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Dear CDD Community of Practice,

Thank you very much again for those who had actively participated in the CDD sessions during SD week.

According to the CoP survey we conducted at the events, many of you are interested in getting a summary email from the anchor about CDD related information and updates. Following the suggestion, we would like to send you a monthly email of "what's happening" in CDD community, starting with a first version below. Naturally, these summary updates will be far richer and useful with your inputs, and so we'd request you to please share any information or updates you have on CDD (e.g. papers, blogs, project updates, videos, events, etc.) with us, by sending them to either me (jsingh1@worldbank.org) or Kaori Oshima (koshima@worldbank.org). We will incorporate those in the future summaries. And of course, if you would like to share any information directly with everyone along the way then please feel free to do so by writing to "CDD Community of Practice Group - Bank/Non-Bank" through Lotus Notes.

For now hope you enjoy this first version we've put together to get the ball rolling!

Regards, Janmejay

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Blog, Research, Reports

"Innovation and Flexibility" Geo-mapping in West Kenya

An interesting blog post by Caroline Anstey on Innovations from the field, including Geo-mapping of each CDD sub project site in Western Kenya (Feb 22, 2012)

http://iteam.worldbank.org/Blogs/CarolineAnstey/Lists/Posts/Post.aspx?ID=38

"Measuring the Impacts of Community-based Grasslands Management in Mongolia's Gobi"

Research paper by Leinsher, Craig, et al. (Feb 2012)

http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3270020/

Abstract: This paper assessed a donor-funded grassland management project designed to create both conservation and livelihood benefits in the rangelands of Mongolia's Gobi desert.

The project ran from 1995 to 2006, and the study used remote sensing Normalized Differential Vegetation Index data from 1982 to 2009 to compare project grazing sites to matched control sites

before and after the project's implementation. They found that the productivity of project grazing sites was on average within 1% of control sites for the 20 years before the project but generated

11% more biomass on average than the control areas from 2000 to 2009. To better understand the benefits of

the improved grasslands to local people, they conducted 280 household interviews,

8 focus group discussions, and 31 key informant interviews across 6 districts. They found a 12% greater median annual income as well as a range of other socioeconomic benefits for project

households compared to control households in the same areas. Overall, the project generated measurable benefits to both nature and people. The key factors underlying project achievements

that may be replicable by other conservation projects include the community-driven approach of the project, knowledge exchanges within and between communities inside and outside the country,

a project-supported local community organizer in each district, and strong community leadership.

"Picture books: Good & Bad Infrastructure" (2006)

Prepared by Hartmann, Ekart and Heinz Unger - published by WB Jakarta office.

We recently got our hands on an excellent set of "Picture Books" with plenty of photos, to show examples of good and bad infrastructure from the Indonesia PNPM team. Although these were originally prepared back in 2006 for the KDP project, they still have relevance today and can be easily adapted to any CDD project out there that wants a simple photo manual for their project. You could simply 'cut and paste' most of the information here and simply change the project logos! There are four topics: Infrastructure, Environment, House construction and Miscellaneous. They've been recently uploaded to the CDD CoP Sharepoint at the following link:

http://connect.worldbank.org/explore/SDV/cdd/Lists/Community%20Driven%20Development%20CDD% 20Resources/DispForm.aspx?ID=122&Source=http%3A%2F%2Fconnect%2Eworldbank%2Eorg%2Fexplore% 2FSDV%2Fcdd%2FLists%2FCommunity%2520Driven%2520Development%2520CDD%2520Resources%2FAllItems% 2Easpx

News from the Anchor

CDD Portfolio update for FY11

Some of you have kindly provided us with inputs on CDD projects for FY11. We are updating the database to be completed by the annual meetings. It will be shared with you on the CDD Database page: http://sdweb.worldbank.org/cdd/index.cfm?Page=home (currently showing the FY10 portfolio)

CDD Meta-Analysis of Impact Evaluations

For those of you who attended the event on "CDD - what works and doesn't" during SDN week you would have gotten the preview of findings from the meta-analysis of CDD impacts that we are undertaking under the leadership of Susan Wong. The draft paper is being finalized and we'll circulate this to the CoP in a few weeks.

News from the Regions

ICR for the Andhra Pradesh Rural Poverty Reduction Project (APRPRP)

The ICR for the APRPRP will be sent to the Board in the next couple of weeks. Since this project is arguably the 'mother' of the rural livelihoods program in South Asia, we will likely schedule a BBL around the findings and lessons from the ICR in the coming months as these will be valuable for the whole CDD community.

Video recordings of all CDD sessions in SD week available: Recordings of the three sessions - the "CDD CoP meeting", the "What works and doesn't" session and the session on "Results-based financing for CDD type operations" can be accessed by following the link below:

http://connect.worldbank.org/explore/SDV/Lists/Calendar/DispForm.aspx?ID=276&Source=http%3A%2F%2Fconnect% 2Eworldbank%2Eorg%2Fexplore%2FSDV%2FEvents%2520by%2520SDV%2520Cluster%2FSocial% 2520Accountability%2520and%2520Demand%2520for%2520Good%2520Governance%2Easpx%3FCalendarDate% 3D2%252F20%252F2012

CDD Session during Fiduciary Forum: A session on 'Managing fiduciary risks in CDD operations' is being organized as part of the Fiduciary Forum in 2012. It will be held in the afternoon of Monday, April 30th, and is meant for staff working on financial management (FM) and procurement issues on CDD-type operations. The session will introduce participants to the recently updated FM and procurement guidelines for CDD and then go into a case study showcasing innovations in the fiduciary management of CDD operations.

CDD Core Course in May 2012

We have started preparing for the CDD Core course which will is scheduled for May 2012. The course is meant to be a "CDD 101" - which targets those staff who have never worked on CDD, but are interested in using CDD approach for better development outcomes. We will announce the course outline and exact dates once more details are decided.

Once again, if you have anything to share with the CoP (including papers, project news, interesting blogs, or upcoming events) please email me (jsingh1@worldbank.org) and Kaori Oshima (koshima@worldbank.org) and we'll incorporate these in the next "What's happening in CDD" email. Thanks!

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