

## MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS REPORT

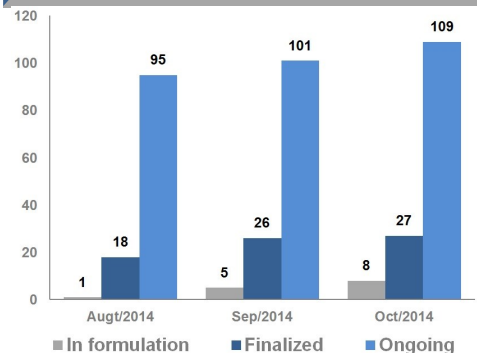
This report provides monthly institutional (Victims Unit, Ministry of Health, National Historical Memory Center and Mayor/Governor's Offices) and Victims Law achievements.

Corresponding VISP activities that have contributed to these achievements are included below each achievement.

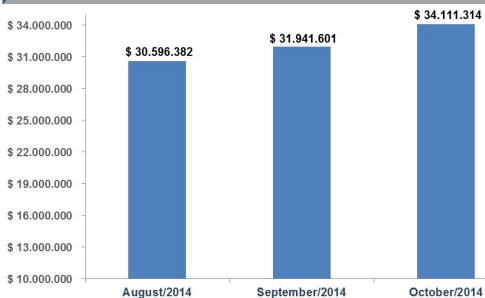
### VISP STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE

Provide accompaniment and technical support for GoC policies, systems and institutions at the national, departmental and municipal levels, to strengthen capacities and build necessary competencies for the timely and effective execution and implementation of the Victims Law.

VISP projects by status and month



Value of VISP's formulated projects by month



### R1. Improved GOC Strategic Management for Victims Law

#### Inauguration of Cartagena's Victims Attention Point

- Supported the renovations and equipment provision of the Victims' Attention Point in Cartagena in order to provide dignified attention and reparation services for victims, while the ongoing design and construction process to build a Regional Attention Center for Victims in Bolivar advances
- The Victims Unit's regional offices are focal points for victims at the local level and strengthen the regional provision of attention and reparation services

#### Improving institutional offer for victims

- Strengthened the Victims Unit's Inter-institutional Management Directorate through various actions:
  - Supporting the design of the strategy "We are all system" to coordinate government institutions, assessing victims' investment in the regions
  - Establishing a co-financing mechanism between the Victims Unit and local authorities to fund projects
  - Disseminating the victims participation protocol
  - Creating a bank project to finance initiatives designed by victims representatives
  - Defining procedures to submit information when required by the Constitutional Court
- These multifaceted actions have strengthened the Victims Unit's coordination role in SNARIV and advanced the integrated implementation of the Victims Law at the local and national levels

#### Victims' public policy reviewed in Caquetá

- Workshop held with 16 regional ombudspersons, the regional inspector general's team and VISP to analyze the situation of victims' public policies in Caquetá
- Participants revised the regional budget and execution of resources for victims, discussed victims' participation in Caquetá and established a monitoring and evaluation strategy for the local implementation of the Victims Law
- Workshop identified the need to increase budgetary allocation for victims and strengthen reparation policies

#### Chocó updates Local Action Plan (PAT) for victims with funding guaranteed by Governor's office

- Supported the session to update Chocó's Local Action Plan (PAT), taking into account needs and priorities for victims' reparations

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- Governor Efrén Palacios confirmed his promise to designate nearly USD 5 million from the General Royalties System and USD 900,000 from the department's budget to finance the PAT in 2015

- Following institutional coordination and advances by the Victims Unit's Regional Office, the Regional Inspector General's Office, the Governor's Office and victims, the PAT's completion is expected by November 20

### R2. Improved GOC Rehabilitation Services for the Wellbeing of Citizens

#### Health secretaries have capacity to implement the Comprehensive Health Program for Victims (PAPSIVI)

- Strengthened the Ministry of Health and Departmental Health Secretaries' capacity to provide initial training processes to PAPSIVI Interdisciplinary Teams
- A total of 800 civil servants from 10 departments have been trained
- Health Secretaries' ability to directly implement training processes with PAPSIVI teams ensures long-term sustainability

#### Regional workshops on disability policies with diversity mainstreaming

- Five regional workshops were held (in Medellín, Cali with the participation of Nariño and Cauca, Santa Marta and two in Bogotá) on implementing national disability policies and developing guidelines and strategies for comprehensive rehabilitation for victims with disabilities
- 270 participants, including victims with disabilities from victims participation roundtables, Regional Disability Committee delegates, and civil servants from the Victims Unit and Action against Mines from 32 departments, attended the workshops
- A final document will be published for SNARIV's Rehabilitation Sub-Committee to replicate the exercise at the national level

### R3. Transitional Justice Processes Advanced

#### Historical memory workshop with civil servants from the National Assistance and Reparation System (SNARIV) and victims' municipal liaisons from Tumaco, Pasto and Samaniego

- Provided training on the institutional responsibilities of SNARIV institutions and victims' municipal liaisons to disseminate and appropriate regional and local historical memory processes and initiatives

### Return and Relocation Protocol presentation event

- Supported a technical workshop with 155 municipal victims' liaisons on the Return and Relocation Protocol; participating municipalities were selected based on the state of their return or relocation plans and their participation in the Victims Unit's Central - Local strategy
- Presented the final document of the Return and Relocation Protocol, which was approved by Resolution 0329 of 2014
- Revised the return or relocation plans designed in order to determine their viability with the support of a "dynamic" project (proyecto dinamizador) for 2015

### R4. Select GOC Institutions and Systems Accommodate the Specific Needs of Ethnic Groups and Women

#### Intercultural dialogue with ethnic authorities and local authorities in Montería

- Supported a meeting between ethnic and local authorities to include diversity mainstreaming in victims attention and reparation services
- Presented VISP supported methodologies and products developed by the Victims Unit's Ethnic Affairs Directorate to the Victims Unit's Regional Office in Córdoba and local authorities
- Collected information on ethnic communities' participation in the implementation of diversity mainstreaming in Córdoba

### Quote



"The purpose of this meeting is to receive information on individual and collective reparation and accessing attention routes. We have witnessed cases of community members giving authorization letters to lawyers who claim that they can speed up procedures with the government", stated the leader of the Zenu indigenous community, discussing the importance of the information and exchange session on victims' rights.



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## Institutional Strengthening of Select GoC Entities

### Victims Assistance and Reparation Unit (Victims Unit)



#### Institutional capacities:

- Supported large-scale declaration sessions to register victims and reduce backlog in Cauca. The declarations of approximately 70 victims were received and information on available institutional offer was provided to 270 victims in attendance
- Strengthened the Victims Unit's Inter-institutional Management Directorate
- Intercultural dialogue with ethnic authorities and local authorities in Montería
- Inauguration of Cartagena's Victims Attention Point

#### Individual competencies:

- Human Rights and Gender Justice workshop to guarantee the effective provision of attention, assistance and reparation services for victims of sexual violence within the conflict in Turbo, Antioquia with 30 female victims

### National Historical Memory Center



#### Individual competencies:

- Digital Literacy Presentation in Tumaco
- Historical memory workshop with civil servants from SNARIV and victims' municipal liaisons from Tumaco, Pasto and Samaniego

### Ministry of Health



#### Individual competencies:

- Continued Phase II of workshops with PAPSIVI Teams

### National Planning Department (DNP)



#### Individual competencies:

- Training workshop on the Victims Law's ethnic decrees, project creation, the general adjusted methodology (MGA) and the general royalties system in Medellín and Apartadó

### Mayor's and Governor's Offices

#### Institutional capacities:

- Supported the session to update Chocó's Local Action Plan (PAT), taking into account needs and priorities for victims' reparations

## Highlights by Target Municipality

### Antioquia: Medellín, Necoclí, Turbo, Apartadó and Chigorodo

R1. Individual declaration process with victims of the armed conflict; R4. Training workshop on the Victims Law's ethnic decrees, project creation, the general adjusted methodology (MGA) and the general royalties system in Medellín and Apartadó

### Cauca: Popayán

R1. Supported large-scale declaration sessions to register victims and reduce

### Chocó: Quibdó, Bojayá, Riosucio

R1. Supported the session to update Chocó's Local Action Plan (PAT), taking into account needs and priorities for victims' reparations; Phase II of project to train PAPSIVI teams

### Bolívar: Cartagena, María la Baja, San Juan Nepomuceno, San Jacinto, Carmen de Bolívar

R4. Strengthening collective reparation processes in Bolívar (Narrar para Vivir and San Basilio de Palenque)

### Magdalena: Santa Marta, Ciénaga, Fundación

R2: Phase II of project to train PAPSIVI teams

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### Sucre: Sincelejo, San Onofre, Ovejas

Victims Law's implementation gaps identification workshop to identify, together with the Victims Units' Regional Offices, local authorities and VISP, gaps and improvement areas to implement the Comprehensive Attention, Assistance and Reparation Model for Victims (MAARIV) in Sucre

### Córdoba: Montería, Montelibano, Tierralta

R1. Workshop to unify knowledge on Victims Unit's policy and programs to identify

### Caquetá: Florencia, La Montañita, Cartagena del Chaira

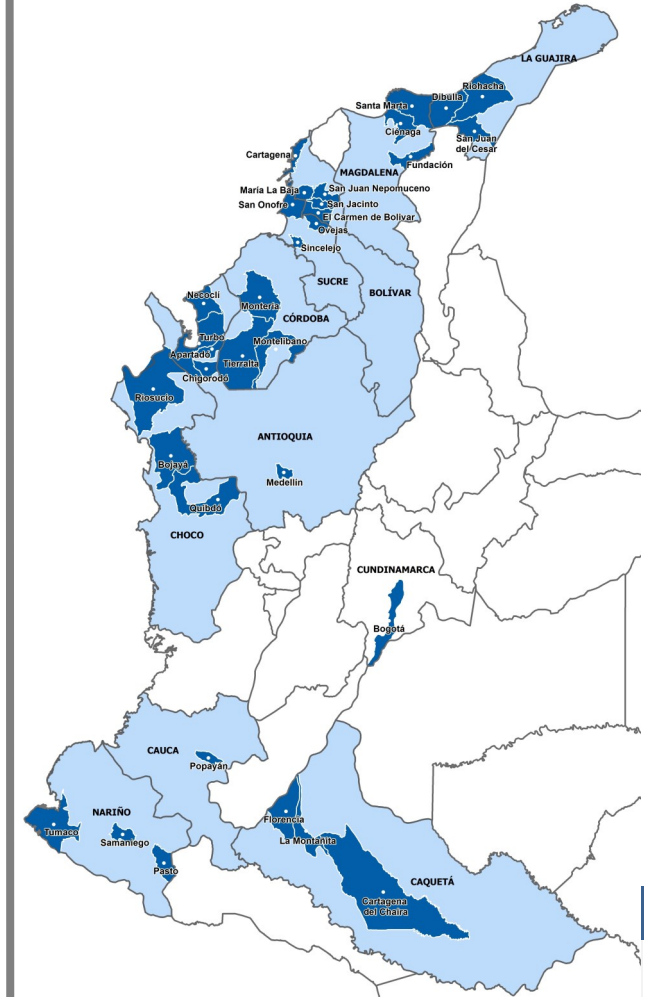
R1. Workshop to improve the report of advances to the Victims Law Reporting, Monitoring and Coordination System (RUSICST): Workshop on implementing victims public policies; R2 Phase II of project to train PAPSIVI teams

### Nariño: Pasto, Samaniego, Tumaco

R3. Digital Literacy Presentation in Tumaco

### Bogotá

## VISP Targeted Regions



## Highlighted Products

- Video: Diversity Mainstreaming in victims attention, assistance and reparation services, available here: <http://bit.do/Uyce>