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PROMISE PROJECT

Philippines

NARRATIVE PROGRESS REPORT

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Activity Summary

Objectives and the corresponding activities for this month:

1. Adoption of specific hydro-meteorological disaster preparedness and mitigation measures to manage hydro-meteorological disaster risk by stakeholders in Dagupan City.

***Meeting with Dagupan Promise Focal Person and Meeting with Finance Officer
No Strings Meeting***

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

***DMO for the Norwegian Mission Alliance
No Strings Meeting
RECLAIM Regional Course
GFDRR Meeting for South-South Proposals***

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

GFDRR Meeting for South-South Proposals

4. Strengthen networks and regional links among relevant risk management institutions/ organizations for improving potential and capacity for application and dissemination of lessons learned.

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Activities

Meeting with Dagupan Promise Focal Person and Meeting with Finance Officer

On October 15, 2008 Ms. Luneta (Project Coordinator) and Ms. Emma Molina (Project PROMISE Focal Person), Ms. Grace and Fatima Molina (CDP Researchers) had a meeting regarding the CBDRM Refresher Course for the TWG. The Refresher Course aimed to enhance and update the knowledge, skills and attitude of the TWG. They also set the date on November for the event to have enough time to prepare.

During the month of October the Project Coordinator Ms Luneta and the Finance Officer Francisca Doctolero met and reconciled the finances of the project promise.

DMO for the Norwegian Mission Alliance

Ms. Julie Passi of Norwegian Mission Alliance asked CDP to give a disaster management orientation regarding children and disasters. Ms. Luneta was the one who gave the orientation and shared also CDP's experience as well as PROMISE experience. This was done in the NMA office in Quezon City last October 16, 2008.

No Strings Meeting

Last October 24, 2008, Ms. Luneta met with Ms. Candy de Juan of Department of Education Culture and Sports, Mr. Baltz Tribulano of Plan Philippines and Mr. John Mc Glade of No Strings. The meeting was about the Film on Disaster Preparedness Produced by No Strings (Puppet Film) that will be translated to Filipino. The film would help a lot in Public Awareness for Disaster Preparedness for Children.

RECLAIM Regional Course

On October 27-31, 2008 ADPC ran the Regional RECLAIM Course in Astoria Plaza, Pasig City. Ms. Luneta was asked to share on CBDRM process for Landslide Mitigation. During the sharing she also shared about the CBDRM process done by PROMISE Dagupan. Though the area was flood prone and not on landslide the process of involving the LGU and the community was highlighted. The participants appreciated the idea of involving the community.

GFDRR Meeting for South-South Proposals

Mr. Manu Gupta of Seeds involved other Asian Disaster Risk Reduction Network (including CDP) in the making of a proposal for DRR and Climate Change Adaptation which were short listed by World Bank. From October 28- 31, 2008, Ms. Luneta of CDP

attended this GFDRR Meeting for South-South Proposals sponsored by World Bank. The meeting was on passing the second stage of the proposal. If this will be approved, this would help in the sustainability of the DRR efforts of the PROMISE project.

A. Next month activities Plan

CBDRM Refresher Course
ICCO Study Tour
CPIE Regional Training

B. Issues encountered and solutions

The re scheduling of the major activity the NLDRRnet planning was vital for the involvement of other stakeholders. Since the PROMISE team would like to involve a lot of stakeholders the time would not be enough for preparation so it has to be re scheduled next quarter. It was important to ask ADPC for the extension of the project.

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