



# Asian Urban Disaster Mitigation Program

## Monthly Activity Highlights

June 2000

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### National Demonstration Projects

#### *Bangladesh Urban Disaster Mitigation Project (BUDMP)*

##### Progress Update

- During the month of June, two Project Development Officers and one Administrative Officer were selected. The Administrative Officer joined BUDMP from 16 June and the Project Development Officers are joining from 2 July.
- ADPC provided technical assistance during 4-9 June, 2000, to design a training plan for BUDMP staff and address the training issues of BUDMP. After conceptualizing BUDMP activities and approaches, the training needs have been identified at individual level and worked out the curriculum and contents, CARE/DMP training unit is working to develop the modules and materials for BUDMP use.
- A presentation on Community Based Approach in BUDMP was made at the World Bank Conference "Focus on the Poor: Long Term Disaster Management in Bangladesh", held in Dhaka, 18-23 June, 2000.

##### Work Plan for July

- Administrative arrangements for BUDMP staff in CARE office and project locations
- Development of MOU on BUDMP for Partner NGOs
- Preparation of training modules and materials for BUDMP
- Orientation of newly hired BUDMP staff on the project, administrative and financial systems

- Visit to project locations along with the newly hired staff
- Finalization of BUDMP baseline survey

#### *Cambodian Community-Based Flood Mitigation and Preparedness Project (CBFMP)*

##### Progress Update

- The Management Committee is meeting regularly and had discussion focused on further follow up support to Red Cross volunteers to build their capacity. Also, urban mitigation activity in Kampong Cham Town, identification of steps and procedures in writing of all supports provided to RCVs, including financial management, and an orientation to resources development for flood mitigation activities.
  - On 5 and 6 June 2000, Pact had meetings with Mr. Michael Barton to discuss the issue of conducting a lessons learnt research and assessment of the Community Based Flood Mitigation and Preparedness Project.
  - On 7 to 8 June 2000, Pact and CRC accompanied an AusAID Review Team to visit flood mitigation activities in Prey Veng and Kampong Cham.
  - On 13 June 2000, Pact had called IFRC and CRC for a meeting with Michael Barton to consult his background for a Research and Assessment consultant position.
  - On 19 to 23 June 2000, Steve attended the ADPC World Bank Conference on Flood Mitigation in Dhaka of Bangladesh.
  - On 26 to 30 June 2000, CRC conducted group meeting of Round II activities to collect information of the community
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solutions in the three provinces of Kandal, Prey Veng and Kampong Cham.

- On 26 June 2000, Pact has sub-contracted Michael Barton and Yok Bunna through PONLOK to conduct research and assessment in the three provinces and introduced both of them to the CRC branch staff and RCVs in the communities.
- CRC DMD staff and Branch staff have received Skill enhancement training at VBNK in Project Management and SILAKA for Financial Management Course.

### Work Plan for July 2000

- Begin research on assessment of project activities and lessons learned
- TOT refresher training for CRC HQ and the branch staff of the three provinces
- Chhum Vuthy to attend CBDM course in July 24 to August 4 2000
- Site Visit and Group Meeting for Phase II Communities
- Preparation for Replication and Program Review Workshop
- On-going support to Phase I communities in the implementation of mitigation activity
- Monitor the completed activities
- CBDP Integration
- CRC and Pact outreach to funding agencies and orientation for provincial NGOs

### *Indonesian Urban Disaster Mitigation Project (IUDMP)*

#### Progress Update

- On June 10, Project Manager, Krishna Pribadi, led a 4-person team to Bengkulu

City, which was struck by an earthquake on June 4.

- Project Information and Networking Manager, Harkunti Pertiwi Rahayu, was requested by the Ministry of Research and Technology to join the "Task Force Team for Retrofitting the Damaged Houses in Bengkulu".
- Preparation for the National Lessons Learned Workshop to be held in September has started.
- Coordinating with NPTIs and ADPC in a planning meeting for the implementation of national training course on urban disaster mitigation. It was planned that the first appreciation workshop for the training program will be held in early September 2000.
- Reconstruction of the KOMPAK web site and preparing web pages for AUDMP website.
- Worked with the Municipality for the Mayor to issue the Decree on RUPUSDALOP PB Development Plan, Technical Guideline and Workbook and Orientation Guidelines
- Translation of Bandung Earthquake Emergency Response Plan.
- Coordination with Teddy Boen and other organizations for preparing project replication proposal.

#### Work Plan for July

- At the request of the Minister of Research and Technology, on July 18, project Information and Networking Manager, Harkunti Pertiwi Rahayu, will give a presentation on Earthquake disaster mitigation to the National parliament of Indonesia
- Continue preparation for the National Lessons Learned Workshop



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- Follow-up with the municipalities for the issuance of the decree on RUPUSDALOP PB Development Plan
- Finalize the replication proposal

### ***India Urban Disaster Mitigation Project***

Baroda Citizens Council and Central Control Room, Baroda, are finalizing the disaster mitigation strategies. A meeting was held with the Steering Committee on June 6.

### ***Kathmandu Valley Earthquake Risk Management Project (KVERMP)***

#### **Progress Update**

- The draft of NSET institutional strategy, and business plan for 3 years, has been discussed. NSET-Nepal worked over the month with Karuna Management, NSET Board members and the stakeholders for the finalization of the mission/vision statements and the business plan. This will be a high-priority activity of NSET in the next few months.
- An initial dialogue was held with the municipalities and other identified contacts in Dharan and Pokhara to start developing the strategies for replicating some of the positive outcomes of KVERMP in those cities.
- NSET has started the School Earthquake Safety program as a replication strategy. This entails development of strategies for the Mason Training, Teachers Training and working with the community. Planning for all the works including final selection of the schools for retrofitting, detail survey and design of retrofit options, discussion with the

School Advisory Committee, etc. has been undertaken during the month of June.

- Ahmod Dixit, Project Director, KVERMP, attended the World Bank Conference "Focus on the Poor: Long Term Disaster Management in Bangladesh", held in Dhaka, 18-23 June, 2000.

#### **Work Plan for July**

- Meeting with NPTI's and finalization of curriculum for NDM
- Discussion with School Earthquake Safety Advisory Committee
- Meeting with Hotel Management Association of Nepal
- Visit by ADPC team for capturing the information for AUDMP process documentation

### ***Philippine Cities Disaster Mitigation Project***

The project has submitted the Phase II Proposal. AUDMP staff has planned a review meeting with the project partners in August.

### ***Sri Lanka Urban Multi Hazard Disaster Mitigation Project (SLUDMP)***

- **Competence development program designed for school teachers in cooperation with the Ministry of Education and the National Institute of Education (NIE)**  
With the help of CHPB in conducting training for school teachers to undertake projects based on natural disaster mitigation, NIE provided funding for 3



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courses. During June, CHPB assisted NIE in the post training evaluation.

- **Disaster Safety Day in Ratnapura**

Preparation is going on for organizing Disaster Safety Day in Ratnapura in July.

- **Capacity building of technical officers attached to local government institutions**

To pave the way for continuity of the training after AUDMP, CHPB has prepared a proposal to ADB as part of a project entitled "Urban Development Low Income Housing Project". Coordination is going on and it is anticipated that funding will be approved for about 3 years.

- **Visit to project sites**

Project Manager, Lionel Hewawasam, accompanied the AUDMP team to review the project in Ratnapura and Nawalapitiya.

- **SLUDMP web page**

Project staff worked with AUDMP Information and Networking Manager, Rajesh Sharma, to develop a web page for the project.

### Work Plan for July

- Organize coordination meeting for the establishment of Natural Hazard Mitigation Unit in the proposed Physical Planning Authority.
- Issue newsletter "Vipath Puwak"
- Start flood mapping for Colombo municipality
- Assist Sabaragamuwa province to draft Provincial Disaster Management Act.

### Training, Resource Materials and Continuing Education (TRMCE)

AUDMP Training Manager, Mo Tejani, made preparation for the disaster mitigation training course to be held in Vientiane between July 18-21. The training will be for about 30 participants including urban planners, engineers and disaster management officials.

### AUDMP News

Josh Moga, Program Manager, AUDMP attended the World Bank Conference "Focus on the Poor: Long Term Disaster Management in Bangladesh", held in Dhaka, 18-23 June, 2000. Project Manager N.S.M.I. Arambepola also attended this conference.

During the month of June AUDMP project Manager Suthira Suwanarpa, Information and Networking Manager Rajesh Sharma, along with newly assigned Training Program Development Manager Mohejin Tejani visited Sri Lanka 19-23 June, 2000. The purpose of their visit was to discuss the various aspects of the Sri Lankan Project, especially the replication proposal, and supporting them with developing the project website.

Prior to his visit to Sri Lanka Mohejin (Mo) visited Indonesia and appraised himself about the Indonesian project, especially the training component of IUDMP.

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