EU NGO CO-FINANCING PROJECTS

COMMUNITY BASED REHABILITATION PROGRAM FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES IN MONGOLIA

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The main aim of the European Commission policy of co-financing with NGOs is poverty reduction through support for disadvantaged people in developing countries. This is to meet their basic needs to improve the quality of their lives and to reinforce their own development capacities. The focus of this support is strengthening civil society and participatory development. In this project, the implementing agency Amici di Raoul Follereau (AIFO) will work together with their local partner National Rehabilitation Centre of Mongolia.

Project Overall Objective
In Mongolia one third of the total population lives in poverty. The link between poverty and disability is widely recognized and people with disabilities are indeed the most vulnerable. Despite concerted efforts to reduce inequities, access to health care services for low-to-middle income communities is still limited in urban and rural Mongolia. The overall objective of this action is to improve the quality of life of people living with disabilities in Mongolia.

Specific Objectives
The project aims at promoting full social and economic inclusion of People with Disabilities in the nine target provinces of Tuv, Selenge, Darhan-Uul, Suhbaatar, Hentii, Domod, Dormogobi, Dundgobi and Gobisumber.

Estimated Project Results
The estimated results of the project are:

- The capacity and ability of at least 450 family doctors, district doctors, nurses and orthopaedic technicians of the project areas will be strengthened through specific training courses on rehabilitation at national and local level.
- At least 150 children with disabilities in project areas will be involved into regular schools.
At least 2,017 local stakeholders and local CBR committee members will upgrade their managerial skills to manage the CBR program at province and district level.

Income improved for at least 924 PWD and 3400 family members through at least 30 micro projects, institution of Rotating Credit Funds, Revolving Cattle Fund and vocational training courses for the young persons with disabilities.

Main Program Activities
Activities are divided into five components:


3. Advocacy and awareness: national public awareness campaign on disability; advocacy and lobbying.


5. Technical and financial management: baseline analysis, research on specific issues, evaluation, financial audit.

Furthermore, the project will establish:

6. Rotating Credit Fund: the fund will be set up in 9 provinces in order to motivate the incoming generation activities of single persons with disabilities, their family members and CBR volunteers.

7. Rotating cattle fund: this activity will be implemented with the nomadic families living in the most remote project areas that have members with disabilities. Every year 10 district will be selected from different provinces in order to reach 30 districts in the three years. The fund will be constituted by cashmere goats producing both wool and milk.

8. Seed money for income generating activities: the purposes of micro projects are to provide working places for people with disabilities, to support inclusive education for the children with disabilities and to increase the capacity building and managerial skills of the Disabled People’s Organizations and self-help groups.

Activity Status (November 2008)
The implementation of activities started in 2008.

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