

## WEEKLY BULLETIN

12 December

### General Updates

- The NRA has shared contact details for its district offices as follows:

District	Name of a person	Contact detail
Kathmandu	Ram Ashish Das	<a href="tel:01-4262792">01-4262792</a> /9852820623
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Dolakha	Yubraj Kharel	049-421832/9841311070
Kavre	Lal Bahadur Basnet	011-491007
Nuwakot	Bed Prasad Gaudel	9843935523
Rasuwa	Krishnakanta Upadhyay	9843588686
Ramechhap	Rishi Raj Acharya	9860306366
Sindhupalchok	Bhubaneshwor Lamichhane	n/a
Gorkha	Bishnu Lamichhane/Shiva Prasad Paudel	n/a

This information will be updated as further contact details are shared.

- Following the [session on technical assistance on 2 December](#), HRRP is developing **minimum requirements for Technical Assistance**. POs are requested to provide feedback, either generally or with specific reference to the discussion paper available [here](#), to the HRRP Recovery Advisor, Siobhan Kennedy ([siobhan@hrrpnepal.org](mailto:siobhan@hrrpnepal.org)).
- HRRP is revising the **4W** to reflect minimum requirements for TA. The new format will be used for the next round of data collection, to be submitted from district to national level by the 25 December.
- With regard to gaps in coverage, the NRA has stated that project approvals can be easily amended to expand working areas. Partners able to do this can contact Loren Lockwood ([loren.lockwood@hrrpnepal.org](mailto:loren.lockwood@hrrpnepal.org)), who can provide detailed information on areas of need.
- The NRA is considering the potential for a retrofitting grant, but if sufficient technical assistance is not in place this will not be viable. To support the NRA with planning for this, we would request that any PO with capacity or interest to deliver TA for retrofitting contact Loren Lockwood ([loren.lockwood@hrrpnepal.org](mailto:loren.lockwood@hrrpnepal.org)) in order to develop a comprehensive picture of the potential level of coverage of TA for retrofitting.

### Technical Sessions

#### Postponed Sessions

The **Household WASH** and **Northern Areas** sessions are postponed and we will announce dates in the New Year.

#### Upcoming Sessions

All reconstruction partners are welcome to attend the last technical session of 2016 on **Concrete and Soil Blocks**, Wednesday, 14 December, 2PM, DUDBC Conference Hall.

Please contact Siobhan ([siobhan@hrrpnepal.org](mailto:siobhan@hrrpnepal.org)) if you have proposals for topics to be covered by technical sessions in 2017.

### Completed Sessions

Many thanks to those who attended and presented at the two exciting sessions this week! Presentations and summaries are uploaded to the HRRP website [here](#).

- [Enhancing Rural Construction Culture](#) (Tuesday 15 November)
- [Retrofitting Session](#) (Tuesday 22 November)
- [Bamboo](#) (Tuesday 29 November)
- [Technical Assistance](#) (Friday 2 December)
- [Masons Training Experience Sharing](#) (Friday 9 December)

### Useful Documents

- Practical Action have completed a **supply chain assessment** in Rasuwa and Nuwakot. The draft report is available [here](#). Practical Action have resources to conduct analysis and report preparation for other districts but require support for the data collection. Based on Practical Action's experience in Rasuwa and Nuwakot, the field study takes one month and costs 500,000 NPR per district. The NRA is very keen to see these assessments conducted in all 14 districts, so we would request that POs consider contributing to this and would ask that any interested organisations contact Siobhan ([siobhan@hrrpnepal.org](mailto:siobhan@hrrpnepal.org)).

### Information Products

4 maps have been produced, highlighting gaps on technical assistance (TA) across 14 districts.

- [Technical Assistance: Activity Analysis \(as of 25 Nov 2016\)](#):

HRRP has identified six TA activities which would be expected as a minimum. The maps highlight the presence (planned and on-going) of the 6 activities and the VDCs highlighted suggest the number of activities presented. The six activities are:

- a. Community/household orientation (BBB messaging)
- b. Technical Supervision (Mobile Technical Support)
- c. Short training for Masons (Target achieved)
- d. Vocation/on the job training for masons (Target achieved)
- e. Helpdesk/Technical Support Center
- f. Demonstration construction

- [Technical Assistance: Areas with No Technical Assistance with Damage Overlay \(as of 25 Nov 2016\)](#)

This map highlights the VDCs which have not received any form of technical assistance as per HRRP 4W - R21, with an overlay of the percent of damaged (Grade III- V) structures per VDC.

- [Technical Assistance: Vocational Training Coverage \(as of 25 Nov 2016\)](#)

This map highlights the percent of masons trained through vocational training curriculum (50 days) as per HRRP 4W - R21, based on the targets defined by NRA (DRAFT - Training Strategy Paper).

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- [Technical Assistance: Short Training Coverage \(as of 25 Nov 2016\)](#)

*This map highlights the percent of masons trained through 7 day short training curriculum as per HRRP 4W - R21, based on the targets (mason required per HH) defined in ward-level key informant survey conducted in Gorkha district by HRRP in Jan 2016. The survey indicates the number of existing masons per HH. However, please note that an official target for the short training has not been provided by NRA.*