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EMERGENCY RESPONSE

KHANH HOA PROVINCE, VIETNAM

Typhoon Damrey caused death to 106 and missing to 25 people; 100 thousand of houses, schools, clinics collapsed and unroofed, affecting around 4.3 million population in the central provinces of Vietnam after landfall in November 4th, 2017. With the generous supports from ADRA International, ADRA Asia Regional Office and SAUM, ADRA in Vietnam was the first INGO, who conducted immediate emergency relief to the disaster victims with food security response. 650 households with 3,250 people including more than 1,000 children in 7 communes from 2 districts in Khanh Hoa province, the most seriously impacted one, have received the supports. ADRA Vietnam is continuing to look for more resource for further response in the disaster recovery period.



A black and white photograph of a construction site. In the foreground, there are two wheelbarrows filled with concrete or sand. A person wearing a wide-brimmed hat and a face mask is standing in the background. The scene is outdoors, possibly on a dirt road or construction site. A large teal graphic overlay is on the left side of the page.

2017

CONNECTIONS TRIP PROGRAM

SOUTH KOREA

11 volunteers from South Korea have the first-hand experience with the vitally important development work that ADRA Vietnam is operating in Bao Lac district, Cao Bang province. The district is adjacent to the border area with China, where the topographic and demographic features pose numerous challenges to the life of local people. Ngam Lom school was chosen as project site for this Connections Trip.

Connections group focuses on renovating the school facilities including concreting school playground and pathway from main road to school, fixing the building's ceiling, repainting the walls, replacing the classroom doors and building proper latrines for school students and staff.

The results of this Connections project will create more preferable conditions for ethnic minority students to meet their
RIGHTS TO EDUCATION

UPDATES OF ADRA PROJECT ACTIVITIES

From 18-25 October, the Community Empowerment on Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation for building safety and resilience Project (CEM) in cooperation with the Women's Union of district and commune level organized 12 replicated training classes on bio-fertilizer manufacture for 491 community development club members, of which 206 participants were female. The training methodology employed participatory approach that encourages individual opinion contribution, experiencing sharing and practice session following theory discussion. Bio-fertilizers play key role in sustainable agriculture by improving soil fertility, plant tolerance and crop productivity; at the same time they help hamper the negative impacts on environment and human health.

CEM project is funded by ADRA Australia and implemented by ADRA Vietnam with Cao Bang Women's Union.



On 14 October, ADRA Vietnam honorarily presented in the EU Climate Diplomacy Fair at Ly Thai To Square. This is a significant event aiming to raise public awareness on the climate change issue and understanding of the EU role in multilateral partnership and the commitments of international/local NGOs while taking actions. During the fair, the display booth of ADRA in Vietnam attracted many visitors, including experts, representatives of embassies and other organizations, institutes. On behalf of ADRA Vietnam, Mr. Nguyen Anh Thinh, Programs Director also made a thorough discussion with the Ambassador Bruno Angelet, Head of the Delegation of the European Union to Vietnam about the Climate Change Adaptation, Mitigation and Renewable Energy models that currently applied in ADRA project site.



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The trip of two delegates from ADRA Finland - partner of ADRA Vietnam in the Community and Economic Development for Livelihood Improvement Project (CEDLIP) to attend the Project Closing Ceremony happened from 11-15 December. Within the period, Mr. Heimo Lempinen and Mr. Perti Pulkkinen also visited the household beneficiaries to monitor results and impacts of CEDLIP. Accompanied the trip was presence of Ms. Nguyen Kim Mai - Acting Country Director of ADRA Vietnam and other local ADRA staffs.

CEDLIP was recorded that generates a significant number of positive results in empowering the role and voice of community members, especially the women; strengthening local capacity in building initiatives in various aspects of economy, water sanitation and hygiene, infrastructure.



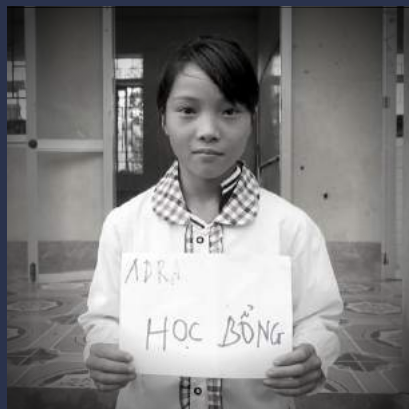
CEDLIP is funded by the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland and implemented in the scale of 15 villages in Bao Lac district, Cao Bang province.

From 28 - 30 November, Ms. Marie-Jo Guth, Planned Giving Manager of ADRA International, conducted a visit to monitor the models of pico-hydro power plants, water filtering and storage systems in the project site of ADRA Vietnam (Bao Lac district, Cao Bang province). Accompanied her visit were ADRA Vietnam's Programs Director, Mr. Nguyen Anh Thinh and M&E Officer, Ms. Vu Lan Huong. This visit had the second purpose to explore the site and household beneficiaries of the new coming project funded by ADRA International, that focuses on water, sanitation and hygiene.



Our Cow Bank was scaled up thanks to generous support of ADRA Netherlands. From April to October 2017, with a total budget of 360 million VND for cow disbursement, 30 female cows were distributed to 30 households of 11 villages in Cao Bang. It took seven months for cow disbursement because the cow loan distribution was a series of activities, such as working with local authorities, building the cow-shed, organizing community meeting to choose the right beneficiaries, filling the administrative documents, etc. The households needed to complete their cow-sheds with the specific requirements for environmental protection from project.

In the blessing of new year coming, ADRA Vietnam attempts to reach more people in need. With your support, we will grow more professional and effectively in response to emergency and the sustainable development pathway.



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HAPPY NEW YEAR**

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