Programme of Assistance to the Palestinian People

Project Fact Sheet

Construction of the Sheikha Fatima Vocational Rehabilitation Center in Beit Ummar (Phase II)

PROJECT AIM (OVERALL OBJECTIVE)
The objective of the overall project is to enhance improved livelihood of people with disabilities and youth with special needs, by providing them with social and vocational skills necessary for promoting their socio-economic integration opportunities.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION
This project is phase II of the initial ILO project, and aims at the finishing works for the center to be able to provide for disabled youth and youth with special needs a fully operational vocational rehabilitation center, which will provide training and rehabilitation programs.

OBJECTIVES
- Employment opportunities will be created on short and long-term basis.

IMPACT STATEMENT
By providing a comprehensive center where youth with disabilities may receive educational and skills upgrading, these youth will be provided with the chance to get the necessary rehabilitation to join and contribute to the working forces in their communities.

PROGRESS UP TO DATE

A. Construction Works
All construction works and snag list items were completed by end of March 2008. Another snag list for items that were highlighted by the ILO, and to which UNDP/PAPP responded, as a result of the last field visit of 23 June 2008 to the site, will be accomplished during the maintenance period. This maintenance guarantee is provided by the contractor for a period of one year following his official handover to UNDP/PAPP.

B. Electricity Works
The issue of connecting the VTC building with the main power network was resolved, and UNDP/PAPP processed the remaining 10% of its contract with the Municipality last month. The total contract between UNDP/PAPP and Beit Ummar Municipality for the electricity component was for a total of USD 40,000.00

THEMATIC AREA
Poverty Reduction

SECTOR / SUB SECTOR
Health / Health System Infrastructure

PROJECT DETAILS
Project Number 00014205
Award Number 00014205
Duration 15 months
Donor United Arab Emirates Friends Society
Partner ILO, Beit 'Ummar Municipality, UAE Red Crescent Friends and MoSA

BUDGET
Total Budget US$230,000
Disbursement up to date US$201,990

Geographic Location
Beit 'Ummar, Hebron

OUTPUTS
- Community based vocational rehabilitation program.
- Vocational guidance and counseling services.
- Revolving fund for income generation activities.
- Trained vocational rehabilitation personnel.
C. Security for the Premises

It was also agreed during the last field trip to keep the guard for the center until finalizing the official hand over of the VTC, where the contractor is responsible for paying the salary of the guard until 20 March 2008, and the project will continue to cover the guard salary until 1 July 2008. As of July 1st, and as verbally committed in the presence of the ILO and UNDP/PAPP officials on 23 June 2008, the Municipality of Beit Ummar will cover the salary of the guard.

Site is set for handover by mid-August 2008.