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**FOOD INSECURITY IN HURRICANE AFTERMATH**

Hurricane-affected communities who relied on household crops and agriculture as their main source of livelihood are worried that they will be faced with food insecurity in the months to come—especially as peak harvesting season approaches. Farmers and others whose living depended on cultivation expressed an urgent need for seeds, materials, as well as practical advice on how to rehabilitate their damaged land.

I need aid and advice in agriculture – my crops have been ravaged and I have no seeds or tools left.
25-35 years, Bonbon

People in the countryside don't have the means to rehabilitate their coffee crops.
35-45 years, Beaumont

We have a great need for seeds so we can start planting again.
40-50 years, Beaumont

**FRUSTRATION AFTER MULTIPLE ASSESSMENTS**

People in affected areas expressed frustration that humanitarian and state agencies were interviewing community members for surveys and assessments without returning for follow-up or to respond to questions that were raised. Some residents of Grande Anse noted their disappointment with perceived false promises from these interventions, and that organizations were gathering information from affected communities without producing results based on expressed needs.

There are a lot of different surveys that people are doing in the area, but no one ever comes with the results.
25-35 years, Jérémie

Each person that comes by take notes, and then they don't come back. We don't see anything happen.
45-60 years, Deschamps

People coming from organisations and/or the government came to see us, they talked to us, they took notes, and then they left. Since then, we've been waiting for them but no one has come back.
25-35 years, Les Irois

**NEED FOR SHELTER AND RECONSTRUCTION MATERIALS**

Tarps remain an immediate and vital need for those whose houses were damaged or destroyed in the wake of Hurricane Matthew, but with continued rain and strong winds, there is an increased demand for durable construction materials in affected zones. Some people noted that the quality of some tarps distributed was poor, and that they could not sustain difficult weather conditions.

Our priority isn’t food, it’s having a house.
45-60 years, Jérémie

We have only received soap. We didn’t receive tarps.
50-60 years, Jérémie

My main concern is housing. I need nails, wood, and sheet metal to rebuild my house.
30-35 years, Bonbon

**WIDE CONCERN THAT AID IS NOT REACHING MORE REMOTE AREAS**

There is significant concern among the affected population that aid is not reaching more remote communities, which are often difficult to access due to poor road conditions. People also voiced confusion as to how to access aid if they were not located in a larger town, notably Jérémie, and believed that they need to travel to main districts in order to access services and benefit from humanitarian distributions taking place.

Every day in Jérémie people receive metal sheets for their houses, pots to cook in, and food. People in remote areas receive nothing.
25-35 years, Jérémie

People on the outskirts don’t receive anything. They have forgotten us.
40-60 years, Les Irois

We’ve seen people pass by here to bring aid to another zone.
45-60 years, Jérémie

Why is humanitarian aid concentrated in the big towns and doesn’t come to the remote areas?
25-35 years, Jérémie