

District Report

Gorkha

7 - 13 April 2018

Activity Summary

Activity	Contact Person	Reference Document
NRA and HRRP participated in the kick off program of UNDP/Embassy of India housing project held on UNDP office premises on 9 th April 2018. UNDP shared information regarding their projects, working areas and working modality to the guests which included respective department heads. The program will be socio-technical facilitation through which 26 + houses will be reconstructed in 6 rural municipalities and two municipalities. .	dc.gorkha@hrrpnepal.org ; techcord.gorkha@hrrpnepal.org ; nragorkha@gmail.com	
Mr. Shiv Poudel, NRA, Gorkha and Mr. Chandra ict Gurung – District Coordinator – HRRP attended and observed the demo house handover program constructed by SSICDC/CRA at Thumi, Aarughat Rural Municipality. The demo house was handed over to ward chairperson of ward no. 4 for their daily use of official purpose by chief guest honorable physical infrastructure minister of provincial assembly Mr. Ram Saran Basnet.	dc.gorkha@hrrpnepal.org , nragorkha@gmail.com	
HRRP district team visited Palungtar municipality on 9 th April 2018 and met with Deputy Mayor and focal person of the municipality. HRRP team held short discussions with the Palungtar municipality team regarding reconstruction activities going on in the municipality particularly housing reconstruction, urban issues and single room houses status. HRRP district team also invited the deputy mayor of municipality to the upcoming district exhibition.	dc.gorkha@hrrpnepal.org ; techcord.gorkha@hrrpnepal.org	
MOUD CLPIU M&E Mr. Khagendra Aawasthi and HRRP technical coordinator visited Siranchowk rural municipality, Barpak Sulikot rural municipality and Shahid Lakhana rural municipality as part of their regular monitoring visit. During the joint monitoring visits, they interacted with rural municipality and ward representatives, DLPIU engineers and technical team based in the wards regarding reconstruction activities going on in their respective wards.	techcord.gorkha@hrrpnepal.org ;	Field visit reports
NRA, MOUD CLPIU M&E and HRRP district team organized and participated in Gandaki rural municipality coordination meeting on 13 th April 2018. The meeting was chaired by the rural municipality chairperson. Discussion were focused on the status of reconstruction (HRRP district team shared the present status of housing reconstruction grant of the rural municipality), issues present in rural municipality.	dc.gorkha@hrrpnepal.org ; techcord.gorkha@hrrpnepal.org ; nragorkha@gmail.com	Field visit report
NRA, MOUD CLPIU M&E and HRRP district team participated in Asal Chhimeki Nepal's (ACN) vulnerable top-up grant support 4 party agreement signing and kick off meeting in Bhumlichowk, Gandaki rural municipality.	dc.gorkha@hrrpnepal.org ; techcord.gorkha@hrrpnepal.org ; nragorkha@gmail.com	Field visit report

Activity Summary

ACN is providing top-up support to 200 HHs in Gandaki rural municipality. ACN has targeted marginalized Chhepang communities for their top-up support.

Upcoming Events & Meetings

Event / Meeting	Date, Time, and Location	Contact Person
District exhibition and technical work shop	17 th April 2018, 11 am, Hotel Bisauni, Gorkha	dc.gorkha@hrrpnepal.org ; techcord.gorkha@hrrpnepal.org
MoFALD/CLPIU program in the district	17 th , 18 th and 19 th at DCC, Gorkha	nragorkha@gmail.com

News & Updates

- Revolving fund for earthquake affected beneficiaries
- Earthquake resistant demo house handed over to ward office



Field Visit Reports

Date	Location	Participants
10 th April 2018	Chhoprak, Siranchowk rural municipality	Mr. Khagendra Aawasthi, M&E MOUD CLPIU Mr. Atit Shrestha, District Technical Coordinator, HRRP
Objective(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Palika level joint monitoring visit of M&E MOUD CLPIU and HRRP 	
Summary	<p>As per the monitoring plan made during the end of February, the joint monitoring team visited Siranchowk rural municipality. The monitoring team consulted with rural municipality officials, ward secretaries of Chhoprak and</p>	

Jaubari as well as DLPIU engineers and technical team deployed in the wards. The discussions held during the joint monitoring visits were focused on:

- Status of housing reconstruction in their respective wards
- Issues and challenges in their respective wards regarding housing reconstruction. The results of grievances are yet to be received and beneficiaries are constantly following up with ward chairpersons and officials.
- Status of technical human resource, tablets and orientation/training. Siranchowk rural municipality has less technical human resource as the vacant position of engineers and sub engineers are yet to be fulfilled.

Challenges / Issues Identified	Action Required	Responsible	Timeframe
Some wards of the municipality don't have enough technical human resource	Hiring of engineers and sub engineers for those wards	DUDBC	Within a month
Damaged tablets sent for repair are yet to be returned. So, there is shortage of tablets	Provide tablets to engineers	DUDBC	As soon as possible
Some engineers and sub engineers were deployed without orientation and are facing challenges regarding household inspection	Provide orientation to engineers and sub engineers	DUDBC	As soon as possible

Date	Location	Participants
11 th April 2018	Takukot, Barpak Sulikot rural municipality	Mr. Khagendra Aawasthi, M&E MOUD CLPIU Mr. Atit Shrestha, District Technical Coordinator, HRRP

Objective(s)

- Palika level joint monitoring visit of M&E MOUD CLPIU and HRRP

Summary

As per the monitoring plan made during the end of February, the joint monitoring team visited Barpak Sulikot rural municipality. The monitoring team consulted with rural municipality officials, ward chairperson of Takukot. The discussions held during the joint monitoring visits were focused on:

- Status of housing reconstruction in their respective wards
- Issues and challenges in their respective wards regarding housing reconstruction. The results of grievances are yet to be received and beneficiaries are constantly following up with ward chairpersons and officials.
- Status of technical human resource, tablets and orientation/training. Takukot currently has enough engineers and technician available.
- Engineers previously present in Takukot did not handover the tranche documents to the ward chairperson and engineers currently deployed in Takukot. This might create a problem in the later stages as some houses are yet to receive third tranches

Challenges / Issues Identified	Action Required	Responsible	Timeframe
There was no proper handover of duties and documents between engineers as some documents are missing in the ward office	Follow up with previously deployed engineers	Ward office	Within a month
Some of the beneficiaries are yet to receive third tranche even though their files were sent 2-3 months ago	Follow up with DUDBC & DCC	Ward office	Within a month
Result of grievances are yet to be published	Follow up with central NRA	District NRA and ward/rural municipality offices	As soon as possible

Date	Location	Participants	
12 th April 2018	Ghairung, Shahid Lakhan rural municipality	Mr. Khagendra Aawasthi, M&E MOUD CLPIU Mr. Atit Shrestha, District Technical Coordinator, HRRP	
Objective(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Palika level joint monitoring visit of M&E MOUD CLPIU and HRRP 		
Summary	<p>As per the monitoring plan made during the end of February, the joint monitoring team visited Shahid Lakhan rural municipality. The monitoring team consulted with rural municipality chairperson, vice chairperson, officials, ward chairperson of Ghairung and technical team deployed in Ghairung. The discussions held during the joint monitoring visits were focused on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Status of housing reconstruction in their respective wards Issues and challenges in their respective wards regarding housing reconstruction. The results of grievances are yet to be received and beneficiaries are constantly following up with ward chairpersons and officials. Beneficiaries are yet to receive third tranche even though their files were sent to district for approval. Status of technical human resource, tablets and orientation/training. Shahid Lakhan rural municipality has enough technical human resource present. 		
Challenges / Issues Identified	Action Required	Responsible	Timeframe
Rural municipality, ward offices and engineers do not receive any updates/information of tranche files approved in districts	Send updates to the respective engineers and rural municipality offices	DUDBC and DCC	As soon as possible
Date	Location	Participants	
13 th April 2018	Bhumlichowk, Gandaki rural municipality	Mr. Shiva Lal Poudel, NRA Gorkha Mr. Khagendra Aawasthi, M&E MOUD CLPIU Mr. Chandra Gurung, District Coordinator, HRRP Mr. Atit Shrestha, District Technical Coordinator, HRRP Mr. Bharat Bahadur Gurung, Chairperson, ACN Mr. Bijaya Kumar Shrestha, Project Coordinator, CAN	
Objective(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Palika level coordination meeting to interact with local bodies in terms of housing reconstruction, issues and challenges in Palik. Kick off meeting and 4 party agreement signing of top up vulnerable support 		
Summary	<p>HRRP district team along with NRA Gorkha in coordination with Gandaki Rural Municipality organized coordination meeting at Gandaki Rural Municipality. The coordination meeting was facilitated by HRRP district team and chaired by Mr. Hom Bahadur Rana Magar – Chairperson of Gandaki Rural Municipality. In the meeting, HRRP updated the latest reconstruction update – including the tranche detail of the respective wards of the palika. And an open interaction session was held between NRA/HRRP and local bodies and beneficiaries. Queries like delay in receiving tranche payment, single room houses construction, and grievances were raised by the participants and responded by Mr. Shiv Poudel, NRA, accordingly. Likewise, NRA and HRRP district team attended the kick off meeting of top up support to vulnerable HHs by Asal Chhimeki Nepal. There was representative of all 3 wards (Bhumlichowk, Ghyalchowk and Makaising) present in the meetings. ACN presented their project information to the present officials. At the end stage, Shiva Lal Poudel (NRA Gorkha), Hom Bahadur Rana Magar (Chairperson of Gandaki rural municipality), respective ward representatives and Bharat Bahadur</p>		

Gurung (Chairperson of ACN) signed on the 4-party agreement of top up support to 200 HHs (mainly focused to marginalized Chhepang communities) in Gandaki rural municipality.
Also on the same occasion, MoUD-CLPIU interacted with rural municipality chairperson, chief administrative officer and other DLPIU engineers about private housing reconstruction, field level issues, challenges, strategy to address all these things.

Challenges / Issues Identified	Action Required	Responsible	Timeframe
ACN is only supporting 200 HHs from Chepang communities from 3 wards only. There are other HHs from the same community in the rural municipality. What support can be provided to them?	NRA/HRRP will consult and try to engage other agencies and partners to support those HHs if possible	NRA with the support of HRRP	As soon as possible

Photos



Caption: Mr. Shiva Lal Poudel, NRA Gorkha, answering to queries from the participants during the Gandaki rural municipality coordination meeting



Caption: Mr. Shiva Lal Poudel (NRA Gorkha), Mr. Hom Bahadur Rana Magar (Chairperson, Gandaki rural municipality) and Mr. Bharat Bahadur Gurung (Chairperson, ACN) sign the 4 party agreement regarding top-up support to 200 vulnerable HHs of Bhumlichowk, Ghyalchowk and Makaising

Housing Typology Report



Caption: Siranchowk rural municipality-8, Jaubari, M/s Bal kumari Gurung's 2 room stone masonry house. The house was constructed with the support of Gorkha welfare society.



Caption: Siranchowk rural municipality-8, Jaubari, Narimaya Nepali's 4 room brick masonry house. The owner has already received the received the second tranche and his third tranche is in process in DLPIU.

Questions Collected

Question	Who Asked the Question?	Response Provided (By Whom)
When will the orientation and training of technical personnel take place?	Assistant sub engineers	DUDBC will organize the training and orientation to the engineers soon. (M&E CLPIU MOUD)
There are less numbers of tablets in comparisons to engineers and technicians. This is affecting the work of inspection. Why are there not enough tablets?	Rural municipality authorities	District NRA will lobby with the concerned bodies to provide more tablets and send them to all local bodies
Some beneficiaries are yet to receive third tranche even though their files were sent to the district for approval 2-3 months ago. Why is their delay in the delivery of tranches?	Rural municipality authorities	As the deadline of second tranche was announced, the files for second tranche was in larger numbers as compared to the third tranche. The district-based engineers prioritized second tranche files to third tranche files. But recently they have started forwarding third tranche files as well. (M&E CLPIU MOUD)

Challenges and Way Forward

Challenge	Way Forward
Shortage of technical manpower as some of the engineers and sub engineers have already left the job and their position is still vacant.	Coordinate with DUDBC and MOUD CLPIU for quickly fulfilling the vacant positions
Engineers and technicians do not have adequate no of tablets in field	Coordinate with DUDBC for providing adequate number of tablets to engineers and technicians
There was no proper handover of duties and documents between engineers due to which the present engineers do not have any information regarding files of beneficiaries that were sent to district for tranche approval.	Follow up with the engineers and technicians that have left the job for information of those files