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Dear CDD Community of Practice,

Please find attached the July edition of the CDD "What's happening" monthly email. This month, among other things, we highlight the Social Accountability eGuide, which our cluster has recently prepared and which has a lot of elements closely linked to CDD as well as a case study on social audits used in schools in Nepal.

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

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BLOGS, RESEARCH & REPORTS

[Blog post "Improving rural livelihoods, scaling up for dummies, community-driven development, gene revolution"](#)

By Veronica Letelier in *Agrilinks*, USAID "Knowledge-driven International Development" in July 2012
 Featuring some books on CDD.

[Online article "Defence of 'Community-Driven Development'"](#)

By Kwaak Je-yup in the Korean Times, in July 2012
 Featuring a book written by Korean former Minister of Knowledge Economy, which is a 300-pager, touching upon the significance of the Korean success story, reviewing the reasons behind it, re-organizing it into a neat formula and suggesting a way ahead. And the book is "the sweeping recap of modern Korea's so-called community driven development, better known as the "Saemaeul" movement" and "is told in a style that the author sums up best".

[Online article "Endogenous Development Training in Techiman, Ghana"](#)

By NGO Natural Justice, in July 2012
 The [Natural Justice](#) team and a number of its partners from Kenya, South Africa and Namibia attended a one week Certificate Program in Local and Indigenous Knowledge for Community-Driven Development in Techiman, Ghana from 24-30 June, 2012.

["Participatory Monitoring, Evaluation, Reflection and Learning for Community-based Adaptation: PMERL Manual - A Manual for Local Practitioners"](#)

By *Care International* in June 2012
 Community-based Adaptation (CBA) to climate change enables climate vulnerable people to plan for and adapt to the impacts of climate change. The goal of CBA is to build the resilience of vulnerable individuals, households, communities and societies from the ground up. It is a 'community-led' or 'community-driven' approach to adaptation that complements top-down planning and programmes. This manual provides key concepts of CBA, Participatory Monitoring and Evaluation, Important points when designing PMERL strategy in CBA project, and useful tools.

["Moving Local- and Community-Driven Development from boutique to scale"](#)

By *IFPRI* - featuring the book by Hans P. Binswanger-Mkhize and Jacomina P de Regt. in June 2012
 Local- and community-driven development (LCDD) has emerged over the past 20 years in response to the advent of integrated rural development and difficulties with centralized service delivery. LCDD approaches generally have better outcome ratings than centralized approaches and deliver more sustainable infrastructure at lower costs. LCDD has also greatly enhanced government capacities to implement programs at scale. The most successful of these programs are embedded in decentralized government structures and involve a variety of stakeholders. *This brief series is on scaling up in agriculture, rural development and nutrition.*

NEWS FROM THE ANCHOR

CDD Database - FY11 Portfolio

It is ready now on the database page, but we will prepare an overview soon and share it with the CoP.

[To check the database, click here >>](#)

Social Accountability E-guide (WB internal resource)

Social accountability (SA) is a rising agenda in the Bank with a growing number of staff wanting to work with clients specifically on making projects more transparent and accountable to the beneficiaries. How to choose the right Social Accountability Tool for your Project? The New e-Guide Can Help.

In the Case Examples, "Decentralization and CDD" was one of the topics, and the Step 3 has some useful tools also for CDD projects.

[To look at the blog-post on the e-guide, click here >>](#)

[The E-guide is accessible from here >>](#)

"Social Audits in Nepal's Community Schools: Measuring Policy Against Practice"

Nepal's publicly funded schools have been managed by community level stakeholders since it first became a democratic country in 1950. Shifts in legislation and policy have now further devolved the management of schools to the community, including financial resources to support decision-making of school level committees. Coupled with these reforms, social audits are now required to be conducted in each community school annually. Community School National Network (CSNN), a Nepali NGO in Nepal, conducted a social audit gap analysis in 60 schools in three districts to understand the gaps in conduct of social audits in schools against the Government of Nepal's Social Audit Guidelines. Although about 83% of community schools conducted social audits in the academic year 2008/09, the pilot found that the implementation of social audits varied between the three districts. Gaps in implementation were mainly due to poor capacity and lack of information at the community-level to fully understand their responsibilities.

[For more detail, the learning note could be found here in DFGG sharepoint >>](#)

NEWS FROM THE REGION

News from the intranet: Reducing poverty through Community Action in Northeast Brazil

Between September 2002 and December 2010, the World Bank's Rio Grande do Norte Rural Poverty Reduction Project delivered socio-economic investments in water supply, electricity, agro-processing facilities, livestock and food production to 2,100 community associations representing 400,000 poor rural people, creating 12,000 jobs and improving beneficiary families' incomes and social welfare.

[Check out their activities in detail here >>](#)

Latin America Regional Meeting on Legal Empowerment

The Latin America Regional Meeting on Legal Empowerment, organized by [Namati](#), [ACIJ](#), [ECOLEX](#), and the [Open Society Justice Initiative](#), will be held in Buenos Aires Argentina, on September 26-28, 2012. The application deadline is July 31, 2012.

[For more information, please follow the organizer's link here >>](#)

PAST EVENTS

Score Cards for Service: Impact Evaluation of the Burkina Faso Community Monitoring for Better Health and Education Service Delivery Project on July 10

By DIME Seminars

The Burkina Faso Community Monitoring for Better Health and Education Service Delivery Project (CMP) aims to increase the quality and quantity of health and education services through empowering and capacitating individuals and communities to demand good governance and through increasing transparency and accountability of service providers. This is achieved through a community scorecard mechanism through which communities evaluate the quality of services in health and education facilities. The CMP includes an experimental IE component to evaluate the *causal impact* of the project on key outcomes, including social capital. In this seminar, the research team presented the IE study design, baseline results, operational implications, and future research directions.

[Three presentations are available on DIME website here \(look for July 10\) >>](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

During the summer season, we do not have many events scheduled we will circulate any information to the CoP as it comes up.

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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