



PROMISE, Bangladesh

Extension Program activities in Jamalpur City

NARRATIVE PROGRESS REPORT

Reporting Period: May, 2010

Implemented by:



Asian Disaster Preparedness Center

Activity Summary

Following activities were performed during May, 2010:

Project Component -1: Development of Hydro-Meteorological Hazard based Maps and Action Plan for the Pouroshava community .

Activity-1.5: MOU between Pouroshava and ADPC: Organized a meeting on 13th May, 10 with Mayor to finalized MOU and finalized the items to be implemented under structural mitigation.

Activity-1.7: Preparation of detailed community based risk maps and action plans for

Selected wards of 1, 10, and 12: Based on the community level's risk mappings and conducted ward level workshops on April, 2010 the in detailed action plan related to Hydro metrological DRR is under processing by ADPC-GIS unit.

Project Component -2: Mitigation and Preparedness

Activity-3.1: Establishing community based EWS system: Identify 18 no. flood gauges Locations & ward level strategy for EWS dissemination mechanism finalized.

Activity-2.3: Implementation of mitigation activities identified at action planning: Organized a meeting on 13th May, 2010 with Mayor for reviewing the community level action plan, prioritization and finalization of disaster mitigation interventions. Formation of intervention implementation committee to monitor the interventions progress

Project Component -3: Training and Public Awareness

Activity-3.1: Conducted Community Based Emergency Response Course (CBERC) training: The training was successfully completed with 100% targeted participants.

Activity Reports

Activity-1.5: MOU between Pouroshava and ADPC:

A strategic level meeting was held on 13th May, 10 between Ms. Padma Karunaratne, Project Manager, PROMISE Program, ADPC and Mr. Advocate Shah Md. Wares Ali Mamun, Mayor, Jamalpur Municipality for finalizing terms and conditions of MOU.

The MOU will be the guiding tools for finalizing and implementing structural mitigations under the program. Mayor proposed some interventions and he supposes to finalize all possible mitigation interventions to consult with community and ward councilors. Proposed items received as a result of action planning workshop held in April, 2010. Based on this meeting's decision the MOU will be concluded between Municipality and ADPC. The fund transfer modalities from ADPC to Jamalpur Municipality have been finalized during the meeting also. Mr. AbuSayed, Town planner, Jamalpur Municipality and Mohammed Ahsan

Ullah, Administrative and Logistics officer,ADPC-Dhaka office were also present at the meeting.

Activity-1.7: Preparation of detailed community based risk maps and action plans for

Selected wards of 1, 10 and 12: Based on the community level’s risk mappings and conducted ward level works shops on April, 2010 the in detailed action plan for reducing Hydro metrological DRR is under processing by ADPC-GIS unit.

Community based action plan has been compiled and there are several common issues identified by the community. All action plans are compiled and now it is under processing to translate into local language.

Activity-3.1: Establishing community based EWS system: Identify flood gauges locations & ward level strategy for EWS dissemination mechanism, priorities and needs: Identify 18 no locations for flood gauges for the community with assistance from WDB. Specification finalization of flood gauges is under processed by Jamalpur Municipality’s engineering section to Supply and install flood gauges at identified locations in selected wards. The flood gauges will be installed in a semi structure way considering an average level’s meter of water to compare with RL (**Reducing level**) of Jamalpur city. The RL is fixed by the water development board for each city. As the dissemination process of the flood gauges information from community to city level and vice versa the EOC (**Emergency Operation Center**) has been established at the Pouroshava. Identified EOC materials, collected local quotations for arranging materials in the EOC and ensured Municipality’s contribution for EOC as the part of sustainability of the EWS for the city dwellers.

Activity-2.3: Implementation of mitigation activities identified at action planning

As per the meeting decision on 13th May, 10 between ADPC and Jamalpur Municipality, it was finalized that disaster mitigation interventions to be implemented instead of livelihood interventions. Items received as a result of action planning workshop held in April,10. So, mayor has taken responsibility to prioritize the activities identified at the action planning workshop. And finally based on the developed action plan and prioritizing community needs, total 2 approach road raising, 5 tube well installation with platform

Raising and 4 platform rising has been identified as the disaster mitigation interventions. For monitoring properly the proposed interventions an intervention implementation committee has been formed consisting following 11 members –

Sl #	Representative from professions	# of Members	Designation
01	Mayor,Jamalpur Municipality	1	Chairman
02	Engineering Section of Jamalpur PS-member	1	Member
03	Town Planner,Jamalpur PS	1	Member
04	Male Councilor of respective Ward	1	Member
05	Female councilor of respective Ward	1	Member
06	Male Representative of respective cluster	2	Member
07	Female representative of respective cluster	2	Member
08	ADPC representative	2	Member
	Total	11	

Municipality has been taken responsibility to prepare estimate of proposed interventions and submission of budget to ADPC for financing to Jamalpur Municipality. Municipality will contribute to provide necessary logistics support materials (like, bulldozer, heavy weight hammer, tractors etc) for smooth implementation of interventions and community will contribute to provide land and turf fin (putting grass on the raised roads for sustaining) on the developed road by their own labour community will also provide free of cost land to install tube well and construct platform.

Activity-3.1: Conducted Community Based Emergency Response Course (CBERC) training: Before the starting of training, a preparatory meeting was held between ADPC team and Municipality Parishad. How many number of participants would be participated from each ward where would be the training venue and other necessary points have been discussed during the preparatory meeting. Finally each councilor has taken responsibilities to ensure participation of all targeted participants.

Total 27 participants from community level, 3 councilors, mayor, town planner from Jamalpur municipality were participated in the 3days long training during 11th to 13th May,2010 at the venue of Jamalpur Municipality's conference room.

Two external resources persons (One from Bangladesh Red Crescent Society-BDRCS and another one resources person from World Vision Bangladesh) were facilitated the training with the ADPC Bangkok and Bangladesh team. For smooth understanding of the training course the training module has been translated in local language and provided handout to the all participants. Mayor, Jamalpur Municipality inaugurated the training on the May, and he distributed successfully training completion certificate to the participants through a closing ceremony of the three days long training on 13TH May, 2010

A. Next Month (June,2010) Activities Planned

- Concluding MOU between ADPC & Jamalpur Municipality
- Implementation of Disaster mitigation intervention
- Handing over the Fund to the Municipality installment wise
- Finalization of flood gauges specification, location, community based data keeper to established EWS to consult with WDB
- Finalize the Community Base Early Warning System.
- Handing over the EOC materials to the municipality.
- Preparation of Municipality level DRR action plans, maps
- Organize workshop for validation.

B. Issues Encountered and Solutions

- There are total 12 wards in Jamalpur Municipality but disaster mitigation interventions are going to implement in only ward no.1, 10 and 12 under the PROMISE program. It was very difficult to realize to the ward councilors about the limitation of PROMISE program and not possible to implement in all wards. Though is managed finally
- There is no standard methodology for establishing EWS in the community. Specifications for installing flood gauges are not clear also to the municipality and ADPC. WDB are very much reluctant to provide EWS information. So it is highly time consuming process to finalize the EWS mechanism for the community. Now Engineering section of Jamalpur municipality has taken responsibility to specify the flood gauges specification.