

DISTRICT CITIZEN ENGAGEMENT PLAN SUMMARY

Jeneponto District

Vision: The Real Jeneponto

Through protection, conservation and water resource management using a catchment area approach the Jeneponto 'Go Green' concept will be created. The environment will be beautiful and productive through the utilisation of organic materials and agriculture that is environmentally sound. This will lead to food security and be supported by the strength of local assets, knowledge and values.

There will be an internalisation of participative values in all phases of development activities, strong networks between stakeholders (multi party cooperation), budget policies that are supportive of women and the poor, and equity in relationships between governments and communities, men and women and the poor and the wealthy. The law will really be enforced in an environment where all people will be treated equally. The community will be active, aware and critical and participate in planning, implementation and monitoring development. All of this can be achieved through efforts facilitated by able parties, whether they are competent governmental bodies (village governments, sub-district governments and district governments) community organisations or village facilitators.

Information development for the public will occur by effective media information that is able to give voice to the community and marginal groups. Easy access to valid and accurate data and information will be guaranteed in every community/village.

Development of the local economy relies on local potential so all efforts will be made to develop the capacity of families in productive economic management. Women and the poor will have easy access to capital; economic networks and economies between villages and communities will strengthen and grow. This also means that women will become more productive and skilled to assist their family's economy.

There will be good public services that are affordable, fair and free for the poor (governmental and civilian affairs administration, health, education and waste management).

Agenda in Cooperation with the District:

1. Jeneponto Go Green
2. Community Participation in Development
3. Productive Economy Based on Local Potential
4. Good Quality Public Services that Uphold Basic Rights
5. Community Based Local Media

SUMMARY OF CONCEPT PAPERS – Jeneponto

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District : Jeneponto
Name of Institute : Aliansi Kelompok Usaha Ekonomi produktif (AKUEP)
Concept paper Title : Increasing Productive Economic Enterprises that are based on Local Potential
Program Duration : -

This concept paper explains the AKUEP concept to initiate productive economic actors to really understand the local potential that they have, to develop their knowledge and capacity in managing productive economic enterprises, to develop self-organization within village economic units and develop networks with economic enterprises in other villages through the formation of independent, transparent and accountable enterprise groups. This would work as a village economic unit network at the district level. Productive economic actors that join the village economic units will gain bargaining power that will enable them to compete with other established economic units. Village economic units and enterprise groups will provide a welcome space for economic initiatives from women and the poor, low interest credit, and will be a local economic information centre. They will also develop partnerships with established economic actors and provide a place to share lessons learned.

AKUEP will use strategies consisting of capacity building, mentoring and the development of economic networks at the district level in order to reach the program objectives. This program will work in cooperation with farming/seaweed/fishing groups and village economic units. The program's main contribution will be in social justice in good local governance. This program is relevant to ACCESS Phase II in its efforts to empower community organizations and initiate engagement with stakeholders and the program expansion that will reach 10 village economic units.

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District : Jeneponto
Name of Institute : Yayasan Mitra Turatea
Title : Capacity Building on Transparent, Accountable, Participatory and Inclusive Planning and Budgeting for Women and the Poor
Program Duration : 3 years

This concept paper outlines Yayasan Mitra Turatea's action plan to strengthen reliable village empowerment cadre (village facilitators) to initiate communities in 54 villages in Jeneponto district to become involved in village development planning and budgeting processes, which are transparent, participatory, accountable and inclusive of women and the poor. The community, in particular women and the poor, should have a role in developing village budgets that are supportive of the poor. This program will strengthen communication networks between development stakeholders at the village level through developing a village newspaper as a media to disseminate development information. It will also strengthen support for stakeholders in participatory planning and budgeting processes.

Capacity building, planning and budgeting mentoring and development of media information strategies will be used. Mitra Turatea will work in partnership with facilitators,

village empowerment cadre, local government and local work units to reach its objectives. This program will contribute to the formation of good governance particularly in the areas of participation, transparency and dissemination of information. This concept is in line with ACCESS Phase II as it contains elements of empowering the community, initiating engagement between communities and governments. It will also instigate replication of the CLAPP approach and influence that will expand into 54 other villages that do not yet have Village mid-Term Development Plans, including 12 villages in CLAPP 1-3.

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District : Jeneponto
Name of Institute : Aliansi Masyarakat Sipil Turatea (AMST)
Concept paper Title : Jeneponto Go Green
Program Duration : 30 months

The main objective of AMST's action plan is to create sustainable and sound environmental management and conservation. In particular, this action plan aims to provide community, youth and religious figures with increased information on the importance of maintaining the environment and incorporating local knowledge into environmental management and to become effective actors to support efforts of sustainable environmental management. Environmental management institutes in villages in water catchment areas will become effective institutes in environmental management, in applying conservation principles and incorporating local knowledge to improve the environmental quality of forestry and agriculture. They will also be able to initiate land rehabilitation and restore the value and function of the forest.

Forestry and agriculture community development, education and awareness for community and institutional strengthening strategies will be used. This program will work in cooperation with community, youth and religious figures and environmental management institutes in villages in water catchment areas. Impacts from this action plan will be seen in families that live in the water catchment areas who will gain access to various livelihood alternatives. This action plan will contribute to the formation of local good governance particularly in the aspect of social justice.