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Overview

- ▶ 1,600 students and 100 households benefit from the newly completed and turned over water system in Timanan, South Upi.
- ▶ Construction of water systems ongoing in four (4) sites. Other sites will start in Q1 of 2021.
- ▶ Workers in all ILO-Japan Water Project and the Community Emergency Employment Programme (CEEP) sites paid based on minimum wage, and provided social protection, and proper tools and PPEs.
- ▶ COVID-19-responsive OSH protocols implemented in all Water and CEEP sites
- ▶ 79 handwashing facilities installed in the project sites to encourage hand-hygiene and ensure the health of workers
- ▶ Gender equality promoted. 195 (27 percent) women are engaged in water system construction while 511 (29 percent) are provided employment under CEEP.

▶ 2,463

Short-term employment generated in BARMM

▶ 100

households with access to safe and reliable water

▶ 79

handwashing facilities established

▶ 1,600

students with access to safe water in school

Data as of 15 January 2021



- ▶ Green works incorporated in various aspects of the implementation. A section on the pre-feasibility studies is dedicated to the environment, and an Environmental and Social Safeguards (ESS) checklist is implemented to ensure the sustainable construction of the water systems. Using labour-based methods, environmental impacts are mitigated. Natural drainage integrated in the design of all tap stands to allow infiltration of wastewater in the ground. Use of solar-powered pumps also used.

A water tank with a capacity of 57,600 liters being constructed in Looy, South Upi where most residents still rely on dug wells, rainwater and river.



► A water system that connects to the 33 classrooms of Timanan Central Elementary School in South Upi, Maguindanao has been completed and turned over. The school caters to 1,600 schoolchildren. The system also has five tap stands that serve 100 households. In the picture is PARC Chair and MOLE-BARMM Min. Romeo Sema and South Upi Mayor Reynalbert Insular who committed to sustain the project.

► “We are very pleased that the water systems we hand over today serve as supplemental interventions of peace to further make progress felt by the Bangsamoro communities. It warms our heart that through this project, with the ILO, we provided decent work and improved living conditions to workers who have built the water system,” said Economic Minister Masahiro Nakata of the Japanese embassy in the Philippines in his speech during the Handover ceremony of the water system in Brgy. Timanan, south Upi, Maguindanao via Zoom.



Economic Minister Masahiro Nakata of the Embassy of Japan in the Philippines

The ILO- Japan Water Project

Completed

Water System (Spring Source) in Timanan Central Elementary School (TCES), Brgy. Romangaob, South Upi, Maguindanao)

- A water system with a spring source completed and turned over.
- The system has two (2) reservoirs and five (5) tap stands (level II). It also connects to the faucets (level III) in the 33 classrooms (including toilets) of the school.
- 65 workers, 24 (37 percent) of which are women, were employed to construct the water system.
- About 1,600 children and at least 100 households benefit from the newly constructed water system. 70% of the population are from the indigenous people Teduray.



The project promotes gender equality. Women are strongly encouraged to participate in the construction work – perceived as men's job.

Ongoing construction

Construction and Expansion of Level III Water System (Spring Source) in Wao, Lanao del Sur

- 61 percent completed.
- Ongoing construction of 61 of 63 tap stands. 2,952 households and 2,319 school children in 6 barangays are estimated to benefit from this water system.
- 263 local workers engaged to construct the water system. 70 (27 percent) of the workers are women
- As counterpart, the local government of Wao constructed a Php 4 million reservoir.
- The LGU plans to upgrade the water system to Level III to ensure a more efficient and equitable supply of water to six (6) target barangays.



Construction of Level II Water System (Spring Source) in Renti, North Upi, Maguindanao

- 18 percent of the water system completed.
- Located in the mountainous, hard to reach, and underdeveloped part of North Upi in Maguindanao, 95 percent of Renti's population do not have access to safe water.
- The water system involves the installation of solar-power driven submersible pump and 5,760m supply, and distribution line water pipes, and construction of eight (8) tap stands, among others.
- 90 workers are engaged to construct the water system. Of this number, 26 (29 percent) are women and 87 (97 per cent) are indigenous people (Teduray).
- About 60 households and 500 schoolchildren are expected to have better access to safe and reliable water after the project has been completed.

Construction of Level II Water System (Spring Source) in Looy, South Upi, Maguindanao

- 65 percent of physical works completed
- Looy's population, about 70 percent Teduray, rely heavily on shallow/dug well, river and rain. Once the water system is completed, 500 households and 900 schoolchildren will have better access to safe and reliable water.
- 250 workers are provided short-term employment with social protection to construct the water system. Of this number, 75 (30 percent) are women and 209 (87 percent) are from the indigenous people, Teduray.



Construction of Level II Water System (Spring Source) in Rifao, North Upi, Maguindanao

- 15 percent of the physical works completed.
- Mostly inhabited by Tedurays, majority of Rifao's population do not have access to safe and reliable water.
- The project involves the construction of 8 tap stands that will serve 80 households and 425 school children
- 45 workers, all indigenous people, are contracted to construct the system.



Community Emergency Employment Programme (CEEP)

- 1,750 informal workers provided short-term employment. 511 (29 percent) are women and 989 (56.5 percent) and 1,131 (65 percent) are former combatants.
- 450 workers in 18 sites have already completed their 15 days of work
- MOLE employed 70 interns from the Government Internship Programme (GIP) to supervise and monitor the site activities
- Handwashing facilities and hygiene materials were provided in each of the 70 sites to promote hand hygiene. COVID-19 OSH protocols promoted in the sites.



Handwashing facilities and hygiene materials are provided in all sites with daily temperature check to ensure safety and health of workers amid the COVID-19 pandemic



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