

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

### **Extension Phase**

#### **Monthly Highlights – December 2004**

##### **A. Activities identified under the Work Plan**

##### **1.1 Mitigation Work (Project Proposal Ref: 3.3.1) - (Progress and Disbursement Details Format Ref: I (1))**

1. Work satisfactorily in progress during the period under review. Program Manger, AUDMP, ADPC and Assistant Project Manager, SLUMDMP visited the Mitigation work site at Ratnapura on 18<sup>th</sup> December 2004 and reviewed progress of construction work going on. Project Manager and Assistant Project Manager, SLUMDMP visited the site and had a meeting with the community members and decided to commence work on common well and Community Centre before end of December. Consequently, work on the Common Well started on the same day. Setting out the Community Centre was also started 22<sup>nd</sup> December. Rs. 130,000.00 (3<sup>rd</sup> Part Payment) released on 24<sup>th</sup> December to NBRO for purchasing materials required for construction activities.

##### **1.2 Continuation of Integration of Disaster Mitigation in University Curricula - (Project Proposal Ref: 3.3.2.6) - (Progress and Disbursement Details Format Ref: II (6))**

Arrangements related to 2<sup>nd</sup> Workshop to be held in the Civil Engineering Department of the University of Peradeniya are being made during this month. Project Manager, SLUMDMP had a discussion with Dr. Kurukulasuriya of the Civil Engineering Department on suitable time period to have this workshop. Dr. Kurukulasuriya undertook to follow up this matter from the Civil Engineering Department side and inform SLUMDMP on possible dates for them and students of their Department to have this workshop.

##### **1.3 Social Marketing Plan – School Programme – - (Project Proposal Ref: 3.3.3.1) - (Progress and Disbursement Details Format Ref: III (1))**

The Animators of Vipath Niwarana Kawa (Disaster Mitigation Circles) were continued work related to data and information collection. Project Manager, SLUMDMP (Lionel Hewawasam) and Mr. Indrathilaka,

Scientist of NBRO visited two schools on 02<sup>nd</sup> December in the Kalutara district, which was not covered during the month of November. The Anomators of Disaster Mitigation Circles in each selected schools were involved in planning their activities and presentations to be carried out during mid January 2005.

**1.4 Information Products - (Project Proposal Ref: 3.3.3.2) - (Progress and Disbursement Details Format Ref: III (2) & (3))**

Work on information leaflets to be reprinted (See monthly highlights of November 2004) was in progress.

Two Video Clips for the enhancement of community capacity for risk management initiatives developed in the local context – Discussions were held with Dr. Buddhi Weerasinghe who is now available in Sri Lanka on balance part of this work and decided to visit Ratnapura on 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> December for second round of filming.

Work related to other Video Clip on Social Marketing Programme (process of establishing Disaster Mitigation Circles) - Discussions were held with Dr. Buddhi Weerasinghe who is now available in Sri Lanka on balance part of this work and decided to have another round of filming the activities and presentations by students of Disaster Mitigation Circles after school vacation (i. e. 2<sup>nd</sup> week of January).

**1.5 Training on GIS Applications for Professionals on Hazard Mapping - (Project Proposal Ref: 3.3.4.2) - (Progress and Disbursement Details Format Ref: IV (2))**

This training was successfully completed during 13-17 December 2004. The theme of the course was "Land-use Planning for Disaster Risk Management". This training was conducted in collaboration with the GIS Application Center of AIT and ADPC, Thailand.

**1.7 Translation of Disaster Mitigation Primer - General Vol. into national Language - (Project Proposal Ref: 3.3.4.3) - (Progress and Disbursement Details Format Ref: IV (3))**

Waiting for the original document.

Other activities, which were on going were satisfactorily in progress during the month under review.

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