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REPORT ON THE BOREHOLE REPAIR IN BONGO DISTRICT, UER, GHANA

1. Implementation Strategies

The implementation approach was demand driven. As such the actors had the following roles/responsibilities:

1.1. Donors

- Fund mobilisation
- Set up standards and ensure quality
- Monitoring and evaluation

1.2. Bongo Development Organisation (Bondo)

- Administer donor funds and write progress reports.
- Facilitate full community participation
- Conduct community and beneficiary identification
- Brief community regularly and get feedback
- Facilitate supply of materials and new pump system
- Supervise construction work of artisans
- Training of Water and Sanitation Committee (WATSAN) committees\ Hygiene education
- Help solve conflicts and problems at different levels
- Concrete pad construction
- Old pump system and complete pump, pipework lift rods and pump barrel installation

2. Activities 2014

This Programme has covered the repair of water supplies in Agubri village in Bongo in the summer of 2014. The village of Agubri is shown in the accompanying maps.

This village had a borehole, but it had failed - the flow is very small and inadequate. The villages do not have the resources to repair them.

The key problem is that too much time is spent drawing water, the borehole is busy from before dawn to 10pm with women and children drawing and carrying water. These activities result in school children coming to school late and therefore missing education opportunities. Also the security of women is at stake as so much time is spent there even after dark.

The village requested BONDO to provide a Clean Water Programme, from funds provided by St Peters Episcopal Church Linlithgow and St Columbas Episcopal Church Bathgate.

3. Systematic and Efficient Process for Delivery

BONDO have created a systematic process for efficient implementation. Four meetings are held with each community and beneficiaries.

3.1. Borehole Repairs

General Meeting 1 Bondo initially meet with the community and introduce the project to the Traditional Leaders and the Assemblyperson.

Meeting 2 During the second Community meeting we visit the area and assess the problems with the borehole facility. The costs of replacement or repair including cost of required materials are estimated and the amount of funding available is discussed with the Community.

During this meeting we also explain the need for operation and maintenance, in the form of a short training course for the entire community – this encourages ownership. We inculcate the need for regular and accurate book-keeping of the yearly contribution from the Community towards Operation and Maintenance.

The outcome of this meeting is the opening of Bank account(s) at Bongo Rural Bank, for safe-keeping of these important funds.

Meeting 3 The outcome of this meeting is the formation of the WATSAN Committee, comprising Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, two caretakers and two Hygiene Promoters. These people are further trained in manual repairs on the borehole and how to promote hygiene education in the community.

Meeting 4 This provides a forum and a process for conflict resolution.

The processes adopted enhance project acceptability and help to identify and eliminate sources of conflicts among community members.

3.2. Responsibilities of Beneficiaries for Boreholes

The Community Members collect stones, sand and water, and provide labour in the mixing and carrying of concrete for the platform, and support installation of the hand pump.

4. Bondo and Community Implementation

Bondo has successfully repaired the borehole in the Agubri community, replacing the failed hand pump with a modern Afridev hand pump, and repaired the concrete pad construction. Photographs were taken before, during and after the works and are provided in the accompanying files.

In addition, Bondo has formed a WATSAN Committee, delivered hygiene education and management training.

The borehole now has a bank account with Bongo Rural Bank, to support operation and maintenance for sustainability of the facility.

Activity	Date	Notes
Agreement to proceed	April 2014	
WATSAN committee and Bank account in place	May 2014	WATSAN committees and bank account
HandPump repairs complete	2 nd June 2014	Completed
Hygiene Education complete	2 nd June 2014	Completed
Project Completion Package	12 th June 2014	Report and pictures supplied
Report on Benefits & Watsan Committee Performance	By summer 2015	Any ongoing work to be discussed and subject to future funding

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