



NA-WE-WE

SPORT JAMBOREE

UNDER THE DISTINGUISHED PATRONAGE OF THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND CIVIC EDUCATION (MINJEC)

4TH EDITION
2025

2ND - 31ST AUGUST 2025

BERTOUA

OPENING CEREMONY 1ST- 2ND AUGUST 2025



The Secretary General of MINJEC greeting athletes alongside other dignitaries



Athletes greeting each other during the opening Football Female (Stop-GBV vs Non A la Heine

OVER 300 DISPLACED YOUNG PEOPLE FROM THE NW/SW, AND FAR NORTH REGIONS—TOGETHER WITH REFUGEES FROM THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC AND MEMBERS OF HOST COMMUNITIES—CELEBRATED THE JOY OF PLAYING, LEARNING, AND WORKING TOGETHER AT THE NAWEWE SPORTS JAMBOREE IN BERTOUA. THE OPENING CEREMONY DREW OVER 1,500 SPECTATORS, CREATING AN ATMOSPHERE OF UNITY, EXCITEMENT, AND SHARED PURPOSE.



Authorities visiting exhibition stands of IDPs & Refugee



Moral, Civic and Entrepreneurial Reamament session by MINJEC staff



Community Service

A- ATHLETES CAMPING 1ST AUGUST

As part of the opening ceremony of the 4th Edition of the Jamboree, we organized an athletes' camp called "Living Together Camp", bringing together all 300 athletes participating in the various disciplines of the event. The camp served as an opportunity for athletes to get to know each other better, engage in dialogue, carry out community service, strengthen their capacities, and prepare for the official opening ceremony. During the camp, the following activities were carried out:

COMMUNITY SERVICE



A key requirement for all participating athletes is community service. This activity offers them the opportunity to form groups and engage in voluntary actions such as cleaning public spaces and administrative offices. It serves as a powerful reminder that—whether an IDP, refugee, or host community member—everyone can work together to keep their environment clean, healthy, and prosperous.

YOUTH INTRA-GENERATIONAL /PEER-TO-PEER DIALOGUES



To strengthen social cohesion, we organized peer-to-peer and intergenerational dialogue sessions for the athletes. These sessions created a space for participants to connect, share experiences, discuss challenges, explore possible solutions, and identify ways to work together for the betterment of their communities. A key outcome of these dialogues was the athletes' expressed commitment to building a united movement—bringing together IDPs, refugees, and host community members—to drive positive change in their shared environment.

"Participating in the Clean Up Campaign changed how I think about my duty to improve my community, It starts from Me, Volunteering is a nice thing"

Cyril an athlete

SOLIDARITY MEAL - EATING TOGETHER



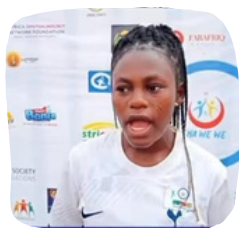
Sharing meals is an important tradition of the Jamboree.

In a context where IDPs and refugees may feel out of place, creating opportunities for different groups within the community to not only work together but also eat together sends a powerful message: regardless of background or social class, we are all one people. These shared meals foster solidarity, break down barriers, and create warm moments for athletes to connect, learn about each other, and build lasting bonds over food.

REAMORSE NIGHT AND CAMP FIRE WITH ATHLETES



An important part of the Jamboree is instilling moral, civic, and entrepreneurial values, inspired by the Ministry of Youth Affairs' National Program for Civic Education through Moral, Civic, and Entrepreneurial Rearmament (MIJEC model). Throughout the evenings at camp, youth and action experts from the Ministry of Youth Affairs engaged the athletes in deep reflections and discussions on what it means to be responsible, moral, and civic-minded citizens. These sessions culminated in a campfire experience, reviving the Cameroonian tradition of storytelling by the fireside. As the young people sat together around the flames, they shared their personal realities, exchanged ideas, and built new bonds of friendship and solidarity.



Joining my peers to discuss on issues affecting youths in the community of Bertoua was so great to me...,"

An IDP from NW Region



I came here not knowing my HIV status and I glad that through the Jamboree i am going home knowing my health status...,"

MISS DELIA An IDP from NW Region

B- OPENING CEREMONY 2ND AUGUST

The opening ceremony on 2nd August marked the official start of the games, presided over by the Secretary General of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Civic Education, representing the Minister. The SG was accompanied by other administrative authorities of the region and a personal representative of the Governor. The day began with an exhibition by IDPs and refugees showcasing their livelihood initiatives, followed by solidarity and opening matches that united athletes from diverse backgrounds. It concluded with lively cultural performances, celebrating the rich diversity and shared spirit of the participating communities.

EXHIBITION OF GOODS AND SERVICES



To promote the integration of refugees and displaced persons, numerous initiatives have been supported by the government, UN agencies, and both international and local organizations, many of which have focused on livelihoods, entrepreneurship, and related opportunities. As part of the Jamboree, a free exhibition was organized for 18 selected businesses, start-ups, and associations to showcase the results of their work. This vibrant display not only highlighted their achievements but also reflected the remarkable support and solidarity shown by the host community towards their peers.

SOLIDARITY MATCH



To show solidarity with the young people within the community, a solidarity match was organised for people of influence from different walks of life to play alongside with the athletes. This match is a gesture to demonstrate that despite the social class and background, they are all together. Featuring during this match included former Indomitable Lion; Mr Tchoutang Bernard, as well as other artist including Peti Malo and a host of others. Some local influencers and administrative officials also joined in this game

“When we play together, we play for peace and unity. That’s the spirit of Na We We……. Delia Female football”

REFLECTIONS BY ATHLETES/SPECTATORS AND PARTNERS



Nawewe is life changing. I have met new people and made new friends

MS GRACE An IDP from NW Region



At Bonis, we believe in initiative by young people for young people. We are happy to be supporting

MRS ENAMA. Representative of Bonis



"Being part of NAWEWE is so fantastic. I felt so at home and did not feel like a stranger"

MR MAHAMAD Refugee from CAR



At OHCHR, we believe that youth are not just beneficiaries but architects of peace. The energy and resilience of young people are the driving force behind sustainable peace and inclusive growth."

MRS ORDYL OHCHR Cameroon

From promoting sexual and reproductive health rights to advocating for gender equality, young people are shaping a future that is more inclusive.

DR BOUM UNFPA Cameroon



OPENING REMARKS

As young people NAWEWESports Jamboree is our little contribution toward making our communities a better place. Since inception of this project we have seen its transformative impact

Mr. Achaleke Christian Leke
Promoter of NAWEWE Sports Jamboree



Our Community is very diversified and we happy that NAWEWE Sports has brought a unique model of using sports to achieve this. We are proud that young people are leading this effort

Mr. Messe Mpeng Richard
Representative of Bertoua City Mayor



Nawewe ... It is about igniting a the flame of unity, resilience, healing, and youth leadership. It is about demonstrating that Cameroon's strength lies in the energy of its youth, and that, through sport and civic action, we can overcome the challenges that divide us and build a future of peace and inclusion.

Mr Benga Zachée Robert
SG of MINJEC / Personal Representative of MINJEC

OPENING MATCH



The Jamboree kicked off with an inspiring women's football match, bringing together players from diverse backgrounds—internally displaced persons, refugees, and members of the host community. The two teams, symbolically named "Stop GBV" and "No to Hate Speech," embodied the event's spirit of unity and advocacy, using the power of sport to promote messages of respect, inclusion, and social change.

CULTURAL DISPLAY AND ARTISTIC PERFORMANCES



BONIS organized a special concert to celebrate the athletes and showcase the rich cultural diversity of our community. Prominent artists from the Mbole community took to the stage, delivering unforgettable performances that filled the atmosphere with vibrant energy and pride. The spectators and athletes alike were deeply moved and thrilled, their excitement palpable as they eagerly looked forward to fully engaging in the Jamboree and joining the grand closing ceremony on August 31st. This celebration was more than just music – it was a powerful reminder of unity, heritage, and the shared spirit that brings us all together.

PERFORMANCE REPORT

Number of Refugee Athlete

57

Number of IDP Athlete

81

Participants in peer to peer dialogues

93

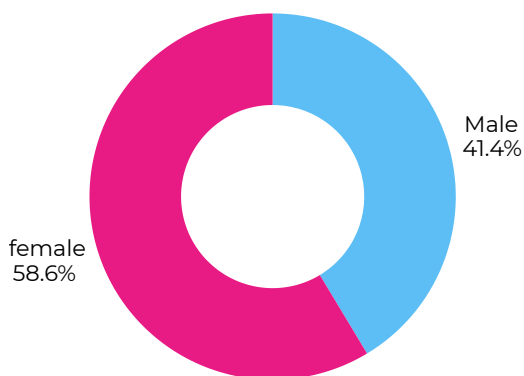
Evening REAMORCE & Camp Fire

264

Exhibitors

18

GENDER



WHAT'S NEXT?

- Match days every weekend
- Camping of Athletes
- Health Outreach Campaign
- Tree planting with Young persons
- Organisation of Workshop on Peaceful Elections
- Donation of school kits and food stuff .
- **THE GRAND FINALES**