

October 6, 1972

TO : Mr. Norman W. Green, Chief Education Division
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SUBJECT : Community Education Monthly Report September 1972

Problems

No new significant problems not previously reported.

Project Progress

1. Refugee Schools

Under approved Activity Plan CE-3001 CM Branch has initiated contracts for printing refugee textbooks. Chalk, pencils and notebooks have been delivered to various refugee schools.

CEA/National, CEA/Refugees, and FWD/Vientiane visited Vientiane Plain refugee permanent school construction sites during the reporting period. The schools under construction look very good and satisfactory progress towards their completion is being maintained. CEA/Refugees reports in his monthly report that some Common Use items are on back order which are needed for completion of school furniture in these schools. CE is working with SMB to find substitutes or purchase items locally.

The Summer Work Experience Student Teacher Program proved quite successful this year. Please review Miss Engler's Monthly Report for details.

CE staff visited Muong Kassy to investigate a request from PSI/Vang Vieng to replace furniture and commodities lost during the last conflict. After reviewing the situation it was agreed to draft an Activity Plan to provide some of the commodities, 190 sets of school furniture, and teacher's tables and chairs.

CEA/Operations reports that the PSI/Wapi will supervise schools consisting of refugee children from his province. Up to this point six sites have been chosen for relocation; however, only one place is being settled.

The Savannakhet area says that both Ban That Ing Hang and Ban Thasano schools are in operation. There are plans to replace the twenty four temporary rooms in this area with permanent construction.

During the reporting period CE staff, ORA, MoE, and the Ministry of Social Welfare met to review and clarify education refugee commodity and supply distribution.

Please see Mr. Woodson's Monthly Report for current refugee education statistics.

2. In-Service Training

An AP for this year's Primary School Inspectors' Conference has been drafted and is in the approval process.

Two instructors from the Home Economics School in Vientiane attended a ten day home economics workshop conducted by Fa Ngum High School.

The Department of Primary and Adult Education is compiling requirements and numbers of participants for next summer's CREC/Refugee training programs.

3. Participants

Nineteen participants in supervision and testing and guidance departed country for six months of intensive training in Thailand.

A joint meeting was held with HRDD where participant planning, coordination, and recommitment were reviewed.

4. Curricular Materials

The CE staff has initiated discussions on curricula matters with the appropriate USAID Divisions on a bicycle, pedestrian, and motorcycle safety instruction and teaching health in the primary schools. After these preliminary discussions are completed work will begin by bringing RIG agencies together to work out specific details.

CE initiated a special request to RECSAM for five PSI's to go to the RECSAM Center to study and develop ideas for drafting a new elementary school science curriculum.

PIOC's have been written and submitted to obtain additional professional journals, texts on curriculum development, and other educational materials.

5. Student Summer Work Experience Program

This summer the Summer Work Experience Program proved itself to be a valuable and useful project. CEA/Program in her Monthly Report outlines its different aspects.

6. Operations

CEA/Operations and CEA/National spent considerable time on field visits and working with USAID staffs to develop the Dry Season Program.

Work continues on forced contract groupe scolaire improvements.

7. Status of FY 73 Urban Self Help Construction

<u>AP Number</u>	<u>PSI Area</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Status</u>
VN 3003	VTE/S	Tha Deua	Final Approval Process
PH 3001	Wapi	Kong Sedone	Suspended
VI 3004	Ban Keun	Ban Keun	Final Approval Process
VI 3005	Phone Hong	Phone Hong	Final Approval Process
SI 3005	Khammouane	Thakhek	Local signatures
VN 3006	VTE/N	Phone Tong	Final Approval Process
VN 3007	Vang Vieng	Vang Vieng	Final Approval Process
PI 3002	Pakse	Ban Saphay	Final Approval Process
SI 3006	Savannakhet	Na Seng	Local signatures
LI 3003	Luang Prabang	Fa Ngum	Final Approval Process

8. Other Donors

None noted during September.

9. Evaluation

The CE Project completed work in cooperation with EPM on developing a "Project Design". The Director of Primary Education and his staff assisted in this project.

10. Personnel

Mr. Bounthong, Director of Primary and Adult Education returned from a nine day adult education conference held in Tokyo.

Ms. Seuth, CE administrative assistant received a promotion.

Mr. Moua Lia, PSI/Kieng Khouang departed for nine months training at INNOTECH in Singapore.

Mr. Phonekao Many has been assigned as Education Assistant in Luang Prabang. He will spend sometime in Vientiane TDY prior to going to Luang Prabang learning the overall CE operation and obtain his drivers licence.

Construction

	<u>No. of APs</u>	<u>No. of School</u>	<u>Number of Classrooms</u>		<u>Number of Classrooms Replace Grades</u>		<u>Total</u>
			<u>1-3</u>	<u>4-6</u>	<u>1-3</u>	<u>4-6</u>	
Rural Self-Help	4	4	9	7	-	-	16
CE (Urban)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Refugee	<u>1</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>18</u>
	5	15	27	7			34

Percent of new classrooms for Grades 1-3: 79%
Percent of new classrooms for Grades 4-6: 21%

Status of approved CE construction project:

CE 1005	Urban Self-Help Construction (Champassak)	60%
CE 2006	Urban Self-Help Construction, Vte/N, ilong Seng	98%
CE 2007	Urban Self-Help Construction, Vte/S, Phone Keng	80%
CE 2008	Urban Self-Help Construction, Vte/S, Bo O	90%
CE 2009	Urban Self-Help Construction, Vte/S, Chomphet	90%
CE 2010	Urban Self-Help Construction, Pakse	48%
CE 2011	Urban Self-Help Construction, Savannakhet	85%
CE 2013	Urban Self-Help Construction, Paksane	55%
CE 2014	Urban Self-Help Construction, Sayaboury	5%
CE 2025	Urban Self-Help Construction, Nong Boua Thong	3%

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