



Monthly Progress Report-July 2007

Program for Hydro Meteorological Risk Mitigation in Secondary cities in Asia (PROMISE) implementing in Kalutara District in Sri Lanka.

Project Objective & Activities in Summary:

OBJECTIVE 1:

Adoption of specific hydro-meteorological disaster preparedness and mitigation measures to manage hydro-meteorological disaster risk by stakeholders in targeted cities

OBJECTIVE 2:

Increased stakeholder involvement and further enhancement of strategies, tools and methodologies related to community preparedness and mitigation of hydro-meteorological disasters in urban communities.

OBJECTIVE 3:

Enhanced coordination with USAID Missions to promote sustainability and ensure program activities accord with USAID country and regional strategies

OBJECTIVE 4:

Institutions/organizations for improved capacity for application and dissemination of lessons learned. Strengthened networks and regional linkages among relevant risk management

Activity Report

Work to be done during the month of July

1 Community level projects for preparedness and mitigation

- 2 Micro Credit Schemes for preparedness and mitigation
- 3 Training on risk based Urban Land Use planning SLILG
- 4 Campaigns for raising public awareness

Activity 1: Community level projects for preparedness and mitigation

According to the Hazard and vulnerable assessment, PROMISE Sri Lankan team had identified some locations to start the mitigation measures for hydro meteorological disasters. Most of them are aliened with the elevation of roads, prepare drainage systems ,removal of the garbage from

water cannels .But within the given budget line we cannot cope with all the community proposals and we should select some feasible activities .Two field visits have done to identify the feasible small scale projects during this month.

After the 1st field visit we identified the 5 locations to start as developmental projects.

Technical officer of Sarvodaya rural technical service joined to the second field visit .With the support of GN s and other government officers Technical Officer from Sarvodaya Rural Technical Services Division assessed the feasibility of the project and the budgetary sufficiency for the each project.

Considering funding availability and get support of the human recourses of the GN division suggested 3 projects to be implemented.

Activity 2: <u>Micro Credit schemes for preparedness and mitigation</u>

Information was collected through the Kalutara District centre and the GN Officers of the project implementing area.15 case studies were considered and trying to limit up to 10 considering the funding availability. We planned to organize the events during the month of August and will start on September through SEED (Sarvodaya Economic Enterprise Development Organization. Follower visits to analyze the cases further and Discussions with the relevant officers of SEEDS on implementation procedure of the Micro Credit Schemes will be held during the month of August.

Activity 3: <u>SLILG Trainings</u>

Several discussions were held with SLILG for not achieving program goals with being on timeliness stated in signed MOU with Sarvodaya. SLILG has agreed to extend the MOU till December 2007 and complete the given tasks. Further actions remaining in documentations relate to above task will be taking in the month of August.

Activity 4: <u>Emergency Response Trainings</u>

As a result of the joint effort of Promise staff of Sarvodaya Community disaster management center and the Sarvodaya community health unit, we could conducted another 5 day EMT Level 1 Training for 28 volunteers of kalutara and Moratuwa area at SCDMC ,Moratuwa .The training was conducted by the North West Medical Team International institute .This institute has promised to donate MFR Trainings for rescue groups attached to the Kalutara EOC and SCDMC.Therefore Sarvodaya wants to sign the MOU with Medical Teams International to get donated their trainings in future. Next training will be held at Kalutara with the intension of training other 25 members from Kalutara to attach the Kalutara EOC.

Activity 5.3

Ms Priyanka Mudalige, newly-recruited Project Manager, PROMISE Sri Lanka Project, attended the Coordinators meeting of PROMISE at Thailand on 31st July 2007. The meeting was focused on future improvements of the project implementations was more on planning for the future.



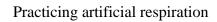
Opening Ceremony



Participants and Medical Team International



Medical first response for head and neck injury







Distributing certificates to the participants