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EXPERIENCE IN CÔTE D'IVOIRE FOR LEAD PAINT

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GENERALITIES ON CÔTE D'IVOIRE

Situation : West Africa,

Area : 322 463 km 2

Population : 23 million

Main cities : Abidjan - Bouaké - Daloa - Yamoussoukro

Capital city : Yamoussoukro

Borders: North (Mali and Burkina Faso)

✓ West (Liberia and Guinea Conakry)

✓ Est (Ghana)

✓ South (Atlantic Ocean)

☐ GDP: USD 31billion (World Bank, 2015)

☐ Economy: Essentially based on the production of cocoa and coffee.



DATA ON COTE D'IVOIRE PAINT MARKET

A national report produced in Cote d'Ivoire during the project of lead paint elimination in Africa showed that the majority of the paints had lead concentrations above 90 ppm lead (also above 600 ppm), enamel decorative paints as well as anticorrosive paints.

Only two brands from one company have lead concentation below 90 ppm.



PROGRESS TO REGULATE LEAD IN PAINT IN COTE D'IVOIRE

Some actions have been undertaken to regulate lead in paints at 90 ppm:

- Meetings with ministry of industry and CODINORM (the National Bureau of Standards) to discuss on the process of 1/3 Party certification
- Working with National Laboratory (LANEMA) for perfoming paint tests at national level: The equipments have been purchased but not yet installed.
- Work is ongoing to propose a Standard on lead-free paints (total lead content less than 90 ppm) by CODINORD (National Bureau of Standards);
- Developed a framework law on chemicals management but not yet adopted
- In the 2017 -Annual work plan of National Program of Chemicals Management, a proposal of development of draft decree has been inscribed;



CONCLUSION

- Since that lead paint is a serious human health hazard specially for children, a strong effort needs to be undertaken by all the involved stakeholders to achieve lead paint elimination generally and specially in Cote d'Ivoire.
- The question of lead based ingredients in paints need to be addressed to achieve paints reformulation and obtain lead-free paints.

