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A renewed emphasis on land tenure as a precursor for governance, and legislation (SDG11.1/3/4/7 and 11.a).

Anchoring urban planning as a central component in ROAPs projects on sustainable urbanization (SDG11.2/3/4/7 and SDG11.a).

Transform people-driven settlement development into genuine urbanization programmes contributing to ending poverty (SDG11.1/3/7 and SDG11.a).

Urban Resilience: Climate Change, Disaster Risk Management, (SDG 11.2/3/5/7 and 11.a/b).

Responding to cities and communities in crisis (SDG 11.2/3/5/7 and 11.a/b).

Knowledge, Research and Capacity Development (SDG 11.3/7 and 11.a/b).
UN-Habitat responses to major crisis situations in Asia and the Pacific

Indian Ocean Tsunami
- Indonesia: Housing 12,500
- Maldives: Housing 5,300
- Sri Lanka: Housing 50,000
  Infrastructure, market, community centers (250,000 communities)

Pakistan flood / Earthquake
- Housing 850,000

Myanmar Cyclone
- Housing 22,000
- Water (550,000 communities)

Nepal Flood and earthquake
- Housing & infrastructure (5500 communities)

Post Conflict Projects
- Afghanistan: Housing 25,000 Community Infrastructure (2.6 mil)
- Iraq: Housing 4,000 Schools 200 Universities 30 Community Infrastructure (in 6 cities)
- Sri Lanka: Housing 12,000 Community Infrastructure
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**City level support**
- Disaster response Strategies and plans
- Mainstreaming into existing plans
- Support priority sectors / communities
- Linking cities to finance

**National Policies / Multilevel Governance**
- Urban Policies/ DRM strategies
- Climate Change Policies
- National standards

**Partnerships / knowledge management**
- Joint programming
- Capacity Development / Advocacy
- Thematic communities of practice
Building Back Cities and Communities After Disaster – community level

People’s Process

‘Settlements Support Programme through Self-Help mechanisms
People’s Process

HIGHLIGHTS

The salient aspects of this “People’s Process” are:

- Trust the people
- Recognise peoples’ organisations
- Let people take the lead in decision making and actions
- Facilitate construction by owners and communities
- Open bank accounts, managed by communities for transparency
- Allow Settlements to recover, rather than just rebuild houses.

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Why People’s Process?

- **30% cheaper**
  Can optimize available resources

- **Injection of cash in to LOCAL economy**
  Remains within the community

- **Faster in construction**
  Creates employment and income generating opportunities for the affected people

- **Better in quality**
  Improves the skills level of the people
  Skills will remain in the community

- **Better social cohesion**
  People’s Pride is ensured
  Mobilizes the creativity and ingenuity of the people

- **Transparent and accountable** to the community
People’s Process – Infrastructure project

Before

Community mobilization. Discussion on problems and resources of community.

Advice and training provided by UN-Habitat. Women’s empowerment

Training on construction technology, accounting, monitoring, etc.

Community-driven reconstruction

Community Action Planning and Community Contract

Monitoring and report the progress of the project done by community.

A kindergarten of a Community. No windows, doors, and furniture.

Completion of the community infrastructure project
Building resilience in post crisis projects – Pakistan

• Provision of shelters to 30,000 extremely vulnerable and vulnerable households
• Shelter Provision for Baluchistan Earthquake Victims 1200 Families
• Facilitating Access to Safer Land for Earthquake Victims – over 35000 people
• Strengthening Post-Earthquake Reconstruction
• Post-Flood Information Management and Coordination
• Support to Spontaneous Shelter Recovery in Earthquake-affected Villages
Building resilience in post crisis projects – Sri Lanka

- Disaster Resilient City Development Strategies for Sri Lankan Cities
- Supporting Schools in Northern Sri Lanka with Access to Water and Sanitation Facilities
- Shelter Support to Conflict Affected IDPs in the North of Sri Lanka
- Emergency Shelter Relief for Flood and Landslide Affected Households
- Project for Rehabilitation of Community Infrastructure, Improvement of Livelihoods and Empowerment of Women in the Northern and Eastern Provinces
- Tsunami Recovery programme
Building resilience in post crisis projects – Lao PDR

Project/Partnership Title:
Enhancing the climate & disaster resilience towards Building Back Better

Location(s):
Southern Lao PDR

Hazard addressed:
Typhoon and flooding

Methodology used:
Building Back Better principles

Partner(s):
Community, Local Government,
Department of Public Works and Transport and
Department of Health
Strong houses resilient to typhoons – Philippines

Post Yolanda (Haiyan) reconstruction

- Building skills to rebuild communities
- Policy advice on Urban Planning and Housing Reconstruction
- Technical Assistance
- Shelter Support Project – Panay Island
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