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INTRODUCTION AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

During the reporting period, the 25th year of existence of HOPE'87, a total of 27 new projects and programmes were implemented. 11 of them are situated in Africa, 10 in Asia, 2 in Europe and 4 in Latin America.

The number of humanitarian aid projects rose significantly as emergencies occurred all across the World...

The HOPE'87 Country Offices had to deal with the consequences of torrential rains and floods in Myanmar and Bangladesh, an influx of refugees from Mali to Burkina Faso, floods in Paraguay, draught in the Sahel, humanitarian crisis in Pakistan...but there were also earthquakes in Italy, firestorms in Spain, hailstorms in Germany, draught in the U.S., and land and mudslides in Austria.

The difference, however, is always the degree of vulnerability of a society and its members and the capacity to anticipate, cope with, fight against and recover from such dreadful incidents.

Poverty is the underlying reason for increased vulnerability and education and training are the keys to improving the capacity of individuals to prepare for possible hazards, to respond in case of an emergency and to have better chances for an early recovery.

With this in mind, HOPE'87 is working with its Country Representatives to include capacity building, leading to a reduced vulnerability of beneficiaries in all of its projects and programmes. Such enhanced resilience and appropriate disaster preparedness do not only help to save lives, but also reduce the individual loss of property and the considerable damage to the national economy.

Furthermore, even small mitigation works can have massive and positive effects on the environment, the protection of the natural habitat and the adaptation of the beneficiaries under threat of hazards to the negative effects of climate changes. The road is clear: active preparedness to counteract identified hazards instead of passive waiting for emergency aid!

To this end, HOPE'87 and its Country Offices have engaged in a variety of collaboration efforts with such prestigious partners as the European Commission Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection Department (ECHO), the Austrian Development Cooperation (ADC), the Aga Khan Development Network (AKDN), the Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) and Don Bosco (Austria) to name just a few.

The basis of all humanitarian aid interventions is the "Code of Conduct for International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement and NGOs in Disaster Relief" which HOPE'87 signed a couple of years ago. The adherence to these common standards of disaster relief remains a cornerstone of the strategy of HOPE'87 to deliver aid to all those in need in a neutral, quick and transparent way. The "Humanitarian Charter and Minimum Standards in Humanitarian Response" as laid down in the SPHERE Handbook, are the basis of all HOPE'87 humanitarian

aid projects in order to assert the right of people in need to the most effective protection and to the best possible assistance. Compliance of HOPE'87 staff members and local partners with these standards are continuously monitored by the HOPE'87 General Secretariat.

With the aforementioned approach looking for tangible synergy effects and the streamlining of a variety of different activities, all of which contribute to the effectiveness of the project, a sustainable and positive impact can be achieved. This in turn favours, in the long run, a paradigm shift away from an incident-based to a development-based strategy also in emergency aid, or better said: in hazard aid. This would of course need a much stronger commitment of the donors to finance disaster preparedness programmes, but would definitely enhance the chances of the beneficiaries to save their lives and property.

Poverty reduction is an equally important impact of this stronger collaboration between emergency and development activities. Here the circle closes and what was before the necessity of a temporal sequence of LRRD (link relief, rehabilitation and development) becomes an integrated model of particular strategic foresight of hazard identification, capacity building, mitigation and development.

With regard to its mandate, HOPE'87 fully supports the UN Millennium Development Goals and set up standards to contribute to the MDG in implementing and designing its projects and programmes. As a consequence the following chapter of this report, "Country Programmes", was designed with easy reference to the relevant MDG.

The backbone of the HOPE'87 organisational structure is the HOPE'87 Country Offices system (formerly known as HOPE'87 Branch Offices) and the qualified and continuously trained staff of those offices and of the General Secretariat in Vienna. These HOPE'87 offices form a network of constant information exchange and learning opportunities with the aim of providing best practice in locating, implementing, supervising and evaluating projects, supporting the beneficiaries with the necessary knowledge and expertise and establishing close working relations with national governments and authorities, NGOs and international organisations and agencies, like UNESCO, UNOCHA and the EC-Delegations.

As in previous years, the objective of the present report is to provide the reader with an overview of the most important HOPE'87 activities around the world in the sectors of education, skills and vocational training, health, agriculture, natural resource management, employment and humanitarian aid. It covers the period from October 2011 to September 2012.

Again, we have tried to provide a synoptic structure of the programmes' contents with reference to the UN Millennium Development Goals. Since some programmes have been running for several consecutive years, the core data for these activities has remained the same, with information updating last year's activity report being given only where it seemed necessary, thus avoiding going into too much detail. Complete project data, the project reports and evaluations, as well as any other information desired, can be obtained from the General Secretariat.

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BURKINA FASO

PROGRAMME: Rural community capacity building in social sectors (local development, education and health) for poverty reduction in Burkina Faso

PROJECTS	LOCATION	N° OF BENEFICIARIES	MDGs
No future without education, health and employment (UNESCO Foundation, Foundation "Ein Herz für Kinder", HOPE'87)	Region of Hauts-Bassins, Province of Kéné Dougou, Rural District of Koloko	35,000	Goals 1, 2, 3, 7
Project for professional training of youth of Nabelin (BVMW, UNESCO Foundation, HOPE'87)	Region of Centre, Province of Kadiogo, Rural district of Komki-Ipala	624	Goal 7
Humanitarian Aid: Humanitarian emergency action for the Tuareg refugees of Mentao camp (UNESCO Foundation, HOPE'87)	Region of Sahel, Province of Soum, District of Djibo	1,600	
Humanitarian Aid: HOPE for the victims of the Sahel Crisis - emergency relief for Tuareg refugees and livelihood support for local pastoralists (ADC, UNESCO Foundation, Apotheker helfen e. V., HOPE'87)	Region of Sahel, Province of Soum, Rural District of Nassoumbou and the Refugees camp of Damba	17,500	
Reducing of poverty: increase the cereal production of most vulnerable farmers' households (ADC, UNESCO Foundation, HOPE'87)	Region of Centre, Province of Kadiogo, Rural district of Komki-Ipala.	4,320	Goals 1, 3, 4, 5
Hiroshima Arts Party: children's drawing competition (ANT Hiroshima Japan, HOPE'87)	Region of Centre West, Province of Boulkiemdé, Rural District of Siglé.	250	Goal 2

Humanitarian Aid: Clean drinking water improves your health! (Apotheker helfen e. V., Medeor, HOPE'87)	Region of Sahel, Province of Soum, Rural District of Nassoumbou and the refugee camp of Damba	10,000	
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SUMMARY

From October 2011 to September 2012, HOPE'87 prepared and implemented seven development and humanitarian projects. During this period, emphasis was put especially on humanitarian aspects unlike in past years when activities were focused on development. This stress on humanitarian activities is justified mainly by two factors. These are, firstly, the general food and nutritional crisis in Burkina Faso, due to the very bad rain period in 2011 and secondly, the influx of more than 100,000 refugees from Mali to the Sahel region in Burkina Faso. Facing this double crisis, HOPE'87 planned several humanitarian projects that benefited from important financing. These projects are being implemented in two regions, the Region du Centre (Ouagadougou) and the Sahel Region (Djibo). The common point between these projects is the fact that they all focus on emergency relief for the local population, victims of hunger and malnutrition on one hand and, on the other hand, the Malian refugees living in refugee camps. All actions which have taken place aim to ensure the security and dignity of humans living in Burkina Faso. Moreover, these actions will help lay a basis for adapting to climate change, especially as they are supported by training and strengthening abilities of the rural population. The development projects implemented during this reporting period have been directed on professional training and supporting youth employment by the revitalization of the "Centre for Professional Training" in Nabelin, supported by the German Association for Small and Medium-sized Businesses.



"My name is Azahra walet Joudou and I am 37 years old. I lost almost everything when we fled from militant fundamentalists who came to destroy our village in Burkina Faso. As they came at night, my children and I had to escape in our car without any preparation. Then we had to drive during the day and hide at night. My husband stayed behind because he wanted to rescue our cattle. Now my children and I live in a camp in Damba with many other refugees from Mali. We hung rush mats over a thorn bush for protection against the sun. The only things we could take with us are a goat, a bucket, a plastic canister and a couple of pots. There is only a little bit of rice left and we drink milk from our goat. My children try to find herbs for us but nothing grows in this area. The UNESCO Foundation and HOPE'87 helped me with rice, oil, milk powder and tea."



Azahra walet Joudou

Azahra walet Joudou



Burkina Faso

ACTIVITIES

No future without education, health and employment

This project started in 2009; its aim was to set up training and health infrastructures for the population, and more specifically for women and children. During the time in question, HOPE'87 and its partners achieved the aims of the project by supporting education and training with school equipment, and building and equipping the kindergarten of Koloko. In terms of health aspects, activities enabled the improvement of equipment for the health centre of Koloko. Beds, mats, cradles and medical equipment have been provided. Relations with our partners such as the ministries of education and health as well as of the civil society have been kept and strengthened in order to ensure the sustainability of the action after its completion.

Project for professional training of youth of Nabelin

In July 2011, HOPE'87 launched the revitalization of its Professional Training Centre at Nabelin. This new stage will allow the training of 2,000 young people (boys and girls) from rural areas over three years. These training activities include dressmaking courses, welding, mechanics of motor-bikes and cars, agriculture and livestock farming. New specialisations could be added to satisfy any new demand from young people. HOPE'87 is being supported by the Burkina Faso Ministry for Professional Training, Youth and Employment. During reporting time, the following activities have taken place: building and equipping of workshops and classrooms; recruitment of the technical trai-

ning staff and administrative staff; setting up the different courses of study and training modules in partnership with appropriate authorities; identifying and selecting of young people to be trained; starting training courses in all the courses of study.

Humanitarian Aid: Humanitarian emergency action for the Tuareg refugees of Mentao Camp

The Mali crisis has brought a huge wave of refugees in the Region du Sahel in Burkina Faso. In line with its humanitarian policy and with the support of its partners, HOPE'87 decided in March 2012 to plan an emergency action for 200 new arrivals of Malian refugee households in the Mentao Camp. A total of 1,600 persons benefited from this help. Among them, many were women and children in particular. 16 tons of food items composed of rice, milk, salt, cooking oil and non-food items like soap were distributed to the population of the three camps in Mentao.

Humanitarian Aid: HOPE for the victims of the Sahel Crisis - emergency relief for the Tuareg refugees and livelihood support for local pastoralists

This project, co-financed by the Austrian Development Cooperation (ADC), the UNESCO Foundation - Education for Children in Need and HOPE'87, is a double track project, as it helps refugees as well as the local Burkinabé population. The objective is to "improve the humanitarian situation of the victims of the current food and refugee crisis in Burkina Faso, sustaining and safeguarding the life and health of the people affected, alleviating their suffering and preserving their human dignity". Specifically, the project aims at ensuring adequate shelter and food for refugees and their cattle and supporting local pastoralists with concentrated feed and veterinary support for their cattle. This humanitarian project enabled HOPE'87 and its partners to provide refugee households with 110 tents, which included the most vulnerable groups such as handicapped, sick people and families with many children.

Moreover, it is committed to supporting more than 4,000 refugees with food items and non-food items to ensure their survival; to supporting their cattle with enriched food, medication and treatments as well as those of local pastoralists. The project has also allowed 100 women to restart domestic stockbreeding with three sheep given to each of them. Local pastoralists and agro-pastoralists benefited from agricultural training and improved seeds which in turn strengthened their abilities to face the harmful effects of climate change.

Reducing poverty: increase of the cereal production of most vulnerable farmers' households

As a Sahel country, Burkina Faso is suffering the effects of climate change, and due to the lack of rain, cereal production is becoming more and more difficult. The farm campaign of 2011-2012 has turned out to be unsuccessful because of poor harvests. Harvests in the Region du Centre were so low that soon a food and nutritional crisis broke out in the most vulnerable households. Therefore, HOPE'87 implemented a project in the rural community of Komki-Ipala. The project aimed at the reduction of food insecurity in 540 vulnerable farming households. Specifically, it will help the beneficiaries to increase the fertility of their growing fields (540 hectares of growing fields) by producing organic manure, by increasing the use of improved seeds for growing crop (5.4 tons of sorghum) and by reinforcing the know-how of these farmer households. All these actions aim at the improvement of the cereal production of beneficiaries' households and helping them to reduce extreme poverty and hunger.

Hiroshima Arts Party: children's drawing competition

Children from the primary school of Siglé participated in the 2011 drawing competition launched by ANT Hiroshima (Japan). HOPE'87-Burkina Faso organised this competition jointly with the enthusiastic staff of this school and drawings were sent to Hiroshima for a public exhibition and auction. The school participation allowed the collection of funds that were used to buy stationary for all children who took part in the competition. Moreover, the school was provided with different items for education. Altogether, 250 pupils benefited from this project.

Humanitarian Aid: Clean drinking water improves your health!

Clean drinking water is not a common commodity in the Sahelian country Burkina Faso. In many areas, the population has no access at all to clean drinking water and, consequently, people face water-borne diseases. In order to provide the population, and people of the Sahel region in parti-

cular, with clean drinking water, HOPE'87-Burkina Faso has initiated an emergency programme for water purification with chlorine in the Sahel region.

At this stage, the programme is applied in the Commune Rural de Nassoumbou and its 10 villages in the Province du Soum.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

The World Food Programme (WFP) has recently selected HOPE'87 as its operational partner in the Region du Centre for implementing a project, with the objective to provide food assistance to 11,000 households living in severe food insecurity. Six rural communities around the capital city Ouagadougou are affected. HOPE'87, which is in charge of the beneficiaries' selection, will assist the distribution of cash for buying cereals, and will lead the monitoring assessment of the operation which is supposed to last four months, from July to October 2012.

HOPE'87-Burkina Faso continues its partnership with the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) who has been a partner for four years. This year the partners carried on with the programme of emergency help for farmers and victims of natural disasters. The support consisted of enhancing the production ability of vulnerable households in six rural communities around Ouagadougou.

Since the outbreak of the crisis in Mali, which caused an influx of refugees in Burkina Faso, and the establishing of an UNHCR office, HOPE'87 has been collaborating with UNHCR by implementing its project addressed to Malian refugees.

In May 2012 HOPE'87-Burkina Faso started a partnership with LandsAid Germany in the field of health, for emergency medical assistance. A permanent and mobile medical team brings medical assistance to the Mali refugees in Goudebou camp and the people of the surrounding villages in the Seno province.

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This country's programme contributes to the achievement of the following MDG:



BURUNDI

PROGRAMME: Assisting the Kivoga community to participate in the education of its youth and increase household income

PROJECTS	LOCATION	N° OF BENEFICIARIES	MDGs
«Kinderhilfe für Burundi» - Support for school age children in Kivoga (UNESCO Foundation, RTL TV, Visions for Children, HOPE'87)	Kivoga Village, Rutana Province	1,560	Goals 1, 2, 3

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SUMMARY

Burundi is a country in Central Africa and currently a full member of the East Africa Community which includes Burundi, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda and Kenya. Its young population is expanding rapidly. With a 3.46% annual population growth rate, Burundi has the fifth fastest growing population in the World.

While Burundi is already facing incredible pressure on arable land resources, surges of Burundi's young population threaten to aggravate existing conflicts over resources and the still existing lack of a generalised reconciliation. Displaced and threatened by violence during the war, young people were deprived of vital opportunities for education and employment. Many lack basic literacy and numeracy skills. Additionally, due to the land pressure, many young people cannot establish agri-

cultural livelihoods or independent households of their own. Instead, young individuals and families are forced to live with their parents and older relatives and perform labour or farm work for other people to make ends meet.

HOPE'87 is providing assistance to Burundi. Particular attention is being given to vulnerable parts of society such as children in order to improve their conditions at school. Focus is also put on young people who dropped out of school by providing access to vocational training.

The overall goal is to support the Kivoga community in contributing to improved prospects for young people. Two specific objectives aim at the strengthening of the socio-economic capacity of families in agro-livestock and increasing school achievement in Kivoga.

ACTIVITIES

Assisting the Kivoga community to participate in the education of its youth and increase household income

The project was split in two phases in accordance with the priority given to the needs of the Burundi educational system.

Construction activities of Phase I have been completed, such as a fully equipped primary school with eight classes. Construction also consisted of building a room for the headmaster, a large refectory with a kitchen equipped with tables, chairs and large stoves, and storage facilities. The kitchen is also connected to the water network. Moreover, latrine blocks for girls and boys were built.

Since January 2012, the school has been open for use by the children of Kivoga primary school. The school is known as "École Primaire de Gitaramuka" (later referred to as "E.P. Gitaramuka"). Having completed the construction of the school, the most important activity has been the organisation of the students' lunch in the refectory. A total of 1,329 students from two primary schools and one high school are served. Children in the area of the school come to benefit from the remaining food.

In November 2012, when the refectory was in its finishing phase, the Governor of Rutana solicited the use of the hall. It was an opportunity for the President of the Republic to launch the national campaign on «Promotion of a Democratic Culture in Burundi.» This is a theme that has been capitalised by HOPE'87-Burundi as a crosscutting theme project on peace building, gender and the promotion of human rights.

Education activities

With the assistance of HOPE'87 and its partners, i.e. UNESCO Foundation - Education for Children in Need, RTL Foundation - Wir helfen Kindern and the Foundation Vision for Children, E.P. Gitaramuka is unique in Rutana. Classes are not overcrowded - there are 40 students per class and two per desk. All students were provided with schoolbooks and the children also benefited from learning activities such as drawing, hygiene and extracurricular English lessons. A meal is provided for the children between noon and 2:00 p.m. to allow the children to study without being hungry. Thanks to the generosity of two retired teachers from the USA and the Republic of South Africa who are specialised in child education, teaching materials were distributed to teachers. They also received capacity building in teaching methodology and on worldview.

E.P. Gitaramuka is becoming an entry point for change. The education environment in Kivoga is changing and tangible results were observed during the second quarter.

The drop-out rate has drastically fallen at Kivoga mostly due to the meals provided for the students. During the first quarter, 22 students dropped-out (12 boys and 10 girls) while during the second quarter only 5 boys and 2 girls dropped out. To date, no drop-outs have been registered at E.P. Gitaramuka.

It is obvious that the results have improved at both schools. However, E.P. Kivoga is still lagging behind. This is due to various reasons such as poorly motivated teachers, no adequate teaching materials and the lack of schoolbooks. More children wish to be moved to E.P. Gitaramuka because of the cleanliness and the good environment.

The school refectory hall also serves as an entertainment centre for the Kivoga high school. This is an added value of community progress toward social cohesion among the Kivoga population, but also towards improvement of children's life skills. This activity was encouraged by HOPE'87-Burundi as an opportunity for building exchanges between the Kivoga population and the students.

In Phase II, construction activities consisted of:

- a training centre hall for youth learning in agro-pastoral activities
- playing grounds for basketball and volleyball
- building a hostel with the capacity of hosting 60 students
- three class rooms including laboratory and two additional rooms for a secondary school.

Agro-pastoral activities

In the second phase of the project the farming component has effectively started. HOPE'87 intensified the awareness of beneficiaries and the local population on the merits of the project. Beneficiaries have started to establish small pastures to feed cows and animals intended for distribution to the project. Livestock manure in turn will provide fertiliser for the fields.

Talks with the Provincial Department of Agriculture and Livestock are underway so that new farming activities can begin in time. The land is delimited to better share the demonstration fields for students. Agricultural groupings have been formed and meet regularly in order to share more information.

So far, demonstration fields for students have been delineated. Once the project gains momentum, the Post-Conflict Programme for Rural Development (PPCDR) of the European Union will provide the promised trees which will be planted on the site and fruit trees that will serve as food for the students of Gitaramuka Primary School.

Training of four community groups is ongoing and each group will specialise in a specific crop. These groupings are chosen while taking into account the aspects of gender, youth, single mothers, widows, vulnerable and returnees. Training is also being prepared for vegetable growing and establishment of school friendly fields. HOPE'87-Burundi is also cooperating with the community in order to better control erosion. Thanks to contour lines, more than 250 banana trees were planted using water conservation techniques.

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This country's programme contributes to the achievement of the following MDG:



ETHIOPIA

PROGRAMME: Humanitarian assistance in Afar Regional State

PROJECTS	LOCATION	N° OF BENEFICIARIES	MDGs
Humanitarian Crisis Response: "Water in Afar" - promoting development of pastoralists through building community resilience to disaster in Afar regional state (UNESCO Foundation, Siemens Foundation, HOPE'87)	Dulecha and Argoba Special Woreda, Afar Regional State	10,000	Goals 1, 2, 3, 7

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SUMMARY

Large parts of the population of Ethiopia face water-borne diseases, in particular women and children, who can neither afford protection against infections nor a treatment. The inefficiency of the water supply also leads to conflicts and clashes between clans, tribes and ethnic groups in many rural areas. Therefore, HOPE'87 focused its work in Afar Regional State on the provision of clean water and sanitation services as well as health promotion and conflict management for the communities.

ACTIVITIES

Humanitarian Crisis Response: “Water in Afar” - promoting development of pastoralists through the building of community resilience to disaster in Afar Regional State

In order to minimize the problems resulting from low water and sanitation coverage, HOPE'87, in cooperation with PADet (Professional Alliance for Development), has been implementing the “Water in Afar” project in Dulecha and Argoba special districts. The objective is to provide safe and clean water supply and sanitation services for the needy community through construction of water supply schemes and sanitation facilities.

2012 was the final year of the project implementation and by the end of the project period, the following project objectives have successfully been implemented:

3 spring-catchments, 1 pond, 3 hand dug wells and 1 deep well were constructed; 1 urban water supply system was rehabilitated; 2 waste disposal pits and 2 VIP latrines were constructed. Furthermore, software components, such as training of water management committees and committees on the prevention of harmful traditional practices as well as the establishment and strengthening of mini media clubs for pupils, were introduced. These facilities are meant to help the community to understand the importance of the project and to support the ownership feeling of the beneficiaries.

The project reached a total number of 15,946 beneficiaries (8,387 male and 7,559 female) and their livestock (3,168 animals) through the various water supply and sanitation systems in the project areas.

During the past couple of months, the construction of the Olleli deep well has been successfully completed and the well is now serving 4,525 community members and their livestock (2,630 animals). The formation and training of a local Water Users Committee consisting of women and men from the community will ensure sustainable use as well as proper and regular maintenance of the deep well.

In the course of this project, 4 SkyJuice water purification units (WPU) have been installed by HOPE'87 and its local partner PADet at the projects' sites whereas 5 such water purification units were donated to the Ethiopian Red Cross. 1 WPU each were installed at Kumash pond, at Huggub primary school, at Tirtira River and at Werkit spring. The water purification units are serving a total population of 716 people (372 male, 344 female) and 468 animals.

INSTITUTIONAL CONTACTS

Government Authorities

- Disaster Prevention and Food Security Coordination Office, Afar National Regional State
- Water Resource Development Bureau, Afar National Regional State
- Health Bureau, Afar National Regional State

Diplomatic Representatives

- H.E. Ambassador Dr. Gudrun Graf, Ambassador of Austria to Ethiopia

Agencies

- Mag. Heinz Habertheuer, Head of Office of the Austrian Development Agency in Addis Ababa
- Ms Amy Martin, Deputy Head of Office, UN OCHA

NGOs

- ActionAid Ethiopia
- WASH Ethiopian Movement Network
- APDA - Afar Pastoralist Development Association
- PADet - Professional Alliance for Development in Ethiopia
- Ethiopian Red Cross Society

This country's programme contributes to the achievement of the following MDG:



GHANA

(administered by the Regional Office for West Africa, Ouagadougou)

PROGRAMME: Shelter and education for street children

PROJECTS	LOCATION	N° OF BENEFICIARIES	MDGs
Support programme for youth and street children in Ghana (UNESCO Foundation, Recklinghäuser Zeitung, HOPE'87)	Ashaiman, Sunyani	1,400	Goals 1, 2



ACTIVITIES

Support programme for youth and street children in Ghana

For the past few years, HOPE'87 in cooperation with Don Bosco has been actively involved in improving the living conditions of street children in Ghana but especially their access to education by supporting deprived children not able to afford basic education in formal schools. In this respect, four Vacation Camps were organised in different parts of the Sunyani and Odumase Townships allowing a creative and varied space for addressing deficiencies in the children's academic syllabus. Games and animated activities ensured a pleasant learning atmosphere. The project also includes a scholarship programme supporting those with financial difficulties to guarantee a smooth attendance and learning process.

Furthermore, capacity building sessions for youth animators and staff members of Don Bosco were organised contributing immensely to a successful organisation of the different projects of the partner organisa-

tion for street youth.

All activities were implemented by 31st July 2012. Three new staff members now run the centre and will ensure the sustainability of the action.

INSTITUTIONAL CONTACTS

Project Partner

- Don Bosco-Jugend Eine Welt (Austria)
- Salesians of Don Bosco West Africa Province

This country's programme contributes to the achievement of the following MDG:



MALI

PROGRAMME: Improvement of health and education for poverty reduction in Mali

PROJECTS	LOCATION	N° OF BENEFICIARIES	MDGs
No future without education, health and employment (UNESCO Foundation, Foundation "Ein Herz für Kinder", HOPE'87)	Rural District of Finkolo, Circle of Sikasso, Third Region of Mali	35,000	Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

COUNTRY REPRESENTATIVE

Abdarhamane TRAORET - Development Economist



SUMMARY

Senegal in Western Africa ranks 144th out of a total of 169 countries in the 2010 Human Development Index which is analysing health, education and income of populations as a measure of well-being and development.

In accordance with its mandate and lines of action HOPE'87 and its partners support the initiatives of people in its area of intervention in Senegal by giving special attention to poverty reduction, universal primary education, the promotion and development of gender concepts and the fight against food insecurity as well as maternal and infant mortality.

ACTIVITIES

No future without education, health and employment

During the reporting time, activities focused on the education of children and health. The education constituent permitted the building and equipping of the entire primary school of Finkolo/Kaféla. Furthermore, toilets could be built in the school courtyard. It also enabled HOPE'87 to build and equip the kindergarten of Bougoula with chairs, tables and games and to donate stationary kits to teachers.

The health constituent of the project has permitted the reinforcement of the equipment of Finkolo health centre with beds, mats and cradles for newborn babies. Former activities included the distribution of 750 treated mosquito nets to women and training regarding major diseases such as HIV/Aids, malaria and also malnutrition. The school in Kaféla near Sikasso has been established a year ago and 3 classes for 250 children were equipped.

The partnership with all authorities and beneficiaries will be continued in the months to come to strengthen the ownership feeling and to monitor the ongoing health and educational operations. Administrative, communal and technical authorities and associations linked with education and health were involved in the implementation of the project at all levels to ensure durability of the action. All these efforts will benefit a population of about 35,000.

INSTITUTIONAL CONTACTS

Government Authorities

- H.E. Ms Alwata Ichata Sahi, Minister of Family and the Promotion of Women and Children
- Hon. Ibrahim Féfé Koné, Governor of the region of Sikasso
- Mr Mamadou Tangara, Mayor of Sikasso
- Mr Siaka Traoré, Mayor of Finkolo

Diplomatic Representatives

- H.E. Ambassador Dr. Gerhard Deiss, Ambassador of Austria to Mali
- H.E. Ambassador Sanné Mohamed Topan, Ambassador of Burkina Faso to Mali

Agencies

- Mr Youssouf Dembélé, National Commission for UNESCO of Mali
- Mr Moussa Sanogo, Programme Officer, Social and Human Sciences, National Commission for UNESCO of Mali

NGOs

- Mr Ambroise Ballo, Programme Officer, NGO ACOD, Sikasso
- Association of Community Health of Finkolo
- Parents Association of Finkolo

This country's programme contributes to the achievement of the following MDG:




ÉCOLE DE KAFELA
CERCLE DE SIKASSO MALI
Donner une chance à tous les enfants >>
Financé par : Stiftung << Ein Herz für Kinder >> Allemagne.
Soutien pour UNESCO << Education des Enfants en Détresse >>
Mme l'Ambassadrice spéciale pour l'UNESCO Dr Ute H. Ohoven

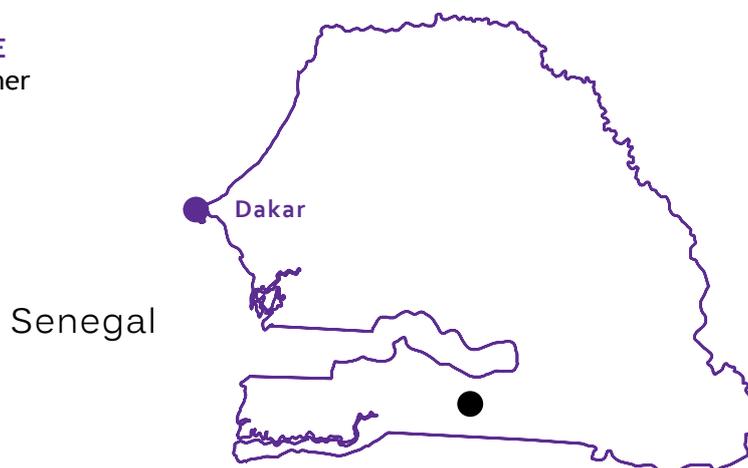


SENEGAL

PROGRAMME: Poverty alleviation and capacity building in Dakar and rural areas of the Moyenne Casamance focusing on education, health as well as food security and income generation

PROJECTS	LOCATION	N° OF BENEFICIARIES	MDGs
Integrated project to fight against poverty in the suburbs of Dakar (UNESCO Foundation, NWA Germany, HOPE'87)	Dakar Parcelles Assainies Unités 10 et 24	1,600	Goal 2
Construction and rehabilitation of a primary school in Baraka, Dakar (Marc Rich, UNESCO Foundation, HOPE'87)	Dakar, Baraka/ quartier Liberté VI	300	Goal 2
Monitoring of the operation of the FAI health clinic in Médina Chérif and construction of a maternity ward (Flight Ambulance International (FAI), HOPE'87)	Kolda, Casamance, Rural Community of Médina Cherif	13,125	Goals 4,5,6
Enhancing food security by improving rain-fed rice cultivation (ADC, HOPE'87)	Kolda, Casamance, Rural Communities of Mampatim, Médina Chérif and Dialambéré	18,000	Goal 1

COUNTRY REPRESENTATIVE
Boubacar MANE - Geographer



SUMMARY

Senegal is situated in the outermost west of Africa at the Atlantic Ocean. In regards to the climate, it is located between the Sahel region and the tropics.

In 2011, the Human Development Index, which is used as a measure of well-being and development, stated Senegal as 155th out of 187 countries. The population of Senegal faces problems such as poverty, food insecurity, a lack of primary education, and maternal and infant mortality. Consequently, HOPE'87 and its partners concentrate on implementing activities that directly improve those conditions in a sustainable manner. Through its actions, HOPE'87 continues to support the development programme of the Government of Senegal to the general benefit of the country.

ACTIVITIES

Integrated project to fight against poverty in the suburbs of Dakar

The second phase of the project started in June 2012. This phase includes the construction of the four remaining classrooms in the public primary school in Parcelles Assainies Unité 10 Dakar, as well as the equipment of the computer room in the public primary school in Parcelles Assainies Unité 24 Dakar.

Construction and rehabilitation equipment of the primary school in Baraka

Baraka is a poor suburb of Dakar located between Sicaps Liberté 6, Sacre coeur 3 and VDN and has a population of 1,800 inhabitants. Since 2004, the UNESCO Foundation - Education for Children in Need has been a strategic partner of HOPE'87 to improve educational skills training opportunities in Baraka. In March 2011, UNESCO Special Ambassador Ohoven was thanked by the Minister of National Education of Senegal for the tireless work for the inhabitants of this slum area.

Meanwhile, the Baraka school has been incorporated into the mainstream school system, in particular into the National Departmental Inspectorate of Education Grand Dakar (IDEN). The Baraka school was built in 2006 and the current construction activities, financed by Mr Marc Rich, concern seven classrooms for the full educational cycle (CI to CM2) as well as the rehabilitation of sanitary facilities.

Monitoring of the operation of the FAI health clinic in Médina Chérif and construction of a maternity ward

In 2010, a health centre was constructed in the rural community Médina Chérif (Moyenne Casamance) by HOPE'87. The project was funded by Dr. Siegfried Axtmann and the Flight Ambulance International (FAI) and facilitated by the UNESCO Foundation - Education for Children in Need.

The health centre provides approximately 1,014 consultations per semester dealing with malaria, diarrhoea, worm infections, flu, accidents and antenatal, natal and postnatal care. Besides these consultations, the post also records an average of 10 births per month. The health centre is now part of the health care of the district of Kolda. A new maternity ward will be operational by the end of 2012.

Enhancing food security by improving rain-fed rice cultivation (Moyenne Casamance)

In regards to disaster prevention and food shortages HOPE'87 recognises the importance of improving food security. A successful pilot phase regarding rice cultivation financed by USAID in 2010 is the basis for this project co-financed by the Austrian Development Cooperation (ADC) from July 2011 to January 2013. The aim of the project is to provide comprehensive support in production, processing, packaging and marketing to producers of rain-fed rice in Casamance.

Together with the «Institut Sénégalais de Recherche Agricole (ISRA)» several types of rice were identified as extremely apt for the Casamance, i.e. Nerica 1, 4 and 6 and Sahel 159 and 134. After a thorough training in adapted agricultural techniques, the 150 small-scale farmers identified cultivated about 75ha of land using 21 tons of rice seeds with an anticipated yield of 3.5 to 4 tons of harvest per ha. Also, two rice husking machines were established to provide further income generation for the local women. Furthermore, the construction work for five dykes was started to ensure the mobility of the population during the rainy season as well as to retain water in the agricultural plots to improve the rice production and also to protect the depressions from silting.

INSTITUTIONAL CONTACTS

Government Authorities

- H.E. Kalidou Diallo, Minister of Education
- H.E. Ousmane Ngom, Minister of Interior
- Hon. Mamadou Dia, Governor of Kolda
- Dr. Arona Ndiaye, Head of the Health District of Kolda
- Dr. Ibrahima Claude Toure, former Head of the Health District of Kolda
- Mr Bouye Amar, Prefect of the Department of Kolda
- Mr Mamadou Lamine Thiam, Sub Prefect of Mampatim

Diplomatic Representatives

- European Union Delegation in Dakar
- H.E. Ambassador Dr. Gerhard Deiss, Ambassador of Austria to Senegal
- H.E. Ambassador Dr. Christian Clages, Ambassador of Germany to Senegal
- Embassy of Japan in Dakar

Agencies

- UNESCO BREDIA, Regional Bureau in Dakar
- JICA representation in Dakar
- Ms Fatou Bintou Kane, UNOCHA Representative for West and Central Africa in Dakar
- Ms Andréa Berter, UNICEF Representative for West and Central Africa in Dakar
- WHO office for West and Central Africa in Dakar
- ECHO Regional Office, Dakar

NGOs

- European Platform of NGOs in Dakar
- Mr Michel Andre Kanor, ADRA Senegal
- Participation in various local, regional and national forums for development
- Local NGOs, members of CONGAD
- Mr Jean François Faye World Vision Kounkané
- Mr Souleymane Gaye, USAID Economic Growth Project

This country's programme contributes to the achievement of the following MDG:





CHILE

PROGRAMME: Strengthening education for children with special needs

PROJECTS	LOCATION	N° OF BENEFICIARIES	MDGs
"Es mi casa" Support for children with special needs in San Francisco de Mostazal (UNESCO Foundation, WIGWAM Reisen, HOPE'87)	San Francisco de Mostazal - VI. Region Chile	110	Goal 2

COUNTRY REPRESENTATIVE and REGIONAL COORDINATOR FOR LATIN AMERICA
 Rudolf LENHART - Austrian General Consul (ret.)



SUMMARY

Chile, situated in the southwest of South America, is 4000 km long and 200 km wide. The characteristic natural borders of the country consist of the Andes in the West, the Pacific Ocean in the East, the deserts of Atacama in the North and the Antarctic in the South. Visitors as well as inhabitants of Chile get the impression that they are on an island, although actually having never left the mainland. Even though Chile is recognized as one of the most expanding Latin American countries, wealth and prosperity are only concentrated in the central region surrounding Santiago and the central valley. The sparsely populated North and the South of the country are still poor and the infrastructure remains underdeveloped. In these regions there is strong need for the support of children, young people and especially for the disadvantaged indigenous population, the Mapuche.

ACTIVITIES

ACTIVITIES LATIN AMERICA

The Country Office, established in 2007, makes a point of identifying projects and further financing and cooperation opportunities in several countries of Latin America. Another main task is to inform the public and government authorities about the mandate of HOPE'87 and its projects around the World. In this regard HOPE'87 opened another Country Office in Paraguay in 2011, proposing various project implementations and seeking financing possibilities. Furthermore, contacts have been established in Peru and Brazil focusing on the development of a sustainable social economy for indigenous people and specially marginalised groups of the society, health and human rights.

ACTIVITIES CHILE

“Es mi casa” - Support for children with special needs in San Francisco de Mostazal

Thanks to donations from “WIGWAM Reisen (Germany)” and the “Foundation TrekkingChile”, which is the Chilean partner of HOPE'87 and the UNESCO Foundation - Education for Children in Need, the project “Es mi casa” in San Francisco de Mostazal, which is situated 60 km south of Santiago de Chile, could be completed. A new workshop was built in the school for people with special needs. Here, disabled children and teenagers can be trained in handicrafts which can be useful for them in their future working life. On the initiative of the Regional Coordinator, the community of Mostazal decided to rebuild the remains of the simple rural school for children with special needs. According to the mayor of Mostazal, these construction works will be completed in autumn 2012, so that the new school with its workshops will be inaugurated towards the end of 2012 and used by the community of Mostazal. The Regional Coordinator of Latin America will pay further visits to the school and therefore ensure the sustainability of the project in the future.

INSTITUTIONAL CONTACTS

Government Authorities

- H.E. Ambassador Cristina Lazo Vergara, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Development Cooperation
- Hon. Mr Sergio Medel Acosta, Mayor of Mostazal

Diplomatic Representatives

- H.E. Ambassador Mag. Dorothea Auer, Ambassador of Austria to Chile
- H.E. Ambassador Dr. Wolfgang Angerholzer, former Ambassador of Austria to Chile

NGOs

- Mr Franz Schubert, Foundation TrekkingChile
- Mr Malte Sieber, ContactChile/ Foundation TrekkingChile

This country's programme contributes to the achievement of the following MDG:



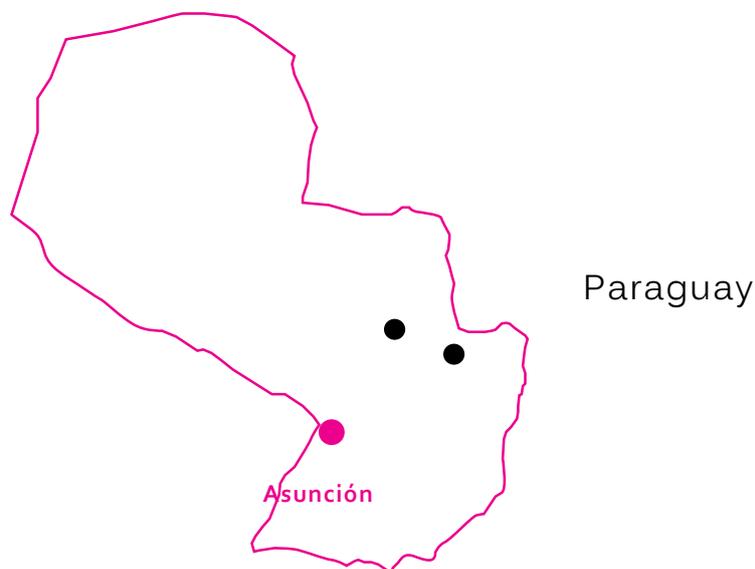
PARAGUAY

PROGRAMME: Improving the living conditions of indigenous youth

PROJECTS	LOCATION	N° OF BENEFICIARIES	MDGs
We want health! (UNESCO Foundation, HOPE'87)	Cerrito, Chaco	600	Goal 2
Hope for the Ayoreo children of Carmelo Peralta (UNESCO Foundation, HOPE'87)	Chaco-Pantanal	500	Goal 1

COUNTRY REPRESENTATIVE

Adriana GORCHS DE CABELLO - Manager



SUMMARY

The Republic of Paraguay is situated in the heart of South America, bordering Argentina, Brazil and Bolivia. The country is divided into two very different regions geographically by the river Paraguay. The eastern part, with the capital and largest city Asunción, where most of the population lives, is rich in natural resources, whereas the western part, the Chaco, is flat and has almost no vegetation. The main incomes of the country come from soy production and beef export. Paraguay has a number of problems due to a large gap between the small upper class, which accounts for almost half of the country's income and consumption, and the large lower class. Furthermore, with 10% of

the population controlling 66% of the land, Paraguay is among the countries with the highest “land concentration” in the world.

According to the last census there are 496 indigenous communities from 19 different ethnic groups in 13 different regions of the country, which makes a total of 85,000 indigenous people. Most of them live in the western part of the country - in the Chaco region - which is flat and has almost no natural resources.

In accordance with its principle mandate to create employment opportunities for young people and with a special emphasis on indigenous people HOPE’87-Paraguay supports young people of the Ayoreo, the Chamacoco and Toba ethnic groups.

ACTIVITIES

We want health!

The two projects implemented by HOPE’87-Paraguay concern two different tribes.

The project in Cerrito is dedicated to improving the health of the Toba ethnic group who live near a school run by the religious congregation of the Sisters of the Immaculate Conception. The school is run by two nuns and many volunteers who also hand out lunch every day to 70 children aged between 4 and 12.

The children live in the neighborhood where the school is located. Their homes are basically tents made of plastic and cardboard with no access to running water nor to latrines. HOPE’87 saw the need for a health post at the school that would care for the children and their families. It will be located about 50 metres from the school and will be staffed with a physician and a dentist. The doctor will be paid by the Ministry of Health and the dentist will be a volunteer.

With this medical and dental care on a regular basis, HOPE’87-Paraguay tries to support the Government health policy and the WHO recommendations to prevent diseases rather than only provide curative services.

With the financial support provided by Apotheker Helfen e.V. (Germany) and “Mensajeros de la Paz” not only the health post but also two ambulances will be funded.

Hope for the Ayoreo children of Carmelo Peralta

This project is also located in the Chaco Region in Carmelo Peralta, a distant city, which is part of the Paraguayan Pantanal. The Ayoreo ethnic group needed a small multifunctional youth centre, a place where young people could meet on a regular basis to pass their time, to read and to exchange information, to plan how to save and to live their cultural heritage and also to get skills training for income generation.

Until very recently the Ayoreo have lived a semi-nomadic lifestyle, earning their living through fishing and gathering. Having been discriminated against for many decades and having been expelled from their ancestors’ land by wealthy landowners, most Ayoreo are illiterate and cannot defend their basic rights. In order to avoid the rural exodus of young people and to preserve their environment, HOPE’87-Paraguay opted for the creation of this youth centre in Carmelo Peralta, which should be operational by December 2012.

INSTITUTIONAL CONTACTS

Government Authorities

- Ministry of Health
- Ministry of Education
- Ministry of Industry
- Mr Domingo Duarte, Mayor of Carmelo Peralta

Diplomatic Representatives

- H. E. Ambassador Horacio Nogués Zubizarreta, Ambassador of Paraguay to Austria
- H. E. Ambassador Dr. Robert Zischg, Ambassador of Austria to Paraguay
- H. E. Miguel Brunotte, Honorary Consul of Austria to Paraguay
- The EU Representative in Paraguay

NGOs

- “Mensajeros de la Paz”, Asturias - Spain
- Fundación “Marcelo Carlomagno Conti”, Paraguay

This country’s programme contributes to the achievement of the following MDG:



BANGLADESH

PROGRAMME: Capacity building, skills training, health support and emergency response

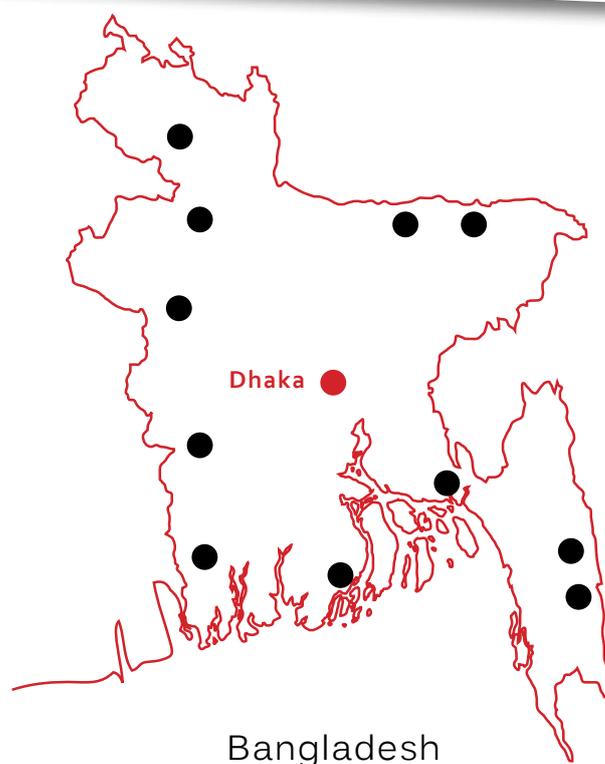
"My name is Rezaul Karim (friends call me Sabuj (=Green)) and I am 25 years old. I began my student life at Faridabad Moitree Night High School.

There is a reason for my decision of studying at this school: my friend Liton was a wood designer who gave me various engraving wooden toys which drew my keen interest and about which I told my father. He took me to a designer shop at Faridabad and he also had me attend the night school. Many students like me work during the day and study at the school at night. There I was introduced to the founder of the school, Mr Rezaul Karim Babu. I learned that he was the Branch Manager of HOPE'87-Bangladesh and that HOPE'87 were conducting a Technical Training Centre. After passing my Secondary School Certificate examination I came to the centre and was accepted. There I successfully completed a computer training course. During the training period I also supported the medical team of HOPE-87 as a volunteer. When I came back to my village, I started a computer training centre called "I.T. World" at Chikandi School Road of Chikandi Union Parishat. In 2011, many young people and student trainees successfully completed a computer training. I joined Union Information and the Service Centre (UISC) to fulfill the dream of Digital Bangladesh. In 2012 I was given the best initiator prize by the district authority. Now I render my services and computer training to the local people of Chikandi Union where no computer training facilities are available for the local youth. I feel that learning about HOPE'87 was the turning point of my career. I hope that all the trainees of this centre will find their way like I have - that would be a great achievement."

Rezaul Karim



Rezaul Karim



Bangladesh

PROJECTS	LOCATION	N° OF BENEFICIARIES	MDGs
Education, training & self-employment programme (ETSEP) for tribal youth (EC, Passauer Neue Presse, HOPE'87)	Ruma & Thanchi sub-districts, Bandarban district, Chittagong Hill Tracts (CHT)	290	Goals 1,2,3
HOPE Technical Training Centre (IPLOCA, HOPE'87)	Gandaria, old Dhaka City	367	Goal 1
Support for technical skills training at district level (HOPE'87)	Dhaka, Feni, Jessore & Natore district	300	Goals 1, 3
Free Health Care Programme - HCP (HOPE'87)	Old Dhaka City	960	Goals 4, 5
Strengthen community initiatives to sustain community-based services in Bandarban district (CHTDF-UNDP, HOPE'87)	Rowangchori, Lama, Alikadam Ruma & Thanchi	1,872	Goals 4, 5
Night school for working children (IPLOCA, HOPE'87)	CHT	214	Goal 2
Emergency response: HOPE'87 Co-action programme (HOPE'87)	Borguna, Chittagong, Dhaka district	15	Goal 6
Humanitarian Aid: disaster & earthquake preparedness programme/first aid & rescue training (HOPE'87)	Bandarban Hill District in CHT, Dhaka District	6,500	
Arts Party 2011 9th Annual exhibition of children's art (HOPE'87)	Hiroshima, Japan	20	Goal 2
International youth exchange programme (Govt. of Bangladesh, HOPE'87)	Countrywide	43	Goal 8

COUNTRY REPRESENTATIVE

Mohd. Rezaul KARIM - Social Worker

SUMMARY

In 2011, the People's Republic of Bangladesh ranked 146th out of 187 countries on the Human Development Index (HDI). Bangladesh gained its independence in 1971 and is now a democratic country on the border to India and Burma. Its economy is primarily based on agriculture, fishing and textile industry.

The HOPE'87-Bangladesh Country Office was established in 1990 and since then has focused on supporting target groups such as disabled children, orphans, working children and Indigenous people. Within the reporting period, remarkable activities such as youth skills training, income generation, social awareness training, youth development and international exchange have been delivered. Special attention has been paid to humanitarian aid in disaster situations (floods, landslides) as well as to health supporting activities. All interventions have been implemented in cooperation with the local community and partner organisations.

ACTIVITIES

Education, training & self-employment programme for tribal youth (ETSEP)

The ETSEP project has been the asset of the local community and the partner NGO - TOYMU since the very start. Its goals consisted of skills training in various trades provided for the unemployed tribal young men and women in the very remote area of Chittagong Hill Tracts. Two residential training centres have already been set up in the sub-districts of Ruma and Thanchi with the necessary training equipment and furniture.

In cooperation with the local NGO TOYMU, HOPE'87-Bangladesh has been continuing the training courses. They enable beneficiaries to gain access to the job market and to motivate them to set up small self-employed enterprises in their respective trades. During the reporting period, 290 young people were trained in tailoring, weaving and computer literacy.

HOPE Technical Training Centre

The "HOPE Technical Training Centre" was set up in 2001 with the financial support of the European Commission, the Austrian Development Cooperation and HOPE'87. It aims at creating employment and self-employment opportunities for young people. Since its inception, 3,654 young people have been trained in various trades.

During the reporting period, the project has provided practical training on welding, electrical house wiring, tailoring and computer operating for 367 unemployed young people and students.

Support for technical skills training at district level

In remote areas of Bangladesh there is no access for local youths to training facilities. HOPE'87 aims to conduct skills training and literacy programmes in urban and rural areas and therefore provides training material and financial support for the local community based organisations (CBOs). Training programmes were organised and successful trainees obtained attendance certificates.

In 3 districts skills training courses are conducted, where unemployed young men and women can choose from certified courses in computer training and tailoring. Furthermore, successful trainees were provided with seed money from the HOPE'87 project support fund (PSF) which enables them to set up their own small enterprises. Moreover, literacy classes for out-of-school children were organised in 2 districts.

Free Health Care Programme (HCP)

This HCP project is one of the oldest projects of HOPE'87 which was started just after Bangladesh had been hit by a flood in 1998. Every Monday, the weekly health care programme is held in the old part of Dhaka and as of July 2012, this weekly camp has completed 625 weeks of service and provided health support services to 29,975 patients. Beneficiaries are mostly women, children, physically challenged and elder persons.

The main positive asset of this project is that doctors, nurses and volunteers work for free in this weekly health camp. This ensures the long lasting sustainability of the programme. HOPE'87 and

private donors provide medicine and medical devices as needed. The Free Health Care Project is continuing to deliver its services at the HOPE'87-Bangladesh old Dhaka office. This year the Health Care Project has provided support for 960 patients.

HOPE'87 also assists patients at different government hospitals through the Hospital Social Welfare Officer by providing medical support, medical kits & devices, i.e. wheel chairs, hand crutches, artificial limbs, hearing aids, nebulizer machine and water filters.

Strengthen community initiatives to sustain community-based services in the Bandarban district

For many years UNDP has successfully operated Mobile Satellite Clinics in very remote areas of this district where no health support infrastructure is available. The aim of the project was to support and to strengthen the community. For instance, the Satellite Clinic Management Committee members (SCMCs) were motivated to sustain these community based health services in the future. HOPE'87-Bangladesh developed a comprehensive facilitation guidebook with necessary tools for streamlining all field level activities. Major activities were undertaken by HOPE'87 for the SCMC members and local community people. This includes training for capacity building, awareness raising events, water supply and sanitation, arrangement of waiting spaces for patients, dialogue meetings & demonstrations with local authorities and stakeholders, the development of a sustainability plan and the support of its implementation. A project team of 9 members worked in 25 remote villages in 5 different sub-districts of Bandarban district.



Night school for working children

The ratio of child labour in Bangladesh is among the highest in the world. According to a survey report of the Bangladesh Bureau of Statistic (BBS) and UNICEF, about 12.8% of the total number of children in the country between 5-14 years are engaged in child labour. Such extreme high prevalence of child labour seriously violates the basic rights of children including their rights for education, leisure and recreation and access to health services. Most of the children are not able to go to school regularly in daytime due to their small earnings. Thus, an enormous amount of children remain out of school. This night school project gives those working children the opportunity to take part in free formal education (from nursery to standard VIII) in the evenings. 214 children have enrolled for the 2011/2012 school programme. 12 volunteer teachers conduct the regular classes 6 days a week. Necessary teaching materials, school uniforms, sports and recreational facilities are provided by HOPE'87. Moreover, successful graduates obtain technical training at the "HOPE Technical Training Centre" which creates employment opportunities in a healthy environment instead of hazardous child labour.

Emergency response: HOPE'87 Co-action programme for humanitarian needs

The Co-action programme provides essential non-bureaucratic and rapid support for people suffering from different problems. Priority is given to women, physically challenged persons, refugees, orphans and underprivileged individuals. The projects undertaken are usually on a small-scale initiative and they include essential assistance in medical treatment, access to education and setting up small enterprises. During the reporting period help for 20 individuals of this kind was provided. The Co-action programme is supported by many individuals and private organisations.

Humanitarian Aid: disaster & earthquake preparedness programme

Earthquake experts fear that nearly 40% of all buildings in Dhaka area will be seriously damaged, if a major earthquake ranging from 7 to 7.9 magnitude hits the city. On the other hand, UNDP-CHTF and GOB declared officially that the Chittagong Hill Tracts (CHT) region is a zone where earthquakes are very likely. Modern technologies and mass awareness might reduce the losses caused by natural disasters like earthquakes. In light of this fact, HOPE'87-Bangladesh regularly organises disaster and earthquake awareness campaigns and First Aid and rescue trainings for students and young people from different schools and communities. In order to draw awareness to this campaign, HOPE'87-Bangladesh printed and distributed posters, leaflets and pocket cards with necessary messages and instructions regarding earthquake awareness and preparedness. Furthermore, cooperation with the fire service and civil defence department of the government was further intensified.

Arts Party 2011 - 9th Annual exhibition of children's art

ANT-Hiroshima, a long-term partner of HOPE'87, annually organises the Arts Party which aims at developing and empowering children in being creative through art. The programme, called "Arts Party 2011- 9th Annual exhibition of children's art from around the World", was held from December 14th to 19th 2011 in Hiroshima. Children from 13 countries participated in this exhibition. HOPE'87-Bangladesh sent 20 paintings of children to the exhibition programme and all little masterpieces were highly appreciated by the Japanese audience. In this regard, certificates and gifts were handed over to the Bangladeshi organisation for children called "Gandaria Kisholoy Kochi Kachar Mela".

International youth exchange programme

Ms Tan Yen Lin from Dunman High School, Singapore, expressed her experience in this programme with the following words: "It was definitely an eye-opening, life changing trip. I see things differently now. The trip beyond the objectives of assisting the locals in the communities of Bangladesh was a journey of self-discovery".

Every year, HOPE'87 arranges youth exchange programmes between Bangladesh and other countries, such as Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand and India, to promote youth networks, the sharing of experiences and creating opportunities to gain practical knowledge in youth development and youth employment initiatives. In 2011/2012 three exchange programmes were arranged on reciprocal basis and 43 students and young people took part in the programme.

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PAKISTAN

PROGRAMME: Poverty alleviation through education, gender equality, training, income generation, disaster preparedness and humanitarian relief assistance

PROJECTS	LOCATION	N° OF BENEFICIARIES	MDGs
Humanitarian Aid: Humanitarian assistance for natural disasters and conflict victims in Pakistan (ECHO, HOPE'87)	Tehsil Betkhela, District Malakand, Province Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Taluka Samaro, District Umerkot, Province Sindh	63,000	
Humanitarian Aid: WASH Assistance for floods and conflict victims in Pakistan (ECHO, HOPE'87)	Tehsil Khwazakhela, District Swat, Province Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Taluka Kunri, District Umerkot, Province Sindh	58,000	
Humanitarian Aid: Muzffargarh Saaf Pani, WASH-Phase II (ADRA, HOPE'87)	District Muzaffargarh, Province Punjab	5,800	
Humanitarian Aid: A safer tomorrow - disaster preparedness in schools (ECHO, Hashoo Foundation, HOPE'87)	District Chitral , Province Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	20,933	
Enabling access to affordable quality education through a centre of excellence for underprivileged/ low income groups (PIDSA, TEDDS, HOPE'87)	District Lahore, Province Punjab	750	Goals 1, 2
Basic Health Unit (ADC, proLoka, ANT Hiroshima Japan, HOPE'87)	Shamshatoo, Peshawar, Province Khyber Pakhtunkhwa		Goal 4
Community empowerment through livelihood development (ADC, HOPE'87)	District Layyah, Punjab province	15,000	Goal 1

Capacity building for habitat improvement in the Hindu Kush (EC, ADC, HOPE'87)	Northern Areas (NA) and Chitral (Pakistan) and Gorno Badakshan Autonomous Oblast (GBAO, Tajikistan)	84,600	Goals 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7
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COUNTRY REPRESENTATIVE AND REGIONAL COORDINATOR FOR CENTRAL & SOUTH(EAST) ASIA

M. Shoaib HAIDER - Civil Engineer

“My name is Ehsan Ullah, I am 15 years old and I am a student of class 7 in Government Middle School Behmi. When my father retired, he invested all his money in building a new house.

That house was my family’s dream, it was not just a building – it was our home and my father had worked his whole life to give us that homely feeling, and little did he know what fate had in store for us.

The house was washed away by a flash flood. My family constructed a hut where we live now and my father had to go back to work because we didn’t have any money.

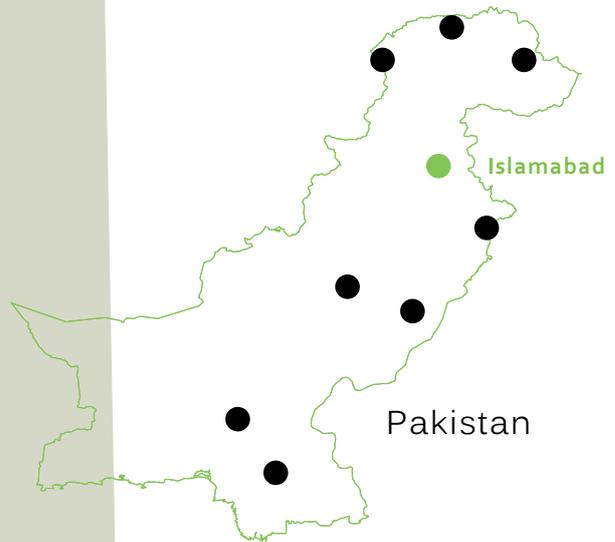
My school is one of the selected schools where the project “A Safer Tomorrow Disaster Preparedness (STDP)” is trying to provide “a safer tomorrow” for school children and villagers. Four teachers from my school were trained in Disaster Preparedness (DP) and Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR). These teachers started to teach us the course and we also received books. This is when I learned why my family lost our house. My father had constructed the house on the route of flash floods, which should not have been the case. Now, through DP/DRR classes in the school, our teachers have started teaching us about natural disasters such as flash floods, avalanches and rock falls.

I like this training a lot because I can relate to the pain of losing a home and I want to help other people not to lose theirs. I consider myself lucky for being in this school where we are taught how to protect ourselves from the disasters that we face. We don’t have to blame nature any more. When I grow up, I will apply for DP/DRR education for the wider welfare and protection of the communities in my village.”

Ehsan Ullah



Ehsan Ullah



SUMMARY

Pakistan ranks 145th out of 187 nations on the HDI Index of the UN. Almost half of the population lacks access to basic necessities like education and health. Approximately 49.4% of the population are facing multidimensional poverty which takes into account multiple deprivations at the individual as well as the household level in education, health and standard of living.

HOPE'87-Pakistan initiated its work with very modest activities of supporting children in Punjab 16 years ago. Having gained more technical experience and having won the trust of the people, the programme gradually expanded geographically to other areas. Skills training and vocational training of the youth was emphasised, such as basic health services in remote areas and habitat improvement for high-mountain areas.

Since the earthquake of 2005, HOPE'87-Pakistan has continuously been providing Humanitarian Aid to victims of natural and man-made disasters. In July and August 2010 Pakistan was hit by the worst flood in its history. Only a year later, in August and September, two massive spells of heavy rainfall and subsequent floods carried away the nurturing hopes of hundreds of people in Sindh. The numbers of the devastation were staggering. An estimated 9.2 million people were affected, about 797,000 houses washed away and 2.28 million acres of cropland was ruined. The estimated loss inflicted in agriculture and livestock by the floods is over Rs. 300 billion (EUR 2.7 billion). Human death toll was recorded at 520 along a geographic stretch of 5.93 million acres of land.

HOPE'87 is currently implementing three WASH (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene) projects for the flood victims of 2010/11 and victims of conflict (IDPs) in KPK, Punjab and Sindh. They have increased access to and make use of rehabilitated drinking water facilities and follow improved hygiene practices. A health centre is operational in Baghbanan (KPK) and is serving the health needs of the poor people of the area since January 2011. So far it has treated more than 19,000 patients. The facility continues to serve and provide quality health service at an affordable medical fee.

In the reporting period two new projects were approved and a contract of an existing WASH sector ECHO funded project was enhanced with an additional 325,000 EUR and also an addition of another project location in Sindh for victims of the flood of 2011.

ACTIVITIES

Humanitarian Aid: Humanitarian assistance for natural disasters and conflict victims in Pakistan - Tehsil Betkhela (KPK) and Taluka Samaro (Sindh)

This WASH sector-specific project started in July 2012 and will end in June 2013. It is implemented simultaneously at both KPK and Sindh. In the part of Sindh 300 hand pumps and 350 latrines will be rehabilitated and water storage and hygiene kits will be distributed to 1,700 most vulnerable families. In the part of KPK, 40 drinking water supply schemes and 1,000 latrines will be rehabilitated, and the cleaning of drainage channels will benefit about 500 cash for work (CFW) recipients and water storage and hygiene kits will be distributed to 1,700 of the most vulnerable families.

In a collaborative effort of HOPE'87, Hilfswerk Austria International (HWA) and ADRA, a needs assessment of the districts of Tank, DI Khan, Malakand (KPK) and the districts of Umerkot, Mirpur Khas, Sanghar (Sindh) was carried out from December 10th 2011 to January 31st 2012. This cooperation enabled a uniform assessment with wide geographical and sectoral scope leading to a consolidated log-frame. HOPE'87 and HWA came up with the individual log-frame from these 2 documents, submitted their respective Single Forms to donor ECHO and secured 12 month long WASH sector specific projects.

Humanitarian Aid: WASH Assistance for floods and conflict victims in Pakistan (ECHO) - Tehsil Khawazakheal (KPK) and Taluka Kunri (Sindh)

The project started in October 2011 and is successfully being implemented. Initially, the project was only approved for the province of KPK, but responding to the needs of Sindh floods of 2011, HOPE'87 requested a contract renewal from the donor ECHO. Fortunately, an additional 325,000 EUR of funds were allocated for the victims of Sindh floods. The part of the project in Sindh was completed on 30th June - the result included the completion of 100 hand pumps, 200 latrines and the distribution of 2,000 water storage and hygiene kits to the most vulnerable families. In the KPK part 50 drinking water supply schemes, 1,650 latrines, the cleaning of drainage channels and community based infrastructure have benefited 500 cash for work recipients. Moreover, 1,650 of the most vulnerable families have been given water storage and hygiene kits.

Humanitarian Aid: Muzaffargarh Saaf Pani, WASH-Phase II - Muzaffargarh, Punjab

In coordination with ADRA Pakistan, HOPE'87 successfully implemented a WASH project in order that the vulnerable population affected by the flood could overcome the situation and improve hygiene practices. The key results of this project include the availability of safe drinking water, the improvement of hygiene practices and the rehabilitation of sanitation facilities. Under the project, 450 water sources and 750 household and school latrines were rehabilitated and 750 vulnerable families were given a health kit and hygiene kits for 8 months to encourage hygienic practices. The project was successfully completed on 31st July 2012.

Humanitarian Aid: A safer tomorrow - disaster preparedness in schools - Chitral, KPK

The school safety project in Chitral, KPK titled "A safer tomorrow - disaster preparedness in schools" started on 1st May 2011 in cooperation with the local partner HASHOO Foundation and was funded by ECHO under the 6th South Asia DIPECHO action plan. Having successfully completed one year, the project is making good progress. Three community safe places were identified which would cater for 4,000 people in the time of an emergency. A very systematic approach was adopted to ensure maximum capacity building of the communities by involving the relevant government bodies, social and influential community organisations and members. At this stage all the 20 schools that were chosen and the communities are well aware of the risks they face in terms of natural disasters and community based disaster risk reduction measures are in place. Large sized (about 3m x 3m) riskland game boards were designed to make the teaching and learning process interactive and to encourage better understanding of the children. The cooperation with the relevant education departments and the community has helped the project in disseminating and educating the masses. Major and minor Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) works are in progress at 20 schools and exhaustive measures are being taken by the staff for the practice of mock drills at schools. Moreover, each school has prepared a 'school safety plan' in close collaboration with the communities and students. The plans also capture the basic elements of raising awareness on climate change and risk reduction. Plans for the mainstreaming of DRR education into the national curriculum are underway. So far, 204 community sessions and 30 socialisation events have been arranged for the community, while different platforms for a widespread raising of awareness such as town hall meetings and different cultural and religious festivals are always considered.

Enabling access to affordable quality education through a centre of excellence for underprivileged / low income groups - Lahore, Punjab

The project started in December 2010 and continues to be implemented successfully. TEDDS (Trust for Education and Development of Deserving Students) co-funded the project together with the Pakistan-Italian Debt for Development Swap Agreement (PIDSA) and has the lead role of the project. The main aim of this project is to provide quality and affordable education for 750 students. The total project duration is two years. During the project implementation, HOPE'87-Pakistan provides monitoring and evaluation services.

Basic Health Unit (BHU) - Baghbanan (KPK):

The BHU has been operational since January 2011 and, to date, more than 19,000 patients have visited the facility for medical consultation and have benefited from quality health services at affordable rates. ADC, proLoka, ANT Hiroshima and HOPE'87 are partners in the project and co-

funded the operations of BHU for 30 months, from January 2011 until June 2013. The BHU provides quality medical services for the people of the area at very low/subsidised rates. Furthermore, the BHU is equipped with a laboratory and a hygiene campaign is carried out among the community and school children.

Community empowerment through livelihood development - District Layyah, Punjab

This ADC/HOPE'87 funded project, which primarily targets women, will focus on livestock activities. It started on 1st July 2012 and will end in June 2014. About 1,210 dairy farmers, out of whom at least 50% will be women from 2 Union Councils of District Layyah (Lohanch Nasheb and Kotla Haji Shah), are already involved in livestock activities and hold up to 4 cattle. The envisaged impact of this project for women includes: social empowerment, participation of women in the development process, equal opportunities through skills training, an increase in negotiating power within the household, an increased child and household welfare, improved expenditure patterns, poverty reduction and improved living environment.

Capacity building for habitat improvement in the Hindu Kush - Tajikistan and Pakistan

With a duration of 30 months, this project started in December 2009 and will be completed by December 2012. It is running successfully and has achieved most of the results targeted for year 2 and year 3. The action addresses the habitat improvement needs with the aim of poverty reduction in the regions of Gorno-Badakshan Autonomous Oblast (GBO, Tajikistan) and those of District



Chitral in province Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and the Northern Areas of Pakistan. Both rural areas have similar environmental conditions with difficult-to-reach, disaster-prone human settlements situated at altitudes ranging from 1,500m to 4,500m with cold winters (temperatures as low as minus 45 degrees). Both locations have a high degree of environmental degradation and are subject to high seismic risks. In addition, the locations have a number of similar socio-economic conditions including high unemployment, lack of trained manpower, a low per capita income - 0,86 € (Pak, 2006) and 0,24 € (Taj, 2005), limited facilities for vocational training, gender imbalance and under-developed education and health services including similar infrastructural conditions such as poor sanitation and lack of village water supplies.

This proposal addresses 27,000 people in 30 villages in the districts of Gilgit, Ghizer, Astore, Skardu of Northern Pakistan and 57,600 people in 120 villages in the districts of Darvaz, Vanj, Rushan, Shugnan, Ishkashim, Roshtkala and Murghab of GBAO.

The overall objective of the action is to contribute to the alleviation of poverty and to achieve an improved quality of life for the communities in both countries. The specific objective of this action is to contribute to an improved and safer habitat in disaster prone areas of GBAO and Northern Pakistan by Habitat Improvement (HI) activities.

The project provides cross-border information sharing, awareness raising, planning and capacity building in and between the Non State Actors (NSAs) and Local Authorities (LAs), leading to strengthened organisational and implementing capacities and the development of market-based mechanisms for sustaining service delivery.

This coordination and exchange of good practice has enabled the stakeholders in South Asia (Pakistan) and Central Asia (Tajikistan), along with HOPE'87 and its network of Country Offices in other Asian countries (e.g. Bangladesh) as well as in Africa, to replicate successful approaches with other interested NSAs and LAs.



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TAJIKISTAN

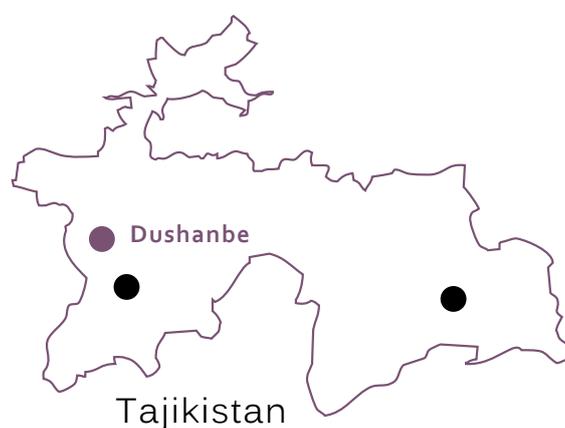
PROGRAMME: Habitat improvement and natural resource management

PROJECTS	LOCATION	N° OF BENEFICIARIES	MDGs
Improving income and living conditions in rural areas of Eastern Khatlon through natural resource management and habitat improvement (EC, ADC, HOPE'87)	Tajikistan, Khatlon Province, Districts: Shurabad, Muminabad, Khovaling	109,000	Goals 1, 3, 7
Capacity building for habitat improvement in the Hindu Kush - Tajikistan and Pakistan (EC, ADC, HOPE'87)	Northern Areas (NA) and Chitral (Pakistan) and Gorno Badakshan Autonomous Oblast (GBAO, Tajikistan)	84,600	Goals 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7

SUMMARY

After the dissolution of the Soviet Union, the Republic of Tajikistan faced an atrocious civil war and is now claimed to be the poorest nation out of all Central Asian countries. More than half of the seven million inhabitants live below the poverty line. 70% of the workers work in agriculture, although only 7% of the mountainous country is arable land. Tajikistan is prone to earthquakes and natural disasters, such as landslides, avalanches and floods.

In 2011, HOPE'87 and its implementing partners - the Mountain Societies Development Support Programme (MSDSP) and the Agricultural Training and Advisory Centre (ATAC) - have contributed to the improvement of living conditions of communities in mountain areas through the introduction of habitat improvement techniques such as thermo-insulation, fuel efficient stoves, seismic retrofitting and drinking water supply and the promotion of horticultural production and sales.





ACTIVITIES

Improving income and living conditions in rural areas of Eastern Khatlon

In 2011, the project implementers established 10 water supply systems in districts of Khatlon province. This activity reduced the time spent in collecting water, improved the quality of potable water and contributed to a reduction of water-borne diseases.

HOPE'87 and its local partners conducted trainings and 15 road shows in order to introduce community members to seismic resistant and thermo-insulation products and its benefits. Project engineers retrofitted 10 public and 10 private buildings with thermo insulation techniques and technologies. The construction of demonstration sites helped communities to understand the cost-benefit of the initiative and its long-term savings on fuel costs and energy. Other energy efficient products such as fuel-efficient stoves and double-glazed windows have also been introduced through the project and attracted more people. Studies show that the project contributed to saving 40% of the energy in the Khatlon region. MSDSP conducted trainings for 45 participants in the horticultural value chain. With the support of the project, the training participants established 45 Farmer Field Schools (FFS) where they trained about 600 farmers in both resource management topics and in horticultural activities. The trainers used the FFS methodologies and techniques on increasing fruit production and quality through improved handling and marketing of the products. Farmers and agronomists participated in a practical study tour to the Sughd region, Northern Tajikistan, to learn from experiences in tree nurseries, fruit drying, processing, storage and packaging. Six storage facilities for fruits and vegetables were built at district level with the project funding and are being used for demonstration purposes with interested farmers.

From 26th June to 4th July 2012, a study tour to Austria enabled a group of ten representatives from MSDSP, ATAC, SUDVOs and governmental agencies of Tajikistan to learn about the functioning and cooperation between governmental and private trade agencies, rural cooperatives, marketing bodies, producer organisations as well as wholesale and retail markets. Based on this study tour, which took place in three provinces of Austria, the tour participants will work on a concept and a strategy to pass on this newly acquired know-how in Khatlon.

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Capacity building for habitat improvement in the Hindu Kush - Tajikistan and Pakistan

In its third and final year, the project successfully scaled up activities in habitat improvement in project areas in Tajikistan and Pakistan. Highlights in 2011 were the International Habitat Improvement Conferences, which were conducted in both countries, together with cross-visits of project staff and partners to share knowledge and experience.

In GBAO, the project raised awareness on seismic resistant construction techniques and low cost earth-

quake resistant design for the retrofitting of existing buildings. 39 public buildings have been retrofitted to show the benefits to the community. The Aga Khan Health Service (AKHS) requested the rehabilitation of seven medical points in Murghab district through the new habitat improvement techniques by the project engineers. Furthermore, the project designed habitat improvement training modules which have been adopted by the University of Central Asia (UCA) and included in its curriculum. 108 students of the UCA have been trained through the modules in 2011, the majority of whom now work with local construction companies or have opened their own construction services. Due to increased awareness on the benefits of the new technologies, local entrepreneurs started bringing new construction materials to the local market, such as insulation materials. This indicates that people are increasingly adopting the introduced innovations and making investments to improve their own private houses. In order to avoid infectious diseases, the project introduced improved sanitation toilets (ECOSAN). The demand for this toilet is very high and the project is not able to follow all support requests from people for the building of private toilets. Throughout the project, 12 water supply systems were established in 2011. They improved access to safe drinking water, contributed to the decrease in water-borne diseases and reduced the time it takes for women to fetch water. The project also promoted the production and use of fuel-efficient stoves and adequate smoke evacuation through community mobilisation. Moreover, the amount of labour needed for women to prepare and carry fuel materials has been reduced along with household expenditures, CO² emissions and smoke-borne diseases. For more information, please refer to the chapter “Pakistan”.

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This country's programme contributes to the achievement of the following MDG:



BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

PROGRAMME: Psycho-social and medical rehabilitation of mine and war victims, pain patients and most vulnerable groups

PROJECTS	LOCATION	N° OF BENEFICIARIES	MDGs
Rehabilitation and social integration for the youth in BiH (a community approach to rehabilitation and integration) (OFID, UNESCO, Land Oberösterreich, HOPE'87).	Countrywide	970 (Medical part: 340, Educational part: 630)	

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SUMMARY

As part of the wider initiative of rehabilitation and social integration of the disabled in BiH, HOPE'87 strives since 2005 at implementing a series of activities to provide a platform for ensuring an improved medical service delivery for war victims, mine victims, patients with acute or chronic pain. In brief, during the past nineteen years, HOPE'87 has managed to establish an effective programme for the rehabilitation of mine and war victims, amputees and war-disabled children, as well as youth in need in Bosnia and Herzegovina, which was made possible through the generous support of UNESCO, the Austrian Federal Government, the Austrian Development Agency (ADA), the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), the Swiss Development Cooperation Agency, together with the help of many private donors.

ACTIVITIES

Rehabilitation and social integration for the youth in BiH (a community approach to rehabilitation and integration)

In the course of the past five years HOPE'87 supported the efforts of Bosnia-Herzegovina establishing a system of comprehensive pain-management as part of a national strategy to support persons with disabilities.

The projects "Comprehensive Pain-Management in BiH: Establishing a Pain-Management Network in Bosnia and Herzegovina" co-financed by ADA (2008-2010) and "Improvement of Pain Therapy Treatment Skills of Medical Staff in Major Cities in BiH", financed by the Japan International Development Agency (JICA) laid the basis for the implementation of best practice in pain-management on clinical and community based level.

Efficiently organised and demand orientated Satellite Pain Management Units (SPAMU) as well as Pain-Management Units at the hospitals in Sarajevo, Tuzla, Mostar and Banja Luka were established and enhance the priority level of pain therapy as part of the programme of the National Health Strategy in order to provide human dignity for patients with disabilities.

The present project represents a continuation of the HOPE'87 efforts to support the disabled in BiH with the overall goal of the project to enhance the chances of the beneficiary groups, i.e. persons with disabilities such as civil war and mine victims and especially marginalized young people, for full physical and intellectual participation in the socio-economic life of BH society.

The project specific goal is to contribute to an enhanced capacity of 60 Community Based Rehabilitation Centres (CBR) and 60 Community Mental Health Centres (CMH) in the Federation Bosnia Herzegovina (FBH) and the Republica Srpska (RS). This will be achieved through special educational trainings for about 970 medical personnel of the CBR and CMH centres to perform best practices in medical rehabilitation and mental health for disabled in BH.

Enhancing capacities is sought through an inclusive process of assessing needs for education, development of trainings, expert training delivery, monitoring and evaluation.

Through development and delivery of specific training modules at the level of Bosnia and Herzegovina, medical professionals in the Community Based Rehabilitation Centres and the Community Mental Health Centres will obtain hands-on, specialised and standardised training regarding internationally recognized techniques of physical and mental rehabilitation of patients. Along the lines, the flow of information within each CBR and CBM is to be encouraged, so that knowledge is transferred onto all CBR and CBM team members.

The implementation of the project is done in close and efficient cooperation with the Ministries of Health of FBH and the RS and the country's National Health Policy. The qualified medical personnel will be available to the Ministries and management of CBR and CMH centres in Bosnia and Herzegovina. This will result in an efficient and professional practice of medical rehabilitation, and its coordination at the State level with all stakeholders.

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REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

PROGRAMME: Physical recovery and reintegration into social life for children and youth suffering from malignant tumours through development of educational and medical opportunities

PROJECTS	LOCATION	N° OF BENEFICIARIES	MDGs
Establishing an educational unit for long-term hospitalised children and a bone marrow transplantation unit in the Institute of Oncology in Chisinau (ADC, UNESCO, UNESCO Foundation, GIGAX Foundation, HOPE'87)	Chisinau	500	Goals 2, 4, 8

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SUMMARY

The Republic of Moldova (RoM) has one of the lowest incomes in Europe. The current social and economic situation in Moldova means that there is little medical support available for families with ill children and little attention paid to educational issues. This strongly affects the integration into society of children at the end of their treatment. Furthermore, young people do not get the oppor-

tunity to secure employment and cannot contribute effectively to the development of the country. The National Institute of Oncology in Moldova provides limited educational facilities to children and young people receiving treatment from the institution. Approximately 500 children receive medical treatment at the institution. In 2008, upon invitation of UNESCO, HOPE'87 developed with its local partners, the National Commission for UNESCO of the RoM and the Institute of Oncology a programme combining medical care and educational opportunities for hospitalised children.

The creation of an educational centre and a bone marrow transplantation unit requires strong support from different local and international institutions. Specifically, the development of new educational approaches, enabling of best practices in medical treatment of children and improvement of management capacities of medical and educational authorities is of utmost importance. HOPE'87, in cooperation with the National Commission of the Republic of Moldova for UNESCO and relevant Ministries of the country, have joined efforts to provide a tangible support in these areas.

ACTIVITIES

Establishing an educational unit for long-term hospitalised children and a bone marrow transplantation unit in Chisinau

Since its creation in 1960 the Institute of Oncology became a leading institution in medical treatment for children with cancer. The institute also has established an educational unit for hospitalised children and youth. Today, approximately 500 young patients receive permanent medical care. To ensure the highest standards of medical treatment and educational support, services and care practices need improvement.

In the past 12 months medical staff of the Institute of Oncology involved in the treatment of sick children received further training in the "Louis Turcanu" Institute of Oncology in Timisoara, Romania and in the St. Anna Children's Hospital in Vienna, Austria, in order to strengthen their capacities and to be exposed to new medical techniques. During the period covered by this report another 14 medical experts were trained between 3 and 6 months. On the basis of these trainings and other relevant activities a baseline study as well as guidelines for new educational approaches and advocacy issues were drafted.

Furthermore, staff members of the educational federal and communal services were invited to Vienna to study the programmes of the City of Vienna for hospitalised children at the St. Anna Paediatric Hospital. The educational services of the Republic of Moldova and of the City of Chisinau will be supported by the project to improve the curricula for special educators to serve long-term hospitalised children and to prepare adequate pedagogical programmes for children staying at the Institute of Oncology.

The reconstruction and renovation of the facilities for the educational unit and the future bone marrow transplantation units in the Institute of Oncology are an essential part of the project and the planning of these activities were managed in the most transparent way. Project implementation includes procurement according to EC standards and installation of medical and educational equipment for the units.

By the end of 2012 all construction activities will have been terminated and the hand-over phase will start. A Project Steering Committee comprising representatives of the ministries involved, the National Commission for UNESCO of the RoM and HOPE'87-Moldova ensures a transparent and needs-centred implementation of the project. On 2nd of July the Government of the Republic of Moldova formally approved the establishing of the educational centre guaranteeing its sustainability.

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