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**Monthly Progress Report (March 2008) for the  
Program for Hydro-Meteorological Risk Mitigation in Secondary cities in Asia  
(PROMISE), Hyderabad**

The monthly summary report for February, 2008 is as under:

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

***Demo Projects***

The physical implementation on demo projects have started

***1. Reducing Physical Vulnerability through Developing Flood Mitigation Infrastructure in Ghera Sudhar Community, Hyderabad***

The main activities being carried out under the project are:

- Earth filling in the streets of Ghera Hindu Basti
- Improving sanitation system through installing communal latrines

The works started in last week of January and the project is expected to be completed in the first week of April 2008. The communal latrines have been constructed whereas only plaster works on walls is underway. The storm water drainage pipelines have been laid down and the work is in final touches.

The local Government is expected to build twelve more communal latrines for the community. There are 300 families living in this community compound comprising around 30,000 square feet; which means less than 100 square feet plot for a family of 7-8 people is available for a single family, keeping in mind streets and few open spaces.

***2. Street Raising and Improving Drainage Lines in Aliabad Hyderabad***

The main activities being carried out under the project are:

- Raising streets with earth filling
- Installing covered drains
- Mobilizing communities for maintenance of the schemes
- Monitoring and supervision

The project implementation process has started and earth filling. The earth filling work has completed whereas works on storm water drains have also been started and near completion. The demo project is expected to be completed in the first week of April 2008.

### ***3. Reducing Vulnerability of Communities through Flood Mitigation Demo Projects in Thakur Colony, Hyderabad***

The main activities being carried out under the project include:

- Mobilize communities for saving generation
- Constructing approximately 850 rft of open drain with covers
- Earth filling (15,000 cft) in the streets of Mohallah
- Construction of two communal latrines
- Health and hygiene education through interactive dialogues and demonstration
- Monitoring and supervision

The earth filling and construction of latrines have been completed, whereas the waste cum storm water drainage work is in its completion process.

### ***4. Installation and Rehabilitation of Drainage Line in UC # 2 Latifabad, Hyderabad***

The main activities being carried out under the project are:

- Constructing approximately 850 rft of open drain with covers
- Earth filling (15,000 cft) in the streets of Mohallah
- Construction of two communal latrines
- Health and hygiene education through interactive dialogues and demonstration
- Monitoring and supervision

The physical implementation process under this demo project has started and expected to be completed in first week of April 2008.

### ***5. Mitigating Flood through Improved Drainage System***

The main activities being carried out under the project are:

- Community dialogue
- Installation of sump tank with 10' dia and construction of 850 rft drainage line
- Rehabilitation of four communal latrines

The physical implementation works have started on the project in the third week of March 2008.

## **Component 3: Networking**

### ***Meeting with Deputy District Nazim:***

The necessary arrangements for conduction of city level workshop for finalizing District Disaster Management Plan are underway. A follow up meeting in this regard was held with District Nazim Hyderabad on March 14, 2008. Another meeting with Deputy District Nazim was held on Monday, March 23, 2008. The PROMISE team discussed with the Nazims current progress and thanked collaboration of District Government. The district Government has agreed to convene

City Consultative Workshop and Training Governance and Disaster Risk Reduction in the month of April 2008. The dates are to be confirmed from ADPC.

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