

COMPREHENSIVE PROJECT PROFILE

FOR

BARANGAY KABANGKALAN

MUNICIPALITY

OF

PRES. CARLOS P. GARCIA BOHOL

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I. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

1. PROJECT TITLE: FISHERY LIVELIHOOD SUPPORT PROJECT
2. PROJECT TYPE: Capital Forming and Technical Assistance
3. PROJECT COMPONENTS

- 3.1. Fishers' organization formation and strengthening

Existing fisherman's organization of Barangay Kabangkalan will elect Officers and members of various committees : Committees on (a) project management, (b) vessel maintenance and management, (c) resource assessment, (d) coastal law enforcement, (e) Marie Protected Area management, and (f) monitoring and evaluation to handle various project concerns.

- 3.2. Construction of fishing boat

For livelihood support, a seven to ten (7-10) tons fishing vessel will be constructed and built for the use of local fishers' organization. Construction materials will be provided by the project while minor labor jobs will be made as counterpart by the local fishermen. Supervisory services for the construction will be shouldered by the project as well.

- 3.3. Purchase fishery equipment

Equipment and facilities for fishing like nets, vessel engine, fish containers (banyera), fishing rods, etc. are included among those to be supplied to the fishermen's organization for their livelihood.

- 3.4. Participatory Coastal Resource Assessment (PCRA)

To assess the population and variety of marine resources present in the area, the members of the fishermen's organization will be trained on the conduct of PCRA.

- 3.5. Marine Protected Area (MPA) management

Sanctuaries will be established at marine resources breeding or spawning areas. The committee on MPA Management will ensure that the area will be protected from illegal fishers. The

area will ensure sustainability of marine resources and protection of the environment.

3.6. Information campaigns and policy advocacy

Success of the project will not only rely on the members and officers of the fishers' organization but on the support the entire community. Information campaigns relative to fishery laws, environmental conservation and social responsibility will be conducted to enhance awareness and concern.

4. PROJECT LOCATION

The Project is proposed for implementation in Barangay Kabangkalan, Pres. Carlos P. Garcia, Bohol.

II. PROJECT STATUS

The fishery livelihood project is proposed for implementation. The project idea is available to interested funding agencies.

III. PROJECT JUSTIFICATION

1. Project Background

Pres. Carlos P. Garcia is an island municipality located in the northeastern part of Bohol. It is a fifth class municipality composed of twenty three (23) barangays. Its total land area of 54.82 sq. km. is home to 20,744 inhabitants.

Marine products harvested within the municipal waters of the island municipality are sold to local buyers and traders from nearby towns and provinces of Ubay, Cebu and Leyte. Record shows that majority of families earn and survive through fishing and other fishery-related activities like shellfish gleaning, mat weaving and others. The sea plays an important role in the lives of the fisher folks in Pres. Carlos P. Garcia. With less than 3% of the workforce are illiterate, skills earned through years of experience in fishing have been truly beneficial in providing food and earning to support the families' basic needs.

According to the 2004 Poverty Database Monitoring System (PDMS), there are fifty three (53) households (82.81%) below the Income threshold indicator and 46 households (71.88%) below the Food threshold indicator in Barangay Kabangkalan.

Women members of the families in the barangay sell dried fish and squid in nearby towns of Ubay, and some in the provinces of Cebu and Leyte to help their husbands support their families.

With the skills acquired by the local fishers from actual experiences, the richness of Pres. Carlos P. Garcia's marine environment and the potential market for marine resources harvested in the area; the barangay planners and officials proposed for the implementation of a fishery livelihood support project.

2. PROJECT LINKAGES

The proposed project is in line with the poverty reduction initiatives of the provincial and municipal government. Need for technical assistance may be coordinated with the agriculture offices of the provincial and municipal agencies, the BFAR, DENR and the Coastal Law Enforcement Council (CLEC) of the provincial government. The project further support the FISH Project being implemented by USAID being implemented by Tetra Tech.

3. PROJECT OBJECTIVES

General.

To alleviate poverty and provide households with basic needs and services without relying too much on what the government can extend to its constituents.

Specific:

1. To decrease, if not totally stop, the illegal fishing activities in the area and increase income of local inhabitant.
2. To provide the locals inhabitants the opportunity to earn and to keep them away from trouble, gambling and idleness.
3. To provide inhabitants the opportunity to develop themselves into productive members of the society.
4. To supply local market sufficient supply of fishery products and decrease prices of fishes and other marine products.

4. SECTORAL OBJECTIVES

The project is in line with the agri-fishery development and environmental conservation initiatives of the municipal local government.

5. REGIONAL AND NATIONAL OBJECTIVES

Promoting marine conservation and environmental protection through responsible stewardship, the project supports the objective of the national environmental agencies on restoring the natural quality of the marine ecosystem through getting away with illegal

fishing activities like using noxious substance and explosives, use of fine mesh nets and unauthorized luring devices. Further, the project is contributory to the poverty alleviation initiatives of the local and national government.

IV. PROJECT FINANCING

1. FUNDS NEEDED

A total of **ONE MILLION PESOS (1,000,000.00)** ONLY is required for the implementation proposed project with breakdown as follows:

Fishers' organization formation and strengthening	Php 50,000.00
Construction of fishing boat	500,000.00
Purchase fishery equipment	170,000.00
Participatory Coastal Resource Assessment (PCRA)	100,000.00
Marine Protected Area (MPA) establishment and management	150,000.00
Information campaigns and policy advocacy	30,000.00
TOTAL	Php 1,000,000.00

V. PROJECT BENEFITS AND COSTS

1. BENEFICIARIES

64 households of the beneficiary barangay will benefit from the project .

Indirect beneficiaries are the local and nearby islands' fishery product traders, the adjacent barangays, the BLGU and MLGU.

2. BENEFITS

Augmentation on income will result to access to better health care, nutrition, sanitation, housing and decrease in cases of child malnutrition and mortality as well as access to education and potable water. Increase in fishery production will increase supply thereby may decrease market price. Increase in fishers' income will also benefit the economy of the LGUs concerned.

3. COSTS

No social or economic cost is expected of the project.

VI. PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION

1. RESPONSIBLE AGENCIES

The Municipal Local Government Unit (MLGU) through its Municipal Agriculture Office (MAO) and Municipal Planning and Development Office (MPDO) in coordination with the Barangay Local Government Unit of Kabangkalan will implement the project. The existing fishers' organization however will take charge of monitoring its members' compliance to policies and guidelines on project management and sustainability. Training will be coordinated by the implementing agencies with local and provincial environmental and fishery training agencies like BFAR, DENR and the Bohol Environment Management Office (BEMO).

2. IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE

The project components will be implemented within a year period

Fishers' organization formation and strengthening	Q1
Construction of fishing boat	Q2
Purchase fishery equipment	Q2
Participatory Coastal Resource Assessment (PCRA)	Q3
Marine Protected Area (MPA) management	Q3
Information campaigns and policy advocacy	Q4 onward

3. ADMINISTRATIVE FEASIBILITY

The Municipal Agricultural Office takes charge of activities relative to agriculture and fishery. Being a non-political group with permanent status in the local government unit, it will be able to continuously manage and sustain the project. Providing direction to the fishers' organization, the MAO will facilitate coordination and collaboration with technical assistance agencies and possible fund sourcing from the LGU and other possible sources.

4. LEGAL AND POLITICAL FEASIBILITY

No legal or political implication is expected of the project.

5. ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE

With objectives focused on both livelihood and marine ecosystem protection, no environmental clearance is necessary aside from for those proposed equipments like nets and luring devices. This could be coordinated with the BFAR and BEMO.

6. SOCIAL ACCEPTABILITY

No opposition is expected.

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