

**RURAL NEPALI IN PEACEFUL AND ENLIGHTENED COMMUNITY THROUGH EQUITABLE ACCESS TO MODERN ENERGY SERVICES BASED ON PARTICIPATION AND INCLUSION TO HARNESS LOCAL SKILLS AND RESOURCES – REDP VISION**

**COMPLETION OF PARA KHOLA MICRO HYDRO SCHEME**

The 12 kW Para Khola Micro Hydro Village Electrification Project (MHVEP) of Chyanam VDC has been completed. The test operation was done on 23 February 2009. Altogether 120 households of Chyanam VDC have been benefited by the scheme. The E/M equipment supply and installation works were carried by the GoN pre-qualified private company the Housing Service Pvt. Ltd. of Gabahal, Kathmandu. The scheme was built at the total cost of Rs. 19,92,748, of which Rs.11,64,000 was supported by AEPC/REDP, Rs. 435,000 by DDC, Rs. 689,247 by VDC, Rs. 228,000 by CSP/DFID and Rs. 4,03,382 by community as the cash contribution. Upon the electrification of the households, the villagers are found very happy and willing to establish various end-uses in the coming days. After completion of this scheme all households of Chyanam of Okhaldhunga have been electrified by the REDP supported micro hydro schemes.



**ENVIRONMENTAL CLUSTER MEETING UNDER EEDM-UNIT OF UNDP**

The Rural Energy Development Programme (REDP) has hosted the first Environmental Cluster Meeting under EEDM-Unit of UNDP at AEPC/REDP meeting hall on Monday, 2 March, 2009. The main purpose of the meeting is develop a strong coordination and concordance among programmes/projects by sharing and learning from each other on project objectives, modalities, strategies and lesson learnt. In the meeting, NPM of REDP Mr. Kiran Man Singh made a brief presentation on REDP focusing to its mandate, modality and portrait. It was followed by lively and frank interactions in the forms of questions, answers and comments. The meeting was participated by the National Programme Managers and Administration and Finance Associates of programmes/projects under EEDM Unit of UNDP. UNDP, PO Ms. Anupa Lamechhane, PO Ms. Dibya Gurung and PA Ms. Leela Sthapit were also present. Among others, the meeting also discussed and agreed that the meeting will be held every month to be hosted by programme/ projects in turn. The next will be hosted by WTLCP.

**EQUITY CONTRIBUTIONS TO MHPS FROM VDCs IN ACHHAM DISTRICT**

In line with the REDP operational modality, all programme VDCs in Achham districts have overwhelmingly contributed as the equity to micro hydro systems supported through DEES. In many cases, the equity investments were much higher than the requirement that is the minimum of five (5) percentage of the total cost of the scheme. Details are presented below.

Name of VDC	Name of Scheme	Output in kW	No. of Households	VDC Equity		Remarks
				Amount in Rs.	%	
Santada	Kailash Khola-III	28	256	1973000	32.00	Under Construction
Ramaroshan	Upper Kailash Khola	60	682	1176000	11.00	Under Construction
Ramaroshan	Goganchhada	60	618	80000	-	Detail Feasibility
Batulasen	Goganchhada	60		150000	-	Detail Feasibility
Pulletola	Baetadi	30	365	100000	-	Detail Feasibility
Barala	Baetadi	30		100000	-	Detail Feasibility
Bhatakalya	Kailash Khola - IV	40	496	719114	-	Detail Feasibility
Pulletola	Moryali Khoal	17	234	1027000	35.55	Canal & electric pole improvement.
Thanti	Kashagad	36	454	1624000	27.10	End-use promotion
Kuskot	Saranigad	27	474	1253000	33.00	Canal improvement
Sodasadevi	Gadikheet	10	110	947000	37.50	Canal/ Electric Pole
Layati	Barala Gad MHDS	16	218	322500	15.19	Simple Repair and Maintenance
Duni	Duni Gad	15	233	807500	45.70	Expansion of TD line
Babala	Ardali Gad-III	38	520	632500	8.67	Rehabilitation of flood damage
	Ardali Gad-III			609500	24.20	Under Construction - rehabilitation