

Integrated Community Based Disaster Risk Reduction

Ministry of Federal Affairs and Local Development and Implementing Agencies Coordination Meeting

Meeting #2

6 May 2013, 15.00-17.00
Dhokaima Café, Patan Dhoka

Participants

- § Chakrapani Sharma, Under Secretary, Ministry of Federal Affairs and Local Development
- § Gopal Dakel, LWF
- § Asim Shretha, UNICEF
- § Ephrem Emu, British Red Cross
- § Mitsu Fujimaki, Japanese Red Cross
- § Kalpana Aryal, Nepal Red Cross
- § Andrew Martin, UNOCHA
- § Toya Subsedhi, UNOCHA
- § Kiriti Ray, Handicap International
- § Ritva Lahti, Country Representative, IFRC
- § Becky-Jay Harrington, IFRC, Flagship 4 Coordinator
- § Santosh Sharma, CARE Nepal
- § Rajendra Rerahe, Nepal Red Cross
- § Dinesh Baral, Mission East
- § Gopi Krishna Basyal, NSET
- § Suresh Thapa, ActionAID
- § Surendra Dhakal, World Vision International
- § Shikha Rai, Caritas Nepal
- § Deepak KC, UNDP CDRMP
- § Surya Shrestha, NSET
- § Hari B. Karki, Mission East
- § Gehendra Gurung, Practical Action
- § Niru Pradhan, Nepal Red Cross

Welcome

The meeting was opened with warm welcome and introduction of the participants by Mr Chakrapani Sharma from Ministry of Federal Affairs and Local Development. The idea of the meetings are to provide the latest program updates on activities and discuss challenges moving forward. MoFALD is also keen to reduce any duplication of efforts and create positive competition and sharing between agencies.

Mr Sharma also provided an overview of the Environmental Friendly Local Governance (EFLG) policy, which is focused on environmental, waste management, disaster management and climate change. It includes 6 indicators for disaster management (2 at ward level and 4 at municipality level).

Action

1. Flagship 4 project database must be updated with program information on a regular basis

2. All reports presented today will be summarised by Flagship 4 and posted on the website.
3. EFLG presentation will be distributed to all implementing agencies.

UN OCHA presentation on DLSA

UN OCHA explained the district lead support agency set up, which currently support the DDRC to produce the District Preparedness and Response Plan.

Action

4. MoFALD to discuss with MoHA the possibility of expanding the Terms of reference for the DLSA to include broader disaster management support at the district level.

Update from implementing agencies

Implementing agencies were asked to present a 5 minute update on where they are working and what the current status of their activities are. The following organizations presented.

- § Nepal Red Cross
- § CARE / HI
- § Practical Action / Mercy Corps / Oxfam
- § ActionAID
- § Mission East
- § LWF
- § UNICEF
- § UNDP
- § World Vision International
- § NSET

Please refer to attached Flagship project tracking spreadsheets for more information about individual projects.

Issues raised during discussions:

- § Implementing agencies are continually trying to increase the sustainability of program activities by working with local Government to increase their ownership. This is proving difficult in some areas.
- § How can agencies support local government in accessing technical resources on a long term basis
- § Challenges of supporting Local Government to mainstream DRM into district / VDC planning and processes

Action

5. Flagship 4 will investigate the possibility of updating Flagship 4 website so log frames can be uploaded with project tracking database.
6. Project database to be adjusted to include information from agencies who have mainstreamed DRM into their other programs / projects
7. Following agencies to send Flagship 4 a written update: CARE, LWF, WVI, NSET.

Closing Remarks

Mr Sharma thanks all those that attended and welcomed feedback on the meeting agenda. He asked that implementing agencies who were not able to attend, be asked to update their information on the project database as well. Mr Sharma stressed the importance of collaboration and cooperation between agencies and the government of Nepal.