

Project Brief



Mentawai Islands Livelihoods Recovery Programme

Objective

The Mentawai islands livelihoods recovery programme aims at supporting the recovery of the productive economy in communities affected by the 2010 earthquake and tsunami through supporting recovery of the agriculture and fisheries sectors, facilitating development of the agricultural and fishery value chain and supporting strategic planning on basic service provision, including water and sanitation.

Key Partners

- Indonesia Multi Donor Fund Facility for Disaster Recovery (IMDFF-DR)
- National Disaster Management Agency
- Ministry National Development Planning
- Ministry of Manpower and Transmigration
- Regional Disaster Management Agency
- Regional Development Planning Agency
- United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
- United Nations Development Program (UNDP)
- United Nations Resident Coordinator (UNRC)

Duration

1 year (2012 – 2013) with possible extension to May 2014

Geographical Coverage

Sub district of North Pagai and South Pagai, district of Mentawai, province of West Sumatera.

Donor



NZAID through IMDFF-DR (Indonesian Multi Donor Fund Facility for Disaster Recovery)

Budget

Phase 1: USD 1,000,000 (distributed to three implementing agencies of FAO, ILO and UNDP)
Phase 2: USD 550,000 (distributed to three implementing agencies of FAO, ILO and UNDP)

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Project Background

On Monday, October 25, 2010 the Mentawai Islands experienced an earthquake and tsunami, which caused loss and damages to the amount of IDR 348,92 billion, with the major impact on the productive economy. To support reconstruction efforts, the New Zealand Aid programme has contributed the Indonesia Multi Donor Fund Facility for Disaster Recovery (IMDFF-DR), which is an established mechanism to help fund implementation of the government of Indonesia's Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Action Plans (RENAKSI) that are formulated following disasters that require international support.

To support recovery on the Mentawai Islands, the FAO, UNDP and ILO have formulated a joint livelihoods recovery programme under the guidance of the office of the resident coordinator. The government identified three major priorities for the joint programme, including:

- Assistance for clean water provision and improved sanitation;
- Assistance for improving the agriculture value chain, including SME development; and
- Assistance for improving food security.

Project Description

The joint programme aims at fulfilling the immediate needs of affected communities in North and South Pagai sub-district (approximately 501 households) through the provision of inputs in the form of seedlings and fishing equipments; the delivery of training to ensure the effective use of distributed inputs; and support the organization of farmers, fisherman and other workers to increase the sustainability of the livelihoods recovery activities. To compliment the agricultural and fishery sector recovery and enhance the sustainability of livelihoods on the Mentawai Islands, the 4 in 1 methodology who once successfully implemented during ILO-EAST project on education and skills training for youth employment will be applied. This 4 in 1 training will be integrated with entrepreneurship skills training (GET Ahead) as well as skill training on micro-enterprise development, marketing and post production processing will be provided, along with provision of technical assistance to support capacity development of local government institutions for implementing the RENAKSI. Technical assistance will be drawn upon to support strategic planning for local economic development and basic service provision.

Project Output

The Mentawai Islands Livelihoods Recovery Programme contributes to UNPDF Outcome 2 (Livelihoods) on the



strengthening of institutional capacities to increase productive and sustainable livelihoods and decent work for the poor and vulnerable, young men and women. It also contributes to UNPDF Outcome 4 (Resilience) on strengthening the capacities of communities and government to respond to and recover from disasters and conflicts is more effective and timely. The joint programme also contributes to the Government of Indonesia's Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Action Plans (RENAKSI).

The outcome of the Mentawai Islands Livelihoods Recovery Programme is the following:

Improved sustainable livelihoods and strengthened institutional capacity in disaster recovery in areas affected by the 2010 Mentawai earthquake and tsunami.

In order to achieve this outcome, the FAO, UNDP and ILO will work together on the joint programme on two identified core outputs, namely:

- **JP Output 1:** Agricultural livelihoods restored, improved and diversified, incorporating the value chain approach; and
- **JP Output 2:** Institutional capacity of local government strengthened to promote livelihoods recovery efforts and encourage provision of basic social and public services.

Achievements to Date

- A total of 30 Mentawai youths (9 females and 21 males) affected by the tsunami completed and passed the certification process of competency-based vocational training in three areas: motorbike repair, furniture making and light meals production. All participants returned to Mentawai Islands to rebuild their communities;
- The 30 trained Mentawai youth received After Training Support (ATS) to start their own businesses. The ATS consisted of provision of the standard working tools (furniture making tools, motorbike and light meals production working tools as well as packaging set) and direct assistance in business development by a team of business consultants; and
- A total of 200 Mentawai women completed integrated training on light meals production and entrepreneurship using the ILO's GET Ahead module. The light meals production training was facilitated by the previous training participants. The 5-day entrepreneurship training was facilitated by 15 local trainers who already completed 8-day training of trainers of the ILO's GET Ahead module.