

ANTI-CORRUPTION ORGANISATION NOVEMBER ACTIVITY REPORT 2011



HIGHLIGHTS

- Two jurists interviewed, one retained for testing
- AC hotline receives **60** complaints this month
- Volunteer from George Town University, United States of America assisting in AC activities.

GENERAL

AC activities this month experienced a lot of reorganisation as most of the procedures put in place needed to be followed. Filing, opening of new cases and case closing procedures were re-asserted in the AC procedures.

AC bank account for citizen-led monitoring of access to basic medication project was opened in Ecobank pending the final signing of the project contract for release of the project fund.

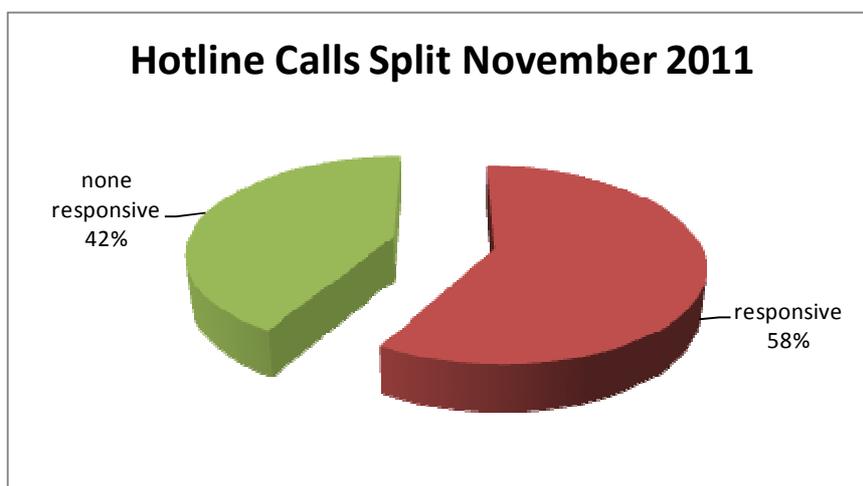
A volunteer student from George Town University Jonathan Kesten, has been assisting AC in its various projects especially with the report on the use of mosquito nets as a campaign tool and the project on Christmas for street children. He came in contact with AC through the SIT programme in which AC Director was doing a presentation.

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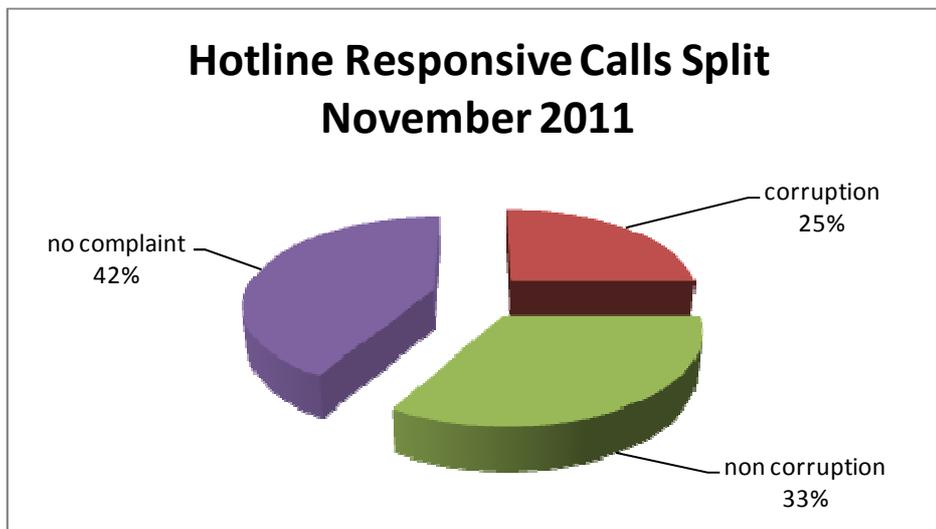
Follow-up on syndicate cases of taxi men against Inspector of Police Bekono Yves from Efoulan Commissariat continues in court, while that including the two officers from Ekounou pending a police report to be signed by the accused officers is still being followed-up at the Delegation of National Security. The first concerned two police officers working at the Ekonou police station against whom 3 taxi drivers lodged a complaint of corruption, while the other case had four taxi drivers lodging a similar complaint against two police officers from the Efoulan police station.

HOTLINE

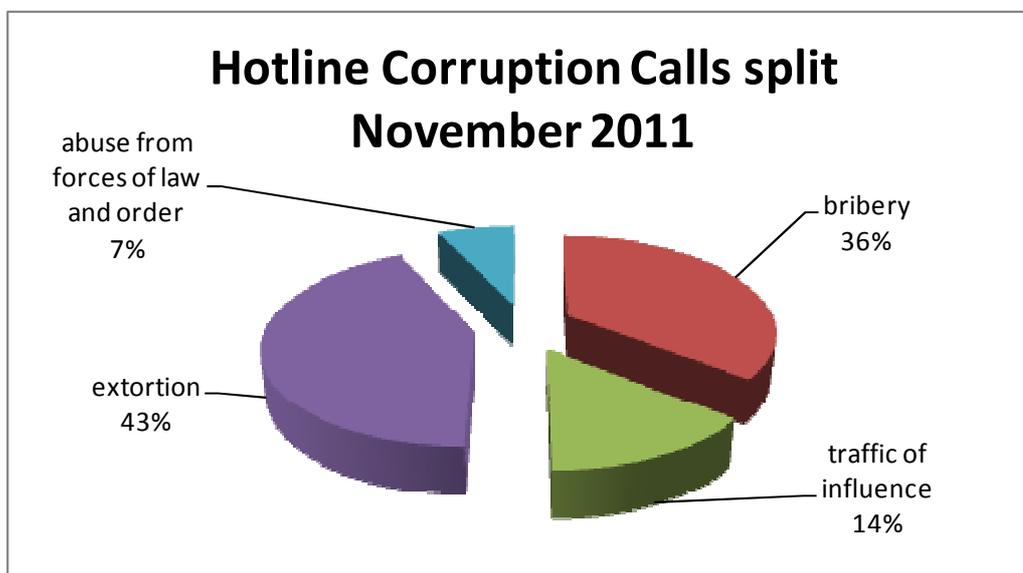
A total of **60** calls were received through the AC hotline and are illustrated by the graphs under the various categories.



In the month of November 2011, **58%** of calls were responsive, while **42%** of calls received were non-responsive calls.

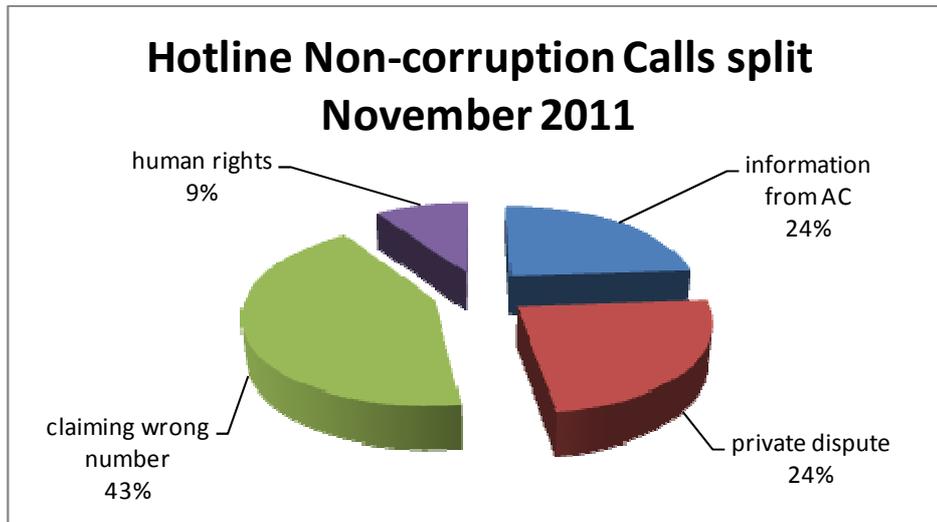


33% of calls received in November 2011 were non-corruption cases, while **25%** were corruption calls. **42%** of no complaint calls came in this month, a **16%** drop from last month. These callers are assumed to have something to denounce but were either afraid to denounce it or preferred to say nothing which is typical of callers who claim to have dialled wrong numbers or are simply verifying AC hotline number if it works.



In the month of November 2011 the number of corruption categories reduced compared to last month October. **43%** of victims denounced extortion, **36%** denounced bribery, **14%** on traffic of influence and

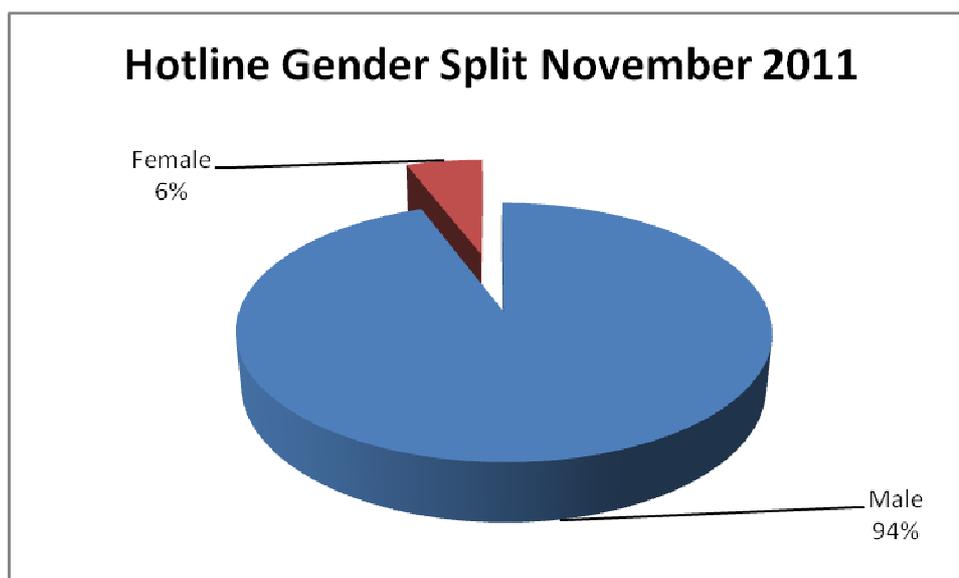
7% were on abuses from forces of law and order.



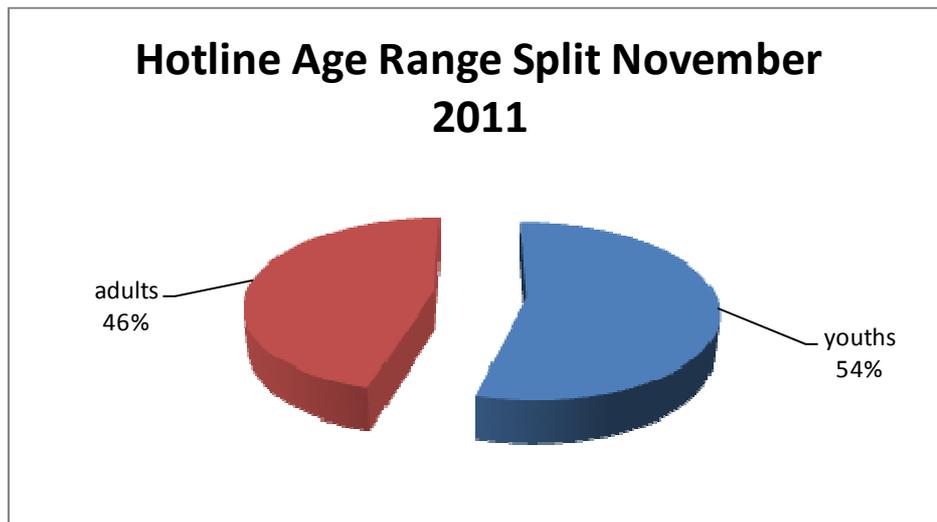
Non-corruption calls in November 2011 were represented by **43%** of calls claiming to have dialled the wrong number, assumed to have things to denounce but not very sure of themselves or are afraid, **24%** needed information from AC not necessarily on corruption issues, **24%** were private disputes while **9%** were on human rights issues.

GENDER

Female gender in the month of November 2011 is lowest and least represented compared to the past months with **6%** callers, while **94%** of the callers were male.



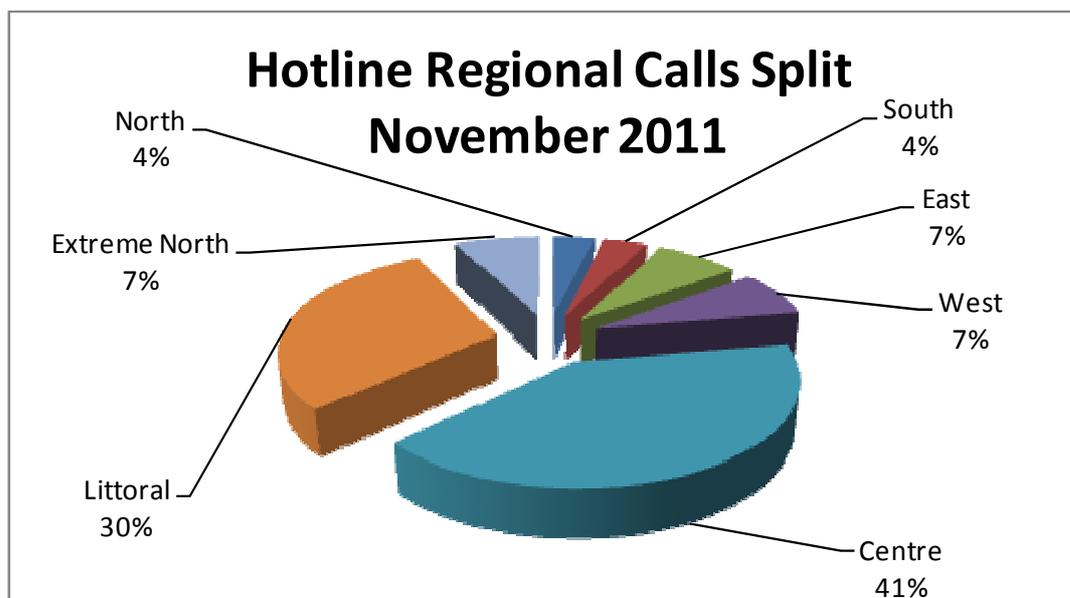
AGE RANGE OF CALLERS



In the month of November 2011 the age range was as follows: adults (31-55years) up to **46%**, while youths were **54%** (0-30 years) and **0%** of the callers were elderly or aged (+55 years)

REGIONAL DISTRIBUTION OF CALLS

From the report, the month of November 2011 had the Centre region with most callers making **41%**, with no calls coming from the South West, North West and Adamawa Regions. The least calls this month with **4%** each, came from the North and South Region respectively. The Extreme North, West and East Regions had 7% of calls from each region.



EMAIL AND POST ADDITION TO HOTLINE

No cases were received through email this month. All the testimony forms were received from Yokadouma. 2 new case files were opened from letters received through the post office, the first being of extortion of

parents by the headmaster of Groupe 2B in Nkongsamba and the second denounced embezzlement and falsification of financial reports by the school principal of CES Wogomdou, Adamawa.

INVESTIGATIONS

Three new cases were opened this month while follow-up continued on the old cases. All the signed testimony forms of the old cases of Yokadouma primary school teachers against the mayor where primary school teachers were complaining of not having been paid their salaries for 10 months by the mayor from 10% of forest revenue were received and copies forwarded to the Centre for Environmental Development for assistance and follow-up. It is assumed the mayor embezzled these funds and refuses to pay the teachers on the pretext of them not having a definite contract; the syndicate cases of taxi drivers against police officers were followed-up. The new cases opened this month include the following:

ENS Bambili Teachers's Case: Newly recruited teachers from Bambili transferred to the Far North region are victims of undue demand exerted by the DAAF (director of administrative and financial affairs) on their pay backs. Specifically on their transportation fee which is 120/km, he calculated the distance from Maroua to their various destinations in the region rather than from Bambili, thereby keeping the extra distance money in his coffers, using his position therefore to perpetrate an illegal act which is considered to be oppressive.

Land title case of Monatele : A survey staff representing villagers by assisting in the issuing of land titles for their respective lands was solicited the sum of 6 million francs CFA to be issued convocation letters for 16 pieces of land by the sub-divisional officer of Awae. He is an engineer in cadastre who helps villagers to make their land titles in exchange of some pieces of land. Used to this practice, he is frequently faced with situation where sub divisional officers solicit a sum of money in exchange for convocation letters. He promised to contact us as soon a similar situation occurs.

Case of Parents against the Headmaster of a primary school in Nkongsamba: Parents of the primary school 'groupe 2B' called to denounce an act of corruption where the headmaster of the school takes undue money. He extorts sequence fee from parents (1 000fcfa class one and two; 1 500fcfa class three and four; 2 000fcfa for class five and six.) which normally is not supposed to be paid. Moreover he solicits 13 500fcfa from parents for exams fee (C E P and concours d'entree en sixieme) instead of the 9 500fcfa recognized by the Ministry of Basic Education (that is 4700 fcfa per exam.). Investigation information from the ministry shows that generally, the money is rounded to 5 000fcfa per exam by directors and the surplus is taken to do photocopies for the pupils' dossier.

LEGAL FOLLOW-UP

Legal follow up this month continues with the case of Inspector of Police Bekono Yves against whom three taxi men raised a complaint while the progress of the Ekounou police/ taximen case is also being followed up with several checks being made both by AC and the lawyers involved in the court, and at the Delegation for National Security.

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MEDIA

AC is still working with the CRTV house to get its information out reach on the news bar both in English and in French.

MANAGEMENT

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AC is assisted this month by Jonathan Kesten, a volunteer student from George Town University, the United States of America. He has been assisting AC with the report on the use of mosquito nets as a campaign tool and the project 'Christmas for street children'. He came in contact with AC through the SIT programme in which AC Director was doing a presentation

EXTERNAL RELATIONS

Several meetings were held this month by AC. Meetings centred on the different projects under AC and the follow-up of both old and new cases.

- Meeting with the British High Commissioner by AC Director on wildlife law enforcement the fight against corruption.
- Meeting with the US embassy on wildlife law enforcement, child trafficking and the fight against corruption.
- Meeting of project developer with Maitre Djimi on the progress of the case of taxi drivers against police men, case of four taxi drivers lodging a complaint against two police officers from the Efulan police station
- Working sessions by AC programmer with Valsero to write the article "Valsero – A Victim of a musical Embargo".
- AC programmer and assisting volunteer also met several centres and hostels for the homeless to garner support and assistance for the December programme 'christmas for street children' and several restaurants for food donations towards the event.
- Meeting by programmer with Citoyenne Dynamique on developing a budget tool and how to use it to improve their system.

FINANCE

Future for Nature award has been the main donor for the running of AC activities in the month of November 2011.

November 2011 Financial Report

| Amount in CFA FRS | Use | Details | Amount in US D |
|-------------------|--|---------------------|----------------|
| 25,000 | Hotline | 60 calls received | \$51.5 |
| 1,200 | Investigations | 2 cases followed up | \$2.5 |
| 124,250 | Legal | | \$256.2 |
| 0 | Media | No TV news bar | \$0.0 |
| | Management | | \$0.0 |
| 291,600 | E-activism | Personnel | \$601.2 |
| 12,680 | Office | office | \$26.1 |
| 454,730 | TOTAL EXPENDITURE NOVEMBER 2011 | | \$937.6 |

Donor Financial Report November 2011

| Amount in CFA FRS | Donor | Month | Amount in US D |
|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| -1,500,000 | Future for Nature | Donated July 2011 | \$3,092.8 |
| 748,775 | Future for Nature | Used July 2011 | \$1,543.9 |
| 446,635 | Future for Nature | Used August 2011 | \$920.9 |
| -1,000,000 | Future for Nature | Donated September 2011 | \$2,061.9 |
| 496,960 | Future for Nature | Used September 2011 | \$1,024.7 |
| 418,700 | Future for Nature | Used October 2011 | \$863.3 |
| -1,100,000 | Future for Nature | Donated November 2011 | \$2,268.0 |
| 454,730 | Future for Nature | Used November 2011 | \$937.6 |
| -1,034,200 | Future for Nature | passing to December 2011 | \$2,132.4 |