

## PROJECT PROFILE SHEET

<b>Project Title</b>	From Chaos to Coordination: Harnessing the Potential of Volunteerism in Disaster Response
<b>Donor</b>	LEAD International – Special Opportunities and Investment Fund
<b>Project Duration</b>	January – December 2007
<b>Project Focus &amp; Outreach</b>	Purpose of this initiative is to Coordinate and streamline volunteer efforts in earthquake affected areas of District Manshera by enhancing capacities in volunteerism and also augment longer-term efforts of rehabilitation and reconstruction. The activities proposed under the project will nurture partnership between volunteers, small relief organizations and the communities
<b>Project objectives, outcomes or deliverables</b>	<p>The October 8 earthquake has resulted in thousands of casualties and up to 3 million shelter less. The furious earthquake has razed to the ground almost all infrastructures that hampered the relief work – the roads, hospitals, schools government buildings. The disaster of any magnitude necessitates that the volunteerism is designed to cope with the urgent as well as the long-term challenge of rehabilitation and reconstruction.</p> <p>The SOIF support will aim to achieve the following objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To strengthen the capacity of individuals to serve as disciplined volunteers to effectively perform various specialized roles in disaster response.</li> <li>• To strengthen the volunteer management capacity of organizations that are presently engaged in relief operations but are now gearing up for reconstruction and rehabilitation.</li> <li>• To systematically link teams of trained volunteers with selected organizations for effective disaster response on the ground.</li> </ul> <p>As an outcome of the proposed project, following outputs will be delivered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Training of individual volunteers</li> <li>• Capacity-building of Local Organizations</li> <li>• Placement of trained Volunteers</li> <li>• Field Testing of Management Systems</li> <li>• Training Modules &amp; Materials</li> </ul>

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### **Project Brief**

The October 8 earthquake has resulted in thousands of casualties and upto 3 million shelterless. The furious earthquake has razed to the ground almost all infrastructure that hampers the relief work – the roads, hospitals, schools government buildings. In terms human and logistical challenges the earthquake has been described by the UN as worse than Tsunami that cost more than 200,000 lives. Given the fact that innumerable communities are still awaiting for help, there are projections of an unimaginable “disaster within a disaster.” The imperatives of urgent relief are further compounded by the needs of rebuilding a large number of villages and towns. Most of the victims relied on agriculture for their livelihoods. Unless the relief efforts are twinned with restoration of livelihoods, an estimated 1.5 million people are expected to migrate to urban areas. The project will result in greater coordination in the relief operations by enhancing capacities in volunteerism in immediate terms but also augment longer-term efforts of rehabilitation and reconstruction. It will nurture partnership between volunteers, small relief organizations and the communities.

### **Support from Fellows Network**

The proposed project will be executed with the help and support of Fellows and Associates in the LEAD Network who have been involved in earthquake relief and rehabilitation activities.

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### **Project Status**

Currently ongoing project