



PROMISE PROJECT VIETNAM

NARRATIVE PROGRESS REPORT

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A. Activity Summary

In September 2007 the project team: i) conducted Training of trainers (TOT). ii) finalised the set of guidelines on safer construction techniques resistant to typhoons and floods iii) reviewed Disaster Preparedness Plans of the section clusters and ward level and proposed small scale community based sub projects iv) implemented C-BERC for trainers of Red cross at city level v) prepared for the school programme and community disaster prevention tour vi) prepared for the Mid term Financial Review by ADPC team vii) attended the second Regional Course on Governance and Disaster Risk Reduction in Bangkok from 17 to 21 September 2007

Activities and performance:

- **Activity 1.2.2 Training of trainers (TOT)**

Thirteen Change Agents (four female and 9 male trainers) identified from six ward and Cam Le district participated in TOT training from 27 to 28 September 07. The one and a half day training equipped these 13 CA with facilitating techniques, condensed CBDRM training content and skills of validation of Disaster Preparedness Plan (DPP). The CAs were divided into three groups to conduct community meetings at the three wards to disseminate information on CBDRM and validate the disaster preparedness plan.

The TOT training not only enabled capacity building of the change agents on disaster mitigation and preparedness but also developing their training delivery skill. This helped to create a resource of trainers in dissemination CBDRM for the local.

- **Activity 2.5 Risked based urban land use planning training**
Activity 2.5.2 Develop guidelines on safe construction techniques

The content of guidelines was finalized between CECI teams this month. In House Workshop were to be held in the following month to get it familiarize with city authority.

- **Activity 2.4: Community Based Disaster Preparedness Plan**
Activity 2.4.1. Revise Disaster Preparedness Plan

The final disaster preparedness plan was collected. Up to present, three wards have submitted their DPP with proposal for community based small scaled subprojects. These DPPs would be finalized after community meetings to be conducted in the following month.

- Activity 2.4.2 Sub project selection review*

The project steering committee was resumed on 25 September 2007 to get agreement on criteria for subproject selection and priority for investment. The subproject would mainly cover community awareness raising on CBDRM and environment protection, training and support to the emergency response team, agriculture production improvement accompanied with operation and maintenance training. The final list of sub projects to be supported by the project was to be decided after the community meeting and finalization with the district.

Activity 3.4: Training on Medical First Responders

The Community Level Basic Emergency Response Course (C- BERC) training was implemented from 10 to 12 September 2007 in collaboration with ADPC team and Danang city Red Cross Association. The training was conducted by Instructors from ADPC, Mr. Frederick John Abo, Technical Manager, Public Health in Emergencies (PHE) and four Assistant Instructors from the city Red Cross. As it was designed for the three – day as requested by PROMISE Vietnam, the training focused on main content as DM context in Vietnam, Diseases Precautions, Emergency Incident, Principles of Patient Assessment, Basic Life Support & CPR, Bleeding, Shock, Lifting and Moving Patient, Fracture, Sprain, Dislocation and Triage. Totally there were twenty seven trainers of the city Red Cross from 7 districts of Danang city (9 female and 18 male) attending actively in the training. The training was completed quite successfully with 26 trainers receiving certificate of completion and one receiving certificate of attendance after the writing test at the end of the training to assess trainers' knowledge and skills. Mr. Anup Karanth, Promise Coordinator also came to Danang to assist in the training.

Following with this training, three more training classes were to be conducted consecutively to three emergency rescue teams of the three most vulnerable wards.

Activity 3.1 Campaign for raising public awareness

Activity 3.1.2 School programmes:

Preparation started for the drawing competition on Disaster Preparedness and living Environment Protection to the target of 4th and 5th grade pupils of school in the three project wards. A draft plan was developed. Collection of information on number of classes and schools and working with the District Education Department was on process.

Activity 4.2 Study tour for CBDRM institutionalization model

Following the engagement into the Media Campaign under the DIPECHO Advocacy Network Initiative project to advocate for CBDRM at both national and local level last month, PROMISE Vietnam also actively participated in the Communities Disaster Prevention Tour for DIPECHO project partners from 4th to 10 October. This was the integration of PROMISE VIETNAM into other projects implemented by CECI as a partner of DIPECHO project. Around 35 participants from Save the Children, OXFARM, SRC-NLRC VNRC, CARE, World Vision, Development Workshop France, CECI and mass media would participate in the study tour to different projects from the South to the Central of Vietnam. Five persons from PROMISE Vietnam including two from project team and three from district and ward partners would participate into this study tour. To share its good practice on CBDRM, PROMISE Vietnam would take the study tour group to visit a house demonstration in its safer house programme for promotion of application of safe techniques in house construction practices.

▪ **Other Activities:**

Mid term Financial Review 11 – 12 September 2007

The Mid-term Financial Review of Promise Vietnam was conducted by Ms. Budsarin Chuensombat and Ms. Prissana Noitonglek from finance team of ADPC on 11th and 12th of September. The Review included review and checking of all transaction details, staff time sheet, disbursement report, counterpart contribution details, overhead calculation, bank statement and bank advices for cash received from ADPC since the beginning of project. The Review went smoothly without any comments as all the disbursement has conformed to USAID/ADPC financial requirements.

Second Regional Course on Governance and Disaster Risk Reduction, Bangkok, 17 to 21 September 2007

Four nominees from PROMISE Vietnam team (Ms. Duong Thi Hoai Trang, Project Coordinator, CECI), representatives from Danang city government (Mr. Thai Van Quang the city Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Aquaculture and Mr Tran Viet Dzung, Construction Planning Institute) and from the Central Committee for Storm and Flood Control (Ms Pham Hoang Lan) attended the five-day Regional training course on Governance and Disaster Risk Reduction in Bangkok from 17 to 21 September 2007. This was the second training course on the same topic organized by the ADPC under PROMISE. The course covered topics on urban governance, risk management, vulnerability reduction and mainstreaming risk reduction as a component of governance. A training plan to institutionalize this training course was also discussed at the end of the training.

B. Next month activities Plan:

- Participation to the Community Disaster Prevention Tour
- Community meetings for dissemination on CBDRM and validation of DPPs
- Finalization of guidelines on urban planning and safer construction techniques;
- Finalization of community based small scale sub projects;
- Preparation for school programme;
- Development of a hydro-meteorological risk assessment module for the CBDRM training.

C. Issues encountered and solutions:

No issue was encountered this month.