Planning for Rehabilitation and Reconstruction : Key Considerations

Disaster and Development

Development Realm



Development can increase vulnerability

Development can reduce vulnerability

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Disaster Realm

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Negative Realm

Development can increase vulnerability vulnerability

Disasters can set back to development Disasters can provide development opportunities + Positive Realn

Disaster Realm

Objectives

- 1. Immediate Return to normalcy
- 2. Medium to Long-Term Increase the level of safety/protection of lives and property in a multi-hazard-prone state

3. Overall

Maximize the involvement of communities and community organizations

A. Service Infrastructure

• Urban

- Repair immediately to functional status
- Conduct detailed systems analysis for upgrade or possible installation of new safer systems – costbenefit analysis to be based on increased safety, better coverage, increased capacity for future development

• Rural

 Carry out systems upgrade during repair to minimize cost

B. Income Generation

• Urban

- Conduct structural assessments to certify buildings so that businesses can reopen in usable buildings
- Minimize power/water/telecommunications service interruptions during the repair period
- Consider supporting a Jobs Bank/Exchange or Information Center to assist in matching the jobless with work opportunities
- Support projects which generate income within the affected areas
- Speed the approval of loan funds for disaster-affected businesses

B. Income Generation

Rural

- Ensure restoration of power/water/tel. (or availability of generators)
- Assess need for temporary business sites. Consider designating a clear central site
- Support NGO's and local community groups in organizing livelihood activities

C. Housing

Short-Term

- Temporary shelter for those who have lost homes
- Out-migration to other urban areas, stressing services there
- Protection of belongings
- Structural assessments of damaged buildings
- How/where to restart income-generating activities
- Joint decision making about relocation of town/village
- Recover of building materials and removal of debris
- Reconnection of utilities

C. Housing

Medium-Term

- Land tenure/ownership issues
- Financial/material resources to rebuild
- Timing
- Access to shelter information/experience in improved construction
- Inclusion of building standards for seismic areas for all types of construction

C. Housing

Long-Term

- Upgrading of building code; preparation of building standards for specific areas
- Training related to the standards
- Training and required resources for inspection/enforcement
- Review/upgrading of construction materials standards, quality control

D. Schools

- Return to function as soon as possible
- Conduct structural assessment and perform repairs before reopening damages schools
- For more heavily damaged schools, do not reopen until repair and retrofit are complete
- Incorporate earthquake resistant construction techniques during construction of all new school

E. Tourism

- Ensure that workforce, transport and services are available and functioning normally......
- Facilitate structural assessment and appropriate repair to hotel, guesthouses, sites of historic interest, etc.
- Communicate restoration of services & positive approach of media
- Conduct a detailed study of retrofit and other protection options specifically for cultural monuments and historic sites

Institutional Arrangements for Reconstruction (Gujarat Experience)

26 January 2001: The Terrible Human Tragedy

Earthquake of magnitude 6.9 on Richter scale

One of the worst earthquakes in the last 180 years

Over 11,00,000 homes affected by the calamity

Over 10,000 small and medium industrial units went out of production 50,000 artisans lost their livelihood

Around 50,00,000 people needed to be given immediate relief

Severely Affected Talukas Moderately Affected Talukas

> Over 2000 schools, 300 hospitals destroyed

Reported lives lost 13,805

167,000 persons suffered injury

To co-ordinate the massive effort, a nodal agency was created –

Gujarat State Disaster Management Authority

Mitigation Planning, Monitoring, Implementing

[SDMA

Emergency

response Guidance & Monitoring

... which effectively co-ordinates with all the entities associated with disaster management

Reconstruction Planning and Program Management

PROJECT SCOPE & OBJECTIVES

 Promoting sustainable recovery in the disaster-affected areas, and

 Laying the foundation for sustainable disaster management capacity in Gujarat.

PROJECT OUTCOME

Sustainable rehabilitation and reconstruction

- Reduced vulnerability through multihazardresistant structures;
- Increased community risk awareness and preparedness for natural hazards through access to enhanced knowledge of hazards and disaster reduction techniques; and

 Enhanced emergency preparedness and response capacity leading to safety of lives and property.

RECONSTRUCTION & REHABILITATION

The reconstruction program has been designed to address the needs of beneficiaries comprehensively...



REHABILITATION POLICY

Short and Medium term Rehabilitation Policy...



MAJOR FUNDING AGENCIES FOR RECONSTRUCTION

Amount in Million US\$

World Bank	661
ADB	368
European Commission	37
The Netherlands	37
Go Gujrat	565
Go India	107
Others	70
TOTAL	1900

HIGHLIGHTS – Housing Reconstruction

- Third party quality audit, whose inspected 2,38,785 houses
- Payment of installments after engineers' certification
- Joint ownership of house by husband and wife
- Insurance to 14 types of hazards
- Payment made directly in bank accounts
- Excise duty exemption for building materials procured in Kutch
- Minimal relocation and no secondary displacement
- Choice of relocation decided by village community
- Multi-hazard resistant reconstruction

HIGHLIGHTS – Reconstruction

- Total houses repaired: 928,000
 Houses reconstructed: 215,000
 Public-private-partnership Housing Program: 42,528
 Education (Repaired): 42,678
 Education (Reconstructed): 8,212
- 3560 additional classrooms have been reconstructed

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

- Trainings and workshops
- Manuals
- Exhibitions
- Publications & audio-visual
- Benefit monitoring

Benefit Monitoring

Findings of the survey

- The program has not only restored Quality of Life Index to the pre-earthquake levels but has also exceeded it
- Significant improvement in the number of better (pucca) houses.
 Overall sample has shown an increase of 35%
- 61% increase in beneficiaries living in homes with separate toilets
- Community and public infrastructure has been largely restored.
- Primary and secondary schools have been restored to preearthquake levels. More classrooms have been built in these schools.
- 57% beneficiaries are aware of housing insurance as compared to 6.7% before the earthquake

Benefit Monitoring Contd.

Findings of the survey

- The number of pipe connections has exceeded pre-earthquake levels.
- Agriculture: 90% of the beneficiaries had been able to obtain similar or more yield, while 87% were restored back to their original income or more.

INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK



LONG-TERM VISION

Focus of Disaster Management in the future



What GSDMA has done

- Formulation of Policies
- Preparation of DM Plans
- Preparedness Initiatives
- Capacity Building
- Mitigation Measures
- Community Preparedness

Activities envisaged in future

- Institute of Seismological Research (ISR)
 GIS based DM
- Gujarat Institute for Disaster Management
- 3 regional centres for Emergency Response at Ahmedabad, Surat & Rajkot planned
- One chemical disaster response center at Vadodara & one response center planned at Bhuj

Activities envisaged in future

16 Observatories and 40 SMAs to be established/upgraded
Certification of masons and engineers
Provincial Fire Services
Revision of Relief Manual

Feasibility Studies

Consultants have been hired for the following studies:

- Seismic Microzonation
- Review Of Building Codes
- Early Warning and Communication System
- Hazard, Vulnerability, Capacity and Risk Assessment

Hiring of consultants for the studies is in progress:

- Damage & Loss Assessment
- Establishment of Emergency Response Centres
- Information Technology for Disaster Management

VISION Imagine a Gujarat where....



Disaster strikes;



- Risk assessment
- Information monitoring





- Awareness
- Training
- Drills
- Contingency plans

Only a few structures are damaged

- Planned development
- Policies, guidelines



... with a limited death toll



- Contingency plans
- Rapid response mechanisms



... and a limited impact on the state exchequer



- Risk transfer mechanisms
- Effective program management

UN Sasakawa Award

 GSDMA has received the Certificate of Merit for the prestigious UN Sasakawa Award for Disaster Reduction for the year 2003 Lets hear the voices of future survivors & the program mangers.

They will depend on us to draw the right lessons from past "practices".

The End – A New Beginning





The process undertaken by a disaster-affected community to fully restore itself to predisaster level of functioning.

Rehabilitation



Actions taken in the aftermath of a disaster to:

- assist victims to repair their dwellings;
- re-establish essential services;
- revive key economic and social activities

Reconstruction



Permanent measures to repair or replace damaged dwellings and infrastructure and to set the economy back on course.