



Quarterly Progress Report

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| Name of the Project | Tahafuz: "Building Resilience through Community Based Disaster Risk Management in the Sindh Province of Pakistan" |
| Project Start Date | 01/01/2017 |
| Expected Completion Date | 30/06/2017 |
| Quarterly Period | 01/01/2017 To 31/03/2017 |
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| Result 01: Local community institutions formed and mechanisms developed to withstand disasters in future | | | | | | | | | |
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| Sr. No. | Indicators | | Unit | Targets | | Achievements | | | |
| | | | | Qtr. | Cum. | Qtr. | Cum. | | |
| 1.1 | No. of VDMCs and UDMCs formed | | VDMC | 61 | 61 | 60 | 60 | | |
| | | | UDMC | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | | |
| 1.2 | No. of men & women became members (total) and taking lead role in VDMCs | | Members (Total) | Men | / | 427 | 446 | 446 | |
| | | | | Women | / | 427 | 446 | 446 | |
| | | | Presidents | Men | / | / | 50 | 50 | |
| | | | | Women | / | / | 10 | 10 | |
| | | | Managers | Men | / | / | 45 | 45 | |
| | | | | Women | / | / | 15 | 15 | |
| 1.3 | No. of men & women became members (total) and taking lead role in UDMCs | | Members (Total) | Men | / | 61 | 60 | 60 | |
| | | | | Women | / | 61 | 60 | 60 | |
| | | | Presidents | Men | / | / | 8 | 8 | |
| | | | | Women | / | / | 1 | 1 | |
| | | | Managers | Men | / | / | 6 | 6 | |
| | | | | Women | / | / | 3 | 3 | |
| Result 02: Capacity of local community developed enabling them to resist/withstand hazardous situations | | | | | | | | | |
| 2.1 | No. of men & women from V-UDMCs trained under the regular courses for New V-UDMCs | | Regular | New VDMCs | Men | 280 | 427 | 0 | 0 |
| | | | | Women | 280 | 427 | 0 | 0 | |
| | | | New UDMCs | Men | 41 | 122 | 0 | 0 | |
| | | | | Women | 41 | 122 | 0 | 0 | |
| 2.2 | Training of elected Union Council members | | Chairmen | / | 9 | 3 | 3 | | |
| | | | V. Chairmen | / | 9 | 3 | 3 | | |
| | | | Councilors | / | 63 | 43 | 43 | | |
| 2.3 | Capacity building of School Teachers on DRR | | Men | 100 | 100 | 52 | 52 | | |
| | | | Women | 100 | 100 | 22 | 22 | | |
| 2.4 | Capacity building of media personnel on DRR | | No. of Pax | 25 | 100 | 45 | 45 | | |
| 2.5 | No. of Village level DRMP prepared by VDMCs | | DRMPs | 32 | 61 | 0 | 0 | | |
| 2.6 | No. of CRPs selected from New VDMCs | | Men | / | 61 | 0 | 0 | | |
| | | | Women | / | 61 | 0 | 0 | | |
| 2.7 | No. of awareness sessions taken by CRPs combining Old & New VDMCs | | Sessions | 450 | | 0 | 0 | | |
| 2.8 | No. of settlements where CRP's sessions have been completed | | Settlements | / | / | 0 | 0 | | |
| 2.9 | No. of people participated in awareness sessions conducted by CRPs | | Men | / | 6,100 | 0 | 0 | | |
| | | | Women | / | 6,100 | 0 | 0 | | |
| 2.10 | No. of government officials and LSO representatives trained on CBDRM | | Govt. | 37 | 50 | 13 | 13 | | |
| | | | LSO | 38 | 50 | 45 | 45 | | |
| Result 03: Small scale preparedness and mitigation measures undertaken | | | | | | | | | |
| 3.1 | No. of Emergency Tool kits procured & distributed | | Procured | / | 225 | 59 | 59 | | |
| | | | Distributed | / | 225 | 59 | 59 | | |
| Result 04: Linkages of institutions developed with official bodies while taking along different stakeholders | | | | | | | | | |

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| 4.1 | No. of meetings held & types of stakeholders participated in DRRF meetings held at the district level | Meetings | 4 | 8 | 1 | 1 |
| | | UDMC rep. | | | 31 | 31 |
| | | CSOs | | | 21 | 21 |
| | | Govt rep. | | | 7 | 7 |
| | | Media | | | 1 | 1 |
| 4.2 | No. of UDMCs linked with LSOs | | 9 | | 0 | |

Some activities like procurement of emergency tool kits, some planned studies etc. etc. could not be completed due to various reasons beyond RSPN control. For this purpose a no cost extension of six months was awarded so that remaining activities could be completed. For efficient utilization of time and available resources RSPN planned to add certain activities including formation of VDMC and UDMC, capacity building of different target groups and creating linkages of fostered community institutions with other stakeholders.

Details of the activities carried out during the reporting period is as under:

1) Social Mobilization- Formation of Village and Union Disaster Management Committees

RSPN completed the process of organizing communities into 60 Village Disaster Management Committees (VDMC) at the revenue village level. Initially 61 VDMC were planned to be formed but later on due to some administrative decisions at government level one new union council was formed and a formerly organized revenue village was included in this UC so the target was reduced to 60. This activity has been the most challenging due the scattered population in working districts. These newly formed VDMCs are expected to take pro-active measures at the local level to minimize losses of lives and or livelihood during disasters. Similarly 09 Union Disaster Management Committees (UDMC) have also been formed in 09 new union councils added for current extended period. All these UDMCs have representation of one man and one woman from each VDMC in that union council.

During the formation of these institutions, special considerations were taken to ensure gender composition. The table above can contains the membership details and number of women taking leading role in the fostered V/UDMCs.

2) Capacity Building of Elected Local Representatives on DRR

Local elected representatives are the key players in highlighting DRR issues at union council and district level. These representatives can effectively contributes in DRR Advocacy, budget allocation, district contingency planning and linkages with stakeholders and project fostered V/UDMCs at district level. Keeping this important role in view, RSPN trained a total of 49 such local representatives including 03 UC Chairmen and 03 Vice Chairmen. During the two days training event the participants learnt about disaster risk assessment, disaster risk management & planning, basic life support, search and rescue, first aid techniques and role/responsibility during and after disastrous situations.

3) Capacity Building of Media Personnel on DRR

Journalists can play a crucial role in pre, during and post disastrous situations. They are helpful in creating mass awareness besides keeping relevant stakeholders and the government updated on disaster risk reduction (DRR) measures through DRR focused reporting and information dissemination. Keeping in view their important role, RSPN over achieved quarter target and trained a total of 45 individuals from media (print or electronic) from all target districts.

4) Capacity Building of School Teachers on DRR

Children are among most vulnerable groups from the impact of disastrous situations. To minimize their vulnerability, RSPN capacitates school teachers on DRR. After receiving two days training they are required to deliver one session per month at their school for the students. These sessions will enable the children to learn about disaster risk reduction and techniques to remain safe during disastrous situations.

During the reporting quarter 76 school teachers from target districts participated in these two days sessions. They learned about School Based Disaster Preparedness (SBDP), school evacuation, first aid, role and responsibilities of school based disaster committees and other stakeholders working in field of disaster risk reduction.

5) Capacity Building of Government Officials and LSO Representatives on DRR

During the reporting quarter, RSPN arranged training events on DRR for the government officials and LSOs representatives. The purpose of these training sessions was to capacitate participants to understand basic concept and terminologies of DRR, DRM system, importance of CBDRM approach, DRR advocacy and role/ responsibilities of government departments and communities in pre-during and post disastrous situations. A total of 58 participants from district government departments and LSO office bearers participated in these events. The events also helped in creating linkages among community institutions and district government departments as they agreed to work in close coordination during disastrous situations.

6) Coordination Meeting of District Disaster Risk Reduction Forum-DDRRF

During earlier phases of the project, RSPN supported in formation and strengthening of disaster risk reduction forum in all four target districts. To make it more functional and effective, RSPN planned quarterly coordination meetings at districts level. During the reporting period one such meeting was organized in which district government officials from social welfare, health, education and livestock departments, NGO/INGOs and office bearers of UDMCs/ LSOs participated. The members stressed on the need to further work on CBDRM approach for effective results in disaster risk reduction

7) Procurement and Distribution of Emergency Toolkits

Besides building capacity of local communities in better understanding and handling of disasters, RSPN also provided them with essential tools to cope with disastrous situation. The emergency toolkits contain various lifesaving tools that would help communities in responding well to such situations.

During the reporting quarter, a total of 59 toolkits at district Tharparkar and Umerkot were provided to the VDMCs through their respective UDMCs.

8) General

- RSPN has published a booklet reflecting the success stories about preparedness of rural communities. The stories highlight behavioural change of beneficiaries to deal with alarming situations. The booklet has been shared with USAID, RSPN management and partner RSPs.
- A brief video documentary has been prepared for highlighting success of the project. This video documentary is in its final stage and will be available on website soon.
- The link leads to all details about Tahafuz project activities, reports, success stories etc. etc.
<http://www.rspn.org/index.php/projects/current/tahafuz-ii-cbdrm/>

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