



## THERE IS A STRONG RESOLVE TO RESUME WORK IN CDC

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### 2023 BUDGET CONFERENCE:

## STAKES, EXPECTATIONS, CHALLENGES



Budget Conference

by the General Manager at the Budget Conference that took place on 18<sup>th</sup> October, 2022 at the SS Club Bota.

The Head Office Management Controller (HOMC) who doubled as moderator of the Conference stated vehemently that the stakes are high and the Crop Groups and Services are expected

to provide measurable and realistic strategies of their activities for 2023. "We should refrain from budgeting what we cannot achieve", he specified.

The Rubber Group opened presentations followed by the Palms

Group, Banana Group, Factory and Mill Managers, Marketing & Sales Services as well as other Service Heads. Presenters were grilled on their budgetary approaches as well as the projected strategies and their outcomes.

The Palms and Banana Groups were applauded for their apt strategies to augment their production capacities. Thus, the herculean task to process and market especially in the case of palms rests on the processing units.

Meanwhile, others were asked to go back to the drawing board. It is hoped that the budget proposals will address the numerous challenges the Corporation is facing come 2023.

The budget process continues with a review by the Budget Committee before its examination and approval by the Board of Directors.

Crop Groups and Service Heads have been tasked to prepare a realistic budget for 2023 financial year focusing on strategies to produce more, process and market from self-generated funds. The call was made

## CDC WOMEN IN BIMBIA FETE RURAL WOMEN'S DAY



Some female workers of Bimbria Section of the Bota Palms Estate joined their counterparts on October 15<sup>th</sup> 2022 to celebrate the International Day of the Rural Woman under the theme "strengthening actions for peace, access to land and funding for the recovery of rural Women and girls within

a context of crisis".

The event that took place at the Njalla Quan Sports Academy in Bimbria, was marked by best practices in agriculture, cultural displays, dramas, songs, arts and crafts and gastronomy. The Divisional Officer for Limbe III, Madam Epolle Ewane lamented that "Access to loans, farmland and training remain key challenges to rural women".

On her part, the Divisional Delegate of Women Empowerment and the Family Mrs Luma Lilian saluted the initiative of the women who turned out massively to celebrate their day.

In his keynote speech, the Senior Divisional Officer for Fako Mr. Chaibou, praised efforts by rural women to ensure that humanity is fed. "Food is a crucial ingredient for peace for without food there can be no peace in the house" he stated. Some non-governmental Organizations and individuals donated farming tools to the women to support their efforts. The event was crowned with a march past by different rural women associations clad in their beautiful cultural outfits.

## INSTALLATION OF MEMBERS OF THE CDC TENDERS BOARD, DISPUTE COMMITTEE

Members of the Tenders Board and Dispute Committee of the Cameroon Development Corporation (CDC) were installed into their functions on 19<sup>th</sup> August, 2022 by the Board Chair.

The Tenders Board headed by Mr. Napoleon Nyake Bisong, receives and examines files of contractors worth 5 Million Francs and above while the Dispute Committee headed by Rev. Dr. Molindo, looks into cases of aggrieved contractors during the tender process to ensure that all parties are treated fairly.

In an interview with the Planter, Mr. Napoleon Nyake Bisong said that "the Tenders Board is here to accompany the Contracting Officer (The General Manager) carry out his procurement plans in line with the regulatory processes and in accordance with the law in force". He further stated that "the role of the Tenders Board is to objectively examine all those short-listed for contracts and meet the standards of a genuine and law abiding service provider. Being in a crisis situation, the economic activity of CDC has greatly reduced and it is hoped that the Tenders Board shall strengthen the procurement policy in the Corporation.



Members of Dispute Committee

Members of Tenders Board