

**Voluntary Service Overseas**

**Capacity Building for children with Disabilities Project, Kenya  
Progress Report 1 June to 1 August 2001  
Project No CI – P32**

**Annex A : Progress Report  
Output to Purpose Summary Report  
Report on Expenditure  
Revised Logframe**

ANNEX A:

**Progress Report**

**Date submitted:** November 05 2001

**Title of Project and Project Ref. No.:**

Capacity Building in Community Based Rehabilitation for Children with Disabilities  
NO.CI – P32

**Organisation:**

Voluntary Service Overseas (VSO)

**Reporting Period:**

01 June 2001 – 31 August 2001

**Anticipated Completion Date:**

31 May 2003

**1. GOAL, PURPOSE AND OUTPUT OF THE PROJECT**

**Goal**

To improve opportunities for children with disabilities (CWDs) and change attitudes that are biased against them, such that they can participate fully in society.

**Purpose**

To build the capacity of local communities and service providers in five districts in Community Based Rehabilitation techniques to enable them to better manage and reduce the impact of disability among CWDs.

**Outputs**

1. Service providers, field workers and communities have capacity and have adopted and integrated CBR into existing activities.
2. Parents/family members are better able to care for CWDs through increased knowledge and skills and are more favourably disposed towards them.
3. Local communities are more proactive in seeking provision and opportunities for CWDs.
4. Community based Income Generating Activities (IGAs) initiated and managed by and/or for the benefit of CWDs
5. Information, education and communication (IEC) materials developed to increase local understanding of CBR
6. Examples of best practice documented and disseminated throughout the five pilot districts and thence to other districts through VSO's broader disability programme and global network.

## **1.2 Modifications to Purpose and output of the Project**

*(NB: modifications were made at the start of the project and are contained in the attached revised logical framework)*

### **Purpose**

The project will be implemented in ten districts in the area as opposed to the five districts mentioned in the proposal. The location extension was done because the project had previously trained staff from all the ten districts all of which had identified CBR as a priority. Thus, it would ensure effective use of acquired skills and make monitoring and follow up more practical. To carry out the project within the budget and resources allocated, the area coverage in the previous five districts were reduced so as to accommodate the new districts included in the project.

### **Outputs**

- Output No. 1 on Pg.1 (that was initially omitted in the proposal) has been included because it was thought necessary to accommodate capacity building of the service providers at the start of the project.
  
- Output No.5 has been deleted because it did not enhance proper and systematic implementation of CBR; it was neither cost-effective nor practical. IEC materials are intended for immediate use in initiating CBR for communities who are ready to start.

## **1.3 Output Progress**

Output 1.: A two days workshop (report attached) was held in June/July with the aim of introducing CBR to service providers in order to help them internalize and integrate the CBR approach into existing activities.

### **Achievements of the workshop**

- An introduction to skills, concepts, principles and practices of CBR.
- Sharing of experiences and challenges in reaching out to CWDs and communities.
- Recognition and adoption of CBR as a more efficient approach of rehabilitation of CWDs.
- Inclusion of CBR in project plans in the focus districts.

### **Field Achievements**

Initial reports after the workshop indicate that the nine districts are at various levels of implementing CBR. Many have already reactivated and revitalised support groups in the community which will be used as entry points in CBR implementation, A few are in the process of investigating efficient structures for implementing the project.

## **Purpose Progress**

Although it is too early to determine the impact of CBR, anecdotal evidence suggests that the purpose has high chance of being achieved as more activities are implemented. A more definite conclusion could be arrived at after at least one year.

## **2. Work Carried Out in this Period**

Activities planned for this period were successfully achieved. Service providers were trained in the basics of Community Based Rehabilitation as stipulated. The results already observed in the field can be attributed to the skills acquired during the CBR workshop.

## **3. Results**

Forty-one persons trained and CBR well integrated in field project activities. CBR initiatives already been started in nine out of ten districts.

## **4. Implication**

Reports indicate that the project outputs are achievable. However a minor constraint may be time. Since the districts operate at different paces, it might not be possible to achieve our objective in all the ten districts by the end of the project. It will take time for communities to understand, internalise, participate and take ownership of CBR.

## **5. Priority Activities for the Next Reporting Period**

This will include:

1. Training of Trainers for service providers.
2. Exchange visits.
3. Identifying referral systems, networks and linkages.
4. Awareness raising, sensitization and identifying CBRCs.
5. Source and distribute IEC materials.
6. Monitoring and Evaluation field visits
7. Record keeping and reporting by service providers.