FINAL NARRATIVE REPORT
OF
AGRICULTURE INPUTS DISTRIBUTION
TO
FOOD INSECURE FARMING FAMILIES
AFFECTED BY 2013 FLOODS
IN
BANTEAY MEANCHEY

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ABBREVIATION AND ACRONYMS

- BMC : Banteay Meanchey
- CC : Commune Council
- CSA : Chusla
- DoA : District Office of Agriculture
- DRR : Disaster Risk Reduction
- HHs : Households
- Veg. : Vegetable
- LoA : Letter of Agreement
- MAFF : Ministry of Agriculture Fishery and Forestry
- PDA : Provincial Department of Agriculture
- PRD : Pkar Rumduol
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in Banteay Meancheuy

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RCEDO wishes to express deep thanks to The Ministry of Agriculture Forestry and Fishery (MAFF) and its subordinates the Provincial Department of Agriculture (PDA) and District Office of Agriculture (DOA), who had spent their great effort to allow the project ruled out very effectively from the beginning until end of the project. RCEDO congratulates the cohesive cooperation of the government body.

RCEDO wants to express a special thanks to the good collaboration of the provincial, district, commune and village authorities who had actively participated in the entire process of the project activities which allowed RCEDO to accomplish the global tasks quantitatively and qualitatively.

Following the good coordination of the local government body, the police officials were actively participated in every activity from the commencement until the end of the project, mainly during the input distribution period which security preparation was taken place.

SAM SEREY WATHANA
Executive Director
RCEDO
I- Executive Summary

This final report is submitted to FAO-Agriculture Inputs distribution project under which had been implemented by RCEDO in Banteay Meanchey province covering 6 districts, 18 communes and 80 villages where were affected and damaged by the heavy flood in 2013.

The project had been accomplished as schedule by engaging with 5,750 families in which 3,500 families received rice seed packages at 20kg per household and 2,250 families received vegetable seeds which included 20g of morning glory, 10g of egg-plant and 10g of Chinese cabbage, 1 hoe and a pair of watering cans. The distribution was taken place in coordination with relevant government stakeholders from top-down and vise-versa.

The distribution of agriculture inputs to the beneficiaries was made twice, during the distribution events and after when the inputs were available in stock. This was caused by the delay of inputs delivery by various companies and some tested kits were returned late. In this regards, the communication and intervention was made by RCEDO and FAO-DRR officers as to expedite the company to faster delivery.

II- Introduction

The Letter of Agreement (LoA) between FAO and RCEDO was signed on March 14, 2014 with the presence of Mr. Sam Serey Wathana, Executive Director of RCEDO and Ms. Nina Brandtrup- FAO Representative in the Kingdom of Cambodia.

FAO Cambodia is implementing a project that aims at resuming the farming-based livelihoods of flood-affected farmers and at improving their food security. The expected outcome of the project is the recovery and restoration of the livelihoods of 5,750 vulnerable farming families affected by the 2013 floods in Banteay Meanchey province. The targeted beneficiary families will be provided with 20kg of early and medium varieties of rice seeds or a vegetable package. The flood-affected families had been selected through a firm verification with local authorities and relevant government stakeholders. Following the approval of the local authorities and the Provincial Department of Agriculture (PDA), the name lists of beneficiaries were posted in each village as to obtain a transparent and precise number of target beneficiaries. A one-full month ruling schedule for distribution was carried out effectively.

III- Objectives

The project aims at distributing agricultural inputs and providing training opportunities to the selected beneficiaries. Up to 3 varieties of vegetable seeds, one hoe and a pair of watering cans will be the composition of the vegetable package that will be distributed to 2,250 beneficiary families. The 20kg (twenty) of early or medium variety of rice seeds will be distributed to 3,500 beneficiaries.

IV- Methodology/Approaches/Activities Undertaken

Activity 2.3: Facilitate and receive inputs packages from suppliers at the warehouse.

At the end of April 2014, RCEDO staffs and DoA officers in all target districts of Banteay Meanchey
facilitated and received the agriculture input packages from different suppliers who had made agreement with FAO. Those supplies are rice seeds, hoes, water cans and vegetable seeds. The inputs were downloaded and stored in 3 different warehouse as follows: 1-warehouse at Mongkol Borei district; 2- Ochrov district and 3- at Preah Net Preah district. RCEDO staffs together with DoA officers conducted physical check and inspected every single item to make sure that the quantity and quality of the input packages are correct.

In the project period, RCEDO received inputs delivery in total 3500 rice seed packages, 2250 vegetable seed packages; 2,250 pairs of watering cans and 2,250 hoes from difference suppliers. In the delivery period, there was a problem with the delayed of inputs delivery to the warehouses such as the supply of watering cans, rice seed and vegetable seed supplier. Some watering cans supplied by the Preah Vihear supplier are rusted and the quality is poorer than ones which supplied by BMC supplier.

**Activity 3.1: Prepare the beneficiaries list and a schedule to distribute input package to beneficiaries.**

The list of the beneficiaries was composed and verified with PDA officers and local authorities including the commune councils and village leaders. The input distribution schedule was prepared and posted in every target village so that the beneficiaries are informed properly about the name and date of inputs distribution. After posted the list of the beneficiaries, RCEDO staffs in collaborated with the village chiefs and CC members to receive any issues or complain from the villagers regarding to receive listed of inputs. There was no complains presented from the villagers, excepted some village chief was proposed to change the name of beneficiaries who were not in the village during posted (they are in Thailand).

Here underneath the schedule that had been practiced as follows:

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<th>Date</th>
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<th>Commune</th>
<th>Distribution Point</th>
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<td>6/5/2014</td>
<td>Mongkulporei</td>
<td>Sambuor</td>
<td>Sambuor Secondary School</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Preah Net Preah</td>
<td>Prasat and Teuk Chor</td>
<td>Wat Prasat</td>
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<td>Chhnuor Meanchey</td>
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Activity 3.2: Informed beneficiaries about distribution schedule and sites.

Beneficiaries were properly informed 2-3 days before the distribution events through verbal and the announcement by loud speakers in every village. The village chief took the utmost effort to inform individual beneficiary so that they could come to the distribution point individually or in groups. RCEDO staff was informed and invited the Provincial Governor, PDA officer, District Governor, FAO, DOA, and CC members through invitation participate at the distribution event.

Activity 3.3: Prepare loading and facilitate in transporting all input packages from warehouse at the districts to distribution points sites.

The loading of inputs was made and transported to the distribution point one day before the distribution event. The project has rental the private truck for transporting all inputs from the warehouse to the distribution points at the commune level, based on the distribution schedules of each commune. The upload and download of agriculture inputs processed in same system which allowed the inputs arrived the distribution point safely and well managed prior to commencement of the event. During that day, staffs of RCEDO of each target communes were stayed at the distribution point for managed and maintained all inputs to ensure all inputs are safety.

Storage of Inputs in District Warehouse

1. Mongkulborei district

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<tr>
<th>No</th>
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<th>The Location</th>
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<th>Vegetable Kits</th>
<th>Rice Seed 20kgs/bag</th>
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<td>No of HHs</td>
<td>Seed (kits)</td>
<td>Hoes (set)</td>
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<td>1,255</td>
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<td>980</td>
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<td>3-Svay Chek</td>
<td>600</td>
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<td>4-Preah Net Preah</td>
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<td>Sub-Total</td>
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## 3. O'Chrov district

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<td>Grand-Total</td>
<td>5,750</td>
<td>2,250</td>
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### Activity 3.4: Distribution agriculture input packages events to all selected beneficiaries.

The input package distribution events were conducted as per agreed schedule by relevant stakeholders included FAO, Provincial, District, Commune authorities and PDA. The events were carried out with participation of FAO representative, RCEDO staffs, the Provincial Government, District governor, District Agriculture Office, Commune councilor and Village authorities. Through the inputs distribution events, there were 5750 selected beneficiaries (packages) from 75 villages of 18 target communes of 6 districts of Banteay Meanchey province received agriculture inputs from the project. Those are 2250 HHs received vegetable seeds, hoe, water cans and 3500 HHs received 20kgs of rice seed (Phkar Rodoul, & Chhulasa) for restore farming production in this season. (Please see details in table of beneficiaries list in annex).

The distribution ceremonies were conducted as follows:
The distribution ceremony was held in Sambuor commune of Mongkul Borei district. There was 389 families participated and received the agriculture inputs from the project. The ceremony was chaired by
- Mr. Chheang SE - RCEDO’s Project Manager
- Mr. Chheuy Tem – Commune chief of Sambuor.

15 village chiefs including village focal persons, police post also participated in the distribution ceremony as to assure that their villagers had collected the inputs and to affirm that beneficiaries are in accordance with the distribution list. During this event, there are 325 HHs received rice seeds and 64 HHs received vegetable seeds. Through our staff observation during distribution event, there was no issue or complain was presented regarding to inputs distribution, except the delayed the water cans delivered.

By end of May, All water cans have been delivered by RCEDO staff again to all members who received vegetable seeds as planned.

The distribution event conducted in 2 communes of Teuk Cho and Prasat of Preah Net Preah district covering 7 villages for 632 families. The ceremony was chaired by:
- Mr. Vath Vreak – Deputy of District Governor of Preah Net Preah
- Mr. Chamreun Veth – Head of District of Agriculture Office at Preah Net Preah
- Mr. Leang Saorey – Team Leader of RCEDO.

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<td>Chhnuor Meanchey</td>
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<td>Samrong</td>
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<td>225</td>
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<td>12/5/14</td>
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<td>Psar Kandal</td>
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**3,500** | **2,250**

### Dated: 6/5/2014:

The distribution ceremony was held in Sambuor commune of Mongkul Borei district. There was 389 families participated and received the agriculture inputs from the project. The ceremony was chaired by

- Mr. Chheang SE - RCEDO’s Project Manager
- Mr. Chheuy Tem – Commune chief of Sambuor.

15 village chiefs including village focal persons, police post also participated in the distribution ceremony as to assure that their villagers had collected the inputs and to affirm that beneficiaries are in accordance with the distribution list. During this event, there are 325 HHs received rice seeds and 64 HHs received vegetable seeds. Through our staff observation during distribution event, there was no issue or complain was presented regarding to inputs distribution, except the delayed the water cans delivered.

By end of May, All water cans have been delivered by RCEDO staff again to all members who received vegetable seeds as planned.

The distribution event conducted in 2 communes of Teuk Cho and Prasat of Preah Net Preah district covering 7 villages for 632 families. The ceremony was chaired by:

- Mr. Vath Vreak – Deputy of District Governor of Preah Net Preah
- Mr. Chamreun Veth – Head of District of Agriculture Office at Preah Net Preah
- Mr. Leang Saorey – Team Leader of RCEDO.
Commune Councils and The village Chiefs in 7 target villages.

During this event, there are 607 HHs from 7 selected villages in Teuk Cho and Prasat commune received rice seeds and vegetable seeds (rice seeds 426HHs & vegetable 181 HHs). Through our staff observation during distribution event, there was no issue or complain was presented regarding to inputs distribution.

Dated: 7/5/2014:

- The distribution event conducted in Chhnuer Meancheay of Preah Net Preah district covering 3 villages for 187 families participated. The ceremony was chaired by:
  - Mr. Chamreun Veth – Head of District of Agriculture Office
  - Mr. Leang Saorey – Team Leader of RCEDO.
  - Mr. Hem Sarin – Commune Chief of Chhnuer Meancheay
  - Mr. Cheang Se – PM of RCEDO
  - 3 village chiefs and policeman.

During this event, there are 177 HHs from 3 selected villages in Chhnuer Meancheay commune received rice seeds and vegetable seeds (rice seeds 129HHs & vegetable 48 HHs). Through our staff observation during distribution event, there was no issue or complain was presented regarding to inputs distribution.

Dated: 8/5/2014:

- The distribution event conducted in Nimit commune of Poi Pet district covering 6 villages for 556 families participated. The ceremony was chaired by:
  - Mr. Menn Sophorn – Deputy District Governor of Poi Pet.
  - Mr. Sam Serey wathana-Executive Director of RCEDO
  - Mr. Chhem Bunthai – deputy of Agronomy Office
  - Mr. Pal Setha – Commune Chief of Minit
  - Mr. Hay Phalla- PM of RCEDO

During this event, there was 480 HHs from 6 selected villages in Nimit commune received rice seeds and vegetable seeds (rice seeds 253HHs & vegetable 227HHs). Through our staff observation during distribution event, there was no big issue or complain had presented regarding to inputs distribution, except the complain of the delayed the water cans.

By end of May, All water cans have been delivered by RCEDO staff again to all members who received vegetable seeds as planned.

Dated: 10/5/2014:

- The distribution event conducted in Kauk Balaing commune of Mongkul Borei district to 292 families participated. The ceremony was chaired by:
  - Mr. Roath Da Samnong, the District Governor;
  - Mr. Sam Serey wathana-Executive Director of RCEDO;
  - Mr. Pang Vansedth - Director of PDA
  - Mr. Run Sophanara – Chief of Agronomy Office.
  - Mr. Thon Sareth – Commune Chief of Kauk Balaing.

During this event, there are 292 families in total received inputs. There was 162 HHs from selected villages in Kauk Balaing commune received rice seeds and 130 HHs received vegetable seeds. Through our staff observation during distribution event, there was no big issue or complain had presented regarding to inputs distribution.

Dated: 10/5/2014:

- The distribution event conducted Samrong commune of Ochrov district to 510 families
participated from 7 target villages. The ceremony was chaired by:
- Mr. Uk Phury – Deputy District Governor of O’chrov
- Mr. Sam Serey wathana-Executive Director of RCEDO;
- Mr. Ouch Phann – Commune Chief of Samrong
- 7 Village Chiefs and policeman.

During this event, there were 510 families in total received inputs. There are 285 HHs received rice seeds and 225 HHs received vegetable seeds. Through our staff observation during distribution event, there was no big issue or complaint had presented regarding to inputs distribution, except the complained of the delayed the water cans. By end of May, All water cans have been delivered by RCEDO staff again to all members who received vegetable seeds as planned.

Dated: 12/5/2014:

- The distribution event conducted in Svay Chek district premise covering 2 communes of Tapho and Svay Chek commune for 600 families participated. The ceremony was chaired by:
  - Mr. Kho Pov – District Governor of Svay Chek
  - Mr. Chheang Se – Project Manager of RCEDO
  - Mr. Nuon Sophea – Head of District of Agriculture Office
  - Mr. Mean Chhinh – Commune Chief of Tapho.
  - Mrs. Chhrouk Sophal – Commune Chief of Svay Chek

  During this event, there were 600 families in total received inputs. There are 300 HHs received rice seeds and 300 HHs received vegetable seeds. Through our staff observation during distribution event, there was no issue or complaint presented regarding to inputs distribution, except complained of delayed the water cans. By end of May, all water cans delivered by RCEDO staff again to all members who received vegetable seeds as planned.

- The distribution event conducted in Phneath commune of Sereisophon district covering 5 villages for 337 families. The ceremony was chaired by:
  - Mrs. Pok Nady – Deputy Provincial Governor of Banteay Meanchey.
  - Mr. Kean Sophea – FAO’s Representative
  - Mr. Pang Vansedth - Director of PDA
  - Mr. Sam Serey wathana - Executive Director of RCEDO
  - Mr. Vay Kengly – Deputy District Governor of Sereisophon
  - Commune council members.

  During this event, there were 312 families in total received inputs. There are 134 HHs received rice seeds and 178 HHs received vegetable seeds. Through our staff observation during distribution event, there was no issue or complaint presented regarding to input distribution,

- The distribution event conducted Psar Kandal commune of Poi Pet district to 127 families from 3 target villages. There are 53 HHs received vegetable seeds, hoe & 74 HHs received rice seeds, but water cans was delayed. The ceremony was chaired by:
  - Mr. Menn Sophorn – Deputy District Governor of Poi Pet
  - Mr. Mach Srun – Head of District Agriculture Office
  - Mr. Phon Sina – RCEDO’s Team Leader.
  - Mr. Keat Hul – Commune Chief of Psar Kandal

  Through our staff observation during distribution event, there was no issue or complaint presented regarding to input distribution, except the complaint of delayed the water cans, but by end of May, all water cans were delivered to all members who received vegetable seeds.
Dated: 19/5/2014:

- The distribution event conducted in Tean Kam commune of Preah Net Preah district covering 5 villages for 366 families. The ceremony was chaired by:
  - H.E Ngin Chhay – Director of Department of Agronomy
  - Mr. Chheang Se – Project Manager of RCEDO
  - Mr. Vath Vreak – Deputy of District Governor of Preah Net Preah
  - Mr. Chamreun Veth – Head of District of Agriculture Office

- The distribution event conducted in Chang Ha commune of Ochrov district covering 4 villages for 236 families. The ceremony was chaired by:
  - Mr. Kean Sophea – FAO's Representative
  - Mr. Phon Sina – RCEDO's Team Leader.
  - Mr. Chhem Bunthai – Deputy of Agronomy office, PDA
  - Mr. San Simeang – deputy of District Agriculture Office
  - Mr. Tan Preang – Commune Chief of Chang Ha

Dated: 20/5/2014:

- The distribution event conducted in Banteay Neang of Mongkulborei district covering 4 villages for 288 families. The ceremony was chaired by:
  - Mr. Kean Sophea – FAO's Representative
  - Mr. Sam Sereiwathana – Executive Director of RCEDO
  - Mr. Chhem Bunthai – Deputy of Agronomy office, PDA
  - Mr. Pheav Roath – Head of District of Agriculture Office
  - Mr. Phoeuk Aun – Commune Chief.

Dated: 21/5/2014:

- The distribution event conducted in Teuk Thla commune of Sereisophon district covering 3 villages for 219 families. The ceremony was chaired by:
  - Mr. Kean Sophea – FAO's Representative
  - Mr. Chhem Bunthai – Deputy of Agronomy Office, PDA
  - Mr. Leang Saorey – Team Leader of RCEDO.
  - Mr. Kham Sar – Commune Chief of Teauk Thla

Dated: 22/5/2014:

- The distribution event conducted in Talam commune of Mongkulborei district covering 4 villages for 286 families. The ceremony was chaired by:
  - Mr. Chheang Se – Project Manager of RCEDO
  - Mr. Chhem Bunthai – Deputy of Agronomy Office of PDA
  - Mr. Pheav Roath – Head of District of Agriculture Office
  - Mr. Uk Borum – Officer of District of Agriculture Office
  - Mr. Kchhau Yan – Commune Council Member.

- The distribution event conducted in Kutasorth commune of Ochrov district covering 4 villages for 356 families. The ceremony was chaired by:
  - Mr. Uk Phury – Deputy District Governor of O’chrov
  - Mr. Mach Srunn – Head of District Agriculture Office
  - Mr. Phon Synna – RCEDO’s Team Leader
  - Mr. Pal Sam Eourn – Comune Chief of Kutasorth
Dated: 23/5/2014:

- The distribution event conducted in Makak commune of Sereisophon district covering 5 villages for 496 families. The ceremony was chaired by:
  - Mr. Kean Sophea – FAO's Representative
  - Mrs. Chan Theng – District Governor of Sereisophon
  - Mr. Pang Vannsedth - Director of PDA
  - Mr. Sam Sereywathana – Executive Director of RCEDO
  - Mr. Chhem Bunthana – Deputy of Agronomy Office, PDA
  - Mr. Chheang Se- PM of RCEDO
  - Mr. Seash Khoeurm – Commune councilor of Makak

Monitoring activities after Inputs distribution:

Activity 4.1: monitor all input distribution to ensure inputs reached beneficiaries and appropriately used.

In the aftermath of distribution events, RCEDO staffs conducted field monitoring all input distributed to the target beneficiaries through visiting farmers at spot to ensure that inputs reached beneficiaries and appropriately keep and used. The monitoring was taken place to random check to who could not come and collect inputs at the distribution points due to different reasons. Also, the monitoring finds as follows:

- 55% have already cultivated in their farm using rice seed and vegetable seed distributed.
- 30% or above are reluctant to plant rice and vegetable seed unless they receive technical training from agriculture officers.
- 15% more or less are waiting for rainwater which is currently farmers face inadequate water supply.

Farmers practiced distributed inputs

1. Bedding preparation for vegetable seed.
2. Rice siblings after 2 weeks

Any Difficulty or challenges:

- The delayed of inputs delivery was made difficulty for staff with more works and used more resource for transportation, and also it made the target villagers complained at distribution point.
- The project period was too short, it made us difficult to implement the activities. RCEDO staffs need to work on Saturday and Sunday and without national holiday.
- There are more villagers preferred the vegetable seeds than rice seeds, because they worry about the flood and lack of water.
• Some of target beneficiaries did not come and collect the input packages at the distribution point. There had been couple reasons which those farmers could not come and collect the packages due to illness, urgent jobs outside the village, village cultural festival and family wedding party.

V- Conclusion

It was approximately 1-3% of the total target beneficiaries did not come and collect the package at the distribution point. There had been couple reasons which those farmers could not come and collect the packages due to illness, urgent jobs outside the village, village cultural festival and family wedding party. With a firm verification with each village leader, the packages had been sent through the village leaders who would then directly given those packages to the target beneficiaries. In this regards, each leader was requested to have thumb print on their behalf and signed on a hand written handover letter which identified the responsibility of the village leaders to further distribute the packages to their members. Yet, the monitoring measure was then taken place in those villages to assure that the packages had been reached the beneficiaries. Side by side, the monitoring also identified those farmers who have kept and practiced seeding after obtaining from the distribution.

The distribution activities were conducted efficiently and effectively with adhesive cooperation by the Provincial Department of Agriculture and the agriculture district offices in the target locations. It had been an extraordinary collaboration among the local capable authorities which included the district, commune, village leaders and police post officials. The local authorities had extensive and remarkable leadership in the participatory process working with local inhabitants in place and assisted in security management before and during the distributing ceremony.

VI-Recommendations

Based on the monitoring, it is assumed that the beneficiaries are actively participated in seeding and utilizing agriculture tools given to cultivate their farm. It is appropriate that the ongoing agriculture technical training is intervened by the provincial department of agriculture through the existing extension officials in place.

With regards to the findings that farms who received rice seed would join as group to cultivate in larger farm so that they will get more seed next season for expanding their production of the following year.

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Annex 1: Table of beneficiaries list
Annex 2: Schedule of input distribution
Annex 3: Finance Report
Annex 4: Photos of Project activities

Annex 4:
- Pictures for monitoring purposes