

DEVELOPMENT MONTHLY

CEDSI NIGERIA

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Here's what happened in the last month and what's to come!

Welcome , dear reader, to the first release of our DEVELOPMENT MONTHLY newsletter for the year 2026! We are thrilled to share with you the latest developments in our mission to make a positive impact in our community.

At CEDSI Nigeria, we remain committed to advancing human and environmental development through innovative, community-driven, and evidence-based approaches. Driven by our mission to eradicate poverty and improve sustainable livelihood, we've extended our tentacles to additional communities in Rivers State this new year.

In terms of our recent activities, we made field visits to designated health facilities in Ikwerre L.G.A., as well as select secondary schools in Oginigba and Amadi-Ama, among other outreach efforts, distributing commodities and rendering various services as needed.

Tag along as we take you on our monthly recap, in text and pictures.

What to expect

Staff Activities

Project Updates

Upcoming events

Recognition



Upskilling

We began the year with our periodic skills acquisition training, this time in Systems Maintenance and Repairs. As the world becomes increasingly reliant on computing and technology, possessing basic IT skills becomes non-negotiable for maximum output.

Soon after, we held a session focused on proposals and proposal presentations. Anchored by the Head of Monitoring and Evaluation, CEDSI, new insights were presented and the staff in attendance left better equipped to carry out assigned tasks.



MPHC Omagwa

As part of our Community Engagement and Involvement (CEI) exercises at the Primary Health Centres in Omagwa and Adanta, we engaged with expectant and new mothers, collating relevant research data for said groups.

MPHC Omunwei

Additionally, we interviewed Key Informants, as part of KII efforts in Omunwei and Omuohia, both in Igwuruta, gathering detailed information from staff and patients alike on ailments, including typhoid, diabetes, and hypertension.

Education is the Key, isn't it?



Azuabie Secondary School

We met with the Principal to assess the state of the school's library and discuss the possibility of securing space for a new planting project.



Abuloma EcoFarm

We visited the Abuloma Secondary School eco-farm, capturing pictures of the hands-on agricultural activities, highlighting the school's commitment to both academic excellence and practical, sustainable learning experiences.



Recurring Themes

- Assistance is required in different forms to ensure properly equipped libraries.
- The visited schools all emphasised academic as well as extracurricular growth of their students.
- Much is left to be desired in terms of the schools' IT infrastructure, and assistance is required for any necessary upgrade to be made.



A Library in Distress

We received complaints from the principal of Oginigba CSS on the size of the school's library and the need for additional materials for movement to a bigger space.



Books, Books, and More Books

The librarian at Amadi-Ama CSS highlighted the need for additional furniture, while acknowledging recent receipt of books from an LNG contractor.

More Outreach Efforts in January



Omerelu Malaria Outreach



Distribution of commodities
at Ikwerre health facilities

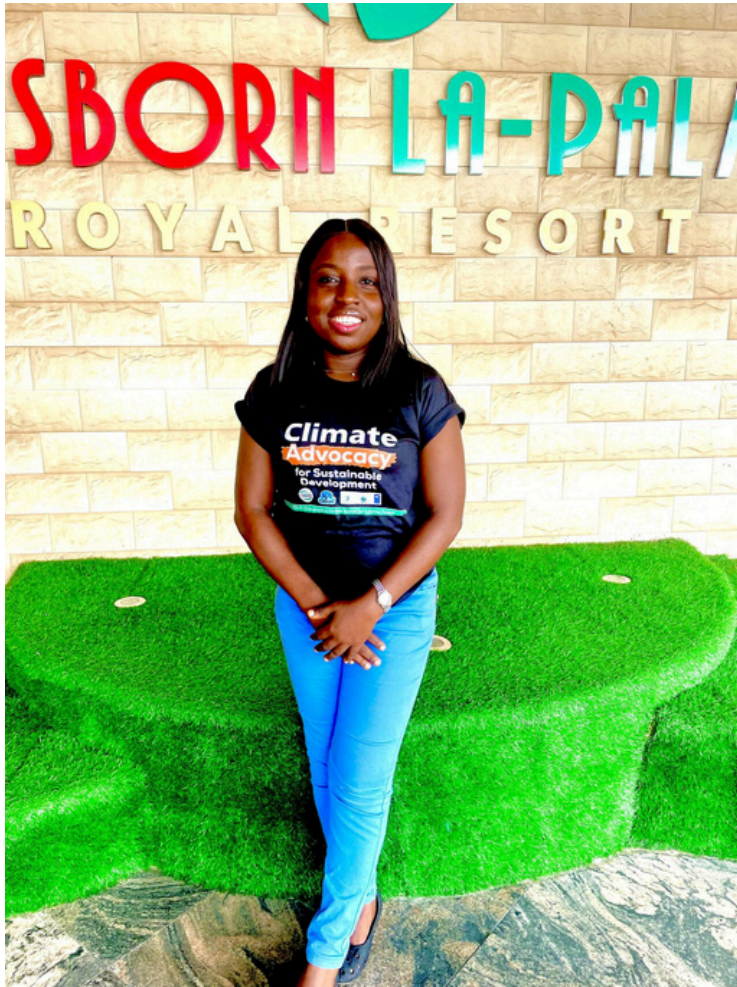


Monitoring and Evaluation
field visit to Igwurata



Advocacy Visit to Omagwa

Recognising Impact Makers



This month, we appreciate the efforts of Blessing Mark, and the unparalleled commitment she displays in the discharge of her duties. A manager par excellence, Blessing combines her Programs and Community Relations Management role at CEDSI with an expertise in the fields of Data Analytics and Agricultural Research. Her work ensures the smooth running of office operations on a day-to-day basis, as well as the progress of the CEDSI project as a whole.

Thank you, Blessing!

Blessing Chiwendu Mark

What should you expect this February?

FEB 4

IVA inspection across Ikwerre health facilities

FEB 9

In-house NIMC training sessions

...and lots more. Thank you for reading!

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