

PROMISE PROJECT VIETNAM

NARRATIVE PROGRESS REPORT

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A. <u>Activity Summary</u>

For the month of October 2007 the activities of the PROMISE Vietnam team were:

- i) Finalization of the set of guidelines on safer construction techniques resistant to typhoons and floods;
- ii) Organization of community meetings to disseminate CBDRM and finalize the ward disaster preparedness plan;
- iii) Submission list of community based small scale projects;
- iv) Implementation of Community Level Basic Emergency Response Course (C-BERC) at ward level;
- v) Participation into the Community Prevention Study Tour and celebration of the International Disaster Prevention Day (10th October).

B. Activities and performance:

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 and being translated to send to Construction Department and ADPC team for their comments.

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

Three community meetings were conducted in three wards from 23th to 25th October to disseminate CBDRM knowledge and safe house construction techniques and validation of the ward disaster preparedness plan. A total of 150 persons including chief of the sections, community based organizations and residents attended the one-day training and meeting delivered by the Change Agents who attended the TOT last month. Based on the information gathered in the community meetings, the revision was being done accordingly.

Activity 2.4.2 Sub project selection review

Based on the investment fund defined for subprojects in PROMISE Vietnam project, CECI used the remaining fund for Xangsane typhoon to invest more in the subprojects proposed by the community and extended the project support to the non-project areas in the remaining three wards of Cam Le district. A list of community based small scale projects were submitted to ADPC team for their comments and approval. These projects included structural and non-structural subprojects as upgrading inter-field dyke for agriculture production, improvement of flood drains and evacuation routes and community awareness raising and support of emergency facilities under the City level Emergency Response Plans. PROMISE Vietnam is finalizing the proposal to submit to ADPC as requested.

Activity 3.4: Training on Medical First Responders

Three classes on Community Level Basic Emergency were conducted for emergency response teams of three wards. These classes followed the same three-day training modules and materials of C- BERC as previously provided by ADPC trainers (DM 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). In total around 62 persons attended the training with the majority of men (70%) and was given Certificate of Completion. City red cross trainers, who acted as Assistants for ADPC trainers, delivered these trainings.

As commented by participants and district as well as ward authorities, C-BERC training was very essential and practical so they proposed to have more training classes given to sub committee for storm and flood control at section cluster level.

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

As stated in the previous report, the project team participated into the Communities Disaster Prevention Tour organized for DIPECHO project partners on 4th to 10th October as planned to different projects from the South to the Central of Vietnam. PROMISE Vietnam appointed Ms Duong Thi Hoai Trang, the Project Coordinator, Ms Marie France Biron, Urban Planning Volunteer and Ms. Duong Thi Hoan, Economic Department of Cam Le district, and two Vice Chairs of two vulnerable wards, Mr Nguyen Tuong and Nguyen Quang Vinh to join the study tour. PROMISE Vietnam took the delegations to Promise project area and visit an example of its safer house program for promotion of application of safe techniques in house construction practices.

The study tour ended on the 10th after all the participants participated in various activities and meetings to celebrate the International Disaster Reduction Day in Hue city.

C. Next month activities Plan:

- Finalization of guidelines on urban planning and safer construction techniques;
- Finalization of proposals community based small scale sub projects;
- Conducting project steering committee meeting for implementation of community based projects
- Start of school programme;

D. <u>Issues encountered and solutions:</u>

No issue was encountered this month.