

Portrait of Dauda Koroma, Deputy Head of food security programmes on the base of Makeni, Sierra Leone.

Dauda Koroma, 34 years old, has worked for ACF since 1998.

He has successively occupied the following posts : Radio operator, Head of Food Security Monitoring, Deputy Food Security coordinator, Head of Food Security Programme and Head of Income generating projects. At present he is Deputy Head of Food Security Programmes on the Makeni base in Sierra Leone .



Within the framework of his functions, Dauda is responsible for managing 25 persons, controlling the budget and stocks as well as training « junior » employees. He is also in charge of replacing the Head of Food Security Programmes when absent and during the handover of posts. He fully participates in defining food security strategies by implementing and assessing the projects.

What he likes about this post is sharing his knowledge with those he trains and also being in contact with other actors present in the field by sharing his experience with them. He also enjoys the responsibilities involved in managing and controlling budgets and stocks.

In his spare time Dauda likes practicing sports, in particular karate and table tennis. He also enjoys playing Scrabble and writing poems. He even won a prize for one of his poems during a contest organized by the BBC.

When asked what positive experience has stood out most in his career he says that it is not a question of a particular event that he remembers especially but the fact of having passed from the logic of emergency situations in the first posts he occupied followed by the logic of « development » which has enabled him to work on a project for a longer time and to make the most of his capacities to adapt to changes. He is also proud to be the one to replace the Head of the Programme when he is absent or when the post is vacant and they are awaiting the arrival of the new expatriate, and to be the person who will train the new colleague.

Dauda likes meeting all sorts of people and exchanging ideas with them. He rapidly adapts to new situations and likes proving this capacity as he did when he came to Paris and visited the city on his own, using public transport and with just a guide book to assist him.

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