

Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM) Cluster, Haiti From camp to permanent housing

Relocation report Camp Pinchinat to camp Mayard (Jacmel) 23-24 August, 2011

Highlights

- During a two day operation, 46 families (189 individuals) living in camp Pinchinat in the Jacmel commune were transferred to the planned camp Mayard in the same commune where IOM Shelter Unit has recently finished the construction of 335 permanent houses for IDPs.
- The relocation of the IDPs started last Tuesday and lasted two days with 28 families moved on the first day, and 18 families on the second and final day. The total number of individuals moved was 189.
- With this transfer of the IDPs to camp Mayard from camp Pinchinat, IOM has almost completed a
 planned sequence of relocations from different spontaneous sites to camp Mayard. These relocations
 started in August 2010, when the first group of 745 IDPs living in camp Pinchinat was transferred to
 camp Mayard.
- The IOM Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM)/Camp Management Operations (CMO) team in Jacmel, in coordination with IOM Shelter Unit and other partners at commune level, has taken the lead on all the transfer processes.

The Camp Management Operation – Relocation process

Camp Pinchinat is located in the center of Jacmel on a football field (the best one in the region before the earthquake) and camp Mayard is near the MINUSTAH compound and is just a twenty minute walk (5 minutes by car) from Pinchinat.



Registration process of IDP families before the departure from camp Pinchinat



IDP family receiving the permanent house in camp

Mayard

An estimated 900 families (3870 individuals) moved to live in the spontaneous camp Pinchinat just after the earthquake and it then became the biggest IDP camp in Jacmel. The camp suffered from flooding and most of the tents were overcrowded (10 families per tent) causing protection and security issues because of the need for privacy for those living in shared tents.

The Jacmel Departmental authorities took the decision to relocate the families after several assessments of camp Pinchinat which concluded that the camp did not have the minimum standards necessary for the IDPs to live in safe and dignified conditions.

The CCCM/CMO team in Jacmel and other partners have supported the local government and have been gradually moving the families out of the camp since last year when the first operation to relocate 745 individuals was carried out in August.

Camp Mayard is a planned site that was gradually adapted during 2010 by IOM and other partners such as Save the Children and Medair (who installed





Permanent houses built by OIM in Mayard camp (Jacmel)

the initial tents) to provide the minimum necessary conditions for the families.

The camp contains emergency latrines and showers that have been constructed by Save the Children. The NGO recently set up a connection to the public water network in coordination with the DINEPA (Direction Nationale de l'Eau Potable et de l'Assainissement), using existing bladders and additional tanks.

The families that have been transferred to Mayard were hosted mostly in Pinchinat but also in other different IDP sites of smaller size such as Wolf 1, Orphelinat and Place Toussaint Louverture camps.

48 families were supported to leave these small sites as consequence of security and protection issues related in one of the cases to threat of eviction. In Orphelinat case, the relocation of the families contributed to the closure of this camp last July, 2011.

Initially, each relocated family received a 25m² tent and a plot of land measuring 9m x 7,5m in camp Mayard while the 335 permanent houses were being built in the same compound.

Of the 335 permanent houses built by IOM in camp Mayard, 324 have already been occupied by IDP families (1,464 individuals) while the remaining 11 houses will be soon allocated to IDP families from different sites where there have been reports of special vulnerabilities.

Since 2010, the selection of those families to be moved to camps Mayard has been based on a list of IDPs provided by the camp committee as well as on IDP information provided by the OIM Data Management unit.

The list of pre-selected families was communicated to the local authorities for approval (City council, delegation, DPC, Senator Zeny representative). The PNH (La Police Nationale d'Haiti) was also informed and some families were removed from the list following PNH recommendation in order to prevent security risks occurring in Mayard. All the households with at least 3 members were selected to be beneficiaries of the permanent houses in Mayard.

During the several relocation processes carried out since last year aimed at transferring families from Pinchinat and from the other several camps, different CCCM partners were actively involved such as: the South East Departmental Delegation and the City Council; MINUSTAH (United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti); UNPOL (United Nations Police); PNH (acronym in French for La Police Nationale d'Haiti); Medair NGO; and Save the Children.

IOM and local authorities will continue working to find housing solutions for the remaining 391 families (1,128 people) still living in 57 military type tents in Pinchinat camp.

