

CLIMATE INNOVATION CHALLENGE

Monthly Progress Update

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| Reporting Period (Month) | 21 January 2022 to 20 February 2022 |
| Grantee Name | Stonestep TFD Private Limited. |
| Project Title | <u>CIC 354: Parametric Flood Insurance for Climate Vulnerable Agriculture in Western Nepal</u> |

1. List the key activities undertaken during this month

- Joint meeting with field team including social mobilizers and cooperative extension workers from Ujyalo Multipurpose Cooperative Ltd. on February 9, 2022.
- Joint virtual meeting with consortia on February 17, 2022 to discuss on need assessment approach, methodology and tools.
- Collaboration meeting between Didi Bahini Sanakishan Sahakari Sansthal Ltd. and Narikalyan Sanakishan Sahakari Sanstha Ltd. on February 15, 2022.
- Ujyalo Multipurpose Cooperative Ltd. has taken approval from ward no. 6, 8 and 9, Tikapur Municipality, Kailali and has selected communities for project implementation.
- Didi bahini Sanakissan Krishi Sahakari Sanstha has taken approval from ward no. 8 from Rajapur Municipality Bardiya and has selected communities for project implementation.
- The project has scoped the need assessment, inception report and tools for households' survey, Focus Group Discussion (FGD) and Key Informant Interview (KII).
- The household survey tools have been deployed in Open Data Kit (ODK) to collect household survey data.
- Flood return period of the certain threshold has been identified based in 50 years data collected through Department of Hydrology and Meteorology (DHM).

2. List the key beneficiaries /stakeholders consulted during this month

- Ward leader from ward no. 6, 8 and 9 from Tikapur Municipality has been consulted for project briefing, communities' selection and to get project implementation approval,
- Meeting with District Secretary of Small Holder Agriculture Cooperative's Umbrella Organization in Rajapur Municipality, Bardiya to establish collaboration between Didi Bahini Sanakishan Sahakari Sanstha Ltd. and Narikalyan Sanakishan Sahakari Sanstha Ltd. from ward no. 9 from Rajapur Municipality, Bardiya.
- Meeting with Board Members from Ujyalo Multipurpose Cooperative Ltd. and Didibahini Sanakishan cooperative Ltd on project implementation approach.
- Didi Bahini Sanakishan Cooperative Ltd. has consulted with ward representative from ward no. 8, Rajapur Municipality for project briefing, communities' selection and taking approval.

3. Summarize key achievements and milestones of this month

Milestone 1 Contract execution: Project Kick-off and governance established

- Milestone achieved in January 2022

Milestone 2 Study design and community need assessment/engagement complete (Need assessment report and MoU with stakeholders (2 cooperatives and consortium partners))

Study design and community need assessment

- Scope of need assessment and inception report has been prepared
- Household survey, Key Informant Interview and Focus Group Discussion tools have been developed and household survey tool has been deployed in the ODK.

Engagement

- Received letter of approval from wards; ward no. 6, 8 & 9 from Tikapur Municipality, Kailali and ward no. 8 from Rajapur Municipality, Bardiya.

Milestone 3 Submission of product approval from insurance regulatory and documentation supporting completion of IT setup with cooperatives: Product approval from insurance regulator (Beema Samiti) and IT adaptation for product implementation.

Product development

- Flood historical data received and flood return period has been analyzed based on past 50 years for product development.

IT system design

- IT system (Front-end and back-end system) development is ongoing.

4. List key issues to be resolved

- Increase new members of Didi Bahini Cooperative Ltd. in ward no. 9 of Rajapur Municipality to increase coverage.

5. Any additional issues (observations/learning in terms of the applicability, scalability and sustainability)

- Narikalyan Sanakishan Sahakari Sanstha Ltd from ward no. 9, Rajapur Municipality is unwilling to provide client to Didi Bahini for group policy holding. However, project decided to increase coverage through adding new members from the targeted area and further collaboration with Narikalyan.

Note: The progress update helps managing and monitoring the implementation of the pilot project. It helps identifying any emerging risks and resolve it quickly. The progress update is helpful to disseminate the lesson to a wider range of audience.

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