CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC

Bangui Declaration on Joint Actions

Delivering for the people, Prefecture by Prefecture

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1 Introduction and National Environment

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Why the Bangui Declaration

Sets out the purpose of the Bangui Declaration on Joint Actions: bringing citizens, companies, investors and public agencies together to deliver improvements people can see in daily life. Explains its three principles, seven programme areas and how it complements the National Development Plan 2024–2028.

Conditions Nationally

Summarises conditions across the country in late 2026: humanitarian need, displacement, food insecurity, fragile power and water, and conflict between farmers and herders. Shows how readiness for development differs sharply from one region to another.

A Country at a Turning Point

Describes how the Central African Republic has reached its strongest position in more than a decade, with fighting slowed, elections held in December 2025 and the main armed groups disarming. Sets out the pressures that remain and why coordinated action is needed now.

2 Structure

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Patron & Chair

Introduces the Patron and the Chair of the Bangui Declaration, who give the initiative its standing and leadership. Describes their roles in setting direction, convening partners and representing the Declaration at home and abroad.

Task Force

Explains the Task Force that coordinates delivery, tracks progress and removes barriers to completing projects. Shows how government, companies and investors work through a single body to direct effort where it is needed most.

Secretariat

Describes the Secretariat that supports the Task Force and Prefecture Representatives day to day. Covers coordination, reporting, record-keeping and communication with prefecture representatives and partners.

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2 Structure

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Prefecture Representatives

Defines the role of the respected, non-aligned representative appointed in each of the 20 prefectures. Covers validating local priorities, overseeing delivery and reporting to Bangui each month.

3 Prefectures Programme

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Prefectures, Towns and Population

Profiles the 20 prefectures, their main towns and their populations. Provides the baseline for planning, drawing on the provisional results of the 2025 national census.

Historical Background by Prefecture

Outlines how the conflicts since 2013 have shaped each prefecture, from communal division to armed control of mining areas. Explains the legacy that development work in each place must take into account.

Current Conditions by Prefecture

Describes the situation in each prefecture as of late 2026, covering security, displacement, services and livelihoods. Groups prefectures by whether they are ready for recovery, in transition or still in crisis.

Priorities by Prefecture

Sets out the most pressing needs and proposed interventions for each prefecture. Links every priority to the Declaration's programme areas, from clinics and schools to roads, farming, power and water.

Background Profile

Presents the model prefecture report, using Bangui as the template for all 20 prefectures. Covers healthcare, schools, food and farmers, and electricity and water, with proposed interventions, indicators and the existing programmes to build on.

Programme Implementation

Explains how the prefecture plans will be delivered: phasing, partners, oversight and monthly reporting. Shows how results will be measured, checked and shared.

Who Could Do What

Maps the organisations that could take on each area of work: government agencies, companies, investors, development partners and NGOs. Helps each partner see where its skills and resources fit best.

Prefecture Representatives: Selection Criteria

Sets out the qualities and experience required of a prefecture representative, including standing in the community, impartiality and the ability to work with government, partners and local people alike.

Prefecture Representatives: Terms and Vetting

Covers the terms on which representatives are appointed, including duration, responsibilities and standards of conduct, and the vetting used to confirm their suitability and independence.

4 Activities (additional)

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InvestCAR

Presents the Central African Republic to the world as a place to invest. Covers inward investment, export promotion, public affairs, executive trade missions, global events and roadshows in key countries.

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Local Content & Localisation

Sets out how the Declaration will make the most of local businesses, workers and suppliers. Covers local procurement, partnerships and the transfer of skills so that the benefits stay in the Central African Republic.

Driving CSR and ESG Responsibility

Explains how participating companies will meet high standards of corporate social responsibility and environmental, social and governance practice. Covers community benefit, transparency and responsible operations.

Furthering National Development

Shows how the Declaration supports the government's National Development Plan 2024–2028 beyond its core programme areas. Introduces the six areas below, which strengthen the long-term foundations of the economy.

- **Development of Services Sector**
  Looks at growing services such as finance, telecommunications, tourism, transport and professional services. Identifies how investment and skills can create jobs and support every other sector.
- **Development of Manufacturing Sector**
  Examines opportunities to process raw materials in the country rather than exporting them unprocessed, from food and timber to building materials. Considers the power, finance and skills required.
- **Industrial Capacity Register**
  Proposes a register of the country's existing industrial and technical capacity: firms, facilities, equipment and skills. Helps partners find local suppliers and see where capacity needs to be built.
- **Harmonise Code of Practice**
  Proposes common standards of practice for participating companies and partners, so that work is carried out consistently and transparently. Covers quality, safety, conduct and reporting.
- **Training, Skills, Human Resource Development**
  Covers vocational training, apprenticeships and professional development linked to real jobs. Focuses on skills in demand, such as construction, agriculture, electrical work, mechanics and digital services.
- **Research and Development**
  Considers how research, data and innovation can support development, from agricultural research to studies that guide investment. Looks at partnerships with universities and research institutions.

5 Sectors Repository

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Agribusiness

Reviews opportunities to add value to farm produce through processing, storage, packaging and distribution. Covers crops such as cassava, maize, coffee and sesame, livestock products, and links between farmers and buyers.

Agriculture

Covers crop and livestock farming, on which most households depend. Looks at improved seeds and tools, storage, access to markets and reducing conflict between farmers and herders.

Forestry

Examines the country's forests, timber industry and conservation. Considers sustainable management, the rights of forest communities and eco-tourism such as gorilla tourism at Bayanga.

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Mining
Covers diamonds, gold and other minerals, and how mining can benefit local people. Looks at transparency, traceability, safe conditions for artisanal miners and fair sharing of revenue.

Power and Energy
Reviews electricity supply, which meets well under half of demand in Bangui. Covers hydropower, solar mini-grids for secondary towns and clinics, and the maintenance needed to keep supply reliable.

Transport and Logistics
Examines road, river and air transport and the high cost of moving goods in a landlocked country. Covers feeder roads, all-season access, fuel supply and logistics services.

Transport Corridors
Looks at the main trade routes linking the Central African Republic with Cameroon, Congo and other neighbours. Considers how better corridors can lower costs and open up export markets.

Free Trade Zones
Explores designated zones offering simplified rules and incentives to attract investment, manufacturing and trade. Considers suitable locations, governance and links to the main transport corridors.

6 Philanthropy

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Overview
Explains how philanthropic funding can complement public and private investment. Sets out the Declaration's approach to channelling donations into visible, well-managed projects.

Education and Skills Development
Covers support for classrooms, teachers, desks, textbooks and school meals, and for vocational training. Focuses on keeping children in school and giving young people skills that lead to work.

Food Security
Addresses hunger and malnutrition, which affect around one person in three. Covers support to farmers, school feeding, food storage and nutrition programmes.

Health
Covers essential medicines, maternal and child care, vaccination, community health workers and solar power for clinics. Focuses on primary healthcare where the need is greatest.

MSME Development
Supports micro, small and medium-sized enterprises through finance, training and links to markets. Looks particularly at women-led businesses, cooperatives and young entrepreneurs.

Water
Covers the repair of boreholes and water systems, safe drinking water for schools and clinics, and sanitation. Includes maintenance arrangements so that new water points keep working.

Youth Unemployment
Addresses the lack of work for young people, a driver of insecurity and of recruitment into armed groups. Covers training, apprenticeships, labour-intensive public works and support for young entrepreneurs.

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7 Resources & References

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Casablanca Proposals

Presents the Casablanca Proposals and how they relate to the aims and partnerships of the Bangui Declaration. Summarises the main recommendations and the next steps they suggest.

Media

Brings together media coverage and communication materials on the Bangui Declaration. Supports clear, consistent messaging to the public, partners and investors.

Multilaterals and Regional Bodies

Lists the international and regional organisations active in the Central African Republic, such as the World Bank, UN agencies and regional economic bodies. Shows where their programmes connect with the Declaration.

Trade Data and Information

Provides key figures on the country's trade, exports, imports and markets. Supports investment decisions and the work of InvestCAR.

Treaties

Summarises the treaties and agreements relevant to the Declaration, including trade, investment and regional arrangements. Explains what they mean for partners and investors.

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