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Dear CDD Community of Practice,

Please find attached the September edition of the CDD "What's happening" monthly email. This month, among other things, we want to introduce a new blog space that has been created under the discussion board of the CDD sharepoint. This will provide regular blog posts on safeguards issues related to CDD by Dr. Ken Green, Safeguards Specialist. However, as this is a discussion board, any Bank staff should be able to view the blog and participate in discussions and we invite others to use this space for blogging which we will disseminate through the monthly newsletter. As this is an internal discussion board for the CoP no special permissions are needed to put up the blogs on this. The introductory blog entry can be found by following the link below.

Also, we have recently received individual requests for the Meta-Analysis Paper on CDD Impact Evaluations that was written by Susan Wong. We had disseminated this in an earlier newsletter and it is up on the intranet. However to be safe, I am attaching the paper below so that you can simply download it.



Meta Analysis Final Version.pdf

As always, we are eager to learn from you about any news happening around you as they will enrich this communication among the CoP - so, 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.

Regards, Janmejay

# CDD "WHAT'S HAPPENING"

**BLOGS, RESEARCH & REPORTS** 

#### CDD Green Blog - Insights on safeguards issues in CDD

By Dr. Kenneth Green, Safeguards Specialist

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#### The Urban Governance and Infrastructure Improvement Project in Bangladesh: Sharing Knowledge on Community-Driven Development

By Asian Development Bank

Abstract

The Urban Governance and Infrastructure Improvement Project in Bangladesh responds to the growing need for infrastructure and service delivery for the rapidly increasing urban population in Bangladesh by building the capacity of resourceconstrained pourashavas (municipalities) to deliver services, and by increasing community participation in decision making and subproject implementation, a common element of the community-driven development approach. This booklet presents the project's key features and its impact on pourashavas and the lives of ordinary people. It discusses how the performance-based fund allocation strategy has proven to be effective in improving the pourashavas capacity for service delivery, increasing citizen participation, and inspiring the Bangladesh government and other development partners to join ADB in replicating the approach.

# Local Justice, Global Climate Injustice? Inequality and tree planting in Thailand

By Witshuda Srang-lam in Development (Society for International Development)

Debates on climate justice often involve competing discourses of justice among social actors across governance scales. Drawing on ethnographic research on tree planting schemes in Thailand, Witchuda Srang-iam argues that perceived inequalities and justice at the local level could sustain oppression and injustice on a global scale. She calls for a situated theory of justice and a bottom-up approach to redress climaterelated inequalities between and among affluent polluters and poor victims.

#### The Role of Transport Infrastructure in Facilitating the Survival and Growth of Micro-enterprises in Developing Economies

By Tonelli, Marcello and Dalglish, Carol, L in Queensland University of Technology, The Joint ACERE-DIANA International Entrepreneurship

Abstract

Transport and logistics are essential to effective business. Very little is currently known about the impact of improved transport on microenterprises in developing economies and whether improvements in this area would assist the very poor. This paper looks at the obstacles of an inefficient transport facilitation system and the high costs incurred by 22 survival micro-entrepreneurs funded by the same local NGO and operating in diverse industry sectors in a peri-urban context in Mozambique. Six case studies are selected to illustrate the most common constraints they face. The perspectives of the micro-business owners are confronted with those of government officials and community leaders for two reasons: to identify any mismatch and to discuss possible solutions. Significant discrepancies are detected between government agenda and needs of the population, while community-based entrepreneurship (CBE) is discussed as a possible collective strategy in dealing with the problem.

#### Baan Mankong participatory slum upgrading in Bangkok, Thailand: Community perceptions of outcomes and security of tenure By Diane Archer in Habitat International

A key problem facing slum dwellers is tenure insecurity – as well as the threat of eviction, residents are excluded from many services extended to legal residents, from water connections to public schooling. Thailand's Baan Mankong slum upgrading program adopts a people-driven approach to resolving problems of insecure housing and poor living conditions, putting slum residents at the core of the process. This paper explores, through interviews, how residents in four Bangkok communities perceive the outcomes of upgrading, particularly their new homes and tenure situation. Participant satisfaction is key to ensuring successful scaling up of Baan Mankong, as this is done through community-driven exchange and learning-by-doing. The results show that while the respondents appreciate their new houses and improved living environment, they are wary of the resulting debt burden. While tenure is regarded as secure in the short term, the long-term situation is not so clear. Homes cannot be sold on outside the community, and therefore Baan Mankong is valued more for improving shelter and strengthening community cohesiveness, rather than as a profit-driven financial investment.

# NEWS FROM THE ANCHOR

#### New CDD external website and restructured CDD share-point site coming!

The CDD anchor is in the process of developing a new and improved external (internet) website for CDD. The existing website has not been updated for a while as it was awaiting the shift to the new IT platform for the external web that the Bank is shifting to. The new website will provide updated materials, and links. Based on feedback from the CoP we are also re-structuring the CDD sharepoint site (FURL: <a href="http://cddcop">http://cddcop</a>) to include more materials relevant for project task teams that are preparing CDD programs that are easily accessible. A list of experts from the CoP will also be put up so that people can see who they can contact for advice on different topics and regions.

# Updated materials on CDD and safeguards on intranet

With the assistance of Kenneth Green, who is currently a consultant in ENVCF, we have updated the guidance and materials on safeguards on both the intranet and CDD sharepoint. The materials can be found by following the link below. Safeguards & Community Driven Development (CDD)

## NEWS FROM THE REGION

### MENA Region South-South Exchange on the CDD-Local Government-Decentralization Nexus in Morocco.

This event was jointly sponsored by the Bank and the Ministry of Interior, Coordination Nationale (CN) in Morocco, which is the implementing of the National Human Development Initiative (INDH). High level officials from Iraq (KRG and Central and Southern Iraq), Tunisia, and Yemen participated in this exchange to share information and experience on this theme. Participants had the opportunity to learn about the INDH, which is the Region's largest and most ambitious CDD program (supported by the Bank through a P4R operation) through presentations and official meetings with public officials at all levels of the INDH -- State, Provincial, Commune, and community level. A series of Discussion Sessions provided participants with the opportunity to discuss design and implementation issues relating to issues such as: key issues in scaling-up CDD programs; how CDD can foster social cohesion in fragile states; design features and utility of strong M&E systems; and legislation (design and implementation) to support CDD. The MENA team is currently putting up the materials from the event on a website, which we shall share with you soon.

# EAP: Myanmar's National CDD Program under negotiations.

A new \$80 million emergency CDD program is currently under preparation in Myanmar and is going through negotiations. It is scheduled to go to the Board for approval on October 30th, 2012. The project aims to enable rural communities to benefit from improved access to and use of basic infrastructure and services through a people-centered approach. This objective would be achieved through: (i) financing community-identified rural infrastructure investments; (ii) strengthening the capacity of communities in partnership with local authorities to effectively identify, plan and implement their development priorities; and (iii) emphasizing the participation of the poor and vulnerable, both women and men. The project would operate in 15 rural townships - one township in each of the country's 14 Regions and States as well as in the union territory. If approved, this would be the first Bank-financed project in Myanmar in more than 2 decades.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

# BBL - Using Frameworks for Addressing Environmental and Social Safeguards in CDD Projects on Oct 11

Many World Bank projects use a framework approach, which been referred to in recent years as Environmental and Social Management Frameworks (ESMFs) for meeting World Bank safeguard requirements. ESMFs are used across many sectors (water and sanitation, transport, health, etc.) and types of projects (social funds, CDD, municipal development). Unlike standard investment projects, where the Bank finances specific investments, the projects that use frameworks are more programmatic in nature, with an emphasis on gradually building the capacities of implementers. The framework approach also requires greater prescription for screening and mitigation measures by the sponsor and implementers to ensure subprojects are environmentally sustainable and that resettlement frameworks are followed. Another challenge is undertaking viable monitoring or auditing for a multitude of small scale and geographically dispersed subprojects. Projects that use ESMFs are characterized by wholesale implementation of many smaller subprojects across numerous sectors with no ex-ante knowledge of the precise nature of the projects. Often frameworks are linked to fast tracking the appraisal process and/or support a wide range of potential infrastructure subprojects for funding that have not been thoroughly designed and appraised before Board approval. This BBL will focus on the results of two recent safeguard studies in AFR and SA that reviewed a wide diversity of CDD and decentralized projects. The studies evaluated: key issues of concern, safeguard performance, and aspects of supervision. Specific findings and recommendations for improving safeguard performance across the CDD project life cycle will be discussed.

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.

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