





AKPBS, Pakistan

# Monthly Progress Report (February 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 by end of March 2008. The community is participating in excavation for laying storm water and regular drainage line.





The work on communal latrines is also under way. Through the project four pour flush latrines are being constructed. The local Government looking at the works going has announced construction of twelve more communal latrines. 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 with the purpose to raise street levels is under progress, whereas works on storm water drains is expected to start soon. The demo project is expected to be completed in second week of March 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 project implementation process has started and earth filling with the purpose to raise street levels is completed. One of the community latrine is completed; whereas works on storm water drainage is underway.

#### 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 in the last week of February 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 meeting in this regard was held with Deputy District Nazim Hyderabad on February 6, 2008 at his office. PROMISE team discussed with the Deputy Nazim current progress and thanked collaboration of District Government for announcing a number of initiatives in PROMISE project sites including construction of communal latrines. It was mutually decided to organize the city level workshop after 18 Feb 2008 General Elections. The proposed dates for the workshop would be second or third week of March 2008.





### Visit of ADPC Representatives

Mr Falak Nawaz, Manager, Training Resource Group, ADPC visited AKPBS, P and PROMISE sites on February 7-9, 2008 at Karachi and Hyderabad. Mr Falak Nawaz held meetings with AKPBS, P management on Feb 7, 2008 and visited PROMISE demo project sites on February 9, 2008. He met with project staff, discussed issues pertaining to the project and met with beneficiary communities of demo projects as well.

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