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The Minister of Public Health informs the general public that as part of the management of the response to the coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19), and in accordance with the transparency requirement prescribed by the President of the Republic, during the last five months, the health response costed a total of **FCFA twenty-one billion, nine hundred and seventy-three million, seven hundred and ninety-nine thousand, eight hundred and seventy-three (21,973,799,873)**.

These expenditures primarily made by bank transfer from the Public Treasury, as well as the provision of resources for the benefit of health facilities and regional health incident management systems, are distributed as follows:

- Construction of isolation units in the cities of Bertoua, Ngaoundere, Garoua, Ebolowa, Mandjou and Douala (Laquintinie Hospital), and the Yaounde Nsimalen border health post: **FCFA 1,198,350,178**;
- Rehabilitation, renovation and extension of some wings at the Central Hospital, the Jamot Hospital and the Yaounde General Hospital, to bring them up to isolation standards: **FCFA 1,745,546,621** ;
- Fitting of the "ORCA" Management Centre, including the power plant and the oxygen distribution network, the borehole and its potable water distribution network, the mortuary, as well as a central ventilation device and the patient transportation device by freight elevator: **FCFA 785,235,000**;
- Fitting of the Specialized Centres of the Military and Mbappe Leppe Stadia, including medical equipment and hospital furniture: **FCFA 835, 512, 638**
- Fitting of isolation sites in the social housings in Olembe and Mbanga Bakoko, including equipment with hospital furniture and medical equipment, as well as repair and equipment of a health facility: **FCFA 1, 988, 547, 241**;
- Purchase of medical equipment distributed in the various care sites (hospital and resuscitation beds with mattresses and sheets, respiratory assistance devices, surveillance monitors, saturometers, glucometers, etc.): **FCFA 3, 932, 784, 557**;
- Purchase of personal protective equipment (heat-sealable coveralls, gowns, treatment gloves, sterile gloves, protective visors, disposable sheets, sturdy aprons, surgical masks, FFP2 masks, FFP3 masks, etc.): **FCFA 5, 700, 041, 422**;
- Management of hygiene and WASH including the regular disinfection of public places, purchase of WASH equipment, particularly knapsack sprayers, chlorine, thermonebulizers, plastic boots, household gloves: **FCFA 900, 462, 397**;

- Design and production of communication materials, organization of awareness campaigns throughout the country for three months: **FCFA 358,967,300** ;
- Purchase of rapid diagnostic tests: **FCFA 1,711,500,000**;
- Resources made available to the Regional Funds for Health Promotion for the purchase of drugs for the management of COVID-19 patients: **FCFA 300,000,000**.
- Resources made available to health facilities for the free treatment of COVID-19 patients: **FCFA 773, 699, 700**;
- Resources made available to the regions: **FCFA 916,396,200**, representing **FCFA 267,000,000** for Administrative Authorities and **FCFA 649,396,200** for Regional Delegates;
- Management of persons confined in hotels in Yaounde, Douala, Bertoua and Ngaoundere: **FCFA 614, 763, 961**
- Management of persons placed in isolation at the Olembe site: **FCFA 211, 992, 658**

In addition, the Minister indicates that the provision of **FCFA one billion, nine hundred million (1,900,000,000)** by the Minister of Finance is currently being channeled to **one hundred and ninety (190)** health districts, in accordance with the instructions of the Head of State, prescribing the intensification of the decentralization of the response.

Finally, in order to continue to guarantee prices fairly close to market reality, the Working Group in charge of evaluating and giving an opinion on special contract projects, set up by decision of 4 May 2020, continues to carry out its missions to regulate the financial offers proposed by companies within the framework of the provision of services and supply of equipment related to the fight against COVID-19. /-



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