

**Minutes of the 8<sup>th</sup> REACT meeting**

**July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2007, 10:00-11:00**  
**GAA Khujand Field Office**

**Chair:** Mr. Kh.D. Kadirberdiev, Deputy Head of DoES and CD in Sughd Region

**Participants:** REACT partners

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**1. Introduction by Chair, Mr. Kh.D. Kadirberdiev, Deputy Head of DoES and CD in Sughd Region**

Chair of the meeting has welcomed all participants. Due to valid reasons the meeting was not conducted on June 20<sup>th</sup> and was postponed to this date. The next meeting is scheduled to be held at the end of this month.

**2. Disaster information and updates**

Colonel Kodirberdiev briefed participants on situation on ES.

Since June 27 there was flooding in Ayni and for the period of 3 days the road was closed. The movement of cars was difficult. Explosion works implemented by Sughd Oblast Department on Roads were not helpful and currently only tracks can move through the Shahrستان pass.

On June 22 on tourist Center Bakhri Tojik (Kayrakum) there was a huge landslide. The location of the landslide is 4 km far from Kayrakum town. Length – 350 m, width – 60 m, and height – 20 m. Volume – 420 thousand cub meters. DoES evacuated nearly swimming people and currently this area is hatched. Geological center is recommending doing mini-explosion works or stopping the process of landslide by terracing.

Situation for the first half year.

Number of drowned – 31 persons.

Damage for half year.

On natural disasters:

5 cases – 4.155.872 somoni

Fires: 144 cases, 6 persons died, 6 persons injured.

Traffic accidents: 209 cases, 55 persons died, 224 people injured.

**3. Approval of the last meeting minutes and today's meeting agenda**

The last meeting minutes were approved without changes.

**4. Presentation of GAA project on disaster risk management.**

Project "Natural disasters prevention" funded by Federal office of MFA of Germany.

The following goals are pursued within the project:

- increasing population's awareness,
- establishing information network based in Oblast DoES,
- forming schoolchildren groups for preventing natural disasters,
- assisting in planting forests and organizing nursery forest.

Within the frames of these goals German agro action is planning to cooperate closely with REACT participants. Mission East will be involved on building earthquake-proof houses. YGPE is planning to share experience on working with schoolchildren in districts.

DoES in Sughd will be rendering technical assistance in maintaining 4 connection systems Codan.

**5. News from REACT partners**

Muazzam Toshmatova (Mercy Corps) informed about 7-days workshop on preparedness to natural disasters that was held in Dushanbe. This workshop was attended by participants from the following

organizations: Save the Children, Mercy Corps, Oxfam, Care International, Mission East. The next step is to share experience via creating network.

Currently, participants of this training from OXFAM are working on preparing training modules to conduct on communities' level.

Red Crescent Society has prepared proposals for DIPECHO consideration. Projects are intended to implement works on decreasing natural disasters risks in Ayni, Penjikent and Ghanchi districts.

This organization is planning to clean open drainages in order to decrease ground water level for amount of 16.000 US Dollars. Works will be started in August 16.

#### **6. Organizational issues of REACT group - place, time and agenda for the next meeting**

It was agreed to hold the next meeting in German Agro Action office on 25 July 2007.

Mr. Frank Paepke proposed to hold mini-training on proposal writing in order to prepare proposal for German Embassy for supporting works on preventing people drowning and partial equipment of divers.

#### **7. Any other business**

Kompas TV-program on flooding that was prepared by YGPE and UN DRMP was shown.

*Annex 1.*

#	Name	Position	Organization
1	Colonel Kadirberdiev	REACT meeting Chair	DoES and CD in Sughd
2	Dmitriy Prudskih	Director	YGPE
3	Frank Paepke	Manager	GAA
4	Sophia Azizova	Specialist on mobilizing communities	GAA
5	Nosir Muhiddinov	Manager Assistant	Red Crescent Society
6	Maya Khoshimova	Director	NGO Amal
7	Muazzam Toshmatova	Head	Mercy Corps Khujand Field Office
8	Nodir Muhiddinov	Project officer	Mission East
9	Rano Numanova	National Project Coordinator	UN DRMP