



Quarterly Performance Report

Name of the Project	Tahafuz: "Building Resilience through Community Based Disaster Risk Management in the Sindh Province of Pakistan"
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Result 01: Local community institutions formed and mechanisms developed to withstand disasters in future							
Sr. No.	Indicators	Unit	Targets		Achievements		
			Qtr.	Cum.	Qtr.	Cum.	
1.1	No. of VDMCs, UDMCs and DDRFFs formed	VDMC		222		222	
		UDMC		20	1	20	
		DDRFF		4		4	
1.2	No. of men & women became members (total) and taking lead role in VDMCs	Members (Total)	Men	1,110	9	1,437	
			Women	1,110	9	1,438	
		Presidents	Men	111		148	
			Women	111		74	
		Managers	Men	111		120	
			Women	111		102	
1.3	No. of men & women became members (total) and taking lead role in UDMCs	Members(Total)	Men	222	22	221	
			Women	222	23	221	
		Presidents	Men	10	1	19	
			Women	10		1	
		Managers	Men	10		12	
			Women	10	1	8	
Result 02: Capacity of local community developed to develop hazard risk reduction plans, policies or curriculum							
2.1	No. of men & women from V-UDMCs trained under the short refresher courses conducted for old V-UDMCs and regular courses for New V-UDMCs	Refresher	Old VDMCs	Men	1,140	10	1,094
				Women	1,140	9	1,065
			Old UDMCs	Men	60		62
				Women	60		58
		Regular	New VDMCs	Men	1,110	5	1,124
				Women	1,110	6	1,114
			New UDMCs	Men	100	12	102
				Women	100	14	98
2.2	No. of CRPs from Phase I trained on new modules	Men		232		215	
		Women		232		196	
2.3	No. of Village level DRMP prepared by VDMCs	DRMPs		222	6	222	
2.4	No. of CRPs selected from New VDMCs	Men		222		221	
		Women		222		214	
2.5	No. of awareness sessions taken by CRPs combining Old & New VDMCs	Sessions	1,650	8,950	792	8,689	
2.6	No. of settlements where CRP's sessions have been completed	Settlements		1,790		1,540	
2.7	No. of people participated in awareness sessions conducted by CRPs	Men		8950	7,492	16,312	
		Women		8950	8,425	16,323	
2.8	No. of government officials and LSO representatives trained on CBDRM	CSOs				5	
		Govt.				51	
		LSOs				62	
		Others				5	
		Total	120			123	
2.9	No. of intra district exposure visits (involving UDMCs) undertaken and men &	No. of Trips	04	04	04	04	

	women participated	Men			69	69
		Women			39	39
		Staff			19	19
Result 03: Small scale preparedness and mitigation measures undertaken						
3.1	No. of CCI schemes identified			302	12	301
3.2	Types of CCI schemes identified	Culverts			4	52
		Raised Platforms /Shelters				1
		Earthen roads			8	129
		Public buildings (schools etc.)				16
		Dug wells				72
		Water tanks				
		Reservoirs				27
	Others					4
3.3	No. of CCI Proposals developed			302	12	301
3.4	No. of CCI schemes initiated	41	302		45	301
3.5	No. of CCI schemes completed	85	302		185	301
3.6	No. of households/ people directly benefiting from CCI schemes	Households			3,960	24,091
		Men				43,613
		Women				48,412
3.7	No. of Emergency Tool kits procured & distributed	Procured	10	222		
		Distributed	10	222		
Result 04: Linkages of institutions developed with official bodies while taking along different stakeholders						
4.1	No. of meetings held & types of stakeholders participated in DRRF meetings held at the district level	Meetings	4	12	7	12
		UDMC rep.			37	89
		CSOs			78	185
		Govt rep.			11	63
		Other rep			1	1
4.2	No. of International DRR day events held			4		4
4.3	No. of UDMCs linked with LSOs		20		9	9
05: Miscellaneous						
5.1	Training of Trainers for Project Staff		40	40		53

1. Social Mobilization

Mobilization and community organizations provide a platform for direct and firsthand interaction with communities on regular basis. As it is not possible to interact with entire community or with each and every member of any particular locale, so under Tahafuz-CBDRM project different community organizations have been formed at the revenue village and union council levels. These institutions are acting as a core community group with an equal representation of community members.

1.1 Village Disaster Management Committees

Village Disaster Management Committees (VDMCs) are formed at revenue village level. These committees have representation from all settlements of the revenue village. During current phase, RSPN/RSPs organized communities into a total of 222 Village Disaster Management Committees (VDMC). Each consisting of at least ten members, the VDMCs have a total of 2,875 members in the project target areas. During each stage of VDMC formation and membership, gender balanced representation has been ensured. Out of the total number, 1437 are women member of which 74 are serving as presidents and 102 are the managers of their respective VDMCs.

1.2 Union Disaster Management Committees

Union Disaster Management Committees are formed at union council level through representation of two members (one man, one woman) from each VDMC. The UDMCs are considered as the extended arm of the VDMC. During the reporting quarter RSPN/RSPs overcame the lag and achieved the project planned target of fostering 20

UDMCs. These structures are providing opportunities in creating links, improving coordination between government and community besides providing leadership for advocating DRR relevant issues with district government. Similarly using the platform of UDMCs, the communities also seek support from other local bodies, Local Support Organizations (LSO) and active NGO/INGOs for resource mobilization.

2. Capacity Building

During the reporting quarter RSPN/RSPs organized various events for enhancing capacities of community members on disaster risk reduction. During the reporting quarter RSPN achieved the project target of providing training to members of newly formed UDMCs. The events comprised of three days sessions on Organizational Management and Development (OM&D) and Advocacy & Networking (A&N). These trainings enabled UDMC members to learn about leadership, planning, financial management, problem analysis, negotiation skills, devising strategies for DRR advocacy, crafting meaningful messages and how to engage media for disaster risk reduction.

During the project a total of 200 UDMC members including 98 women received training on OM&D and A&N.

3. Disaster Risk Management Plans-DRMPs

After receiving training on participatory disaster risk assessment and disaster risk management and planning, the VDMC members develop Disaster Risk Management Plan (DRMP) for their respective revenue village. RSPN achieved planned target of formulating 222 DRMPs through VDMC members. These plans highlight all potential risks, hazards, resources and possible mitigation measures. DRMPs are comprised of propositions of practical measures to cope with natural and manmade disasters.

4. Community Critical Infrastructures-CCIs

Based on the critical need of the target communities, the project financially supported VDMCs in rehabilitation of one Community Critical Infrastructure at revenue village level. These comprised of variety of schemes with respect to nature of hazards at target districts. RSPN achieved the planned targets of developing proposals, physically initiation and completion of all planned Community Critical Infrastructures. A total of 302 schemes are rehabilitated during the project period benefitting directly a total of 24,091 households of the project areas.

5. Mock Drill exercise and Implementation of DRMPs

Monsoon season in Pakistan often creates flood situation for the communities residing near coastal belt or rivers. Keeping in view the threat of upcoming monsoon, the project formed V/UDMCs performed various mock drills to assess their level of preparedness. Following are few examples of the communities' initiatives towards handling any untoward situation during monsoon.

- Village Disaster Management Committee (VDMC) Rappar Gujjo, Union Council Belo in district Sujawal organized an awareness event on Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) at village level. The VDMC members, during the session, facilitated local communities in developing hazard map of the village. The hazard map showed different types of high risk areas, safe evacuation routes and safe rescue points that can be used in case of any emergency. The VDMC members also practically demonstrated various DRR measures and early preparedness initiatives
- Union Council Keti Bander is located in Indus Delta where Indus River meets the Arabian Sea. The UC is prone to various hazards like cyclones, high tides and floods. Most of the residents have built embankments to safeguard their small settlements from flood water. Recently community members of Union Disaster Management Committee (UDMC) Keti Bunder, fostered under project, rehabilitated the weak portions of a protective bund in villages Bambato Baghar and Nighewar, after a breach occurred in the bund. This self-help initiative prevented water from entering their houses and avoided possible damage to belongings of the community.
- Rural communities usually depend directly on livestock for food, cash, transport, socio-cultural status and financial security. If animals are protected families feel secure, and stay better prepared for any

untoward situations. To mitigate losses to animals, members of Village Disaster Management Committee (VDMC) Tobhan from Union Council Padhrio Farm, District Umerkot approached district government for vaccinating their livestock. This initiative will help them keep their animals protected from different type of diseases during upcoming monsoon season. The district livestock officials facilitated VDMC members in vaccinating a total of 600 various kinds of animals including goats, sheep and cows.

6. Intra district Exposure visit

During the reporting quarter RSPN/RSPs organized 04 intra district exposure trips for the communities of different districts. The objective of these visits was to provide an opportunity of bringing together the community representatives from different disaster prone regions so that they can share and learn from each other's experience. During the quarter a total of 59 UDMCs members from the coastal belt (district Badin & Thatta) visited the desert areas (District Tharparkar and parts of Umerkot) and vice versa. These visits helped them to further enhance their knowledge and learning through exchange of information, experiences and best practices adopted by different communities.

7. DRR Awareness sessions and Community Resource Persons-CRPs

In order to transfer DRR awareness knowledge at the settlement level, RSPN selected two members i.e. one man and one woman each as Community Resource Persons from all 222 VDMCs. The CRPs are selected during regular training on their pre and post training assessment criteria. These CRPs delivered awareness sessions on concepts of Disasters Risk Management, DRR measures for multi hazards (Floods, drought, Cyclones, Fires, Tsunami earthquake etc.), Basic life support skills, Search & Rescue, firefighting and cross cutting themes (Child Immunization, Livestock Immunization, climatic change, kitchen gardening etc.)

During the reporting quarter RSPN/RSPs achieved the planned target of delivering DRR sessions at household level. A total of 1,333 CRPs (435 from current phase and 898 from phase-I & II) delivered 8,689 sessions at settlement level and sensitized a total of 32,635 individuals including 16,323 women. Local communities took keen interest in these sessions and participated in large numbers to further enhance their know how about DRR.

8. Coordination meetings for District Disaster Risk Reduction Forum-DDRRF

During the reporting period, RSPN/partner RSPs achieved target of organizing the planned 12 coordination meetings for District Disaster Risk Reduction Forum at each target districts. These meetings provided common ground for local communities and concerned stakeholders to share experiences and devised planning to cater for hazards. A total of 350 individuals from district government departments, representatives from NGOs/INGOs, LSOs and UDMCs participated in these coordination meeting. As a result of District Disaster Risk Reduction Forum meeting, local government department involved UDMC members in developing tehsil level contingency plans.

9. Sustainability-UDMCs linked with Local Support Organization

For the sustainability of DRR process the fostered Union Disaster Management Committees (UDMC) were integrated in to Local Support Organization (LSO). The LSOs are federation of Community Organization (CO) and Village Organization (VO). The LSOs are a network of people's own organizations at union council Level. After integration UDMC are now working under the umbrella of LSO as subcommittee on DRR. So far a total of 9 UDMCs from the current phase have been integrated while remaining 11 UDMCs will also be linked once the LSO are formed.

10. General

- Mr. Ali Gohar Khan Programme Management Specialist OFDA visited Tahafuz project districts. He conducted meeting with project field staff and appreciated team efforts towards enhancing capacities of communities through CBDRM Tahafuz project.
- The issue of GST exemption for various project procurements remains unsolved as yet. The major planned activities adversely affected include procurement of emergency tool kits; printing of registers, project documentary and rental vehicles. The long delay in approval process has caused delays in completion of these planned project activities. It is feared that RSPN will not be able to complete these activities.
- Project completion date for the current phase was June 30, 2016. As some activities could not be completed due to non-receipt of GST exemption, USAID-OFDA awarded 45 days No Cost Extension till August, 15 2016. Meanwhile RSPN has also shared a proposal for modification-II (six months period) with USAID/OFDA and is in the final stage of approvals.

- **Pictures Gallery:**



Community members participating during formation of Union Disaster Management Committees at District Umerkot and District Badin.



Training officers are delivering sessions to selected members of Union and Village Disaster management Committees at project districts.



The Community Resource Persons-CRPs are delivering DRR awareness sessions at target settlements/Households



Representatives from project fostered V/UDMC participating in session on knowledge sharing during Intra district exposure visit.



The project financially supported VDMC to rehabilitate different schemes depending on the needs identified during formulation of DRMPs.



The community members are developing hazard map during an organized DRR awareness event. Similarly they are doing pre-monsoon vaccination to safeguard their livestock from different diseases.