



INVITATION

Workshop to promote participatory community based approaches in CBDRM Programmes, with a focus on the VNRC VCA method.

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Pullman Hanoi (formerly Hanoi Horison hotel) 40 Cat Linh street, Dong Da, Ha Noi

Background

There is a need to improve the understanding about CBDRM approaches in general and about VCA in particular. Currently there is an incorrect understandings among several stakeholders on how a properly conduct and facilitated VCA can contribute to better community action. It is learned that not all relevant staff of organisation working on DM at community level have a sound understanding of the way VCAs could be carried out in order to ensure full ownership and participation of citizens and vulnerable groups.

Moreover, one of the current issues in the National CBDRM Program is that there has not been yet a formal agreement dfor the use of which standard to use for the VCA at commune level. This workshop will offer an opportunity for different stakeholders to discuss further on this using the VNRC VCA approach as the starting point. For this reason, a one day workshop will be organized by the VNRC/ NLRC to explain in details the VCA method developed under the framework of DIPECHO VI and VII, followed by the outputs of this VCA method. Lastly groups will discuss on the possibility to adopt this approach in the National Program and which pros and cons this will have.

Overall objective: To stimulate the implementation of truly community based approaches inside CBDRM programmes in Vietnam.

Outline

- Aims, benefits, key components and outlines of the VCA;
- The VCA being a crucial CBDRM activity (its strengths and impacts);
- Necessary VCA bottom-up approaches of participation, community development, capacity building and intensive inclusion of vulnerable groups (children, women, people with disabilities, elderly, poor and ethnic minority groups);
- Provision of past examples and long-term experiences of successful VCAs conducted by the VNRC.

- The link of the VCA with local government planning (e.g. Socio-Economic Development Plan) and how the VNRC VCA approach can link with the government programs (like 1002 and others)
- Indept group discussion on the applicabiliy of VCA within the Governemnt Program

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AGENDA

Time	Contents	Ву	
8.50	Registration	Organizing Board	
9.00	Introduction and Agenda		
9.05 - 9.15	Opening Speech 1 and 2		
Recap on VNRC's VCA Method			
9.20 – 9.35	Presentation on: - What is VCA? - VCA related terminologies	Mrs. Hanh	
9.35 – 10.10	- Purpose of VCA - VCA Approach	Mr. Nghia	
10.15 – 10.50	Showing film of the VCA Manual on the VCA Process	NLRC	
10.50 -11.05	Tea break		
11.05 – 11.25	VNRC VCA Process and set-up	Mr. Thang	
Mitigation Plan use in local government planning			
11.25 – 12.00	Presentation on: Outputs of VCA:The use of Mitigation Plan and How to implement the Mitigation Plan Sharing exampe of the past	Mr. Ky	
12.00 - 13.30	Lunch		
Group discussion on applicability of VCA in the Government Program			
13.35 – 13.50	Task assignment and introduction	NLRC	

13.50 – 14.50	 Group 1: Why is involving a full cross-section of the commune (incl vulnerable groups) important to succesfully reach the goals of the National Program. Group 2: How the VCA method can be used in the Government Program? Group 3: pros and cons of VNRC VCA 	
	method and its applicability in the National Program	
14.50 – 15.05	Tea break	
15.05 – 16.10	The 3 groups share back to the plenary group. Questoins to the groups. Including a short recap/summary from the faciliator	
16.10- 16.20	Closing workshop	