

**WEEKLY BULLETIN**  
**9 Jan 2017**

**General Updates.**

- HRRP is delighted to have some **new team members** on board this week, including:

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Contact details for the full HRRP team can be found [here](#).

- The HRRP has revised the 4W template and the first round of data collection using this template is now complete. We are pleased to share a number of maps in the 'Information Products' section of this bulletin, which have been developed based on the 4W data. These show that **only 14 VDCs out of a total 619 are receiving the full package of Technical Assistance (TA) support required**. If quality TA is not provided at scale across the earthquake affected areas, households will find it very difficult to effectively utilise the Government of Nepal Housing Grant as well as their own investment, to rebuild a compliant house. We have a joint responsibility to work together to address this, and **the HRRP strongly urges all POs to seriously look at expanding their programmes to cover gaps, especially where they are not covering all wards in the working VDCs, to avoid duplications, and to improve the quality of programmes by ensuring that the full TA package is being delivered**. If you have any questions related to this, please feel free to contact the HRRP Recovery Advisor, Siobhan ([siobhan@hrrpnepal.org](mailto:siobhan@hrrpnepal.org)). Further information is also available from the [2 December working session on Technical Assistance](#).

- JICA have very kindly made available to all partners, the **refresher training package** that they have developed for existing masons that have completed the 7 day training package. These training materials are available [here](#). We would request that if you use this training package, you inform HRRP of the location in which the training was carried out so that we can share this with JICA. This training package has been developed as a follow up to JICA's [survey on masons' construction practices after training](#). HRRP would really appreciate partner support to carry out this survey to gain a better understanding of the impact of training across the districts. The JICA presentation on their finding of the survey from the Masons Training Experience Sharing Session can be found [here](#).

## Meetings and Events

- **District orientations for Partner Organisations (POs) on the Inspection SOP** have now been completed in Dhading, Nuwakot, Dolakha, Kavre, Gorkha, Rasuwa, and Makwanpur. Many thanks to all the participants in these orientations. The orientation is scheduled for the 10 January in Sindhupalchowk and 11 January in Okhaldhunga. Please feel free to contact the HRRP District Coordinators or the National Technical Coordinator, Narayan ([techcord.national@hrrpnepal.org](mailto:techcord.national@hrrpnepal.org)), if you require additional information on these orientations.
- Once all district level orientations are complete, a session on the **Inspection SOP orientations for POs will also be held in Kathmandu**. This will offer an opportunity to provide a summary of the orientations at district level and to provide a general briefing on the inspection SOP for POs staff based at central level. We hope to be able to finalise the date for this session soon – keep an eye out for the invitation! Please feel free to contact Narayan ([techcord.national@hrrpnepal.org](mailto:techcord.national@hrrpnepal.org)) if have any questions on this.
- There will be a **Kathmandu Valley coordination meeting** on the **18 January at 2pm** in the [HRRP office](#). Anyone not already on the mailing list for this session, is requested to contact the HRRP Kathmandu Valley District Coordinator, Rupak Risal ([dc.ktm@hrrpnepal.org](mailto:dc.ktm@hrrpnepal.org)), for further information.
- On the 9 and 10 January, Practical Action will be carrying out a planning and orientation session for supply chain assessment in Gorkha. Thanks to partners' commitment of staff time, the Gorkha supply chain assessment will be moving ahead with Practical Action providing backstopping support throughout the process. We are hoping to organise a similar process across all district, except for Nuwakot and Rasuwa where the assessment has been completed, and the HRRP District Coordinators will be engaging with partners on this over the coming weeks. If you have any questions on this, please feel free to contact Siobhan ([siobhan@hrrpnepal.org](mailto:siobhan@hrrpnepal.org)).
- **Request for Support for 19<sup>th</sup> Earthquake Safety Day**: An earthquake safety campaign run annually from 16 Poush to 15 Magh (the entire month of January) with various activities aimed at raising awareness on earthquake risk reduction and preparedness. Support is requested from partners for the following activities:
  - Earthquake Memorial Meetings
  - Earthquake Awareness Rally
  - National Meeting
  - Earthquake Safety Exhibition
  - Shake Table Demonstration
  - Full Scale Model Demonstration
  - National Symposium
  - Walkathon with People with disabilities
- More information on these activities and the estimated budget for each can be found in the Earthquake Safety Day concept note available [here](#). If you are interested to support any of the above activities, or require additional information, please contact Bijay Upadhyay ([bupadhyay@nset.org.np](mailto:bupadhyay@nset.org.np))

- Technical Sessions on the following topics are planned for the coming weeks, and we hope to start sending out invitations very shortly:
  - Information Management Tools (tentatively planned on 19 Jan)
  - Northern Areas
  - Social Mobilisation
  - Household WASH

All information on completed technical sessions can be found [here](#).

### Useful Documents

- A [Briefing Pack](#) has been prepared to support staff or organisations new to the Nepal housing recovery and reconstruction programme. The pack highlights some particularly useful documents for anyone trying to understand the context, the actors involved, and the standards to be followed.
- The [draft 'Q&A'](#) document is available [here](#). This is a living document and questions to be included can be shared to [info@hrrpnepal.org](mailto:info@hrrpnepal.org) or through the HRRP district coordinators at any time.

### Information Products

- We would like to thank partners for their efforts in submitting data via the new HRRP 4W. We are pleased to share the following maps:
  - [Coverage of 6 Technical Assistance Activities](#)
  - [Example of Coverage of 6 Technical Assistance Activities at ward level \(Dolakha\)](#)
  - [Areas with no Technical Assistance with Damage Overlay](#)
  - [Technical Assistance: Short Training Coverage](#)
  - [Technical Assistance: Vocational Training Coverage](#)
  - [Technical Assistance: WASH activities Coverage](#)
  - [Technical Assistance: Demonstration Construction Coverage](#)
- New IM products will be shared twice a month, alternating between maps (as above) and district profiles. The district profile format will be adjusted so that it includes the ward level district map for the TA package coverage (as per Dolakha example) and will also include general updates from the districts.

### Reminders

- **Has anyone taken any photos???** If you have even one photo we would really appreciate it if you could share it with us! Photos are extremely useful to understand technical issues or emerging trends that are coming up in the districts and we would really urge partners to share photos from your working areas with us so that we can store them as a reference for all partners. Please send photos to Kuber ([techofficer.national@hrrpnepal.org](mailto:techofficer.national@hrrpnepal.org)) and Laxmi ([techofficer2.national@hrrpnepal.org](mailto:techofficer2.national@hrrpnepal.org)) and include details of where the photo was taken and what it shows.
- **Household WASH:** We did not receive anything following last week's request for partners to **share existing toilet designs or WASH information materials** that have been developed. We would greatly appreciate it if you could share any materials you have on this with Kuber ([techofficer.national@hrrpnepal.org](mailto:techofficer.national@hrrpnepal.org)) and Laxmi ([techofficer2.national@hrrpnepal.org](mailto:techofficer2.national@hrrpnepal.org)).

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## WEEKLY BULLETIN - Supplement

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In addition to the WEEKLY BULLETIN shared with you earlier today, we would also like to share with you the [NRA revised Housing Grants Disbursement Guidelines \(Nepali\)](#). An unofficial English translation is being prepared and we will share that with all partners once it becomes available.

**CLARIFICATION:** Please note that the HRRP Nuwakot District Coordination Team remain the same: Siddhartha Sharma as District Coordinator ([Siddhartha.sharma@giz.de](mailto:Siddhartha.sharma@giz.de)) and Goverdhan Sunar as District Informaion Management focal point ([Goverdhan.sunar@giz.de](mailto:Goverdhan.sunar@giz.de)). In addition to them, Ashok Karki ([dc.nuwakot@hrrpnepal.org](mailto:dc.nuwakot@hrrpnepal.org)) will be assisting on HRRP district coordination. Partners who want to contact HRRP Nuwakot team, please make sure you keep all three in copy.