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Title of project	Building resilience of communities to recurrent natural hazards, particularly flash floods in the upland areas of Viet Nam
Duration	15 Months. Implementation period 15/02/2007 – 14/05/2008
Country	Vietnam
Locations	<i>Lao Cai (Bat Xat, Sa Pa districts), Kon Tum (Dak To district) provinces</i>
Results	<p>Result 1: Capacities of commune, district and provincial trainers, are improved, as are tools and methods to undertake risk assessment, risk reduction planning and advocacy to mainstream CBDRM.</p> <p>Result 2: Increased awareness levels, capacities and applied practice to reduce vulnerability to flash floods, landslides and other natural hazards in 6 project communes, and significantly increased potential for reduced vulnerability in all upland communities</p> <p>Result 3: Increased institutional capacities for mainstreaming CBDRM and DRR planning in national, provincial and district, and social economic development strategies, plans, and annual budgets, specifically for the reduction of vulnerabilities to flash floods and landslides and in collaboration with other partners.</p>
Key activities	<p>Result 1:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.1. Work with Vietnam Red Cross/provincial RC to select trainers at provincial/district levels. Assess capacities; adapt existing methods to conduct HCVA and baseline assessment to local context of uplands areas 1.2. Train PMBs, local authorities and trainers on assessment methods and skills. 1.3. Carry out HVCA and baseline assessments in project sites 1.4. Prepare district and commune hazard maps with technical support from scientists 1.5. Prepare detailed training programme and refine project work plan in different locations in line with in-depth baseline HVCA findings 1.6. Adapt existing training materials into materials for different training modules (ToT, for community leaders, province/district), for mountainous and ethnic minority conditions 1.7. Implement ToT training 1.8. Training of Community leaders, representatives of mass organisations on hazard maps, use of HCVA for developing DRR action plans 1.9. With other DIPECHO partners/members of the DMWG, review existing CBDRM approaches and materials, and build consensus among the group and policy makers on a feasible plan to ensure coherence in training materials 1.10. Organise an experience sharing workshop on working with upland communities and ethnic minority groups in DRR. <p>Result 2:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2.1. Carry out awareness raising campaigns, distribute hazard maps and consult with community people on DRR and potential DRR action plans 2.2. Community people develop DRR action plans with flash flood and landslide as primary hazards, using hazard maps 2.3. Develop criteria for use of project funds for DRR priority sub-projects in agreement with

	<p>communities</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2.4. Prioritisation of structural and non-structural measures/sub-projects, identified in the DRR action plans in line with criteria. 2.5. Select priority sub-projects (maximum 2) and 1-2 alternative livelihood priorities in each DRR action plan and build consensus on implementation mechanisms including management of the project funds 2.6. Mobilise resources and implement the priority DRR sub-projects with contributions from the project, communities and local governments as appropriate 2.7. Community review of the sub-project implementation and documentation of experiences and lessons learned 2.8. Develop training modules on the selected alternative livelihood option(s) in each commune 2.9. Work with local resource people to train community people on alternative livelihood option(s) to reduce vulnerability 2.10. Consultations with communities on feasibilities of implementing the alternative livelihoods measures 2.11. Organise an exchange between community leaders and local officials of the 6 communes participating in the project to share experiences 2.12. Organise a study visit of project target groups (community leaders, commune and district officials) to 1 or 2 other DIPECHO projects to share knowledge and experiences <p>Results 3:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3.1. Organise project inception workshops in 2 provinces, also with focus on best approaches to work with ethnic minority groups 3.2. Train provincial/district and PMBs members on planning and managing DRR projects 3.3. Train relevant provincial/district and commune authorities on causes and consequences of flash floods and landslides, their implications on socio-economic development, CBDRM and use of hazard maps and HCVA techniques and tools for planning purposes 3.4. Consultation between district and commune authorities with community leaders and representative of mass organisations on DRR action plans and ways to integrate them into normal planning process at commune/district/province levels 3.5. Provincial workshops on methods and initial lessons learned in coping with flash floods and landslides including building upon indigenous knowledge and practices 3.6. A national workshop to share project experiences in community-based flash flood and landslide risk management and working with ethnic minority communities 3.7. Review the 135 and National Targeted Programme on poverty reduction in the project provinces. Consult with provincial/district and commune authorities on the potential inclusion of the priority actions in the DRR action plans in these programmes 3.8. Share results and lessons learned from the initiative to integrate DRR into the 135 and National Target Programme on poverty reduction, with other DMWG and policy makers (notably MOLISA) 3.9. Carry out independent project evaluation, widely disseminate, discuss findings, recommendations and follow up action 3.10. Final workshop to disseminate the project results
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