

District Report

Kavrepalanchok

26 Jan – 1 Feb 2018

Activity Summary

Activity	Contact Person	Reference Document
<u>NRA/HRRP Coordination Meeting Minutes Update</u> (Both the English and Nepali versions of meeting minutes of NRA/HRRP Coordination Meeting held on 22 nd Jan 2018 have been uploaded in HRRP Website and also shared with the district stakeholders.)	Reshma Shrestha reshma@hrrpnepal.org	Meeting Calendar
<u>HRRP 4W Update</u> (Updates received from Caritas Nepal has been updated and uploaded in the respective folder in Google Drive.)	Reshma Shrestha reshma@hrrpnepal.org	N/A
<u>PA Forms Collection Followup</u> (Five palikas have been followed up for collecting and dropping the PA Forms to MoFALD/DLPIU. Panauti Municipality has sought vehicle support to collect the forms from the remaining wards on 2 nd Feb 2018.)	Reshma Shrestha reshma@hrrpnepal.org	N/A
<u>Local Level Orientation and Interaction Program by MoFALD/CLPIU, Banepa Municipality, 28th Jan 2018</u> (MoFALD/CLPIU has been organizing an Orientation and Interaction Program to the local elected chiefs and secretaries at each palika level on the reconstruction process. The program was scheduled at Banepa Municipality on 28 th Jan 2018 which was attended by the chiefs, secretaries and engineers of all the wards of the municipality.)	Reshma Shrestha reshma@hrrpnepal.org	Palika Level Program Summary in the section below
<u>Field Visit to Kushadevi, 29th Jan 2018</u> (The field visit was made to Kushadevi, Panauti Municipality on 29 th Jan 2018 with NRA Kavre and DSE to monitor some non-compliant houses to observe houses being built using interlocking blocks. The main objective was to connect the producers to the reconstruction process and guidelines.)	Reshma Shrestha reshma@hrrpnepal.org	Field Visit Report in the section below
<u>Local Level Orientation and Interaction Program by MoFALD/CLPIU, NamoBuddha Municipality, 1st Feb 2018</u> (The program was scheduled at NamoBuddha Municipality on 1 st Feb 2018 which was attended by the chiefs, secretaries and engineers of all the wards of the municipality.)	Reshma Shrestha reshma@hrrpnepal.org	Palika Level Program Summary in the section below
<u>Contact List Update</u>	Reshma Shrestha reshma@hrrpnepal.org	Contact List

Upcoming Events & Meetings

Event / Meeting	Date, Time, and Location	Contact Person
Gaupalika Level Orientation and Interaction Program	3 Feb – 11 Feb 2018	Bidur Timalisina

To include details of upcoming events and meetings in the next bulletin, please share details with reshma@hrrpnepal.org by COB Wednesday of each week.

News and Updates

To enable the wards/beneficiaries track their tranche status, a google sheet portal has been developed by MoFALD/DLPIU:

sites.google.com/view/ehrpkavre

Field Visit Report

Date	Location	Participants
29 th Jan 2018	Kushadevi VDC, Panauti Municipality	NRA Chief Dhruba Gaida, DSE Bidhya Subedi, Block Producer Kanchan, Block producer Manoj, HRRP Reshma Shrestha

Objective(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To observe the houses being constructed using Interlocking blocks. To connect the producers to the reconstruction process and the technical guidelines.
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Summary	<p>Alternative materials and technologies are in preference of the reconstruction beneficiaries majorly in the urban and peri urban areas accessible to the construction market. Hollow Concrete Blocks and Interlocking Blocks are the mostly used alternative materials for reconstruction in the district. Whilst the hollow concrete blocks are much popular in Koshidekha of Panchkhal Municipality, Interlocking Block is slowly being adapted in some wards of Panauti and Banepa Municipality.</p> <p>A field visit was scheduled to Kushadevi on 29th Jan 2018 with representatives from NRA, DUDBC/DLPIU, Producers and HRRP to get a brief overview of the reconstruction scenario using interlocking blocks.</p> <p>Kishor Thapa, Ward 2 Chief, shared the details of beneficiaries reconstructing with interlocking blocks. The blocks are being used both as masonry and infill material. Inspection for the second tranche of all houses is completed but there are confusions regarding the standards for the third. Significant numbers of beneficiaries visit the office to get the information on applicability of interlocking blocks for tranches. Amongst the reconstruction challenges of the ward are: 9 X 12 pillar (at least 40 houses), single roomed houses (10-12 nos.), First Tranche release delay (62 nos.), switching the retrofit beneficiaries to reconstruction (35 nos.). Immediate responses were provided to solve all these issues.</p> <p>Three houses were selected for observation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> RCC with Interlocking blocks as infill, Under construction masonry structure, Foundation level masonry structure <p>Bands and vertical reinforcements were suitably positioned in the RCC house with interlocking blocks as infill material. The house owner Bishwonath Sapkota shared that precise measurement is required while locating the pillars as there can be some gaps.</p>
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	<p>The band details, vertical reinforcements and size of rooms were carefully monitored in the ongoing masonry construction of Dambar Bahadur Tamang. Suggestions were provided to use flexible roofs instead of rigid slab.</p> <p>Otte Singh Tamang who was laying the foundation for the masonry structure too was oriented on proper construction techniques.</p> <p>The block producers too were clearly oriented on the construction details as per the Design Catalog Vol 2. Consumer level orientation if can be provided from the producers on proper use of interlocking blocks as per the design standards can contribute in achieving compliant constructions.</p>
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A two roomed Masonry Structure using Interlocking blocks at Kushadevi, Panauti Municipality. The house owner Dambar Bahadur Tamang is a Retrofit beneficiary but as the house was not livable, has applied for switching into Reconstruction beneficiary.

Palika Level Meeting

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28 th Jan 2018	Banepa Municipality	Local level Chiefs, Secretaries, Engineers
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During the Interaction session, the major reconstruction challenges raised were:

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Resurvey and Re-verification Grievances Addressal	The process is ongoing at central NRA. The numbers are huge but expecting the results by Falgun.
Constructions in Public Land	Such constructions are illegal, no tranche can be approved and immediate actions need to be taken to stop the construction and vacate the land. If the beneficiaries are landless, the process to support the landless need to be started.
Bank delays in Tranche release	The details of the bank to be provided to NRA and MoFALD/DLPIU, will take necessary actions
Grievances Deadline	Resurvey and Reverification has been done. For the new grievances, no guidelines/statements have been made by central NRA.
Constructions in Neighboring districts	It has been stopped. Beneficiaries are allowed to construct only in the land they have included while signing the PA.
Delays in Tranche release	Manpower deficiency is the major reason, seeking probable solutions to it. The wards were also requested to continuously track the process.
Additional One Lakh support	NRA has made no official statement on it.

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Challenges and Way Forward

Challenge	Way Forward
Beneficiaries complain on the long interval between inspection and tranche release.	Insufficient manpower mostly at MoFALD/DLPIU also is one of the reasons behind this. POs will be requested to support human resource as earlier in the upcoming coordination meeting.