

Dear CDD Community of Practice Members,

This month, we are excited to share with you a newly launched webpage, "[Institutionalization of Community-Driven Development](#)", which includes examples from 11 countries in Africa, South Asia, and East Asia and the Pacific that showcase the development of laws, regulations, and policies that have been influenced by CDD programs, or cases where CDD programs are helping to operationalize existing decentralization, public financial management and administration laws. This information was compiled and synthesized by the GSURR Global Programs Unit in response to requests from World Bank country teams and government counterparts that sought lessons from other countries' experiences with various laws, regulations, and policies that help to institutionalize CDD principles and practices.

This issue of the newsletter also includes information on newly approved projects from Myanmar and Lao PDR, as well as an interesting discussion on the effectiveness of CDD in conflict-affected situations, and a paper on measuring service delivery by local governments in Indonesia.

As always, we are eager to hear from you and learn about other CDD-related happenings or news from around the world. Please send any information or updates (e.g. papers, blogs, project updates, videos, events, etc.) on CDD and related topics to me (sbradley@worldbank.org) or Kaori Oshima (koshima@worldbank.org). We will be happy to share those items with the CDD Community of Practice in subsequent newsletters.

Given that the summer holiday season is upon us, the next "What's Happening" will be issued in September. In the meantime, we wish all CDD teams and COP members a restful remainder of summer in the northern hemisphere.

Thanks and regards,

Sean

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BLOGS, RESEARCH & REPORTS

Blog post: [Financing Community-Based Tourism: 9 Ways To Get Taken Seriously](#)

By Hermione Nevill on the World Bank's *Private Sector Development* blog

Over the last 20 years, joint-ventures between local communities and the private sector have grown up as a feature of the sustainable tourism development agenda. Typically, the community provides the land, the heritage or the wildlife asset base while the private sector brings the capital, management know-how and business networks. When they work well, these

partnerships contribute substantially to local economic and social development, as well as providing professional, unique and authentic tourism experiences for visitors.

Blog post: [Somalia: The Solar Light Market](#)

By Hannah Rollings on *Community-Driven.org*

Through Community Driven Recovery and Development (CDRD), the citizens of Dollow in Somalia had the opportunity to identify the critical needs of their community, and take action to address these needs themselves. The citizens of Dollow united and agreed that the town's streets must finally be lit up to eliminate fear and crime.

Country case studies: [Institutionalization of Community-Driven Development](#)

Abstract:

Over the past 10 years, many CDD programs have scaled up nationally. As a result, several governments have begun to put in place various laws, regulations and policies institutionalizing, to varying degrees, CDD principles and practices. Responding to a request from World Bank country teams and government counterparts, the CDD Global Solutions Group (GSG) has collected examples from 11 countries in Africa, South Asia, and East Asia and the Pacific, showcasing the development of laws, regulations, and policies that have been influenced by CDD programs or cases whereby CDD programs are helping to give meaning to existing laws.

Publication: [United States Institute of Peace \(USIP\) Spring 2015 Insights Newsletter](#)

By Robert Wrobel and Benjamin Crost

Abstract:

This issue features an exchange between Robert Wrobel, Social Development Specialist, World Bank, and Benjamin Crost, Assistant Professor, University of Illinois, on the evidence of the effectiveness of CDD, on social and governance outcomes, in conflict-affected contexts. The two respond to an article by Elisabeth King, which, among other things, concludes that, "As currently designed, implemented, and evaluated, CDD/R is better at generating the more tangible economic outcomes than it is at generating social changes related to governance and social cohesion, although even the economic effects are found in just a few studies."

Publication: [Process Documentation Research and Impact of Community-Driven Development Grants Research in Rural India](#)

By Bhattarai, M and Mohan Rao, Y and Varalakshmi, B L and Duche, V D and Bantilan, M C S on *Process Documentation Research and Impact of Community-Driven Development Grants Research in Rural India, Socioeconomics Discussion Paper Series 34.*

Abstract:

In 2011, the International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics gave experimental grants to six dryland villages in rural India. By involving local community members in planning and implementing projects, the village grant provided benefits to a large number of households and generated substantial economic benefits. The experiment provides useful lessons for

scaling-out village grants to other project villages, and for rural development agencies in India and elsewhere.

Publication: [Integrating Participatory Community Mobilization Processes To Improve Dengue Prevention: An Eco-Bio-Social Scaling Up of Local Success in Machala, Ecuador](#)

By Kendra Mitchell-Fostera, Efraín Beltrán Ayala, Jaime Breilh, Jerry Spiegel, Ana Arichabala Wilches,

Abstract:

Tania Ordonez Leon, and Jefferson Adrian Delgado on *Special issue: Innovative community-based vector control interventions for improved dengue and Chagas disease prevention in Latin America*

This project investigates the effectiveness and feasibility of scaling-up an eco-bio-social approach for implementing an integrated community-based approach for dengue prevention in comparison with existing insecticide-based and emerging biolarvicide-based programs in an endemic setting in Machala, Ecuador.

Publication: [Measuring Local Government Service Delivery Performance: Challenges and \(PARTIAL\) Solutions in Indonesia](#)

By Blane D. Lewis, Neil McCulloch, and Audrey Sacks on *Journal of International Development*

Abstract:
Indonesia, like many developing countries around the world, is increasingly turning to the use of a range of intergovernmental incentives to encourage improved local government performance in the delivery of services. Central government has access to a number of plausible indicators with which to measure local performance and operationalize incentive-based programs. However, there are major reliability and validity concerns related to even the best among the available indicators, and these create significant challenges for their intended uses.

NEWS FROM THE REGION

Press release: [New World Bank Financing Supports Lao PDR's Poverty Reduction Fund](#)

To enable the construction of vital infrastructure including schools, health clinics, roads and drinking water systems for poor communities across Laos, the World Bank's Board of Executive Directors approved US\$11.6 million in new financing for Lao PDR's Poverty Reduction Fund (PRF). The objective of the PRF is to help improve access to and utilization of basic infrastructure and services for poor communities, and to achieve this using inclusive development processes, with an emphasis on sustainability.

Press release: [Myanmar Receives \\$400 Million to Support Poor Rural Communities](#)

More health centers, schools, roads and drinking water systems will be repaired and constructed for rural communities in Myanmar with an additional US\$400 million in financing

approved by the World Bank Board of Executive Directors for the ongoing Myanmar National Community Driven Development Project.

Video: [Communities Lead Village Transformations in Myanmar](#)

In Myanmar, people are in charge of choosing, designing, and implementing projects based on what they need most in their villages. See how making their own decisions—from building better schools to improving access to their villages—have made life in their communities better.

Video: [How Community-Driven Strategy is Beating Poverty in the Philippines](#)

At the core of the Philippine government's anti-poverty program is a community-based strategy. Benefits of community-driven development in the country include an improvement on the people's access to basic services, increase in household income, development of intra-barangay trust, and increased participation in barangay assemblies and in membership to various local groups.

PAST EVENTS

BBL: Barefoot Technicians and Grassroots Participants: How India's Self-Employed Women's Association (SEWA) is unleashing technology to spark innovation and enterprise among the rural poor on Thursday, July 9 at 3:00pm in J1-050 auditorium

Description:

Learn how SEWA unleashed technology to spark motivation and enterprise in more than 500,000 rural women over a 4-year span through its network of holistic community-based enterprises, the Community Learning and Business Resource Centers (CLBRCs). Hear from the practitioners how they use cutting edge ICT solutions in their day-to-day activities.

§ Chair: **Shobha Shetty**, Practice Manager, Agriculture Global Practice

§ Presenters: **Reema Nanavaty**, Director, Economic and Rural Development, SEWA
Onno Ruhl, Country Director, India, WB

§ Speakers: **Masahiro Kan**, Executive Director, Japan, WB

Subhash Chandra Garg, Executive Director for Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, and Sri Lanka, WB

Annette Dixon, Vice President, South Asia Region, WB

Jaehyang So, Director, Trust Funds and Partnerships, Development Finance, WB

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STAY IN TOUCH!

The Community-Driven Development Community of Practice (CoP) connects peers, thought leaders, and practitioners across governments, diverse agencies, and academia, to share ideas and experiences on CDD, Community-based, and Participatory approach. This CoP is facilitated by the Global Social Development Unit of the Global Practice for Social, Urban, Rural, and Resilience at the World Bank, with inputs from around the world.

To share papers, project news, interesting blogs, or upcoming events on CDD and other relevant themes with the CDD CoP, please email me (sbradley@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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