

Information Update



June 2011



CHA organized IT Event in Jaffna



CHA in liaison with ICTA organized an IT event in Jaffna. 42 personnel from different fields and organizations were selected by CHA who are eligible for the ICTA two day IT programme. Participants were from government organizations, NGOs, CBOs, livelihood societies, nenesala representatives and academics. ICTA trained the participants in community development applications.

The second day was an open day for people of Jaffna to attend. Event was organized at the Jaffna University coordinated by CHA. The event was successful and many comments to replicate periodically.

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The Information Update Newsletter, produced by CHA focuses on updates of the CHA projects, monthly highlights; situations in districts; new acquisitions and other related information for the community it serves.

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Psychosocial Initiatives

The Bi - Annual PSF Review and Planning Meeting

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A presentation session on the key achievements made | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Identification of district specific needs |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Challenges/ gaps and recommendations | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Planned activities for the rest of the year 2011 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resource availability | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sustainability mechanism for each district and exit strategy post June 2011 |

Highlights -Capacity Building Initiatives and Special Programmes



Jaffna

- Training on child mental health was done at the Hiniduma Divisional secretariat office. 5th April-school teachers
- A Training program on Mental Health and psychosocial well-being was held at Weerakatiya DS
- Workshop on Mental Health & Counseling

- PS Trainings organized for Police officers and The defense officials by the RDHS office
- AHC Training
- Leadership Training for resettlement by 2 PS organizations
- Child Mental Health Workshop/ Seminar conducted by HUDEC

Killinochchi & Mullativu

- CHA being able to encourage government authorities in forming psychosocial Networks in the districts and conduction initial meetings with focal points
- Conduct training programem for mental health

North central Province

workers

North central Province (Anurdhapura, Puttlum, Kurunagala)

Special programes for children conducted with support of the DCPC (District Child protection committees).



Hambantota

Training to Voice Federation staff on Techniques & Methods for creative Development in Children –22 June 2011

We conducted this customized workshop in Sinhala to Voice Federation center facilitators, field officers & volunteer of the creative centers. This workshop was facilitated by Ms Shashika Niroshini

Comments from the participants

M A Nathisha

As a mobilizer the training is useful to increase my knowledge in understanding and helping children to develop their creativity.

R M S Rajapakse

I learn to behave with children & understanding them. It will also help me to work with their parents to develop the children.

D M I S Dissanayake

The knowledge gained through this training will help me to develop my children and other children in the village.

Training at CORE (USAID funded project) conference at Wadduwa



Two training section on Drivers safety & Basic Excel training was conducted at the CORE residential conference on 7th June 2011 at Blue waters Wadduwa. The IT training was facilitated by Ms Jaynathi Somasekeram while the drivers Safety training was facilitated by 2 resource personnel's from Ceylon Transport Board

UNFPA staff trained on Advance MS PowerPoint –2007

A successful training programme on advance MS PowerPoint-2007 was specially organized for Staff of UNFPA on 9th & 10th June 2011.



Participants comments

- Excellent Trainer. Very well presented & explained. Answer at the finger-tips. Job well done.
- Trainer is exceptionally intelligent & she reached her full potential level. Pleasant to meet someone so bright & young

LIFELINE-SRI LANKA

A service to understand, cope and overcome afflictions including aging, health for men over 50, health for women over 40, mentally and physically challenging afflictions, coping, ,mitigating, addressing issues related to abuse and use of substances, issues related children including-phobias, anxiety, stress, obsessions, separation, divorces, step parents, managing finances for teens, HiV positive persons and sex workers.

Lifeline's primary mode of outreach will be through a Helpline, which will be manned by trained *volunteer befrienders*. A Lifeline Helpdesk will also be set up, which will be manned by staff and volunteers whose objectives will be the establishment of a *Collection Bank* and *Awareness material*. In addition, **Lifeline** will have an On-Board Aid Team which will act as a steering committee and work towards continuous improvement of services.

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ACQUISITION OF RESOURCES TO THE RESOURCE CENTER

- Opportunities for the Productive poor: Perspective on agriculture and rural livelihoods in Sri Lanka - Published by Centre for poverty Analysis
- Rebuilding after disaster (Info Pack - DVD) - By Practical Action
- Riding Waves (DVD) - By Practical Action
- Confronting female genital Mutilation - Published by IDRC
- Strengthening Rural Livelihoods - Published by IDRC
- Nipuna Lama Lovak (Sinhala) - Published by FORUT
- Technical Manual on Community Based Rural Road Construction and Maintenance - By Practical Action
- Ecological Solutions to Flush Toilet Failures
- Rights of Migrant workers; A case study, examination of lacunae in the law and international standards - Published by LST



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