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**Monthly Progress Report (August 2007) for the  
Program for Hydro-Meteorological Risk Mitigation in Secondary cities in Asia  
(PROMISE), Hyderabad**

The monthly summary report for August, 2007 is as under:

**Component 1: Hazard Mapping and Vulnerability Study**

***Demo Projects***

- The demo projects were approved by ADPC with necessary modifications. The community mobilization process has been started for the contribution on part of the communities
- In the reporting period one terms of partnership with one community was signed
- Hyderabad City got heavy downpour this monsoon as well in the second and third weeks of August 2007. The PROMISE project areas faced difficulties of moderate scale as the rain water flooded houses and streets for couple of days
- PROMISE Pakistan team has planned to redo 'Participatory Hazard Mapping and Vulnerability and Capacity Assessment' this year. The activities in this regard has been started and it is expected that the study would be completed in mid of September 2007

**Component 2: Training and Capacity Building**

- Mr Masood Ahmed Mahesar, Project Coordinator, PROMISE Pakistan participated in 16<sup>th</sup> Community Based Disaster Risk Reduction Course at AIT, Thailand from July 16-27, 2007.
- The training for 'Medical First Responders' concluded on July 28, 2007 in Hyderabad. Twenty four (24) volunteers from different project locations of PROMISE Hyderabad participated in the training. The training was imparted by facilitators from FOCUS Humanitarian Assistance, Pakistan and Aga Khan University and Fredrick John Bernardo.
- One health and hygiene promotion program was organized in Maheshwari Colony on August 17, 2007. The participants were transmitted important health and hygiene messages through pictorial posters and demo on preparing ORS. Thirty three community members mostly women participated in the activity
- An orientation program for the school children was organized in Aminabad School, Hyderabad. Sixty eight children from Grade X participated in the event. At the end of session the children were able to understand basic causes of the disasters and their effects

of human lives and livelihoods. The activity was organized in collaboration with FOCUS Humanitarian Assistance, Pakistan.

### **Component 3: Networking**

#### ***Networking with local organizations:***

The project team continued field activities through meetings with communities and other stakeholders: NGOs and GOs. The focus of these meetings was to continue awareness raising activities and discuss implementation strategies for demo projects.

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