Cholera/AWD preparedness in DRR approach for Urban WASH

Status: Ongoing

Project Partner: UNICEF
Project Area: Kathmandu Valley (Kathmandu and Lalitpur)
Project Duration: April 2017 to November 2017

Aim:
- To build the capacity of targeted institutions and vulnerable groups to increase resilience in cholera/AWD emergency preparedness activities.
- To mitigate the cholera possible outbreaks by effective and appropriate WASH mitigation measures in Cholera/AWD.

Project Description:
This project focuses on developing effective Urban WASH program with key stakeholders, including local authorities, partner NGOs and communities with DRR approach to cholera/AWD emergency. In order to reduce the potential outbreaks, the project primarily targets the private water vendors, food vendors, healthcare professionals, teachers, community leaders, local government authorities and youth groups by creating an enabling environment for sustainable Urban WASH through DRR approach. Furthermore, this project empowers the targeted communities to take lead to improve their WASH conditions and build the capacity of key WASH drivers.

Project Outputs:
- Identified public health hazards hotspot in Kathmandu Valley
- Conducted four days ToT to partner Organization Staffs (POS) on cholera preparedness
- Conducted ToT on E-WASH plan and developed 2 E-WASH plan of health facilities and 2 E-WASH plan of school.
- Emergency preparedness capacity building training and orientation to institutional stakeholders, health facility staffs, FCHVs, teachers, WASH volunteers, women’s group, and active group for cholera preparedness.
- Conducted capacity building trainings on mainstreaming DRR Approach to Urban WASH
- Developed E-WASH plan for two health facilities
• Tested the quality of water of schools and health facilities.

Major Achievements:
• Developed ToT packages on Cholera/AWD Preparedness Training Package and E-WASH Plan Package
• Developed E-WASH plan for two health facilities in coordination with partner organizations.

Beneficiaries:
• Benefitted 165 students by conducting “WASH and cholera preparedness campaign” in 5 schools
• Benefitted 14 people including operators, drivers and owners by conducting one day sensitization workshop for faecal sludge operators.
• Collected 190 water samples from food vendors from Kathmandu and Lalitpur Metropolitan City and Godawari Municipality benefitting 9500 people.
• Citizen water quality testing was conducted during booth campaign benefitting 3491 households and 1899 schools.
• Conducted 5 WASH Mobile Booth Campaigns for Cholera/ AWD preparedness awareness benefitting 3705 people

Total Beneficiaries from the Project
18,987 people