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ASIA AND THE NEAR EAST

TSUNAMI RECONSTRUCTION

Update – April 13, 2005

INDONESIA

USAID and the City of Aceh support good governance

On April 7, USAID signed a Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) with the City of Banda Aceh to strengthen recovery planning and promote citizen participation in local governance.

USAID will assist the city government and community organizations to develop a city-wide recovery action plan to address immediate priorities and strengthen local capacity to implement the action plan. USAID will also engage

Syiah Kuala University's Faculty of Law to assist with property rights issues. The program will strengthen the local government public information unit to provide the public with key information on services and developments, and improve communication with citizens.



Photo: USAID/ Carlos B. Gavino

The USAID Local Governance Support Program (LGSP) was launched on March 30 and is providing almost US\$60 million in capacity-building assistance to 100 districts and municipalities as well as civil society organizations in seven Indonesian provinces, including Aceh.

LGSP is part of a broader USAID effort supporting recovery and rehabilitation efforts in Aceh. To date, USAID has provided more than \$52.2 million in emergency food assistance, relief supplies, shelter, water and sanitation, health, livelihoods and other support for tsunami-affected communities in Aceh and North Sumatra.

FAST FACTS: U.S. ASSISTANCE AS OF APRIL 13, 2005

Total USG Humanitarian and Recovery Assistance Pledged:	\$350,000,000
Total USAID/OFDA Humanitarian Assistance Committed:	\$ 80,693,000
Total USAID/FFP Humanitarian Assistance Committed:	\$ 22,466,900
Total USAID/ANE Humanitarian Assistance Committed:	\$ 5,372,944
Total USAID/ANE Rehabilitation/Reconstruction Assistance Committed:	\$ 11,518,202
Total State/PRM Humanitarian Assistance Committed:	\$ 200,000
Total USG Humanitarian Assistance Committed:	\$132,251,046

For more information on the tsunami and USAID's work, please see "Tsunami Relief" at www.usaid.gov.



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INDONESIA

USAID provides food for 150,000 March 28 earthquake survivors

In response to the March 28 earthquake that struck 200 km off the Sumatran mainland, US Government emergency relief and humanitarian assistance continue in the affected Indonesian islands. According to the National Coordination Agency for Disaster Relief, 564 people have died as a result of the earthquake, plus at least 74,064 persons have been displaced on Nias and nearby islands. USAID and USDA

are working to provide food to benefit over 150,000 earthquake survivors in Nias and

Simeuleu islands. Supplies include rice, instant noodles, biscuits and vegetable oil. In addition, USAID and USDA continue to provide food assistance in Aceh, supporting the overall emergency operation that feeds nearly 750,000 people.

USNS Mercy arrives in Nias on April 5

On April 5, the USNS Mercy hospital ship joined the support ship USS Niagara Falls off the northeast coast of Nias. The hospital has two functioning operating rooms and 165 U.S. Navy medical and support personnel from the Naval Medical Center in San Diego, 10 medical personnel from the U. S. Public Health Service and 40 personnel from non-governmental organizations supporting the ship's crew. In response to the need for air assets to contribute to the emergency response efforts, beginning April 5 USAID began providing an aircraft to make flights from Banda Aceh to Nias.



Photo: USNS Mercy



Photo: GOAL

and clay into the pans. By helping to remove the sand and clay washed in from the sea, USAID is providing much needed work for these small and marginal producers and restoring a source of livelihood.

INDIA

Cash for work programs restore salt pans

Through cash for work programs, USAID is helping artisanal sea salt producers in hard-hit Agasthiyampalli village, Nagappattinam district of Tamil Nadu (southern India). Raw salt harvested from the pans goes to salt factories for processing and is then sold on the open market. The tsunami destroyed the slopes and small embankments that housed the seawater and pans, and washed approximately 3-4 centimeters of sand



Photo: USAID/Dick Edwards

for installation of the units. The units provide one million liters of water a day, benefiting 25,000 persons at displaced persons camps in the north, south, and east of the country. Water pumped from contaminated wells, lagoons, and lakes is potable after running through the system. Former presidents Bush and Clinton visited one of the sites in March.

SRI LANKA

USAID-led \$2.5 million water purification project complete

This week USAID and partners successfully completed implementation of a safe drinking water project at strategic locations in Sri Lanka with equipment worth \$2.5 million. Four days after the tsunami, ITT Industries, donated a number of systems to purify, pump, and disinfect water for 56 locations in tsunami affected areas. Working with various government agencies and local non-governmental organizations, USAID identified areas of greatest need and arranged