



PROMISE PROJECT VIETNAM

NARRATIVE PROGRESS REPORT

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A. Activity Summary

For the month of February 2008 the activities of the PROMISE Vietnam team included:

- i) Incorporation of comments from city and ADPC and finalization of guidelines on basic construction techniques;
- ii) Continued implementation of community based disaster mitigation subprojects;
- iii) Finalization of support to EOC and SOP;
- iv) Development of picture books for primary school pupils based on the results of drawing competition on Disaster preparedness and environment protection;
- v) Support to set up a broadcasting column on CBDRM.

B. Activities and performance:

▪ Activity 2.5 Risked based urban land use planning training

Activity 2.5.2 Develop guidelines on safe construction techniques

Development of basic guidelines on safe construction techniques was at the final step. The team was incorporating city's comments and ADPC comments and finalized the guideline book.

▪ Activity 2.4: Community Based Disaster Preparedness Plan

Activity 2.4.3 Sub project implementation

- Structural small scale community based subprojects:

A training class on construction monitoring techniques was conducted to eighteen members of four Community Development Groups, which was followed by field visit for actual instructions. These four groups then were provided with measuring tapes to facilitate their works.

Construction of the four continued to proceed. The progress was detailed as follows:

**Upgrading inter-field dyke section 5-6 (Hoa Tho Tay ward):* Construction started on the whole section of 254m. Concrete was placed to foundation after foundation excavation and placement of lean concrete as a bedding layer. Part of formworks was set up for placement of concrete to the walls. Total work quantity achieved 35%.

** Upgrading inter-filed dyke section 7A-7B (Hoa Tho Tay ward):* Placement of concrete to foundation was done on half of the total length of 248m while placement of lean concrete as a bedding layer was done on the other half. Total work quantity achieved 25%.

**Upgrading evacuation bridge and road (Hoa Xuan ward):* The works were complete up to placement of concrete to deck slab after finishing the foundation and abutments. Filling up to rise up the level of evacuation route was being done. Total work quantity achieved 45%.

** Upgrading flood drain for intersection 16-29-33:* The old rusted structure was removed. Works started with filling up of levee to divert water flow and drain water out off foundation.

Some delays were encountered due to paperwork procedures for removal of the old rusted structure.

Total work quantity achieved 10%.

- **Non-structural small scale community based subprojects:**

- * *Community Awareness Raising on Disaster Preparedness and Building Practices:*

These training classes on Disaster Preparedness and Building Practices were expanded to six wards of Cam Le district. Five more training classes were conducted this month. Around one hundred and fifty persons, of which there were sixty women, attended these two- day training classes on risk identification and assessment, development of disaster preparedness plan and good building practices towards a safer community. Up to now, nineteen of twenty classes proposed by the community were conducted, bringing up the total of 570 grass-root people trained on CBDRM and safer construction techniques.

- * *Improving Emergency Response of Cam Le district:*

The proposal focused on improving EOC and EWS of Cam Le district through provision of equipment and training to first responders of district and wards.

Emergency facilities: This month PROMISE Vietnam provided emergency facilities such as generators, electric saws. The equipment was of great help to strengthen access of community in getting early warnings as well as having quick response before, during and after disasters. Wireless loudspeakers and first aid bags were to be delivered in the following month.

Training to responders of district and wards: Training kits were prepared to facilitate a team of nineteen local trainers for basic emergency response coursework. On the basis of the CBERC training manual of ADPC, the project in collaboration with the city Red Cross revised the manual to fit into local context.

Refresher training was to carry out early March 08 and was to be followed by delivery of seventeen training classes to first responders at community level.

- **Activity 2.6 Emergency and Rescue team at city level and ward level, development of “Standard Operating Procedures”:**

Danang city has a particular EOC system in place acting as steering centres for emergency response at different levels from city down to ward level. The project support aimed at strengthening the coordination among different levels (city, district and wards) in getting information on emergency from lower levels for decision making and giving instructions through support in visualized tools such as hazard maps for the city CSFC and district.

- **Activity 3.1.2 School programs**

Content of the picture book for awareness raising on disaster preparedness and environment protection were being finalized. Development book was to be completed in the following month and distributed to primary schools.

- **Activity 3.3 Disaster Safety day events at city level:**

- Activity 3.3.2: Radio broadcast*

Radio broadcast on disaster preparedness at present was mainly carried out just in disaster periods. PROMISE collaborated with the District Broadcasting Department to develop a weekly column on disaster mitigation to raise awareness on risk assessment, how to develop a participatory plan, stories on CBDRM... This CBDRM column would be broadcasted twice a week on Sunday.

C. Next month activities Plan:

- Finalization of guidelines on urban planning and safer construction techniques and distribution;
- Accomplishment of six community based disaster mitigation subprojects;
- Implementation of awareness raising campaign;
- Finalization of picture books for primary pupils under school programme;
- Finalization of improving EOC and EWS
- Development of Case Study on Promise Vietnam project
- Preparation for WS on institutionalization of CBDRM and experience sharing.

D. Issues encountered and solutions:

No issue was encountered this month.