



The Committee of Emergency Situations & Civil Defense under the Government of Republic of Tajikistan and GTZ Disaster Risk Management Program

Minutes of REACT Zeravshan valley (ZV) meeting

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GIZ Disaster Response & Training Center in Ainy

Chair: Mr. Khoji Muzayanov, Deputy Head of the Committee of Emergency Situations and Civil Defence, Sughd Oblast

Participants: please refer to the Annex 1

1. Introduction.

The meeting was opened by **Mr. Ismoilov**, the Chief of Sugd Region CoES, by welcoming all participants and requesting to introduce themselves.

2. Presentation of activities undertaken by German Agro Action (Welthungerhilfe WHH) as part of the GIZ Disaster Risk Management Program: installation of a communication system lessons learned from mitigation measures and preparation of risk maps for 23 villages in ZV.

Ms Raquel Nerger (WHH) briefly presented the program component of WHH and informed that 13 VHFs, 6 HF stations and 4 VHF handsets (with the set of accumulator and solar panels) were installed in the villages as well as district CoES (Ayni, K.Matcha and Penjikent). WHH emphasized the close cooperation between THW (German Agency for Technical Support) specialists and CoES. They presented scheme of radio communication scheme. Also trainings were conducted with radio communication operators on usage and maintenance issues.

WHH presented technical recommendations on lessons learnt from mitigation micro-projects. The recommendations include calculation, considering mudflow characteristic, its forming and a sample of calculation of the micro-project, subject to rainfall run off. These recommendations will be handed over to local Khukumats and one copy will be kept in Disaster Response and Training Centre. This document could help the technical workers in projecting micro-projects taking into consideration the rainfall run off in future.

Risk maps (in 2D and 3D formats) were elaborated together with program partners for 23 most disaster-prone villages. These maps are important for the local community to understand the threats, type of disaster, and the evacuation place (Detailed presentation is in Annex 2).

3. Discussion on conduction of planned final simulation training in Ayni district.

Mr.Oleg Pilkevich, the Head of CoES SAR Department thanked all Khukumat representatives for active participation in the REACT meeting. He informed on the preparation for a simulation exercise on 4 June 2011 in Ayni District, Participants for the exercise are: Hukumats, CoES and Red Crescent, Local Disaster Management Team, District Disaster Response Teams and other actors. **Mr.Pilkevich** mentioned that the planned exercise will provide a good example which could be replicated by other organizations, districts and regions.

Mr.Sukhrob Okhunov, the Chairman of Kuhistoni Matcha district **and Mr.Saidmurod Tuygunov, the** Deputy Chairman of Ayni district pointed out that they support this initiative and will assist in involving of district services and community as much as possible.

4. Planning of activities of REACT partners for 2011 in ZV.

Ms Zarina Mirzbaeva (GIZ) informed that she received a list of activities from REACT ZV partners. She mentioned that this list will be sent to all Regional REACT Secretariats to coordinate future activities and inform REACT ZV partners as well to participate in their events.

5. Presentation of the film about conduction of Simulation training in Shing

Mr.Oleg Pilkevich pointed out that during simulation exercise in Shing the district services were using their own resources, which are not sufficient in many cases when disaster occurs and they need to be ready at any emergency situation. The experience from the exercise in Shing will be used for the preparation of the exercise for Ayni District.

6. Mr.Abdujabbor Khakimov, the WHH Energy Efficiency Manager, emphasized the close cooperation with local Forestry department on anti-erosion activities. He informed their plans on these activities. Mr.Koriyev K. the Chairman of Forestry department of Ayni district supported this idea and mentioned that they are ready to assist and support this activity.

The next REACT ZV meeting is planned for **28 April 2011 at 10.30** in Ayni district.