

100 Refugee Relief Reports
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1. Introduction

The objectives and justifications for all continuing projects in C.V.N. have been restated in previous reports. The only new projects in the region are those incidental to the "cease fire", the partition and the refugee problems in the region. As a matter of fact the majority of the writers efforts during this quarter have been directed toward the emergency medical care and health aspects of this crisis.

These efforts have involved numerous STEM, Care and Vietnamese National and Regional conferences and field studies in the following places :

- Hanoi } July 6-9
- Haiphong }
- Hue } July 22-28
- Donghoi }
- Dongha }
- Hue } August 3-6
- Tourane }
- Quangtri }
- Dongha }
- Cap Saint Jacques) August 23
- Hue } Sept. 21-24
- Quangtri }
- Dongha }

Following each trip there have been appropriate recommendations.

- 2. The total number of refugees seen during these trip was about 64,000.
- 3. Regular continuing projects in C.V.N.

Except for the loss of the Quang-Binh province and that part of Quang-Tri province North of the 17th parallel the approved projects continued to operate as usual.

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These projects are :

- 2.11 Malaria control with
9 D.D.T. spray teams
3 Malaria and intestinal parasite survey teams
2 Diagnostic laboratories.

2.12 Environmental Sanitation

Accurate information on the effective execution of this project is non-existent.

2.14 Trachoma Control

There are 7 teams of 3 nurses and one chauffeur each operating in the Region.

2.31 Hospital Drug Distribution Supplies and Equipment.

The drug distribution continues to be adequate. We have not been able to check on the effective distribution and use of 8 kerosene refrigerators sent to the region. Recent checks show that the six minimum-laboratory kits sent to the region are not being properly used.

2.32 Rural Health Units

There are about 300 First Aid Kits well distributed in the region and properly used. There has been some delay in getting added dispensaries, infirmaries and maternities constructed, equipped and staffed.

2.42 Nurse Training

The inservice training courses for nurses started by Mrs. Lester during FY'54 is continuing at Hue under a Vietnamese nurse with a new group of trainees. This appears to be a successful operation.

2.43 Health Education

This project has been more or less at a standstill during the quarter. We have asked that the Health Education Program be stepped up to meet the added needs among refugee groups. So far, there is lethargy and apathy.

4. There are two major controversies in the region; one dealing with construction and one with training and the use of diagnostic laboratory personnel, have come up in L.V.A. during the quarter. They are :
- a) The Blood Bank building apparently used inferior building material.
 - b) The Nursing School Building apparently used inferior building material.
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- c) Project No. II VF 57b which was amended to cover a training schedule for technician to effectively use the minimum laboratory kits in C.V.N. has not been executed. This is an unnecessary delay.

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