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CPAP ACHIEVEMENT

The CPAP targets for the REDP in 2009 is the connection of 3,500 additional households with energy (electricity) services in 25 districts (excluding 15 new districts). Accordingly, works are underway in these districts to achieve the target fully. Presented below is the progress status as of 15 March 2009.

S.N	Name of MHS	District	VDC	Output (kW)	HHs #			
					Total	Ethnic	Dalit	Others
1	Durlung Khola	Kavre	Milche	15	139	139	0	0
2	Siring Khola	Pyuthan	Rajbara	7	74	1	0	73
3	Loli Gad	Baitadi	Hat	8	96	0	2	94
4	Ruma Khola	Myagdi	Niskot	51	600	346	156	98
5	Lukurban Khola	Baglung	Khunga	30	140	90	50	0
6	Daram Khola	Baglung	Malma	50	450	13	51	386
Total				161	1,499	589	259	651
Distribution					100.00%	39.29%	17.28%	43.43%

OPERETOR TRAINING

A 22 days long training for new Micro Hydro operators has started from 18 March - 8 April, 2009 at Nepal Micro Hydro Development Association of Nepal, Teku, Kathmandu. Altogether 20 participants from Dhading, Baglung, Sindhupalchowk, Myagdi Sankhuwashaba, Kavre and Achham are participating the training programme. The main propose of the training is to develop local community people as trained micro hydro operators by building up their technical knowledge and capabilities to be able to operate and maintain the micro hydro systems with the least break-downs.

STRATEGIC FOCUS OF THE REDP – III



REDP has been successful in developing the basic model of community managed rural energy systems and this model now needs to be scaled up and mainstreamed in all districts and national as well as local level planning systems. It needs to enlarge its mandate as a rural energy programme responding to the expressed energy needs, including cooking energy as well as micro-hydro based rural electrification. REDP needs to respond to the peace-building demand for energy service delivery in poorer and more remote areas including women, the poor, and socially excluded groups. In order to meet these needs, livelihoods promotion needs to be closely linked with energy service delivery and supported. In addition, the promulgation of the rural energy policy is only the first step, and this needs to be made functional and operational through district-level energy planning, coordination and awareness creation in all 75 districts. AEPC needs to be further enabled to coordinate integrated rural energy planning with national energy programmes. The sustainability of small hydropower systems in a growing rural electrification system needs to be ensured through larger and inter-connected systems.

(Source: Project Document : REDP III)

PANI MELA

A two days long exhibition on Water Festival (Pani Mela) with the theme "WATER, CLIMATE AND OUR LIFE - Merging Interests, Creating Synergies" has started at City Hall, Exhibition Road, Kathmandu. Scheduled for 20-21 March, 2009, the main purpose of the exhibition is to create and promote awareness about use of water. The event was organized by the National Water Week Organization Committee (WWOC). The main target group of the exhibition are school and collage students. A total of 45 stalls including that of REDP are displayed with relevant posters and models.