



# HUMANITARIAN UPDATE TIMOR-LESTE

REPORTING PERIOD FROM 16 TO 29 AUGUST

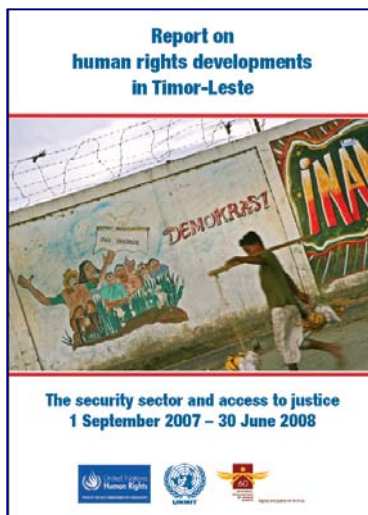
The Humanitarian Update (HU) aims at providing a periodic analysis of current humanitarian issues, facts and policy developments in Timor-Leste with primary attention given to internally displaced people (IDPs). The HU is based on voluntary information inputs from UN Agencies, Funds and Programmes, NGO members of the Humanitarian Coordination Committee and other partners. It analyses information from a variety of sector coordination meetings involving Timorese authorities. The HU is coordinated and issued by the OCHA/UNMIT Integrated Humanitarian Coordination Team (IHCT), on a fortnightly basis. Contributions and comments can be sent to the OCHA/UNMIT IHCT in Dili, Focal Points: [medhurst@un.org](mailto:medhurst@un.org) (mobile: +670 736 55 78) and [hadin@un.org](mailto:hadin@un.org) (mobile +670 731 16 43).

## OF NOTE

- On 19 August, UN staff remembered their colleagues who fell for peace five years ago in the attack against the UN Headquarters in Baghdad, Iraq. The President of Timor-Leste, the President of Parliament, the Prime Minister and most of the Cabinet members attended a memorial service at UNMIT compound. The 22 names of those killed in the bombing, including former SRSG for Timor-Leste, Sergio Vieira de Mello, were read out followed by a minute of silence.
- On 19 August, the UN Security Council discussed the UN Secretary-General Report on the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste, as well as the general situation in the country. The SRSG for Timor-Leste addressed the Security Council, which praised the effective and rapid response of the country to the attacks against President Ramos-Horta and Prime Minister Gusmão last February. The Council also warned that the political, security, social and humanitarian situation in the country remain fragile.

### Updates Included in this Issue:

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- On 21 August, UNMIT's second human rights report on Timor-Leste was launched, covering the period from September 2007 to June 2008. The report, which focuses on key human rights developments in relation to the security sector and access to justice, provides a list of recommendations and states that while the country has continued to consolidate progress in key human rights areas, further progress is still needed. The Deputy Provedor for Human Rights and Justice, Silverio Pinto Baptista, who participated in the launch of the report, informed that his office had investigated 44 of the 54 alleged violations by the Joint Command. The Provedor's Office expects to submit recommendations on the cases in October and continues to monitor the situation.

- Camp Movements: Movements out of Airport IDP Camp and Seminario Minor Balide camp took place during the reporting period, and almost all IDPs were relocated to their area of origin. The next

movement will take place out of Dom Bosco camp and is scheduled for the first week of September. To date, 5,116 families (out of a total of approximately 15,500 families registered by MSS nation wide) have received the reintegration and recovery packages, which amounts to a disbursement by the Government of Timor-Leste of approximately US\$ 10 million so far (out of a total envelope of 35 million USD budgeted for 2008).

## HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE UPDATE

### FOOD AID/SECURITY

- Food Security: Reports from WFP field staff indicate that the overall food security situation especially with regard to the availability of food is cause for concern. Additionally, the price of non-subsidised rice remains high (between 85 cents- US \$ 1 per kilo). In Oecussi, there was no subsidised or non-subsidised rice available in the market; local rice was available but sold for US \$ 1.60 per kilo.
- Food-For-Work/Asset (FFW/A): Approximately 100 Food-For-Work/Asset (FFW/A) projects were implemented and launched in all WFP assisted districts. The projects mainly aim at increasing agricultural production and improving overall food security of vulnerable households through increased terracing, land reclamation, rehabilitation and construction of irrigation canals and construction of feeder roads to farm lands.
- Assessment: A group consisting of WFP, OCHA/UNMIT, FAO, NGOs and Government departments is currently preparing a nation-wide exercise to assess the household food situation in country, and identify the causes and possible solutions for the immediate and medium term. The fieldwork is expected to begin soon, under leadership of the Government.
- Training: About 210 health center staff in nearly a 100 health centers were trained by WFP and the Ministry of Health regarding the Guidelines for the implementation of the Mother and Child Health Nutrition Project (MCHN). This training will enable health staff to effectively target malnourished children, pregnant women and lactating mothers and reduce the malnutrition rate.

### WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE

- Due to the fact that a second group named the Water and Sanitation (WatSan) Working Group (WWG) is now meeting on water and sanitation in the Districts, the name of the original WWG has changed to the Emergency WatSan Working Group (EWSWG). The EWSWG group has unanimously agreed to change the meeting to every second week.
- The Emergency Water and Sanitation Working Group members continue with ongoing activities such as trucking water and monitoring water quality, cleaning septic tanks, partnering with health and hygiene promotion and the ongoing maintenance of water and sanitation facilities in the IDP camps. These services continue to be provided or coordinated by DNSAS, Plan, UNICEF, Oxfam, HealthNet, Triangle GH, CRS and IOM.

### CAMP DECOMMISSIONING

Camp decommissioning activities are ongoing in the following camps:

- Airport: The majority of IDPs have left the camp and UNICEF is beginning to decommission.
- Dom Bosco: DNSAS, Oxfam, HealthNet and CRS conducted the IDP Return WatSan Workshop. UNICEF will be in charge of decommissioning the site once the movement has taken place.
- Arte Moris: Two families remain in this camp but the rehabilitation work of the WatSan facilities was completed.

### SITE LIAISON SUPPORT (SLS), CAMP MANAGEMENT AND COORDINATION

- The SLS Working Group meetings are now being held on a fortnightly basis, in light of the establishment by MSS of a weekly return and reintegration coordination meeting. SLS meetings will continue to be a forum to discuss camp management issues, brainstorm solutions to various issues, and to hold discussion groups (such as the TSA evaluation project, as suggested by Oxfam and OCHA).

- The SLS Working Group requested that the Operational Task Force be reactivated, especially for purposes of advocacy of major issues that cannot be resolved at the working group level to the Government and other actors.
- The SLS Working Group requested that NDMD carry out assessments for the next tent replacement for camps which are not scheduled to close before the next wet season starts.
- During the week of 18 August, CRS, with the support of MSS and IOM, arranged for go-and-see visits for Baucau-based IDPs. Two aldeias (Mota Ulun and Terminale) were identified as areas in need of dialogue. Another go-and-see visit is to be organised for the first week of September. At the time of last week's visits, the IDPs asked MSS about the lack of humanitarian assistance that they received from the Government.
- The SLS Working Group wishes to raise concerns regarding return and reintegration of the IDPs in the following camps:
  - Hera Port: IOM (SLS agency), along with Oxfam (the water and sanitation agency), are lobbying MSS to ensure that the closure of Hera Port camp is completed well before the next rainy season, to avoid unnecessary water and sanitation, health, safety and other issues.
  - Dom Bosco: CRS (SLS agency) has proposed that MSS postpone the scheduled closure of Dom Bosco, as their tent-by-tent assessments have not yet been completed. It was suggested to MSS that Dom Bosco and Hera Port be swapped on the schedule.
  - Baucau IDPs (CRS camps) and Viqueque IDPs: MSS is currently working on the verification of IDPs in Baucau and Viqueque. CRS has completed the tent-by-tent visit and is willing to assist MSS (by providing transport to Dili) for the 'go and see' visits for Baucau-based IDPs.

## HEALTH

- Since the mobile health clinics will not service all IDP camps, the SLS Working Group has identified a need to respond to illnesses, particularly among children, in the camps. Other options to address these needs, including requesting that other service providers visit the camps in need, are being sought.
- Health promotion and monitoring by Oxfam and local partners HealthNet and KBH continues. PHAST sessions are organized in all camps to reinforce the capacity of the communities to identify their needs and better understand the roots of diarrhea disease.

## CHILD PROTECTION

- Plan's Mobile Library program has been extended, and will continue running in all remaining shelters and camps up until mid October. Plan is currently seeking expressions of interest for a new donor to continue the project.
- Plan's Mobile Libraries have begun attending Metinaro IDP camp every Monday for the whole day coordinating children's activities in all Child-Friendly Spaces.
- Plan's Mobile Libraries are running a drawing, poetry and art competition for all children in IDP camps and transitional shelters. Prizes include wind-up radios, toys and Children's Mobile Library T-shirts.
- Plan has held consultations with 456 children, parents and camp managers at the transitional shelters at Tasi Tolu, Becora UNITAL and Karantina, and the Motael IDP camp. The consultations explained to the participants about the new ECHO-funded Emergency project and how it will entail a change of focus, whereby camp residents are more actively engaged in providing their own child protection and children's animation services, with support and training from Plan. Feedback from participants on this new project and how it could best meet their needs, whether through training, mentoring or the provision of other resources, was sought.

- Plan has mobilized two youth groups in the Becora community to provide approximately 10 people each to run activities for children in transitional shelters, supporting volunteer child protection focal points and volunteer animators from within the IDP population. The youth groups will provide some continuity and coordination as the IDP population is transient. They will also be a gateway for reintegration activities as IDPs return home. Plan is also consulting with another youth group to conduct similar activities for children in Comoro.

## LIVELIHOODS

The Alola Foundation, Plan's partner on the Women's Livelihoods project at Metinaro IDP camp, has met with participants to discuss the progress of activities. In this meeting, participants requested training on making cakes. The project has therefore begun a series of classes for 20 women from the camp on making cakes. Furthermore, handicrafts produced by the women have been put on sale. The sewing trainees are selling their products themselves at the kiosk they built on the main road.

## RECOVERY PROCESS

### WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE

- Problems with Water Connections: The EWSWG is working alongside with DNSAS monitoring and technical team to respond effectively to requests from IDPs or groups of IDPs and communities from areas of return to repair problems with water connections. A sound monitoring system allows DNSAS to make assessments in various areas and, depending on the situation, build public taps for communities and IDPs, build new connections or fix broken pipes.

### HEALTH

During the return and reintegration process, some SLS agencies have identified people who appear to be in need of psycho-social support. The SLS Working Group is concerned for the welfare of these individuals once they return (and are no longer part of camp population), and is concerned whether there is an adequate response in the community.

### YOUTH

- On 20 August, Plan organized approximately 40 elementary school students and 40 pre-secondary students in Becora to participate in a Junior Achievement day camp for children and young people.
- On 23 August, Plan organized a friendly soccer match with 25 youth from Sucu Camea, Aldeia Terminal, near Becora. The chefe aldeia requested Plan to hold further such events in future.



- On 27 August, the Minister of Social Solidarity Maria Domingas Fernandes Alves, Secretary of State for Youth and Sports Miguel M.G. Manetelu, as well as representatives from USAID and CARE led the community in inaugurating a renovated recreation facility and peace monument in Bairro Pite. A community dialogue was also held at the recreation facility to discuss the community's security, development and reintegration of IDPs.

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## AGENCY HIGHLIGHTS

- Oxfam held Community Led Total Sanitation (CLTS) training programs for staff and local partners. The training is providing participants with skills and understanding to implement a CLTS pilot program in a community with high IDP returns.

- At the request of IOM's Geneva office, IOM last week held a workshop in Tibar with a cross-section of IDPs and returnees from throughout Dili to 'test' the Handbook for the Protection of Internally Displaced Persons, produced by the Global Protection Cluster Working Group. SLS agencies have been requested to provide best practice examples from their field experiences to be considered for inclusion in the final report which will be sent to Geneva at the beginning of September.
- Plan conducted a training of trainers on 25 and 26 August for partners and Plan staff on Environmental Health and Repair and Maintenance of Watsan Facilities.

## **SECURITY UPDATE**

*(Source: Joint NGO Security Office and UNMIT)*

The overall security situation in Timor Leste has been quiet and generally calm. During the reporting period, 70 security-related incidents were recorded across Timor-Leste and UNPol arrested 80 people.

## COORDINATION AND POINTS OF CONTACT

Please find below the list of focal points and their contact details for each one of the Sector or Pillar Working Groups in reference to the 2008 Transitional Strategy and Appeal (TSA) and in particular the National Recovery Strategy (*Hamutuk Hari'i Futuru*). For updates / corrections related to the POC list below, please feedback to OCHA/UNMIT IHCT: [adelina.lopes@undp.org](mailto:adelina.lopes@undp.org).

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### SELECTED WEBSITES

Financial Tracking System: [www.reliefweb.int/fts](http://www.reliefweb.int/fts)  
 Humanitarian Reform: [www.humanitarianreform.org](http://www.humanitarianreform.org)  
 IASC: [www.humanitarianinfo.org](http://www.humanitarianinfo.org)  
 IRIN news: [www.irinnews.org](http://www.irinnews.org)  
 OCHA Regional Office Asia Pacific:  
<http://ochaonline.un.org/roap>  
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### OF INTEREST

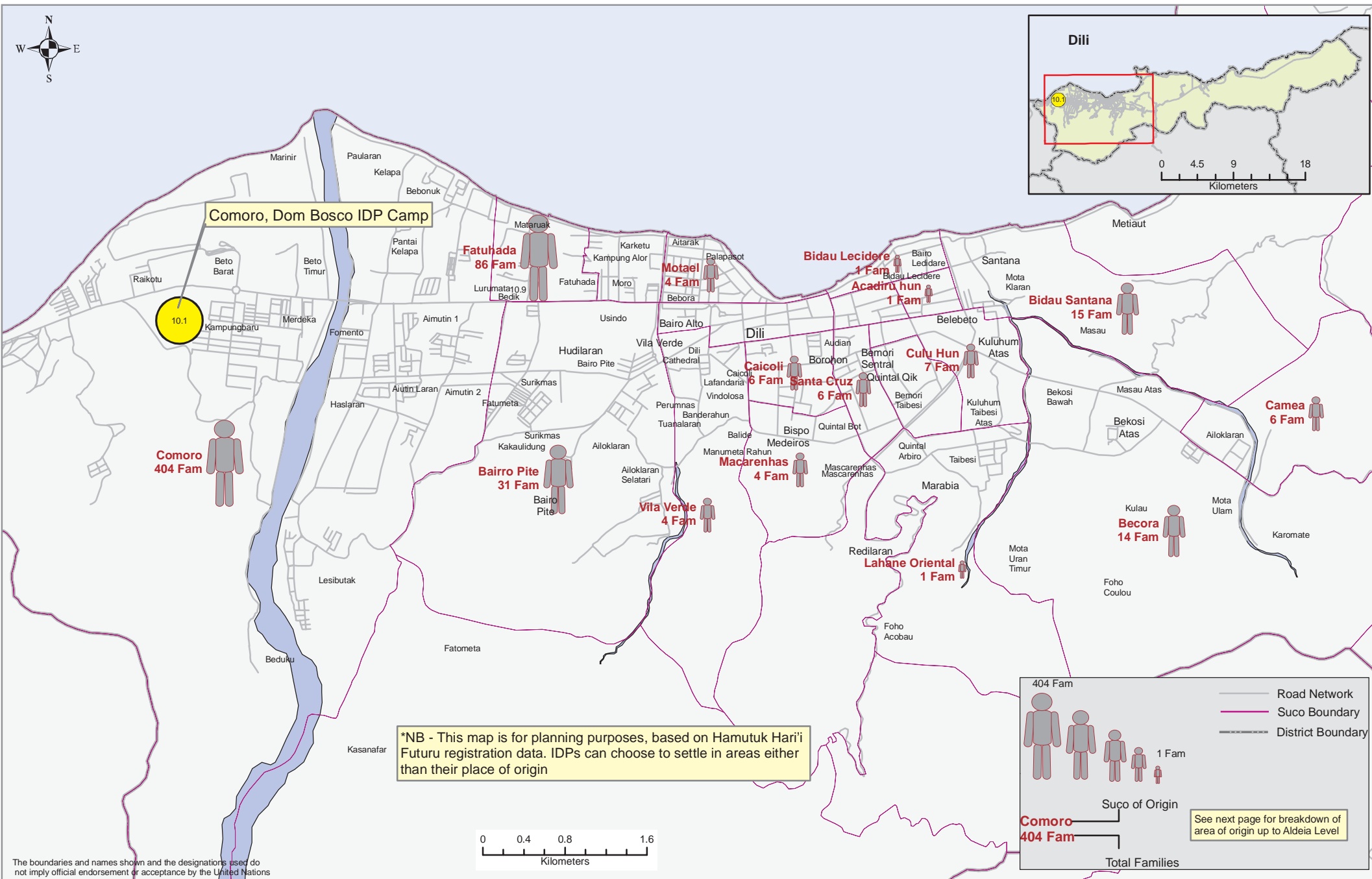
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# IDPs Areas of Origin (Dili) - Comoro, Dom Bosco IDP Camp

Based on Information from the Government's Hamutuk Hari'i Futuru Registration Database as at 26 August 2008



The boundaries and names shown and the designations used do not imply official endorsement or acceptance by the United Nations

Areas of Origin IDPs Registered Under the Comoro, Dom Bosco IDP Camp  
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Sub Distrito	Suco	Aldeia	Families	Sub Distrito	Suco	Aldeia	Families
Cristo Rei	Becora	Au-Hun	2	Vera Cruz	Caicoli		1
		Aularan	1			Centro da Unidade	1
		Becora	1			Foho Rai Boot	1
		Becusi Centro	2			Sacoco	1
		Caqueo Laran	6			Tahu Laran	2
		Carau Mate	2			<b>Caicoli Total</b>	<b>6</b>
	<b>Becora Total</b>	<b>14</b>	Motael		Boa Morena	1	
	Bidau Santana	Bidau Mota Claran			2	Farol	1
		Hadomi			7	Hura	2
		Manu Mata	1		<b>Motael Total</b>	<b>4</b>	
		Sagrada Familia	1		Vila Verde	Lemorai	2
	Toko Baru	4	Matua			1	
	<b>Bidau Santana Total</b>	<b>15</b>	Virgolosa			1	
	Camea	Fatuc Francisco	2		<b>Vila Verde Total</b>	<b>4</b>	
Has Laran		4	Macarenhas	Baixo Balide	1		
<b>Camea Total</b>	<b>6</b>	Baixo P.M		1			
Culu Hun	Asucaí Lorosae	1		Manu Cocorec	1		
	Tane Muto	1		Alto P.M	1		
	Toko Baru II	5	<b>Macarenhas Total</b>	<b>4</b>			
<b>Culu Hun Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>Vera Cruz Total</b>	<b>18</b>				
<b>Cristo Rei Total</b>		<b>42</b>	Manatuto	Sau	sau	1	
Metinaro	Duyung	Rai-Mean	1	<b>Manatuto Total</b>			<b>1</b>
<b>Metinaro Total</b>			<b>1</b>	Dom Aleixo	Fatuhada	Zero I	8
Nain Feto	Acadiru hun	Talera Hun	1			Zero II	5
	Bidau Lecidere	Lecidere	1			Zero III	69
	Lahane Oriental	Marabia	1			Zero IV	1
	Santa Cruz	12 de Novembro	4			Zero V	3
		4 de Setembro	1		<b>Fatuhada Total</b>	<b>86</b>	
<b>Santa Cruz Total</b>	<b>7 de Dezembro</b>	<b>1</b>					
<b>Nain Feto Total</b>			<b>9</b>				



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Sub Distrito	Suco	Aldeia	Families	Sub Distrito	Suco	Aldeia	Families	
Dom Aleixo	Bairro Pite	Andevil	3	Dom Aleixo	Comoro	Malinamuk	2	
		Bitá-Ba	1			Mane Mesac	1	
		Fatumeta	1			Metin I	4	
		Frecat	2			Metin II	2	
		Haburas	2			Metin IV	4	
		Laloran	1			Moris Foun	51	
		Licarapoma	1			Posto Penal	1	
		Lisbutac	3			Rai Kotu	1	
		Manleu-Ana	1			Raihun	1	
		Mundu Perdido	2			Rainakdoko	1	
		Rai Nain	2			Ramelau Delta	1	
		Ramerlau	1			Rosario	11	
		Rio de Janeiro	3			Sao Jose	5	
		Tane Timor	1			Terra Santa	35	
		T.A.T	1			Naroman B.T	5	
		We Dalac	6			Ramerlau Delta	1	
		<b>Bairro Pite Total</b>				<b>31</b>		<b>Comoro Total</b>
	Comoro	12 de Outubro	5	<b>Dom Aleixo Total</b>				<b>521</b>
		2 de Agosto	1	<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>				<b>592</b>
		20 de Setembro	7					
		30 de Agosto	86					
		4 de Setembro	72					
		7 de Dezembro	2					
		Aimutin	7					
		Anin Fuic	10					
		Baya Leste	1					
		Bebonuk tuti	1					
		Beto tasi	2					
		Comoro	6					
		Faularan	1					
		Fomento I	2					
Fomento II	3							
Fomento III	2							
Golgota	66							
Lemocari	3							