



CAMEROON INCLUSIVE  
AND RESILIENT CITIES  
DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

**PDVIR**

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DES VILLES INCLUSIVES  
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**SEVENTH SESSION OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE OF  
INCLUSIVE AND RESILIENT CITIES DEVELOPMENT PROJECT  
(PDVIR)**

**YAOUNDE, 27 NOVEMBER 2024**

**FINAL RELEASE**

The seventh Session of the Steering Committee of the Project for the Development of Inclusive and Resilient Cities (PDVIR) took place on Wednesday, 27 November 2024, in the conference room of the Ministry of Housing and Urban Development (MINHDU), under the chairmanship of Mrs. Célestine KETCHA COURTES, Minister of Housing and Urban Development.

Representatives of Sectors (MINEPAT, MINFI, MINDCAF, MINAT, MINDDEVEL, MINEPDED), professional Orders, Youth and Women's rights Associations, the Mayors of the beneficiary cities and councils (Yaoundé, Douala, Ngaoundéré, Kumba, Maroua, Batouri, Kousséri), as well as their Sub-divisional Councils attended.

The main purpose of the Session was to validate the 2025 Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWPB). Also on agenda were:

- The examination of the Activity Report as of 31 October 2024;
- The validation of the PDVIR internal audit basic documents;
- The assessment of the Accounting and Financial Audit Report for the 2023 financial year.

The deliberations highlighted the major achievements in the implementation of the Project. They also provided an opportunity to review the challenges encountered and the prospects for a successful landing on 30 June 2025.

With regard to the infrastructures built:

- 32.331 km of roads have been built or rehabilitated out of a target of 41.162 km, including 2.2 km in Batouri, 7 km in Ngaoundere, 15 km in Yaoundé and 11 km in Douala;
- 62.45 km of secondary drains have been constructed in all the cities of the Programme.

Regarding local and major projects, significant progress has been made in the cities of Douala and Yaoundé.

At the end of the meeting, several recommendations were made:

1. To Mayors:

- Accelerate the release of rights-of-ways and finalize compensation for those affected before February 2025;
- Report on the progress made as part of municipal commitments and monitor the implementation of performance contracts signed with the companies mobilized.

2. To the PDVIR Coordination Unit, with regard to the closing date of 30 June 2025 and for a successful landing of the Project:



- Strengthen close monitoring of the remaining works, particularly in Douala and Yaoundé;
- Design strategies to ensure the timely completion of priority projects;
- Monitor strict adherence to the tight schedule covered by performance contracts signed by companies;
- Process all financial documents in a single window.

In her closing remarks, the Minister hailed the commitment of stakeholders and reiterated the urgent need to step up efforts to achieve the remaining objectives of the Programme. She also stressed the crucial role of the PDVIR in improving the living standards of the populations, especially in underequipped urban areas, and in promoting youth employment.

The PDVIR, co-financed by the World Bank and managed by the MINHDU, remains an essential lever for sustainable urban transformation in Cameroon desired by the **PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC, H.E. Mr. Paul BIYA.**

Done in Yaoundé, on 27 November 2024



For the Steering Committee  
LE MINISTRE

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