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Foreword by Chair of the International Development Committee

In the 2014-2015 financial year the International Development Committee (IDC) of the Council of Ministers supported a number of very worthy causes. With the support of the Isle of Man, less developed countries have seen tangible improvements to people's lives. However, this financial year saw the devastating impact of the Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) in West Africa, where approximately 13,000 people died due to the virus, and a number of IDC funded projects were affected.

The IDC took the appropriate action to fund emergency projects targeting Sierra Leone and other West African Countries through the Disaster Emergency Committee (DEC) appeal addressing the EVD. Due to the continued IDC support of the Sierra Leone Fisheries Project, Sierra Leone was able to continue to provide essential sustainability for the fisheries industry despite the outbreak of EVD. Unfortunately the extent of the EVD outbreak was noticed in IDC funded projects in affected countries which, understandably suffered considerable setbacks and delays. The IDC is committed to continuing its support for these projects and will give charities the reasonable time needed to complete their work.

The IDC followed previous funding trends showing that Africa was the largest beneficiary of IDC funding. This annual report shows how funds were distributed; the report for 2014-2015 also highlights the implications of the EVD outbreak had on IDC supported projects.

I would like to thank the Committee Members for their support, particularly in ensuring that IDC funded projects represent the best value for Isle of Man tax payers and that the IDC objectives are met, showing that:

- aid is targeted effectively;
- appropriate mechanisms are in place for granting aid, in accordance with best practice elsewhere;
- the Island's voluntary sector is engaged in the process; and
- the people of the Isle of Man continue to be encouraged to support the alleviation of world poverty.

Please visit the IDC online for further information at: www.gov.im/idc.

For more information relating to DEC appeals please visit their website: www.dec.org.uk/appeals.

Alternatively if you have any other questions relating to the IDC or the various funding opportunities available – please email idc@gov.im.



Hon P A Gawne MHK
Chair – International Development Committee

1. Introduction

The IDC is responsible for allocating funds to development and emergency aid projects. The Isle of Man continued its longstanding commitment to support less developed countries and in doing so the IDC funded the below funding streams:

- 1 – Multi Year Grant;
- 2 – Small Grant;
- 3 – Emergency Aid;
- 4 – Small Country Financial Management Programme (SCFMP);
- 5 – Sierra Leone Project; and;
- 6 – The End Global Polio Campaign.

Charities applying for funding must clearly demonstrate that the United Nations 2015 Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) will feature as an integral part of any application. The MDGs are an important indicator for Committee Members in assessing the potential impact of projects applied for.

The MDGs are:

- 1 – Eradicate extreme poverty and hunger;
- 2 – Achieve universal primary education;
- 3 – Promote gender equality and empower women;
- 4 – Reduce child mortality;
- 5 – Improve maternal health;
- 6 – Combat HIV/AIDS, malaria and other diseases;
- 7 – Ensure environmental sustainability; and
- 8 – Global partnership for development.

The budget allocated to the IDC for 2014/15 was £2,400,000. It is estimated that the total number of beneficiaries in this year was 959,645 people. In the 2014/2015 financial year the cost per beneficiary was approximately £2.50. To ensure that Isle of Man funding represents the best possible value the Committee evaluated applications in light of the impact that Isle of Man funding could have in addressing the MDGs. For those who have lived in the worst imaginable conditions the impact of Isle of Man supported projects have been potentially life changing. By ensuring that funds are spent effectively in targeting as many beneficiaries as possible and having the greatest impact on less developed countries, the IDC further demonstrated that the Isle of Man is a responsible jurisdiction.

The 2014/2015 IDC Members were:

- Hon P A Gawne MHK – IDC Chair
- Mr D M Anderson MHK
- Mr R P Braidwood MLC
- Mr J H Green MBE – Lay Member
- Ms C Bader – Lay Member

2. Projects funded in 2014/2015

In the financial year 2014/2015 the IDC supported development projects to the amount of £2,119,407.53. The funding streams include: Emergency Aid; the Multi-Year Grant; the Small Grant; the Small Country Financial Management Programme; the Sierra Leone Project; and the End Polio Campaign. *Figure 1* shows how funding was spread across the funding streams.

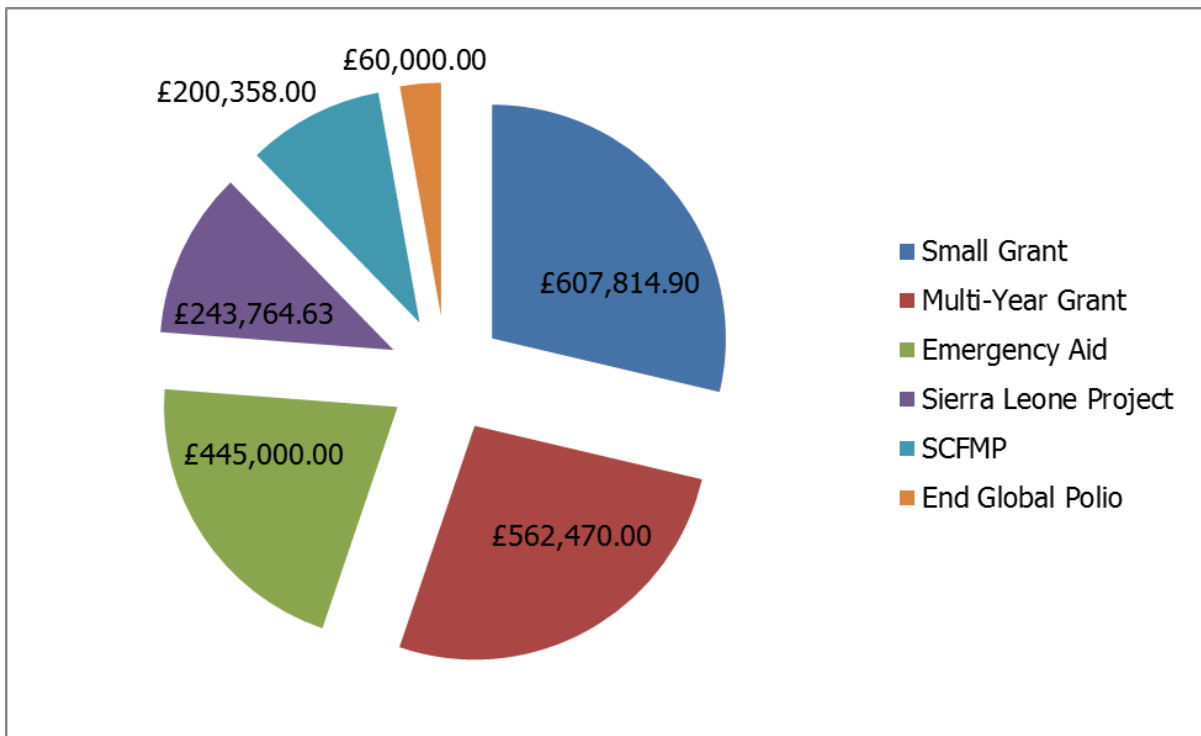


Figure 1: 2014/2015 IDC funded projects expenditure by funding stream

2.1 Small Grant

The Small Grant funding stream provides Isle of Man registered charities with an opportunity to secure funding of up to £100,000.00 for projects lasting 12 months. The aim of these projects is to establish medium to long term initiatives that will have a sizeable impact on local communities. The total amount spent in the 2014/2015 financial year was £607,814.90. As part of IDC financial due diligence, 10% of the payments made out to charities are withheld until the receipt of a satisfactory report had been submitted. As a result £60,899.90 was accrued into the 2015/2016 financial year.

2.2 Multi-Year Grant

The Multi-Year Grant was the IDC's largest funding stream available for applicants. Charities are able to apply for funding of up to £300,000.00 over three years. The current cycle of Multi-Year Grants is inclusive of the years 2012 to 2015.

In the 2014/2015 financial year, Multi-Year Grant projects were scheduled to be in the final year of the 2012/2015 Multi-Year Grant cycle. Due to various setbacks in project delivery four projects were delayed. One factor that contributed to the delay was the devastating Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) outbreak. The total expenditure for the Multi-Year Grant funding stream was £562,470.00.

The total amount accrued into the 2015/2016 financial year for delayed projects was £371,699.51.

2.3 Emergency Aid

The Emergency Aid budget for 2014/2015 was £500,000.00. The aim of this funding stream was to provide sizeable amounts to projects looking to deliver immediate and short term responses to crisis and disaster emergencies. On an almost monthly basis the IDC release £50,000.00 in funding but in exceptional circumstances the Committee may agree to release further funding.

During the 2014/2015 financial year it was well documented that the EVD had spread throughout Western Africa. Due to the devastation caused by EVD, the IDC took the decision to fund the DEC Ebola Crisis Appeal to the amount of £100,000.00.

A total of 13 Emergency Aid projects were funded in 2014/2015 amounting to £445,000.00. Please note that £55,000 was accrued into the 2015/2016 financial year to cover applications submitted during the March funding round which coincided with the end of the financial year.

2.4 Sierra Leone Project costs for 2014/2015

In continuation of the Council of Ministers decision of 20 December 2012 to fund a sustainable fisheries related project in Sierra Leone, in the 2014/2015 financial year the IDC had a £250,000.00 budget to allocate to the Sierra Leone Project. In this year progress was halted due to the EVD outbreak which had a detrimental impact on the lives of the Sierra Leonean people. It is understandable that during the peak stages of the outbreak the focus for Sierra Leone was the recovery, treatment and containment effort required because of the spread of EVD.

IDC funding did continue in Sierra Leone providing the Vessel Monitoring Systems used to track and record illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing. The sustained support helped secure the Sierra Leone fisheries industry with the capacity to monitor fishing activity. This was vitally important for the sustainability of the country's largest food source during the height of the EVD crisis. Total Sierra Leone Funding amounted to £90,276.11.

To further aid the aim of ensuring sustainable development within Sierra Leone the IDC invited four officials from the Sierra Leonean fisheries industry over to the Island in April 2014, to promote skills and effective governance. Costs associated with this were £7,346.11.

However as there was a sizable underspend in the Sierra Leone project £153,488.52 was provided for the SCFMP as an advance payment for a proportion of the agreed final year of funding.

Total movement of Sierra Leone Project costs was therefore £243,764.63.

2.5 The Small Country Financial Management Programme (SCFMP)

In the 2014/2015 financial year the SCFMP was provided its second year of funding. SCFMP was granted the agreed £300,000 annual funding. Due to an advanced payment from the 2013/2014 financial year of £99,087.90 the Committee allocated £200,358.00 in the 2014/2015 financial year to complete committed funding for the second year.

The Rotary Club End Global Polio Campaign

The Rotary Club End Global Polio Campaign as headed in the Island by the Rotary Club of Douglas was funded a total of £60,000.00, this included the second year and the final year payment of the IDC supported project. The funding for this came from the underspend in the Sierra Leone Project.

3. Distribution of IDC funding by continent in 2014/2015

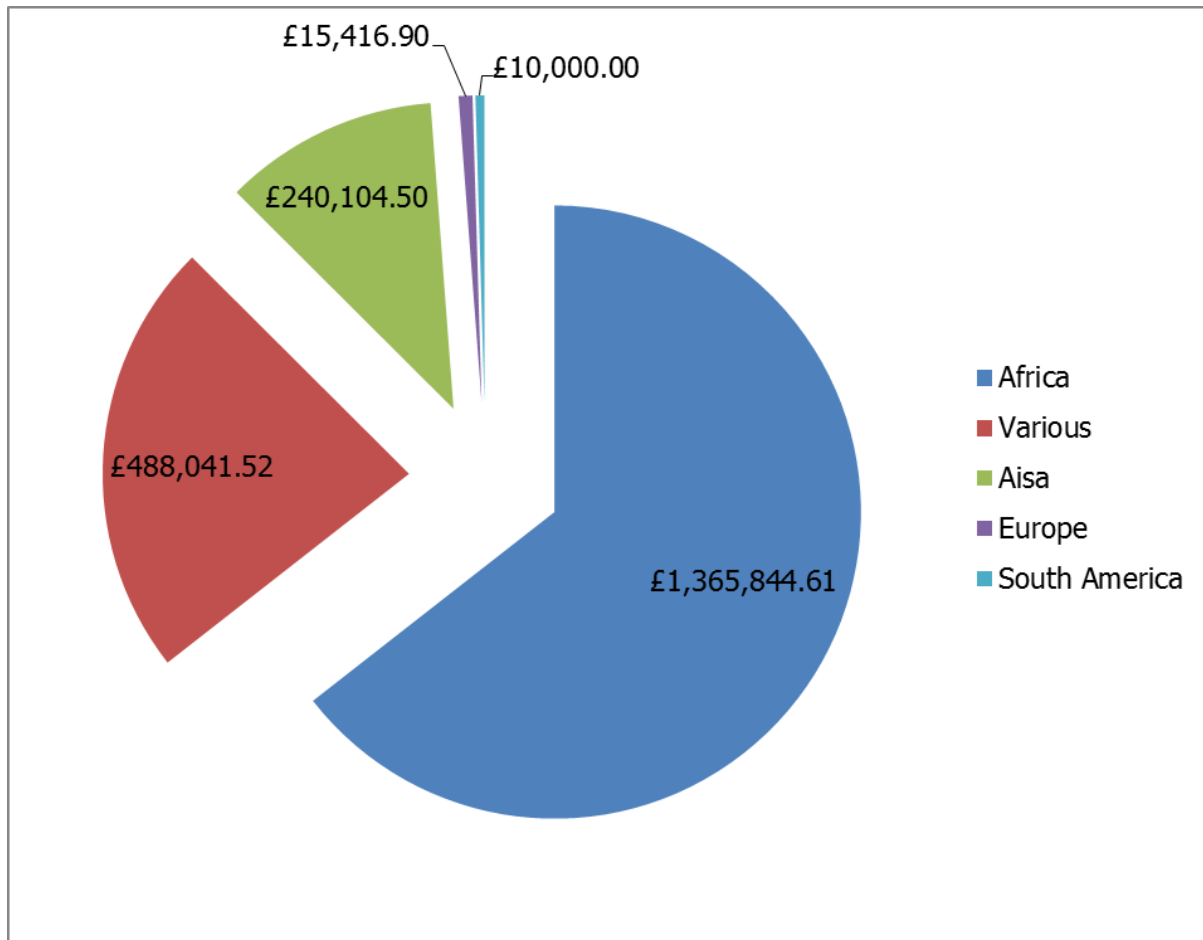


Figure 2: 2014/2015 IDC funded projects expenditure by continent

In line with previous funding trends the largest beneficiary continent was Africa. According to the Human Development Index (HDI) Africa encompasses a large number of countries which are ranked as low developed. West Africa was devastated by the EVD outbreak. Moreover, mass migration issues featured as a prevalent topic for Emergency Aid throughout Asia and Africa. Therefore Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)¹ activities were an important feature to many of the Isle of Man funded responses.

South America was hit by severe flooding in El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua. The IDC provided funding for relief responses in this region.

¹ For further information about WASH activities please visit the following United Nations website: http://www.unicef.org/wash/index_43084.html

4. 2014/2015 accruals into 2015/2016 financial year

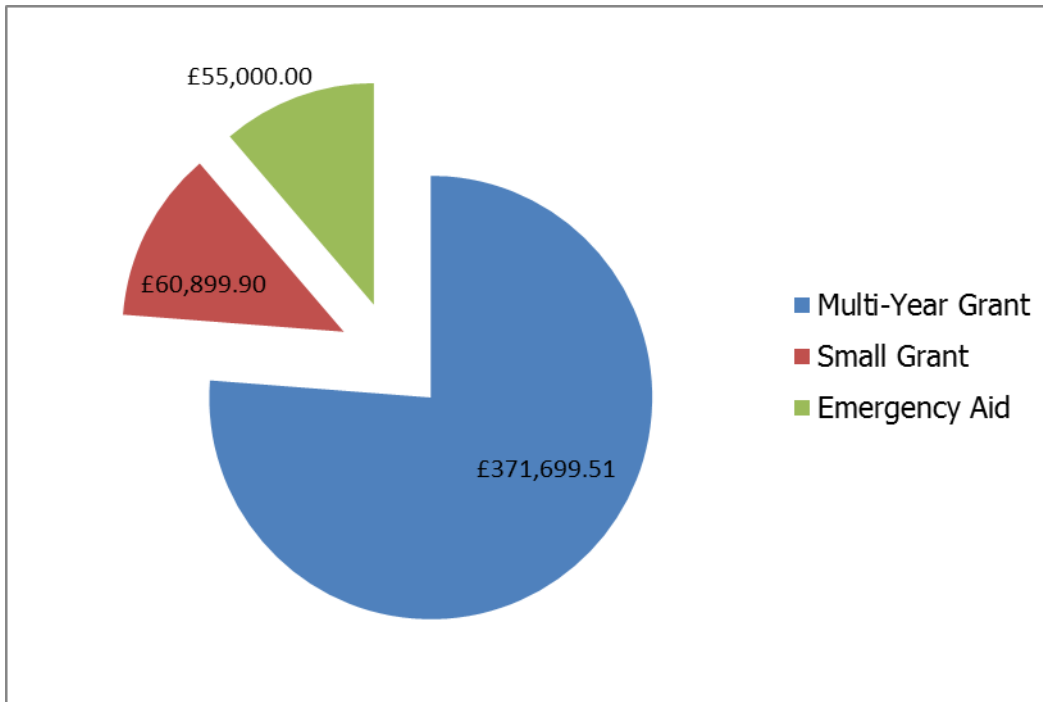


Figure 4: 2014/2015 accruals into 2015/2016 financial year

Figure 4 highlights accruals from the funding streams. The Multi-Year Grant accrual was largely due to the outbreak of the EVD in West Africa, as the majority of the 2012-2015 Multi-Year Grant projects were in operation in this region of Africa and to continue to cover the 10% of total funding withheld over the funding period until a satisfactory final report is submitted.

At the end of the 2014/2015 financial year the March round for Emergency Aid coincided with the end of the financial year and, as a result, the £55,000.00 was accrued into the 2015/2016 financial year and paid soon after in April 2015.

Finally the Small Grant 10% payments were accrued to meet IDC policy for due diligence as these funds are withheld until a satisfactory report is submitted at the end of the project.

The total accrual from the funding streams in the 2014/2015 financial year was £487,599.41.

5. Total funding

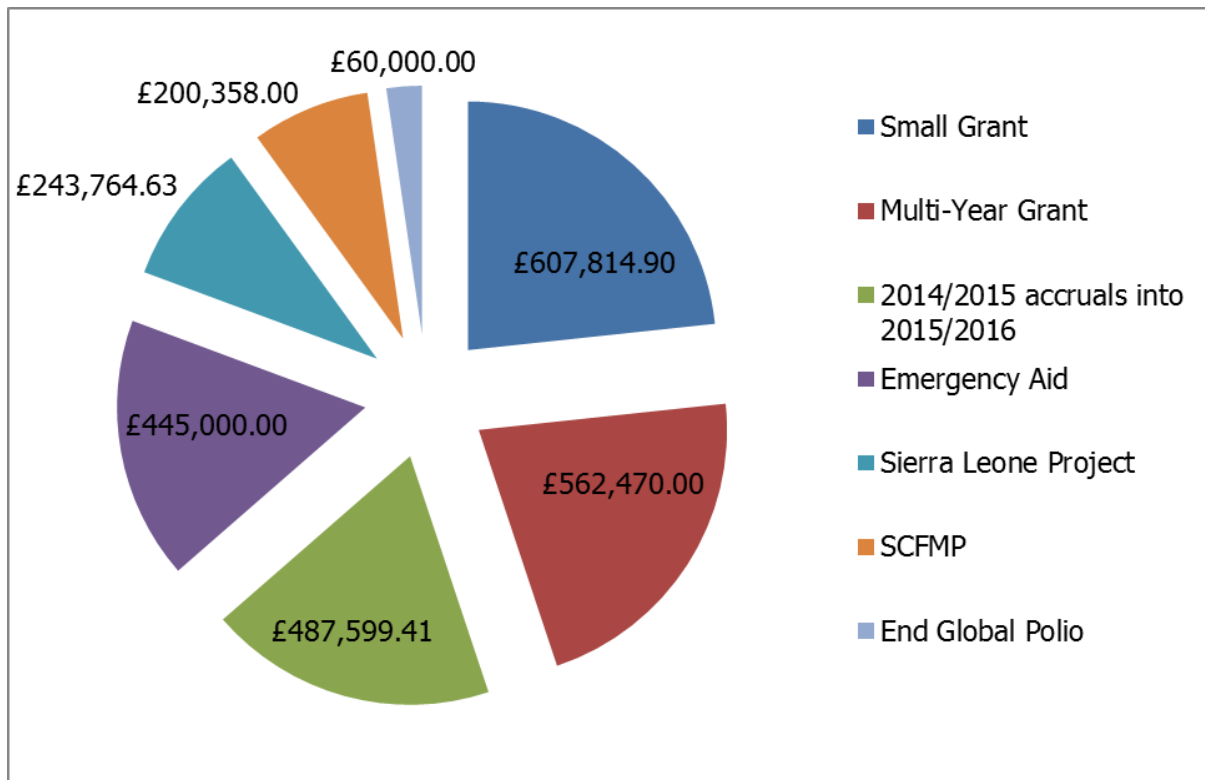


Figure 5: 2014/2015 movement of IDC funds

The IDC is dedicated in taking the necessary steps to ensure that:

- aid is targeted effectively;
- appropriate mechanisms are in place for granting aid, in accordance with best practice elsewhere;
- the Island's voluntary sector is engaged in the process, and;
- the people of the Isle of Man continue to be encouraged to support the alleviation of world poverty.

The total movement of funds in the 2014/2015 financial year was £2,607,006.94. Please note that this figure is not an overspend, this amount takes into account funds that were accrued into the 2015/2016 financial year and payments being made from accruals in the previous financial year 2013/2014.

Appendix 1: Project breakdown showing movement of IDC funds in the 2014/2015 financial year.

Projects funded in 2013-2014				
Charity	Project Name	Country	Funding Stream – Reference Number	Amount
Emergency Aid				
Oxfam GB	Inside Syria Emergency Response	Syria	EMR002.14	£50,000.00
Plan UK	Emergency Assistance for displaced children and families in North Darfur Sudan	Sudan	EMR007.14	£50,000.00
Save the Children	Emergency Ebola response in Kailahun, Pujehun and Freetown Sierra Leone	Sierra Leone	EMR018.14	£50,000.00
Human Appeal International	Emergency response to early recovery needs of the people affected by conflict in Gaza	Gaza	EMR027.14	£30,439.00
HelpAge International	Emergency response to the humanitarian crisis in Gaza	Gaza	EMR031.14	£19,561.00
Plan UK	Emergency assistance for children and families affected by cholera in Cameroon	Cameroon	EMR035.14	£25,000.00
GOAL International	Support Ebola survivors and affected vulnerable children in Sierra Leone	Sierra Leone	EMR037.14	£25,000.00
Disaster Emergency Committee	Ebola Crisis Appeal	Uganda	EMR054.14	£100,000.00
UNICEF	Supporting children affected by severe flooding in Malawi	Malawi	EMR056.14	£25,000.00
RED International	Relief for refugees and internally displaced persons in Northern Iraq	Iraq	EMR058.14	£20,000.00
Save the Children	Responding to food insecurity, violence and child migration in Central America	Guatemala, Nicaragua, El Salvador, Honduras	EMR068.14	£10,000.00
Plan International	Emergency assistance for families affected by severe flooding in Mozambique	Mozambique	EMR069.14	£20,000.00

MEDAIR UK	Improved access to nutrition and essential health care services for Syrian refugees and vulnerable Lebanese host communities in Bekaa Valley	Lebanon	EMR073.14	£20,000.00
				£445,000.00
Small Grant				
Mannin Africa Sponsors International	Water and sanitation for all	Gambia	SG001.14	£21,706.20
H&S Davidson Trust	One World Charity Challenge	Various	SG002.14	£11,000.00
Christian Aid	Building community resilience to climate change in Ratanakiri, Cambodia	Cambodia	SG003.14	£45,000.00
One World Centre Isle of Man	Core funding	Various	SG004.14	£25,200.00
Save the Children Fund	The Rwandan Children's Book Initiative (RCBI)	Rwanda	SG005.14	£48,672.90
Do! Developing Orphan!	Broadway primary school, Padibe, Lamwo district, Northern Uganda, Uganda Construction of a block of 3 classrooms	Uganda	SG006.14	£25,350.00
Excellent Development IoM Limited	Providing sustainable water supplies through sand dams for people, livestock and wildlife in Lekurruki Conservancy	Kenya	SG007.14	£71,325.00
Friends of Pestalozzi Isle of Man	Second and final year Pestalozzi student sponsorship	Zambia	SG008.14	£14,850.00
Pahar Trust	Shree Sawakali secondary school	Nepal	SG008.14	£17,955.00
Send a Cow	Reducing poverty and malnutrition for 210 families in Burundi and Rwanda	Burundi	SG010.14	£70,425.00
Thare Machi Education	Impact Assessment in Rwanda and new life Changing knowledge for sub Saharan Africa	Various	SG011.14	£18,495.00
RO-MAN-AID	The inclusion of Roma children into schools by preventing drop-out and improving their chances of academic success	Romania	SG012.14	£14,301.90

British Red Cross	HIV prevention and behavioural change communication project pokhara, Nepal	Nepal	SG013.14	£32,395.50
Oxfam GB	Education for all – improving the quality of education for children from rural communities in Niger	Niger	SG014.14	£72,000.00
CAFOD	Improved access to water, sanitation and hygiene knowledge for poor people in Murehwa	Zimbabwe	SG015.14	£36,000.00
Mothers Union	Literacy and financial education programme	Sudan	SG016.14	£34,422.30
				£559,098.80
Multi-Year Grant				
Send a Cow	Hunger and poverty alleviation for vulnerable families in Maseru and Berea	Lesotho	MYG007.12	£76,566.00
UNICEF UK	Reducing child mortality by providing essential micronutrient services for children across the Gambia	Gambia	MYG008.12	£50,000.00
SOS Children	Food security for most vulnerable farmers and fishers, especially women-headed households, in eight communities within Freetown, Bo and Makeni, Sierra Leone	Sierra Leone	MYG009.13	Delayed
Concern Worldwide UK	Integrated water, sanitation and hygiene in rural Liberia	Liberia	MYG014.12	£100,000.00
Mission Aviation Fellowship	Enabling basic services and sustainable livelihoods in remote locations in Liberia	Liberia	MYG016.12	£81,508.00
Christian Aid	Supporting small-scale fishers to build thriving and resilient livelihoods in the Sherbro Basin, Bonthe District	Sierra Leone	MYG036.12	Delayed
Sightsavers	Elimination of Blinding Trachoma in Guinea Bissau	Guinea Bissau	MYG043.12	£92,584.00
Save the Children fund	PIKIN FIDIN (Translation: Young Child Nutrition)	Sierra Leone	MYG045.12	£80,304.00
HART	Malnutrition Reduction Project	Timor Leste	MYG046.12	Delayed

British Red Cross	Sierra Leone Community-Based Healthcare Programme	Sierra Leone	MYG048.12	£81,508.00
				£562,470.00
Sierra Leone Project				
Description		Cost		
Vessel Monitoring Systems including administration fees, instillation, consultations and Sierra Leone officers training on Isle of Man		£90,276.11		
Advance instalment of £153,488.52 for the SCFMP 2015/2016 financial year		£153,488.52		
				£243,764.63
Small Country Financial Management Programme				
Instalment 2		£200,358.00		
				£200,358.00
Rotary Club End Polio Campaign				
End polio campaign annual funding		£30,000.00		
End polio campaign annual funding advance payment for 2015/2016		£30,000.00		
				£60,000.00
Small Grant 10% payments from 2012-2013				
Christian Aid	Providing access to water in Zimbabwe	Small Grant	SG002.13	£4,000.00
Pahar Krishna Higher Secondary School	Pamcha Krishna Higher Secondary School	Small Grant	SG003.13	£2,754.00
Drop Inn Ministers	Co-funding for kabuga maternity unit	Small Grant	SG007.13	£2,500.00
Save the Children	Improving access to water and hygiene practices in the Somali region, Ethiopia	Small Grant	SG009.13	£6,638.20
RO-MAN-AID	Development of school anti dropout and nurture centres in Romania	Small Grant	SG010.13	£1,115.00
Oxfam BG	Improving access to water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) services for rural communities in Angola	Small Grant	SG011.13	£7,773.30
Friends of Pestalozzi	First male IoM Pestalozzi student	Small Grant	SG012.13	£1,650.00
Leonard Cheshire Disability	Sustainable livelihoods for persons with disabilities in Bangladesh	Small Grant	SG013.13	£2,000.00

Mannin Africa Sponsors International	Water for all	Small Grant	SG015.13	£655.00
Thare Machi Education	Knowledge for the poor	Small Grant	SG019.13	£3,000.00
British Red Cross	Lesotho food security and HIV programme	Small Grant	SG020.13	£4,187.60
Excellent Development	Improved food and water security for 5 communities in Makueni County in Kenya	Small Grant	SG021.13	£8,423.40
Mothers Union	CCMP - Community mobilisation	Small Grant	SG025.13	£4,019.60
				£48,716.10

Accruals into 2015-2016

Charity	Project Name	Funding stream	Reference number	Amount
	March Emergency Aid	Emergency Aid	N/A	£55,000.00
Mannin Africa Sponsors International	Water and sanitation for all	Gambia	SG001.14	£2,411.80
Christian Aid	Building community resilience to climate change in Ratanakiri, Cambodia	Cambodia	SG003.14	£5,000.00
One World Centre Isle of Man	Core funding	Various	SG004.14	£2,800.00
Save the Children Fund	The Rwandan Children's Book Initiative (RCBI)	Rwanda	SG005.14	£5,408.10
Do! Developing Orphan!	Broadway primary school, Padibe, Lamwo district, Northern Uganda, Uganda Construction of a block of 3 classrooms	Uganda	SG006.14	£2,816.70
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Pahar Trust	Shree Sawakali secondary school	Nepal	SG009.14	£1,995.00
Send a Cow	Reducing poverty and malnutrition for 210 families in Burundi and Rwanda	Burundi	SG010.14	£7,825.00

Thare Machi Education	Impact Assessment in Rwanda and new life Changing knowledge for sub Saharan Africa	Various	SG011.14	£2,055.00
RO-MAN-AID	The inclusion of Roma children into schools by preventing drop-out and improving their chances of academic success	Romania	SG012.14	£1,589.10
British Red Cross	HIV prevention and behavioural change communication project Bokhara, Nepal	Nepal	SG013.14	£3,599.50
Oxfam GB	Education for all - improving the quality of education for children from rural communities in Niger	Niger	SG014.14	£8,000.00
CAFOD	Improved access to water, sanitation and hygiene knowledge for poor people in Murehwa	Zimbabwe	SG015.14	£4,000.00
Mothers Union	Literacy and financial education programme	Sudan	SG016.14	£3,824.70
UNICEF UK	Reducing child mortality by providing essential micronutrient services for children across the Gambia	Gambia	MYG008.12	£33,928.15
SOS Children	Food security for most vulnerable farmers and fishers, especially women-headed households, in eight communities within Freetown, Bo and Makeni, Sierra Leone	Sierra Leone	MYG009.13	£63,144.36
Christian Aid	Supporting small-scale fishers to build thriving and resilient livelihoods in the Sherbro Basin, Bonthe District	Sierra Leone	MYG036.12	£200,000.00
HART	Malnutrition Reduction Project	Timor Leste	MYG046.12	£74,627.00
				£487,599.41

Total movement of IDC funds in the 2014/2015 financial year **£2,607,006.94**