country

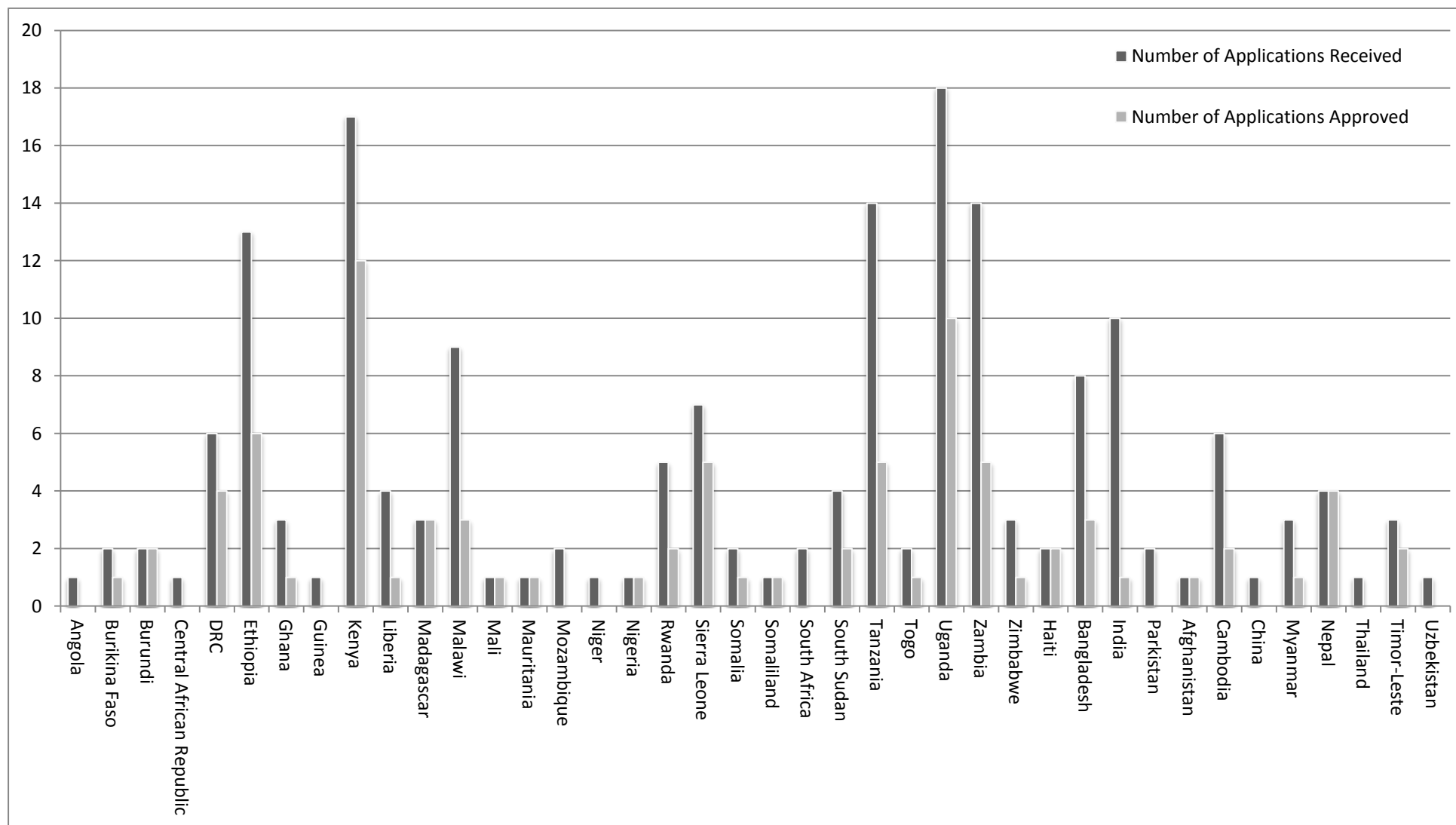
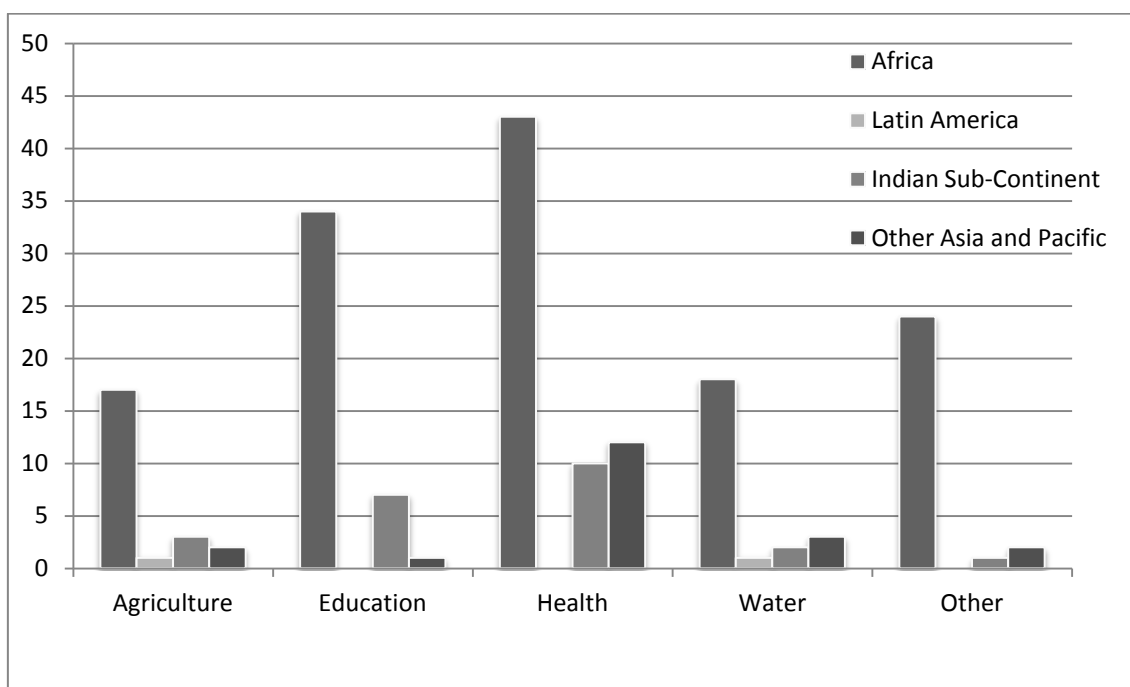


Figure 4 provides an overview of the requests for Grant Aid by project type against the projects which received funding from the Commission.

Figure 4 - Distribution of 2013 Grant Aid by Region and Project Category



5. 2013 Grant Aid Awards – Updates on projects funded in 2013

An integral aspect of all Grant Aid awards is a requirement for the charities to provide two reports. This is an obligatory requirement for every Grant Aid award and non-compliance with the reporting requirements will result in the Commission not accepting any further applications for funding from the charity until all outstanding reports have been submitted.

The first report must be submitted part way through the project. As most projects are delivered over a 12 month period, this report is generally submitted approximately six months after the commencement of the project.

The interim reports provide an overview of the progress of the project. The charity is required to indicate how work on delivering the project is progressing against the objectives set out in its application for funding and must include details of how and how much of the Grant Aid award has been spent. Where feasible, the Commission encourages a charity to include photographs of the project and also to address how the delivery of the project is benefiting the community. The Commission recognises that for construction projects such benefits may not be apparent during the construction stage.

The second report must be submitted on completion of the project. This report must include an overview of the full delivery of the project and how the overall objectives of

the project have been achieved. The Commission also requires the charity to provide a budget showing the final costs against the approved budget.

The report must also address how the project has and will continue to benefit the community. This should include reference to both direct and indirect beneficiaries and these numbers should be referenced against the anticipated numbers of direct and indirect beneficiaries set out in the approved application. If the number of beneficiaries is different from the approved application, the report should explain why the differences have arisen.

Copies of the final reports for each of the projects funded in 2013 can be found on the Commission's website – www.gov.gg/overseasaid.

A number of the charities receiving funding in 2013 have already submitted their first report setting out the progress of the project. The following projects are reviewed in a little more detail than the outline information provided in Appendix 1:

Charity	Project Category	Country	Project Outline	Amount of Grant Aid Awarded
Oxfam	Agriculture	Haiti	Food security and agricultural productivity	£39,904
ActionAid	Education	Sierra Leone	Enhancing Primary Education for Children in Bumpe	£40,000
Voluntary Service Overseas	Health	Cambodia	Improving reproductive health care services in Mondulkiri and Stung Treng provinces of Cambodia	£40,000
New Ways	Water	Kenya	Construction of extension to Rock Catchment Dam at Ekopus to provide increased capacity to permanent water resource	£40,000
Mines Advisory Group	Other	Democratic Republic of the Congo	Humanitarian Mine Action Support , South Equateur, Maniema, Katanga and Province Orientale	£39,059

Oxfam - Food security and agricultural productivity in North-East Haiti

The aim of this project is to improve the food security in the North-East area of Haiti through education in agricultural management to assist the farming communities to increase crop resilience to flooding, drought and other natural disasters. The project is focusing on the following activities:

- Cleaning and rehabilitating (including repaving) 3,500m of irrigation canals
Drilling four additional wells
- Developing and distributing rain gauges to 75 farmers (50 vegetable farmers and 25 rice farmers) to help them predict rainfall patterns
- Training the same 75 farmers in disaster risk reduction and adaptation to climate change and enabling them to share what they have learnt with others in their communities
- Conducting community campaigns to raise awareness of the effects of climate change and how to adapt, benefiting approximately 9,000 people.



Water pump being installed in project area in Duhaut to support irrigation

In its interim report, Oxfam highlighted the following outcomes during the first six months of the project programme:

“The key successes thus far are the positive influence of farmers working together, a better understanding of the impact of climate change on agricultural production, the transfer of farming methods compatible with the protection of the environment and the change in mentality of farmers who were previously reliant on rain fed agriculture but who are now using irrigated agriculture techniques thanks to the wells.

For beneficiaries, the project will help to ensure food availability and household financial autonomy, encourage the development of women and collective leadership in the area and facilitate economic empowerment of women. The project is on track to achieve its original aim by the end of March 2014.”

ActionAid - Enhancing Primary Education for Children in Bumpe, Sierra Leone

The aim of this project is to support 253 children in Bumpe, in the Kono District in eastern Sierra Leone to access a safe school environment with improved water and sanitation facilities. The project will included the building a new school in Bumpe, new latrines and a well within the school to help improve the health of the children.



**Construction of the new school
nears roof height**



**Newly constructed well awaits
connection of pump before being
commissioned**

In its interim report, ActionAid confirmed that the building of the new concrete school building is well underway. The main shell of the school is completed with four rooms, including space for the head teacher's office and storage and the roof was just about ready to be added along with the final finishes to the building work. In addition work on constructing new latrines was well advanced and the well was awaiting the final fitting of the pump and so it was anticipated that a supply of clean water would be available in the very near future.

ActionAid's report also provided an insight of the difference the project will make to the lives and futures of the children who will be attending the newly constructed school.



Mariama is seven years old. She is in class three and wants to be a nurse in future. Mariama wanted to leave the school because of its poor state of repair.

Mariama said:

".. the school is not good for learning, and there are always too many children in lessons so it is hard to concentrate and do well in tests ...I am sure that all this work will change the entire school – thanks to ActionAid and the people of Guernsey for making this a reality. I will no longer look for an alternative school since I have hope and confidence that my new school will be much better".

Voluntary Service Overseas - Improving reproductive health care services in Mondulkiri and Stung Treng provinces of Cambodia

This project aims to reduce gender inequities in reproductive health care services in Mondulkiri and Stung Treng provinces in Cambodia through the removal of barriers to essential health services, and by ensuring reproductive health services (infrastructure and equipment) meet minimum operating standards.

The project has focused on improving the Stung Treng and Senmonorom Referral Hospitals and in six remote health centres. The poor equipment and environment is a major barrier to the village midwives trying to provide quality healthcare and to the marginalised and poor women trying to access it. This project will complement and enhance VSO's current efforts in these provinces.



Typical health care facilities prior to the rehabilitation work funded by the Commission

In its interim report, VSO reported that work on four of the six health centres to be renovated using funding from the Commission had been completed and it anticipated that work on the two remaining centres would be completed by the end of 2013. The work had included structural improvements and the provision of new beds and mattresses and medical equipment including ecography machines, oxygen condensers and gynaecological examination equipment.

VSO also reported that the drilling of a well at Samaki health centre had encountered difficulties because of an absence of a useable source of water under the ground in this place. As a result a new site for the well was being investigated and it was anticipated that the well would be drilled by the end of 2013, approximately five months behind schedule as set out in the project application.

New Ways - Construction of extension to Rock Catchment Dam at Ekopus to provide increased capacity to permanent water resource

New Ways is a small charity that works in Kenya, Ethiopia and Mozambique. It was founded in 1994 by Albert Salvans, a Catholic priest working in London, with the aim of supporting development work in Africa, particularly basic nutrition, healthcare, agriculture, water infrastructure and education.

The charity's work focuses on building water resource infrastructure including rock catchment dams, shallow wells and boreholes and the provision of hand pumps or wind pumps to the boreholes to get the water to the surface and help with agriculture. The funding provided by the Commission in 2013 will enable New Ways to extend a rock dam original built in 2008 by approximately 4 metres and so double the capacity of the dam from 12 million litres to nearly 25 million litres. The additional water catchment should ensure a year round supply for a population of some 4,250 additional members of the local communities, settled at Napeikar and Kokuro, and living in the traditional nomadic pastoralist manner in the Kacheriangor mountain range, in the north western corner of Kenya.



Construction work on the extension to the dam in progress

In October 2013, New Ways advised the Commission that work on the extension to the dam had been completed and the newly extended dam was already providing a sustainable water source,

"At the beginning of April a supervisor and four masons employed on a permanent basis by our local partner arrived at the site, accompanied by 25 local men and women who were employed to assist in the building of the extension. The mission tractor continued supplying sand and stones, construction work began; at this point some rain water remained in the dam, but after two months this reserve was depleted, meaning the tractor usage alternated between transporting of construction materials and bringing a water tanker every day."

New Ways report concluded by stating,

"The previous supply of water was put to vital use in providing drinking water for the local people and helped improve the hygienic and sanitary standards; with this increased capacity, the dam can continue to serve these important roles, now to an enhanced degree. This now even more reliable water source ensures that an essential resource needed to provide a good quality of life is within reach of all the area's residents, and means that travelling elsewhere to find water, which has been proven to potentially result in dangerous encounters with other ethnic groups, is not necessary."

The completed extended dam showing water already starting to collect at the base of the dam wall



Mines Advisory Group – Humanitarian mine action support in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

The aim of the project is to increase the productivity of the Mines Advisory Group (MAG) teams clearing land contaminated by landmines, cluster munitions and other items of unexploded ordnance through the provision of specialist detectors, in order to reduce the threat of death or injury to communities, create safe spaces for humanitarian assistance and facilitate socio-economic development in to Katanga, North and South Equateur and Kasai Occidental.

The funding enabled MAG to purchase additional specialist mines' clearance equipment which would increase the efficiency of the clearance of deadly explosive weapons, with local communities benefitting from the faster release of safe land.

During the early stages of the project MAG advised the Commission,

"... due to the deterioration of the security situation in certain provinces in the DRC, namely Orientale, the intended operational areas included within the original proposal requires some amendment. On speaking with the United National Mine Action Coordination Centre and in line with our humanitarian impact of operations the new province was selected and will mean there is no change to how the equipment is used or the impact the clearance will have."



Examples of some of the unexploded ordnance cleared using the equipment purchased with funding from the Commission

In light of the reasons for the changes to the approved project, the Commission supported the proposed changes and noted in the interim report that the majority of the specialist equipment had been secured and was already being used in the area to make the hazardous task on mine clearance a little less dangerous.

6. Assessment of Grant Aid Applications and the Administration of Awards

The Commission's procedures for assessing Grant Aid applications and how it administers awards are fully set out in its guidance notes. These notes are available from the Commission's website and are emailed to all the charities on the Commission's mailing list prior to the commencement of a new funding round.

Prior to the Commissioners reviewing and assessing each application for funding, a series of compliance checks are made on the charity seeking funding. These include checking that the charity is registered with one of the UK Charity Commissions and that there are no concerns recorded on the relevant Charity Commission's website concerning the operation and management of the charity. In particular, the Commission checks to ensure that the charity is fully complying with the relevant regulatory regime which covers the submission of audited accounts and compliance with Charities Act 2011. Further, the Commission also checks to ensure that the application falls within the charity's stated charitable purposes. If an application does not satisfy these compliance checks the Commission will reject the application.

The Commissioners review each application for funding and each Commissioner makes his or her own assessment about whether or not to support the application. The applications are then reviewed at a series of funding meetings where the Commissioners discuss each application and reach a consensus view regarding whether or not to support an application.

The Commissioners assess each application against the following criteria:

- (i) *Project location* – including position on the UN Human Development Index; the political situation in the country, particularly where the government is unstable or repressive; whether the country is subject of any UN or other international sanctions, the country's human rights record, etc.
- (ii) *Project objectives* – including how the project will benefit the community; how many people will benefit, directly or indirectly, from the funding; the sustainability of the project, without reliance on further overseas aid funding; the reasonableness of the time frame for delivering the project; whether the needs of the beneficiaries have been fully identified; whether all logistical issues have been considered and planned for; whether the project has been well thought out.
- (iii) *Project budget* – including assessing the reasonableness of the proposed spending on the project; the cash flow projections; the level of detail; the

cost-effectiveness of the project; whether the proposed spending appears to support the objectives of the project; the level of any administrative costs, including travel expenses and monitoring and evaluation costs.

- (iv) *Other issues* – including whether political instability in the region where the project is to be based may mean that the project cannot proceed and any issues which may have wider public concern to Guernsey

As already noted in the Annual Report, the requests for funding are significantly higher than the Commission's available budget. This means that in some cases projects which are assessed as meriting funding have to be refused because the Commission simply does not have the funds available to support every project the Commissioners may assess as satisfying its funding criteria.

Following each funding meeting charities are notified of the outcome and given a summary of the reasons why a particular application was supported or rejected.

Where an application is successful, the charity is required to complete an agreement which sets out the terms on which the award is made, the Commission's compliance procedures. The charity is also required to advise the Commission when it anticipates the project will commence. For example, in some cases a project may have to wait until the rainy or dry season before work commences.

The Grant Aid award is generally made in two equal instalments. The first instalment is made approximately two to three weeks before the project commencement date and the second instalment once the interim report (usually submitted six months after the project start date) has been received and reviewed by the Commission.

7. Compliance with Grant Aid Awards

As part of its review of policies and procedures the Commission fully reviewed the reporting requirements and prepared detailed guidance for all charities setting out how the Commission monitors the delivery of projects funded through its Grant Aid Awards and the sanctions it may impose should a charity fail to comply with the reporting requirements (see Appendix 5).

Table 2	Grant Aid Projects	Charities
Full compliance	46 (72%)	35 (72%)
Report overdue but satisfactory explanation provided after first chasing email	11 (17%)	9 (19%)
Report overdue but satisfactory explanation provided after second chasing email	5 (8%)	2 (4%)
Report overdue and response only provided after formal non-compliance letter	2 (3%)	2 (4%)

The Commission is pleased to report that most charities either complied fully with the reporting requirements or immediately responded to an email chasing an overdue report. Table 2 (above) provides an overview of how charities receiving Grant Aid awards have adhered to the reporting requirements.

In 2013, the Commission noted that two charities had failed to respond to the email requests querying the late submission of the required reports.

In one case, a very small charity had failed to submit either the interim or final reports. On closer inspection, it became apparent that the charity had a poor reporting record and a final report on a project funded in 2011 was also outstanding. After a protracted exchange of correspondence, it became clear that the charity had encountered a number of different and separate difficulties (both in India where the projects were located and with the operation of the charity itself) when trying to undertake the projects funded by the Commission. Regrettably, the charity's trustees had not kept the Commission fully briefed as to the difficulties and after careful consideration the Commissioners concluded that they were unable to consider any further applications for funding from the charity.

In another case, after a protracted exchange of correspondence between the charity and the Commission it became clear that there had been a breakdown in the channels of communication between the charity and its partner agency in Haiti. In this case, the Commissioners required the charity to return the unspent balance from the award and advised them that no further applications for funding would be accepted until the project had been successfully completed.

The Commission recognises that there are very often genuine reasons for a report being delayed and this of itself is not a problem so long as the charity advises the Commission's Secretary as soon as it is aware their report will not be ready ahead of the reporting deadline. In such cases the Commission's Secretary will always work closely with the charity to agree a revised reporting timetable.

Following a review of the charities' compliance with the reporting requirements, the Commission now sends a copy of its compliance regime, including details of how and when sanctions may be applied for non-compliance, when notifying charities that a Grant Aid award has been made. It hopes that this pro-active approach will ensure that all charities will submit their reports within the specified timeframes.

8. 2013 Disaster Emergency Relief Awards

In 2013, for the first time in many years, the Commission received requests for disaster and emergency aid which exceeded its annual budget of £200,000. During the year the DEC launched two national appeals:

(a) March 2013 – Syrian Crisis Appeal

(b) November 2013 – Philippines Typhoon Appeal

The Commission made the following donations to the two DEC appeals:

Syrian Crisis Appeal – three donations each of £25,000 in March, August and December 2013

The civil conflict in Syria has been ongoing since 2011 and, as is inevitably the case in such situations, the impact is felt most by the ordinary people of Syria. Since the outbreak of hostilities it is estimated that over two million Syrians have fled their homes and sought refuge in the neighbouring countries of Jordan, Lebanon, Turkey and Iraq. This mass movement of people has meant that the camps established by the various aid agencies and the UN working in the region are stretched to capacity. The pressures placed on the aid agencies have meant that many families have had little option but to live in crude shelters they have built themselves, with host families in overcrowded conditions or in partially finished buildings.

Within Syria itself, the health system has effectively collapsed as hospitals and clinics have been damaged by the fighting and the facilities still able to operate have struggled to secure even the most basic of essential medical supplies and equipment. In many areas there is no access to clean water, electricity or sanitation and food supplies are at best limited and intermittent.

The DEC provided the following update in September 2013, six months after launching its appeal and sadly the situation in Syrian and the surrounding countries hosting the many refugee camps has only worsened since this update:

“Funds donated to the DEC paid for aid to be delivered to 129,000 people in the first three months after the Syria Crisis Appeal was opened on 20 March 2013. Over 80% of the people helped were inside Syria, with aid being provided mainly by DEC member agencies working through partner organisations. Those helped have come from all affected communities and across Syria.

Inside Syria more than 42,000 people have received food and over 28,000 have received hygiene kits, with some receiving both as part of the same distribution supported by a DEC agency. Save the Children has used DEC funds to support a partner organisation to improve sanitation for people worst affected by the conflict. They are cleaning the streets of debris and maintaining a hospital sewage system in an area which undergoes heavy shelling and is often sealed off due to fighting.

Within the last three months, an additional 25,750 people inside Syria received family food parcels from the Syrian Arab Red Crescent with support from the Red Cross using DEC funds. The delivery of these parcels is ongoing and a total of 72,500 people are expected to have received help by the end of September 2013. CAFOD is working with church partners to deliver food parcels to help a further 5,000 people. Other aid delivered inside Syria and paid for with DEC funds during the first three months of the response has included:

- *Clean water and latrines for displaced people*
- *Emergency surgery for people injured in the fighting*
- *Money to help displaced people pay for temporary accommodation*
- *Support for children traumatised by the fighting*
- *Blankets, clothing and cooking sets for people who have fled their homes."*

Philippines Typhoon Appeal – one donation of £50,000 in November 2013

Typhoon Haiyan was 300 miles across when it struck the Philippines on 8th November 2013. It was one of the most intense tropical storms to ever make landfall anywhere in the world and was accompanied by torrential rain, sustained winds of over 195mph and a storm surge of up to 30 feet that devastated coastal areas.

Within the first month, the donations received through the DEC appeal enabled DEC member agencies and their partners to provide aid to more than 1.6 million people in the Philippines. The aid provided included:

- *ActionAid* has reached 28,000 people on Bantayan Island off north Cebu, and on Leyte and in East Samar. This has included food, shelter and hygiene kits.
- *Age International* has helped 39,500 people on Leyte Island. They've delivered food packages, psychosocial support and shelter materials.
- *British Red Cross* working across 15 provinces via partners has given help to 725,696. Aid has included food packages, hot meals in evacuation centres and counselling.
- *CAFOD* working through partners have reached 361,790 in 13 regions, including delivering shelter kits and food.
- *Care International* is working in Ormoc, Albueria, Tolosa and Tacloban and has reached over 43,750 people. Items delivered include kitchen kits, food and shelter kits.
- *Christian Aid* through partners has given assistance to over 61,500 in areas including in Ormoc on Leyte, in East Samar. Items distributed include water, food, sleeping mats, and hygiene materials.
- *Concern* reached 3,538 in Malangabang and Baliguian. Items distributed include shelter materials and kitchen sets.
- *Islamic Relief* has helped 115,000 in Bantayan, Leyte and the Camotes Islands. Priorities have included providing food, water and shelter.
- *Oxfam* working on Cebu, Leyte and Samar has reached 218,375 people with much needed aid. This has included hygiene kits, sanitation projects, water and farming assistance for those who have lost crops.

- *Plan* working with partners has helped 24,000 in East Samar. This work has included delivering shelter kits, water, and hygiene kits. Child friendly spaces have also been created for children affected by Typhoon Haiyan.
- *Save the Children* (including *Merlin*) have provided assistance to 20,433 in Leyte, Visayas and Panay. This has been a mix of medical support with mobile clinics and distributing emergency shelter materials, household items and hygiene kits.
- *Tearfund* has helped 28,377 people in Basey, Malabu and Dulag. Items distributed include household items, water and sanitation items.
- *World Vision* has reached 106,260 people in across a number of areas including Capiz, Aklan and Cebu. Food, hygiene kits, shelter kits have all been distributed. Child friendly spaces have been set up for children affected by the storm.¹

Non-DEC requests for Disaster Emergency Funding

In addition the Commission made two donations under its exceptional policy, namely;

UNICEF – To provide food and winter supplies to refugees fleeing from the civil conflict in Syria to Lebanon

In January 2013, the Commission received a request from UNICEF for a contribution towards its emergency response appeal to provide vital equipment and supplies that will see children and families through the worst of the winter, including warm clothing and bedding. After consulting with the DEC and noting that the DEC believed it would be unlikely to launch a national appeal in the very near future, the Commission agreed to make a donation of £25,000 to UNICEF's Syrian appeal.

In December 2013, the Commission further reviewed the ongoing situation in Syrian and the surrounding regions. It noted that there was no indication that the civil conflict was likely to be resolved and that the region was experiencing one of the harshest winters in many years. It also noted that the UN launched its largest humanitarian appeal and reported,

"After months of conflict, the situation in Syria remains dire. Over 2.3 million Syrian refugees have now fled into neighbouring countries and thousands more are pouring across borders each day - this is one of the largest refugee exoduses in recent history. Now, a massive snowstorm has brought freezing temperatures, fierce winds and rain and snow, with hundreds of refugees struggling to stay warm and dry in their tents or makeshift shelters. UN agencies are on the ground providing urgently needed relief to millions of Syrians as the bitter winter sets in - distributing stoves and fuel for heating, insulation for tents, blankets and quilts, mattresses and waterproof footwear."

¹ Source: DEC website (www.dec.org.uk/appeals/philippines-typhoon-appeal)



Refugees in snow-covered UNICEF supported refugee camp in the Lebanon

The Commission agreed to make a two further donations each of £25,000 to both the DEC and UNICEF Syrian appeals. It noted that the Department for International Development was match funding any donations received by UNICEF and so the £25,000 on behalf of the people of Guernsey would mean UNICEF would receive a total donation of £50,000.

UNICEF – To provide humanitarian aid to children and families displaced following an upsurge in the ongoing civil unrest in the Central African Republic.

In December 2013, UNICEF requested £25,000 for the Commission towards is emergency response appeal to provide emergency medicines, food, shelter and sanitation kits for the poorest and most vulnerable people in the Central African Republic. The application stated:

“As a result of the escalating conflict: sanitation is limited in the camps sheltering those fleeing violence in their villages and the risk of diseases/epidemics is high. There is a shortage of food; and the most basic medical care as health facilities have been destroyed, looted or are currently operating with a very limited number of staff. There are also gaps in the supply of essential medicines including vaccines, antibiotics and malaria treatments, and there is a crucial need for child protection, food, sanitation, and water. There is a very real risk that polio and measles epidemics will be take hold in the camps as so many of the refugees have not been vaccinated against these potentially life-threatening diseases.”

In considering the request, the Commissioners were mindful that the Central African Republic is one of the world’s poorest countries and is ranked 180th out of the 186 countries on the UN’s Development Index. It has also noted the UN’s view that in light of the resent escalation of civil conflict there is a real risk of genocide in Central African Republic without a massive scaling up in the international response to the crisis.



Central African Republic citizens fleeing the civil conflict

The Commissioners noted that the UN had indicated that nearly 1 million people have fled their homes and sought safety in camps provided by UNICEF and other aid agencies. They also noted the UN was calling for a scaling up of the aid response to the growing crisis in the Central African Republic if the risk of genocide is to be overcome.

UNICEF is due to report on how the funding from the Commission has been used during 2014 and an update on this award will be included in the Commission's 2014 Annual Report.

Unsuccessful applications for Disaster Emergency Funding

In addition, during 2013 the Commission received the following requests for disaster and emergency relief funding under the Commission's exceptional policy:

Pragya – To provide disaster relief to communities in Uttarakhand, northern India following torrential rain which caused flash flooding and significant landslides.

ActionAid – To provide disaster relief to communities in Uttarakhand, northern India following torrential rain causing flash flooding and significant landslides.

Practical Action – To provide disaster relief to communities in the Southern Peruvian Andes following exceptionally heavy snowfall.

RED International – To provide disaster relief to communities in South West Pakistan following an earthquake registering 7.7 on the Richter Scale.

The Commission considered each of these applications against its published criteria. However, although the Commission noted the impact that each event had had on the communities concerned the criteria for funding were not satisfied.

When refusing such requests for funding, the Commission is mindful that each year aid agencies across the world respond to many natural disasters and civil emergencies in some of the world's poorest and most vulnerable communities².

The Commission's Disaster Emergency relief budget of £200,000 per annum does not allow it to approve each request under its exceptional policy.

Bailiff's Disaster Relief Fund

Following the occurrence of Typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines, the Bailiff's Disaster Relief Fund was opened to enable Bailiwick residents to make donations for the relief effort in a collective manner.

The Commission approved a proposal by the Trustees of the Bailiff's Disaster Relief Fund that £10,000 be allocated from that Fund to Bridge2Philippines who were sending a team of relief workers, including a doctor and a nurse, to the Philippines at their own expense. Those funds were spent to purchase 22 tons of rice; food and household items including 5 gallon water carriers, plates, cutlery, cups, cooking pots, plastic containers, washing bowls, soap powder, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, oil, spaghetti, pasta sauce, sardines, biscuits and powdered milk; tools to enable fishermen to repair their boats including hammers, nails, handsaws, Stanley knives, cable ties and shovels to help people clear their land.



Typhoon Haiyan – Waiting for and receiving food aid and other basic items distributed by Bridge2Philippines

The Commission is advised that at the time of writing this report £75,000 has been sent by the Bailiff's Disaster Relief Fund to the central Disasters Emergency Committee, in addition to the £10,000 allocated to Bridge2Philippines.

² In 2012, Caritas Internationalis, which represents over 160 humanitarian and development agencies, responded to some 44 separate emergency appeals following natural disasters and civil conflicts and as of 1st December 2013 it had responded to over 50 requests for disaster relief aid..

9. Looking Forward

During 2013, the Commission completed its review of its policies and procedures. These were approved by the States of Guernsey Policy Council in May 2013.

The Commission continued to develop its website and as a direct result of its greater internet presence the Commission has received requests for funding from many new aid and development agencies. By the end of 2013 over 270 charities were registered on the Commission's contact list compared with some 210 at the start of the year. As a direct result of the Commission's endeavours to raise its profile, it received nearly twice as many applications for funding than in previous recent years. In total 329 applications were made by 178 individual charities. The total amount of aid requested was a little over £14 million against a budget of just £2,660,000.

2013 was the first year the Commission invited applications for multi-year funding and some 35 percent of all applications were for multi-year projects. These applications accounted for nearly 45 percent of the total amount of Grant Aid requested. The unprecedented level of requests means that in 2014 the Commission will only be able to support between 15 and 20 percent of applications. In recent previous years, the Commission has been able to fund between 40 and 50 percent of applications.

In 2013, the Commission asked charities to indicate how they had learned about the Commission³. Table 3 provides an overview of the responses. Table 3 shows that about 20 percent of charities found out about the Commission's funding from an internet search. Further, of the charities that had previously applied to the Commission, 27 (about 15 percent) had not done since at least 2007. The introduction of an email contact list using data stored on the Commission's database appears to have "reconnected" these charities with the Commission through receiving updates about the Grant Aid scheme.

Table 3	Number of Responses	Percentage
Previously applied for funding	110	61%
Guernsey-based charity	4	2%
Jersey-based charity	3	2%
Personal links with Guernsey	13	7%
On the advice of a third party	11	6%
Internet search	39	22%

In light of the sharp rise in applications for funding and award that most weeks two or three new charities ask to be added to its email contact list, the Commission will be further reviewing its Grant Aid policy in 2014. The purpose of this further review will

³ Some charities ticked more than one route of contact

be to consider whether it should alter any aspect of its policy to improve the likelihood of success for charities applying for funding. In addition, during 2014, the Commission will also be focusing on how the develop ways of working with the private and voluntary sectors to develop ways of increasing Guernsey's contribution to overseas development as set out in the second strand of its mandate.

The Commission had hoped to commence this work during the latter part of 2013, however, this was not possible as the number of applications for Grant Aid funding in 2014 was significantly higher than anticipated. This meant that the Commission's Secretary's time was fully occupied in preparing the applications for review by the Commissioners and continuing to monitor compliance by charities with the Grant Aid awards made in 2013 and 2012.

Finally, the Commission is grateful to the States of Guernsey for its commitment to continue to provide funding for overseas development programmes and its undertaking to review the level of funding in 2017 or sooner as Guernsey's fiscal outlook improves. It is grateful that, despite the constraints that have been placed on States funding and the disparities in the distribution of wealth across the community, this commitment to assisting some of the world's poorest and most vulnerable communities continues to be regarded as important. Guernsey remains a relatively wealthy community with a range of statutory and non-statutory agencies and organisations providing additional support. The Commission is very mindful that in the countries and regions receiving Grant Aid support there is no such safety net.

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Appendix 1 - Applications where 2013 Grant Aid requests were supported by the Commission

Agency	Project Category	Project Outline	Grant Aid Award
ACE Africa	Agriculture	Training 65 women's groups in sustainable agricultural and nutrition practices and income generating activities in rural Siaya, Nyanza Province, Kenya	£29,325
ACORD	Water	Safe water supply in a rural area in Hodh El Gharbi district in Mauritania	£40,000
Action Water	Water	Community managed water and sanitation initiative project at Busimbi, Uganda	£30,600
ActionAid	Education	Enhancing primary education for children in Bumpe, Sierra Leona	£40,000
ActionAid	Water	Safe drinking water for pastoralists in Somaliland	£40,000
Advantage Africa	Other	Enabling orphaned and vulnerable children in Kibwezi District, Kenya	£33,227
Akamba Aid Fund	Health	Twikoli and Wikimuu water, health and education project, Kyuso District, Kenya	£15,000
Appropriate Technology Asia	Education	Sustainable livelihoods for women and girls through skills and resource development, Humla and Surkhet District, Nepal	£24,076
Appropriate Technology Asia	Health	Sustainable health and social welfare for isolated women, Humla and Surket District, Nepal	£25,121
Asecondchance	Water	Lureko water project, Kenya	£19,812
Asecondchance	Education	Young people skills centre construction project, Nairobi, Kenya	£33,016
Azafady	Health	Project Soaiegna: a community led approach to improving sanitation, Fort Dauphin Urban Commune, Anosy Region, Madagascar	£27,800
BMS World Mission	Agriculture	Improving food security and livelihoods in northern Uganda	£20,008
British Red Cross Society	Agriculture	Building long term food security and livelihood provision in Zimbabwe	£36,605
British Red Cross Society	Water	Reducing disease in Sierra Leone via improved sanitation	£39,670
British Red Cross Society	Water	Improving water and sanitation provision and practice in Afghanistan	£39,746
British Red Cross Society	Water	Safe water provision in Sierra Leone	£39,860
CARE International	Other	Strengthening community resilience to drought in Dillo and Tertale Districts, Borana Zone, Ethiopia	£39,124

Agency	Project Category	Project Outline	Grant Aid Award
Christian Aid	Agriculture	Improving Food Security in Vulnerable Communities in Haiti, Fort Liberte, Haiti	£39,516
Christian Aid	Agriculture	Improving Lives in Burundi through sunflower processing, Rutana Province, Burundi	£40,000
CIFA Trust	Water	Provision of clean water supplies in Southern Ethiopia	£25,104
CORD	Water	Sustainable access to safe drinking water and basic sanitation in Bujumbura Rural Province, Burundi	£39,290
Cyan International	Water	Improving health in rural Nepal through access to water, sanitation and biogas	£24,940
Disability and Development Partners	Education	Improving Facilities at Tulla High School, Hawassa District, Ethiopia	£36,736
Ellen Jane Rihoy Charitable Trust	Education	Endana Community School improvement project, Kenya	£40,000
Excellent Development Ltd	Water	School water tanks for schools in Kenya	£39,462
Feed the Minds	Education	Improving rural livelihoods through literacy and vocational training in Uganda	£7,898
Friends of Katete	Health	St. Francis Mission Hospital - staff accommodation, Katete, Zambia	£43,850
Funzi and Bodo Trust	Education	Funzi Island Kindergarten, Bodo Sub-District, Coast Region, Kenya	£22,000
Good News! Trust	Education	Kalandu Secondary School and Nyakia Primary School, Oyugis	£39,100
Habitat for Humanity Great Britain	Water	Improving health through water and sanitation supply in the rural community of Alakamisy Anativato, Madagascar	£40,000
Habitat for Humanity Great Britain	Water	Strengthening community access to WaSH in Bangladesh	£40,000
HelpAge International	Health	Improving access to clean water, sanitation, preventative healthcare and income generation opportunities in rural Burkina Faso - Arbolle Commune in Passore Province, Burkina Faso	£39,241
Homeless International	Water	Improving water and sanitation provision for slum dwellers in Zambia	£39,998
Hope and Homes for Children	Other	Community hub building project, Nyarugenge District, Kigali City, Rwanda	£39,683
Hope for a Child	Other	Helping families and communities rise from poverty in Malawi	£37,537

Agency	Project Category	Project Outline	Grant Aid Award
Humanitarian Aid Relief Trust	Health	The Health and Hope Society Centre for outreach, education and health in Myanmar	£39,450
IMPACT Foundation	Health	Establishing a nurses' training centre and improving medical provision for an underserved rural community, Meherpur, Bangladesh	£40,016
Interact Worldwide	Health	Improving maternal health and childbirth in Amolatar, Lira, Amoru, Nebbi, Yumbe, Kotido, Amudat and Ngora, Uganda	£40,000
International Childcare Trust	Education	Empowering children and teenage girls at risk, Arusha, northern Tanzania	£33,099
Just a Drop	Health	Kakuuto water and sanitation improvement project, Rakai District, Uganda	£22,484
Leonard Cheshire Disability	Other	Providing employment opportunities for disabled youths in Sierra Leone	£39,960
LEPRA	Health	Improving health outcomes for tuberculosis control through community sputum collection campaigns in Bangladesh	£32,077
Leprosy Mission	Health	Karuna ambulance project, Mumbai, Maharashtra State, India	£29,053
Leprosy Mission	Health	Slum development project, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia	£38,884
Maternity Worldwide	Health	Maternity waiting home provision in Ethiopia	£34,663
Methodist Relief and Development Fund	Agriculture	Promotion of sustainable agriculture techniques and community farming to increase food security and incomes of poor households in Northern Togo	£14,689
Mines Advisory Group	Other	Explosives remnants of war and landmine clearance - Galguduud Region, Somalia	£36,469
Mines Advisory Group	Other	Humanitarian mine action support, South Equateur, Maniema, Katanga and Province Orientale, Democratic Republic of the Congo	£38,059
Mission Aviation Fellowship	Health	Mission Aviation Fellowship - Madagascar Medical Safaris (Countrywide)	£40,000
Network for Africa	Education	Increasing income and food security through education and vocational training for 150 women and their families living in extreme poverty in Rutunga, Gasabo District, Rwanda	£21,579
NEW WAYS	Water	Extension to rock catchment dam at Ekopus, Kenya to provide increased capacity to permanent water resource	£40,000
Ngora Trust	Education	Education and protection for community recovery in Uganda	£39,300

Agency	Project Category	Project Outline	Grant Aid Award
Nyangombe Christian Training Centre	Health	Medical vehicle project, Mwinilunga District, N W Province, Zambia	£15,000
One World Foundation Africa	Other	Reducing the local communities' vulnerability to severe droughts and increasing accessibility and the quality of primary education in rural Kiboga district, Uganda	£39,040
Oxfam	Health	Improving nutrition for reproductive women and children under two in Mali	£39,870
Oxfam	Agriculture	Food security and agricultural productivity in Haiti	£39,904
PLAN International UK	Agriculture	Promoting livelihood opportunities for small-scale farmers in Cambodia	£39,939
PLAN International UK	Health	Creating a healthy environment for children in Timor-Leste	£39,954
Powerful Information	Agriculture	Increased food security & economic independence for rural women in Sierra Leone	£20,250
Re-Cycle	Other	Bicycles for better life prospects, various locations in four countries in Ghana, Kenya, Malawi and Zambia	£34,356
Renewable World	Health	Alleviating poverty and improving health through using hydrams to pump water in 3 remote, marginalised hill communities in Nepal, Dhading District	£26,382
Save the Children Fund	Health	Increasing access to clean water and sanitation facilities in Shinile and Jijiga Zones, Somali Region, Ethiopia	£36,907
SCIAF	Other	Livelihoods programme for women conflict survivors in the Democratic Republic of Congo, South Kivu Region	£31,720
SOS SAHEL International	Water	Sand dam construction in Tortang, South Kordofan, Sudan	£36,000
Street Child Africa	Education	Training for street girls in Bukavu, Democratic Republic of the Congo	£7,341
Target Tuberculosis	Health	"The Comunidade Project" - Treating and Preventing TB in Liquica District, Timor-Leste	£22,597
Tearfund	Health	Rural health project in Tanzania	£39,644
Transform Africa	Water	Manual borehole water supply Mityana and Mubende Districts, Uganda	£38,226
Trust for Africa's Orphans	Agriculture	Improved livelihood of poor women subsistence farmers in Dokolo District, Uganda through a market-led development.	£40,000

Agency	Project Category	Project Outline	Grant Aid Award
Tumaini Fund	Education	Shipping costs for container of secondhand computers for use in schools supported by Tumaini Fund in Tanzania	£4,400
Tumaini Fund	Health	To provide 2,000 mosquito nets for children orphaned because of AIDS in Kagera District, Tanzania	£4,700
Tumaini Fund	Other	Construct office accommodation for social workers working with orphans in the Kagera district of Tanzania	£20,300
UNICEF	Education	Providing essential health and education services for indigenous communities in Likouala, Democratic Republic of the Congo	£39,164
UNICEF	Health	Supporting maternal health wards in South Sudan	£39,334
UNICEF	Health	Delivering improved healthcare to Maryland County, Liberia	£39,898
Village Water	Health	Water for Life, Western Province, Zambia	£22,000
Voluntary Service Overseas	Health	Improving reproductive health care services in Monduliri and Stung Treng provinces of Cambodia	£40,000
War Child UK	Education	Solar lighting for schools in North Eastern Uganda	£40,389
WASOT- UK International	Education	Construction and renovation of 8 classrooms at Orange Primary School Muhoroni Kenya	£32,950
WaterAid	Education	Water supply, sanitation and hygiene promotion in Dembia, Ethiopia	£40,000

Copies of the final reports for each of the projects funded in 2013 will be published on the Commission's website (www.gov.gg/overseasaid) once the project has been completed

Appendix 2 - Applications for 2013 Grant Aid where the Commission was unable to provide funding

Agency Name	Project Category	Project Outline	Amount Requested
ACORD	Agriculture	Relaunching the production, processing and marketing of shea oil and honey, in Bossangoa, Central African Republic	£39,071
ActionAid	Health	Transforming Early Childhood Care in Rwanda	£39,920
ActionAid	Education	Quality primary education for children in Girar Jarso, Ethiopia	£40,000
Africa Educational Trust	Education	Primary education for girls in South Sudan	£9,500
AfriKids	Health	AfriKids Medical Centre in Ghana	£38,100
AIDS Care Education and Training	Health	Community based response to HIV, Goma, North Kivu Province and Vanga, Bandundu Province, Democratic Republic of the Congo	£18,806
AIDS Care Education and Training	Health	Holistic HIV and AIDS care and support project, Hyderabad, India	£29,126
Alliance Zambia	Health	Persons with disabilities awareness-raising: universal access to HIV prevention, treatment, care and support services, Zambia	£40,150
Appropriate Technology Asia	Health	Sustainable health and welfare for isolated women and children, Bageshwar District, Uttarakhand, India	£26,888
Appropriate Technology Asia	Health	Sustainable health for mountain populations in China	£37,085
Basic Needs	Health	Breaking the Cycle of poverty for people affected by HIV / AIDS and mental health illness, Kinondoni, Ilala and Temeke, Tanzania	£39,210
Book Aid International	Education	Nambi Sseppuuya Resource Centre in Uganda	£34,605
British Red Cross Society	Health	Reducing the risk of death/ poor health for mothers and children in Mtnmar	£20,341
Build IT International	Education	Community schools building programme, Kapiri, Central Province	£40,240
Cambodia Trust	Other	Community-based rehabilitation (to reduce poverty amongst disadvantaged people with disability through access to education, skills training and employment in Zambia	£14,000
Cambodia Trust	Health	Reducing poverty for people with disabilities through physical rehabilitation in Cambodia	£16,000
Cecily's Fund	Education	Founding Futures: Stage Two (focus on sustainability) in Zambia	£30,783

Agency	Project Category	Project Outline	Amount Requested
Chello Foundation	Education	Construction of secondary school boarding facilities for orphaned and vulnerable girls in Magoti School, Nsanje, Malawi	£39,841
Child in Need Institute	Health	Supporting children and mothers for the first 1000 days in India	£39,248
ChildHope UK	Education	Floating education and healthcare project for monsoon-affected rural communities in Bangladesh	£34,244
ChildReach International	Health	Comprehensive school health programme – Moshi, Kilimanjaro region, Tanzania	£40,000
Christian Aid	Water	Strengthening vulnerable communities in burma through housing and safe water, Kunchangon Township, Myanmar	£39,655
Christian Aid	Health	Tackling Malaria and Improving Health in Zambia, Sikongo and Kasungula, Zambia	£39,955
Christian Engineers in Development	Health	Kisya - Kagaana gravity water supply and improved sanitation, Rukungiri, Uganda	£41,500
Christian Resource Ministries	Water	The construction of extra living accommodation and sanitation for the children in the form of a dormitory and pit latrines at Maoni Orphanage, Blantyre, Malawi	£40,000
Concern Universal	Agriculture	Cross-border transfer of vegetable farming techniques, Jamalpur (Bangladesh) and Assam State (India)	£31,200
Concern Worldwide	Agriculture	Farmer Field Schools in Uganda	£40,000
Concern Worldwide	Agriculture	Cross-border transfer of vegetable farming techniques, Jamalpur (Bangladesh) and Assam State (India)	£40,000
CORD	Health	Food for change for positive women in Cambodia	£40,103
CURE International UK	Health	Pre- & post-surgical nourishment for children & families in developing nations in Niger and Zambia	£40,000
Disability and Development Partners	Other	Carpentry workshop - income generation and training / jobs for young deaf adults, Bujumbura City, Burundi	£32,141
Emmanuel International	Agriculture	Plantain cultivation for cash and subsistence in Tanzania	£34,311
EveryChild	Other	Community empowerment for children in Ethiopia	£39,666
Feed the Minds	Other	Helping young women and families generate income and combat harmful traditional practices in Sierra Leone	£11,350

Agency	Project Category	Project Outline	Amount Requested
Find Your Feet Ltd	Other	Empowering tribal Tharu women living in Nepal to build a future free from poverty, hunger and discrimination	£34,851
GOAL50	Other	To raise £160k (£120k building costs & £40k operational costs) to enable the purchase / building of an orphanage and day-care centre in Heideveld and to provide operational costs for the orphanage in the first year in South Africa	£40,000
Health Poverty Action	Health	Purchase of ambulance for project to improve the health of women and children in difficult environments, Dollo Ado (Ethiopia), Mandera West and Central (Kenya)	£40,000
HealthProm	Health	Reducing newborn mortality and sickness in Uzbekistan	£16,354
Hope Foundation	Education	Securing a brighter future for santal children in West Bengal through education, Birbhum District, India	£13,342
Huruma Rehabilitation Programme	Other	Increased income for widowed women in Mikindani town in Mtwara region, Tanzania	£12,620
IMPACT Foundation	Health	Expanding a Mobile Eye and Ear Care Rural Outreach Service, Embu, Kenya	£33,400
IMPACT Foundation	Health	Improving ear, nose and throat services in rural Kandal Province, Cambodia to prevent needless hearing loss	£34,458
Interact Worldwide	Health	Preventing HIV transmission from mother to child in Kalu, Artuma Fursi, Kemise, Kombolcha, Dessie, Halaba, and Hossana, Ethiopia	£39,817
Interact Worldwide	Education	Providing learning centres for young people, Blantyre, Mulanje, Lilongwe and Karonga, Malawi	£40,700
International Childcare Trust	Education	Collective action for protecting children at risk, Bolangir, Orissa, India	£30,625
International Childcare Trust	Education	Support to women and children in difficult circumstances, Kenema, Eastern Province, Sierra Leone	£39,970
Karen Hill Tribes Trust	Agriculture	Provision of 5 Irrigation Systems, Mae Hong Son Province, Thailand	£30,000
Karuna Trust	Other	Child rights to liberty, education and health project, Maharashtra, India	£23,199
Lawrence Barham Memorial Trust	Education	St. Matthew's Secondary School, Anglican Church of Rwanda, Mont Cyangugu, South Western Rwanda	£30,000

Agency	Project Category	Project Outline	Amount Requested
Leprosy Mission	Health	Livelihoods for people affected by leprosy, Ngombe-Matadi, Kivuvu, Boma and Inga Districts, Bas Congo Province, Democratic Republic of the Congo	£30,243
Malaika Kids UK	Education	Funding is for the care of 20 additional children for one year in the village in Tanzania	£20,000
Mangu Integrated Community Project	Health	Livelihood intervention for alcohol and drug abuse affected households in Mangu Location Gatundu North District, Kenya	£39,654
MaterCare International	Health	To provide equipment for the kitchen and laundry of isiolo maternity hospital, as well as providing new means of transport, Isiolo District, Kenya	£39,553
Meningitis Research Foundation	Health	Action Meningitis – triage in primary health centres using health technology in Malawi	£26,900
Mental Disability Advocacy Center	Education	Vocational training and employment accessibility project in Tanzania	£39,584
Mercy Ships	Health	Guinea Smiles, tackling the pain and disability caused by dental disease - nationwide, Guinea	£36,000
MERLIN	Health	Strengthening access and availability of reproductive health services in under-served areas in Grand Bassa County, Liberia	£40,000
MERLIN	Health	Renovation of Nimule Hospital's Maternal and Child Health Clinic in South Sudan	£41,810
MERLIN	Health	Nimule, Eastern Equatoria State, Somalia	£42,171
Mines Advisory Group	Other	Mine risk education and data collection in Moxico, Angola	£39,604
Mondo Challenge Foundation	Other	Improving the income and food security of families affected by HIV in rural Tanzania	£27,240
Opportunity International UK	Education	Empowering people through financial education, Arusha and Kilimanjaro, Tanzania	£34,310
Opportunity International UK	Education	Youth Apprenticeship Programme, Tamale, Northern Region, Ghana	£38,000
ORBIS Charitable Trust	Health	Strengthening cataract, trachoma and refractive error services in the West Gurage zone in south west Ethiopia	£37,451
Oxfam	Education	Providing clean water through solar power in Bangladesh	£37,502

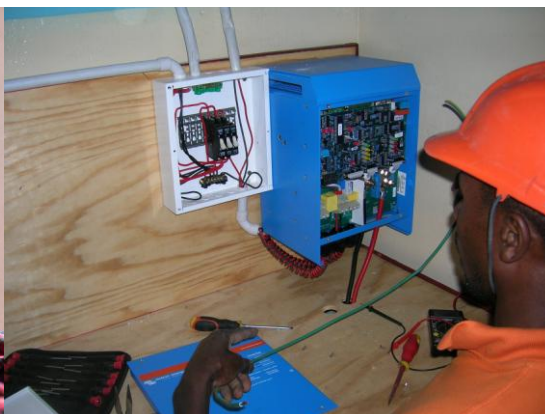
Agency	Project Category	Project Outline	Amount Requested
Oxfam	Agriculture	Copperbelt, Zambia smallholder agricultural and market support	£39,754
PartnerAid	Water	Baluchistan water supply and sanitation project in Pakistan	£36,000
PLAN International UK	Education	Improving education for children in Malawi	£39,528
PLAN International UK	Water	Promoting children's rights to water and sanitation in Togo	£39,740
Poverty Alleviation Trust	Education	A once in a lifetime rural primary school accessibility project for children living in disadvantaged circumstances, Kiruhura District, Uganda	£39,000
Pragya	Health	Women's initiatives for health and nutrition in rural Nepal	£39,491
Railway Children	Other	Rehabilitation and reintegration of children living on the streets in Moshi and Arusha, Tanzania	£40,000
Red Cross Children's Hospital Trust	Health	Breathe Easy, Red Cross Children's Hospital, Western Cape, South Africa	£37,260
Reform Corporation	Agriculture	Agricultural: sustainable livelihood for ex child soldiers in Liberia	£10,400
Reform Corporation	Other	Empowering people with disabilities through gainful employment or self-employment in Zimbabwe	£22,300
Relief Education Development International	Education	Schools assistance project, Sirajgani, Bangladesh	£22,000
RETRAK	Agriculture	Food aid for vulnerable children and communities in the drought affected region, Bale Zone, Oromia, Ethiopia	£25,516
Rwanda Restored	Education	Gihogwe secondary school, Kigali, Rwanda	£40,000
Save the Children Fund	Education	Building inclusive education for children with disabilities, Maputo, Gaza, Sofala, Manica, Nampula and Zambezia Provinces, Mozambique	£40,000
Save the Children Fund	Health	Improving children's health in schools in bangladesh, Rangpur, Rajshahi, Chittagong and Sylhet Divisions, Bangladesh	£40,000
SCIAF	Other	Peace-building, civic education and awareness raising in Lango, Northern Uganda	£23,060
SCIAF	Other	Integrated community-based development project in Hamer District of South Omo Zone, Ethiopia	£40,000

Agency	Project Category	Project Outline	Amount Requested
Send a Cow	Agriculture	Small farming businesses for vulnerable families, Western Kenya	£39,060
Sense International	Education	Improving education opportunities and learning outcomes for deafblind children in southern and western India	£18,656
SOS Children	Other	Strengthening families in Chipata, Zambia	£40,000
Stepping Stones Nigeria	Other	Oron Child Rights Centre in Nigeria	£13,192
Tearfund	Water	Burkina Faso - hygiene and sanitation project	£36,944
Tearfund	Other	Improving the socio-economic situation of people with disabilities in Nepal	£37,482
Tearfund	Other	Increasing community livelihoods options, possibilities and action in Mozambique	£40,000
Theatre for a Change	Education	Vocational skills training for female sex workers and sexually exploited girls in Malawi	£30,325
Trust for Africa's Orphans	Agriculture	Improved livelihood of poor women subsistence farmers in Nwoya District, Uganda through a market-led development	£40,000
UNICEF	Education	Improving education for disadvantaged children in Timor-Leste	£39,796
Voluntary Action for Development	Health	Integrated community managed water, hygiene and sanitation project, Wakiso District, Uganda	£40,000
Voluntary Service Overseas	Health	Promoting effective community care for PLWHA in Umguza, Zimbabwe through the provision of home based HIV and AIDS care kits, and generating income and improving health through nutritional gardens	£31,775
WaterAid	Water	Improved livelihoods of rural people through WASH in two Karluway Districts of Maryland County, Liberia	£40,000
WaterAid	Water	Lunga wetlands WASH Project in Zambia	£40,000
WaterAid	Health	Improving community health through access to safe and adequate water, sanitation and hygiene services in Hardeni of Udaypur District, Eastern Development Region Nepal	£40,000
Women and Children First (UK)	Health	Saving the lives of women and girls in Chikwawa District, Malawi through access and choice in family planning and reproductive health care services	£38,435
WorkAid	Other	Skills development - bicycle repair / workshop, Chiawa	£36,400
World in Need	Agriculture	Integrated farming project, Lira District, northern Uganda	£37,528



British Red Cross

Building sustainable livelihoods for vulnerable women in Tokmok, Kyrgyzstan



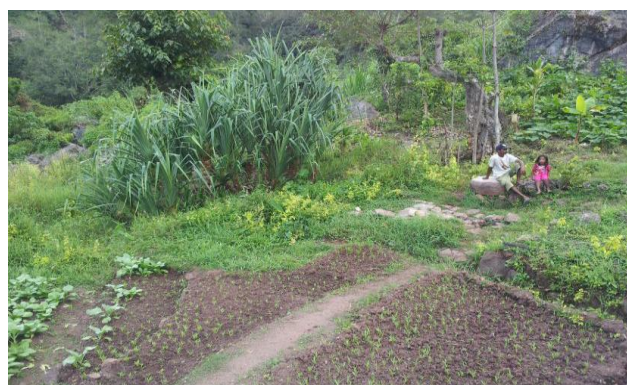
Cecily's Fund

Solar power installation at Bwafwano Community School, Zambia



Village Water

**Water, sanitation and hygiene improvement programme in Kalabo District, Western Province, Zambia
(the village well before and after project funded by the Commission)**



CARE International

Improving farming and food security in Ermera District, Timor-Leste (home garden in Atsabe)



HelpAge International

**Improving farming in Battambang and Banteay Meanchey, Cambodia
(hand tractor purchased with part of the grant aid)**