

WEEKLY BULLETIN
27 Feb 2017

General Updates

- HRRP media digest is available [here](#)
- The NRA has published a number of maps which are available [here](#).
- The Government has announced that local level elections are planned for May 14; full article available [here](#). There has been disruption in various parts of the Tarai-Madhes region after the United Democratic Madhesi Front (UDMF) imposed a general strike protesting the announcement the election dates.
- The National Reconstruction Authority (NRA) has decided households that have already constructed their homes will be eligible to receive the 300,000 NPRs reconstruction grant as a lump sum, if the houses meet the NRA's compliance criteria as per the Inspection SOP and National Building Code. The full news article can be found [here](#).
- Updated enrolment and tranche disbursement data has been published by MoFALD. The Nepali version can be found [here](#).

| S.N. | District | Number of beneficiaries | Households with grant agreement | Households who have received the first tranche | Grievances registered |
|------|----------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| 1 | Gorkha | 58,503 | 53,349 | 52,675 | 15,746 |
| 2 | Sindhupalchok | 78,537 | 74,924 | 74,912 | 14,447 |
| 3 | Ramechhap | 43,609 | 40,911 | 39,759 | 13,972 |
| 4 | Dhading | 70,581 | 63,151 | 62,849 | 21,436 |
| 5 | Nuwakot | 65,773 | 61,370 | 60,474 | 11,050 |
| 6 | Dolakha | 51,940 | 48,032 | 47,079 | 21,712 |
| 7 | Okhaldhunga | 19,819 | 18,489 | 18,301 | 7,810 |
| 8 | Karvepalanchok | 67,731 | 60,721 | 59,751 | 1,367 |
| 9 | Sindhuli | 34,269 | 28,269 | 26,162 | 15,589 |
| 10 | Rasuwa | 11,236 | 9,682 | 9,106 | 30,601 |
| 11 | Makwanpur | 30,238 | 20,305 | 19,009 | 26,909 |
| 12 | Lalitpur | 25,893 | 18,535 | 9,512 | 6,118 |
| 13 | Kathmandu | 42,500 | 35,136 | 30,893 | 11,851 |
| 14 | Bhaktapur | 26,066 | 20,156 | 19,553 | 6,588 |
| | Total | 626,695 | 553,030 | 530,035 | 205,196 |

- The NRA CEO met with French, Chinese, and Israeli ambassadors to Nepal this week to discuss their interest to expand support to the earthquake reconstruction. The full news article is available [here](#) and [here](#).
- NRA has appointed Dhurmus and Suntali as their Goodwill Ambassador. The full news article on this can be found [here](#).

Meetings and Events

- **CHANGE OF TIME:** The session on the Inspection SOP at DUDBC Conference Hall ([location](#)) on Wednesday 1st March will now take place at 12 noon instead of 11am. MoUD CL-PIU will present an overview of the inspection process, and progress to date, and HRRP will present experience from the district orientations for Partner Organisations (POs) on the Inspection SOP (compiled report available [here](#)). There will also be time for questions and discussion.
- HRRP participated in the **NRA's thematic group meeting on Housing, Settlement Development and Local Infrastructure on Thursday 23rd February**. The main points from the meeting were as follows:
 1. The technical committee for retrofitting will meet on Tuesday, 28th February to discuss the status of retrofitting guidelines, corrections manual, and retrofit inspection manual for the field engineers.
 2. MoFALD CL-PIU have targeted the end of March for the completion of the process to complete the digitisation of programme agreements.
 3. MoUD CL-PIU require additional tablets for the DL-PIU engineers to use during the inspection process. In addition to the tablets already in the districts, the NRA will provide 103 tablets from their stock, and will request the tablets from CBS once the survey in the 17 districts is complete.
 4. The geo-hazard risk assessment is continuing (a short report on progress is available [here](#)) and results are expected at the end of April and following this relocation will begin where required.
 5. NRA is planning to create communication products, based on the latest guidelines and manuals, so that they can be disseminated to households and communities. It is expected that the final year engineering students who will be deployed for the month of March will support with this.
 6. NRA has submitted low-cost housing designs to DUDBC and is now planning to hire consultant engineers to prepare the associated structural calculations so that the designs can be approved for inclusion in volume two of the DUDBC design catalogue.
 7. NRA, MoFALD CL-PIU, and MoUD CL-PIU will soon start joint monitoring visits to the districts and requested HRRP to facilitate district meetings with Partner Organisations (POs), in collaboration with the NRA district offices and the DL-PIUs.
 8. SDC must be notified about the deployment of Nepal Army technicians in Ramechhap to avoid possible duplication. The army technicians will be focused on the reconstruction of public schools.
- On Thursday 23rd February, NRA CEO Dr. Pokharel held a meeting for Partner Organisations (POs) working on the earthquake reconstruction. Dr. Pokharel stressed the need to expand the coverage of the full Technical Assistance package (household/community orientations, door to door technical assistance teams, short training, vocational training, demonstration construction, and helpdesk / resource centre) across the affected areas. He also **highlighted that the poor coverage of TA (as per HRRP 4W data of the 25th January, only 9 VDCs out of a total of 619 have full coverage) is the biggest challenge at the moment for the housing reconstruction. He requested POs to adjust their programmes to ensure provision of the full Technical Assistance package adding that where programmes have already been approved the NRA will facilitate and support adjustment to allow for expanded implementation of TA.** Dr. Pokharel also recommended that if a PO does not have sufficient resources fully cover a VDC then they need to team up with another PO and must work to ensure that the VDC is fully covered.
- A **Working Group Co-Leads Meeting was held on 9 Feb in Sindhupalchowk**. The following decisions were made:
 1. Working group meetings will take place monthly, in the second week of every month. HRRP will continue to meet twice a month.
 2. The District Recovery and Reconstruction Network (DRRN) will meet every two months, or as required.
 3. The District Disaster Relief Committee (DDRC) and the working group leads and co-leads will meet on a quarterly basis.
 4. Working groups will submit 4W information matrices to DRRN by the first week of every month.
 5. DRRN will compile the inter-working group 4Ws and produce agency presence multi sectorial maps.

6. Working groups will prepare and publish quarterly e-newsletters. It is suggested that these include as summary of agency presence, major achievements, assessment data, and priorities and gaps.
- District technical workshops have now been **completed in all 14 districts**. Many thanks to everyone who participated in these. Please get in touch with the district coordinators directly if you have any questions. You may also feel free to contact the National Technical Coordinator, Narayan (techcord.national@hrrpnepal.org). District reports are currently being finalised, and once ready will be available [here](#). A compiled report summarising the findings across the district workshops is also being prepared and will be shared soon.

Useful Documents

- ODI have released a report on 'Scaling up Humanitarian Cash Transfers in Nepal', which is available [here](#).
- The NRA has shared the grievance handling reports for each of the fourteen districts, and these are available [here](#). These reports will be updated on a regular basis. A summary table in English is also available [here](#).
- The **MoUD-CLPIU MIS portal** [here](#) provides a district overview of **inspection and reconstruction progress** based on DL-PIU engineers reports. A translation of the headers is available [here](#).
- Contact details for DL-PIU engineers are available on the HRRP website [here](#).
- A [Briefing Pack](#) has been prepared to support staff or organisations new to the Nepal housing recovery and reconstruction programme. The pack highlights some particularly useful documents for anyone trying to understand the context, the actors involved, and the standards to be followed.
- The [draft 'Q&A'](#) document is available [here](#). This is a living document and questions to be included can be shared to info@hrrpnepal.org or through the HRRP district coordinators at any time.

Information Products

- Maps published last week by the NRA include:
 - [Structures by damage grade across the 14 districts](#)
 - [Toilets destroyed in 11 of 14 most affected districts \(as of May 2016\)](#)
 - [Water sources used in 11 of 14 most affected districts \(as of May 2016\)](#)
 - [Female Headed Households in 11 of 14 most affected districts \(as of May 2016\)](#)
 - [Income Level distribution of households in 11 of 14 most affected districts \(as of May 2016\)](#)
 - [Damage Condition of Education Centres at 14 EQ Affected Districts](#)
 - [Damage Condition of Health Service Facilities at 14 EQ Affected Districts](#)
- Updated Dashboards (as of 10 Feb) for all 14 districts with data available at ward level are available [here](#). Please choose the district dashboard from the dropdown list.
- 12 district profiles based on 4W data collection were published on the 20th February, and are available here:
 - [Gorkha](#)
 - [Dhading](#)
 - [Makwanpur](#)
 - [Rasuwa](#)
 - [Nuwakot](#)
 - [Kavre](#)
 - [Kathmandu Valley](#)
 - [Sindhupalchowk](#)
 - [Dolakha](#)
 - [Ramechhap](#)
 - [Okhaldhunga](#)
 - [Sindhuli](#)

Reminders

- Please follow us on **Flickr** and enjoy the photos through [here](#). To search for any content, please use the tag “HRRP_KEYWORD” in the search bar (e.g. HRRP_mason, HRRP_CSEB, HRRP_Gorkha etc.). **Photos are an incredibly useful resource and we would really appreciate it if you could continue to share them with us!** Photos, with details of what is shown and where, can be sent to Laxmi (techofficer2.national@hrrpnepal.org).