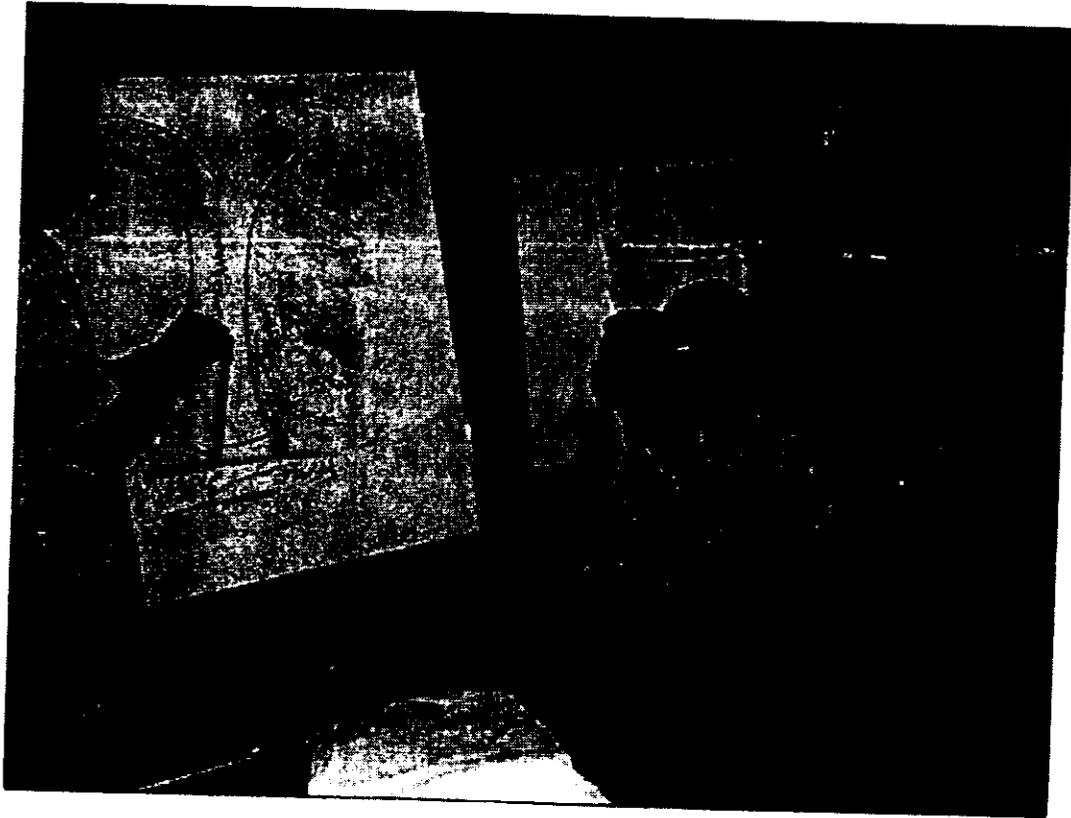


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This is the Fifth Quarterly report produced under the Towards New Horizons II Grant. The report summarizes activities taking place during the reporting period July 1–September 30, 2003.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Towards New Horizons II Grant was approved on August 1, 2002. It was intended to be a 48-month cost extension to the Towards New Horizons Grant, which was approved by USAID/Cairo on November 1, 1999 as follow-on to the PPGYW approved in September 1994. However, subsequently it was determined that any extension beyond August 2004 would exceed the 10-year maximum period for grants. CEDPA is currently revising its benchmarks and strategies to reflect this shortened period. This will be detailed in future reports. Like its predecessors, it both delivers training and technical assistance services and serves as an umbrella grant with CEDPA playing a leadership and advisory role - to Egyptian sub-grantee partners. The project will build on the successes of the two prior grants to achieve sustainability of major project activities by the end of this grant period. In the follow-on activity, CEDPA will broaden and deepen its efforts to consolidate gains and motivate communities to expand their programming and advocacy reach to benefit girls and young women. Building the capacity of NGOs to be the enablers and facilitators of community solutions to community problems is a lengthy process. During this phase, sustainability will be a major focus. Development of new project components, provision of training and technical assistance and development of monitoring and evaluation capacities are all intended to develop NGOs that are capable and committed to continuing program implementation for many years to come.

GOAL

The goal of the Toward New Horizons Project II is to raise the education, health and social status of girls and young women to enhance their ability to participate in their country's development and expand their life options. The project is meant to strengthen and expand services at the community level, while simultaneously mobilizing leaders to advocate for gender equity and promote a policy environment favorable to the needs of girls and young women.

PURPOSE

Advancing gender equity for girls and young women through increased access, choice and participation will be measured by:

- Increased availability and access to resources allocated to girls' and young women's development; and
- Change in attitudes resulting in broader choices for young women within their families and communities.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

- To increase girls' access, retention and completion of formal basic education
- To strengthen the capacity of NGOs to develop and advocate and evaluate quality sustainable programs for youth with a focus on girls and young woman
- To strengthen the capacity of NGOs to advocate for a more favorable policy environment and more equitable resource allocation for girls and young women
- To improve life skills, self-confidence and health awareness of girls and young women
- To enhance the enabling family environment to support the life options of girls and young women
- To evaluate, and document program results and impacts.

RESULTS NARRATIVES

The result narratives will present an outcome of a particular intervention in the target population, and be linked to a particular Strategic Objective. Rather than reporting on the event itself which is done routinely in the QPR, these reports will attempt to follow-up what may have happened as a result of the activity and provide some quantitative and qualitative data on project outcomes.

II SUMMARY OF PROJECT PROGRESS

Below is a summary of the key accomplishments for the period July 1-September 3, 2003. Table 1 in the appendices provides a summary of progress in achieving benchmarks during the three months of Quarter 1 of Project Year 2.

A. KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

1. To increase girls' access, retention and completion of formal basic education.

- The scholarship grants for the new school year 2003 – 2004 have been contracted for the “on-going” implementing agencies: Gaafar NGO, Ahmad Taher NGO and CEOSS on September 2, 2003.
- The scholarship grants for the new school year 2003 – 2004 have been contracted for the “on-going” implementing agencies: El Ekhlās and Bani Solaiman on September 17, 2003.
- ICA Fayoum and the Better Future NGO in Cairo have joined the scholarship program as two new implementing agencies as from August 26, 2003. ICA will be working as an umbrella institution for six local implementing NGOs in Fayoum Governorate namely: Abguig, Tersa, El Ghaba, El Hadqa, El Ealaam and Menyet El Heit. Better Future Association works in Sharabiya district in Cairo. It is expected that the two NGOs will add around 1150 new beneficiaries to the existing 2226 beneficiaries
- Six Income Generation proposals under the umbrella of ICA have been approved by CEDPA Washington on September 26, 2003. They are namely: Abguig's Stationery & Photocopy center, El Ghaba's sewing workshop, Tersa's Computer center, Menyet El Heit's Computer center, El Hadqa's Bee hives and El Ealam's Computer Center.

2. To strengthen capacity of NGOs to develop, implement and evaluate quality sustainable programs for youth with a focus on girls and young women.

- A two-day training workshop on “Co-training basics skills” was held at the Institute for Training and Research in Family Planning (ITRFP) in Alexandria for CEDPA's Regional trainers from July 22-23, 2003. A total of 16 trainees attended the workshop (out of which 14 were CEDPA's regional trainers). The purpose of the workshop was to train CEDPA's regional trainers on Co-training methods. The workshop offered participants an opportunity to actively interact with each other to practice the co-training skills.

- CEDPA provided technical assistance to The Young Christian Males' Association in Aswan to submit a sound project proposal to the Japanese Grants authority with the Japanese Embassy. Proposal of "The construction of the YMCA activities building" was submitted to the Japanese Embassy on July 24, 2003.

3. To strengthen the capacity of NGOs to advocate for a more favorable policy environment and more equitable resource allocation for girls and young women.

- The Third Workshop under the Advocacy Program was delivered on September 14 – 15, 2003 to the new group that represents five governorates: Areesh, Sohag, Alexandria, Minya and Fayoum Governorates. The workshop was held at the Institute for Training and Research in Family Planning (ITRFP) in Alexandria Governorate. The objective of the workshop was to evaluate the implementation of the action plans, to present achievements, to discuss challenges and lessons learned, and also to put the recommendations of participants and their future advocacy plans.
- A monitoring visit was paid to Sohag group under the Advocacy training on September 8, 2003 by Dr. Salha Awad and Aalaa El Hoseny to follow up on the implementation of the Advocacy plan. The visit revealed that the team succeeded in getting applications for personal identification cards for 300 women in their village in cooperation with the NCW branch in Sohag. During the meeting various issues were discussed: cooperation of the network members, adjustments made to the plan if any, future advocacy activities they plan to work on, and other issues.
- A monitoring visit was paid to Fayoum group under the Advocacy training on September 3, 2003 by Dr. Omaira Hamdy and Aalaa El Hoseny to follow up on the implementation of the Advocacy plan. The visit revealed that the team succeeded in getting applications for personal identification cards for 100 women in their village in cooperation with the NCW branch in Fayoum. It was also revealed that the team formed a very effective network and did not face any problems during the implementation of the plan. During the meeting various issues were discussed: cooperation of the network members, adjustments made to the plan if any, future advocacy activities they plan to work on, and other issues.
- A monitoring visit was paid to Minya group under the Advocacy training on September 2, 2003 by Dr. Omaira Hamdy and Aalaa El Hoseny to follow up on the implementation of the Advocacy plan. The visit revealed that the team succeeded in getting applications for personal identification cards for 150 women in Maghagha village and they are working to get 50 more. During the visit various issues were discussed: problems faced by the group and how they were tackled, cooperation of the network members, adjustments made to the plan if any, as well as other issues.

- A monitoring visit was carried to Alexandria group under the Advocacy training on August 31, 2003. The visit was carried out by Dr. Salha Awad and Aalaa El Hoseny to follow up on the implementation of the Advocacy plan. It was found out that the group succeeded in getting approval for using the medical unit of Ezzbet Al Sobheia as a mobile clinic to serve women in that area. Accordingly, the unit was visited to see its feasibility for that purpose. During the visit various problems were discussed: the problems faced by the group and how they were tackled, cooperation of the network members, adjustments made to the plan if any, as well as other issues.
- A meeting was held at the Institute for Training and Research in Family Planning (ITRFP) in Alexandria on August 2, 2003. The meeting was attended by Eng. Amel Gamal, Aalaa El Hoseny, Dr. Salha Awad, and Dr. Omaima Hamdy for the purpose of scheduling the Networking program. The attendees agreed that the program will take place in December 2003 and will be divided into 3 phases: 5 days workshop, 2 days for monitoring, and 2 days for workshop's evaluation.
- The Second Workshop under the Advocacy Program was delivered on July 27-31, 2003 to a new group of NGOs representing five governorates: Fayoum, Sohag, Alexandria, Areesh, and Minya. The workshop was held at the Institute for Training and Research in Family Planning (ITRFP) in Alexandria. The objective of the workshop was to enhance the skills of the participants in strategic communication to enable them to discuss women's issues with key policy and decision-makers.
- CEDPA in collaboration with Ahmed Taher NGO in Beni Suef Governorate organized an event day around the theme of water pollution. The Water Day was held at EL Fashen Industrial Secondary School in Beni Suef on July 21, 2003. The Water Day included two speeches, one by Ms. Pamela McCloud (CEDPA) and one by Mr. Aly Hassan Sherif (Chairman of Ahmed Taher NGO). Moreover the day included a short movie, followed by a discussion, demonstrating the various negative attitudes that lead to water pollution. Finally a play, a song, and many interesting competitions were carried out by NH and NV facilitators all focusing on the importance of clean water and how to fight water pollution. The day was very appealing to the community as many community members attended.

4. To improve the life skills, self-confidence and health awareness of girls and young women.

The FGM Abandonment Program: The program builds upon CEDPA's successful experience in the field of FGM eradication in Egypt. In its pilot phase started 1998, CEDPA's FGM program based on the Positive Deviants approach was implemented in three governorates through partnership with local NGOs. The Positive Deviants Approach (PDA) focused on enabling local communities to explore and highlight community based solutions to FGM practice by identifying and activating community members who chose to stand against the practice. The

very encouraging results that CEDPA's PDA had achieved in its pilot phase was the main motivation for further expanding the program in new governorates under the title "The FGM Abandonment Program" or FGMAP. Currently the FGMAP is implemented in three governorates: Alexandria, Qena, and Assiut.

The following meetings, field visits and workshops were carried out during this reporting period to facilitate the implementation of the FGMAP:

- The FGMAP project's proposals & budgets for FEDA and Caritas partner NGOs were developed by Ms. Sahar Mashhour and were approved by CEDPA Washington on July 15, 2003. The two project contracts have July 20, 2003 as the start date and August 30, 2004 as the end date.
- The second TOT workshop (Analysis and Planning workshop) for Assiut Childhood and Development Association (ACDA) under FGMAP/ UNICEF was carried out during the period September 16-18, 2003. Dr. Mary Mikhail from Caritas Alexandria and Mr. Mahmoud El Samman from Fedra Qena gave the TOT training. Dr. Elham Fateem attended to monitor the training development. ACDA participants included both trainers and field officers in addition to one board member. ACDA finalized the selection of its executive body and selected its local NGO partner
- Caritas's trainers provided the second training workshop under FGMAP namely the Analysis & Planning Workshop to the four local implementing NGOs in Alexandria during the period September 13 -18, 2003. The participants in this workshop not only included the four local NGOs but also the positive deviants. Accordingly, as they represented a large number, they were divided into two groups where each group received the training separately. The first group received the training on September 13-15, 2003 and the second group received it on September 16-18, 2003. The workshop evaluation was very positive in terms of: trainers' skills, workshop design, flipcharts, received manuals and handouts. However, the participants expressed that the three days workshop duration was too tight and it needed to be four days. After the workshop, participants are expected to begin the six months community awareness phase.
- FEDA's trainers provided the second training workshop under FGMAP namely the Analysis & Planning Workshop to the four local implementing NGOs in Qena during the period September 9-14, 2003. The participants in this workshop not only included the four local NGOs but also the positive deviants. Accordingly, as they represented a large number, they were divided into two groups where each group received the training separately. The first group received the training on September 9-11, 2003 and the second group received it on September 12-14, 2003. The workshop proved to be very successful and FEDA's trainers were excellent namely Aly, Mona Abdel Wahab, Olfat and Madiha. The workshop evaluation was very positive in terms of: trainers' skills, workshop design, flipcharts, received manuals and handouts. However, the participants expressed that the three days workshop duration was too tight and it needed to be four days. After the workshop, participants are expected to begin the six months community awareness phase.

- The First TOT workshop (orientation workshop) for ACDA NGO under FGMAP/ UNICEF was carried out in Cairo during the period August 26 – 28, 2003. The TOT training was delivered by Dr. Mary Mikhail from Caritas, Alexandria and Mr. Mahmoud El Samman from Feda, Qena. Dr. Elham Fateem attended to monitor the training development. ACDA's participants included both trainers and field officers in addition to one board member. ACDA is expected to finalize the selection of its executive body and select its local NGO partners after the TOT Workshop.
- The FGMAP/ UNICEF project proposal was finalized and the CEDPA/ UNICEF/ACDA memorandum of understanding was signed between the three parties on August 10, 2003. This contract adds a third partner NGO to the program: Assiut Association for Childhood and Motherhood which is going to implement the FGMAP in eight local communities in Abu Tig and Manfaloot districts.
- Caritas /Alexandria provided the first training workshop under FGMAP namely the Orientation Workshop to the 4 local implementing NGOs in Alexandria Governorate between 9 – 10th August. The training was conducted by Drs. Sany Qosman, Samia El Gabry, Mary Mikhail and Mr. Bahgat Moris. The feed back from the trainers of the workshop evaluation was highly positive. Manuals, flipcharts and workshop handouts were highly appreciated. After the workshop, participants are expected to begin the one month period of discovering the positive deviants in their communities
- A field visit was conducted by Ms. Sahar Mashhour and Sarah Goltz to Feda NGO in Qena Governorate from August 9-10, 2003. The purpose of the visit was to monitor FEDA trainers who are carrying out the first training workshop under FGMAP "The Orientation Workshop" to the four local implementing NGOs. The workshop was highly successful, FEDA trainers were excellent namely Mahmoud El Samman and Mona Abdel Wahab. The participants were quite lively, highly enthusiastic and overwhelmingly against the practice of FGM. The workshop evaluation was very positive in terms of trainers' skills, FGM program design and the distributed manuals and handouts.
- A field visit was conducted to ACDA NGO in Assiut on July 19, 2003 by Ms. Sahar Mashhour and Ms. Sarah Goltz from CEDPA Cairo, Mr. Hatem Kotb, one of CEDPA regional trainers as well as Ms. Yuko Osawa and Mr. Ayman Sadeq from UNICEF. The purpose of the visit was to assess the training skills of ACDA's trainers who were nominated to carry out the training activities under the FGMAP program in Assiut that will be funded by UNICEF. Mr. Hatem Kotb provided an assessment report to CEDPA based on trainers' live illustration /performance in Assiut.
- A one day training session titled "team training" was held in Cairo by Dr. Elham Fateem on July 9, 2003 for the FGMAP trainers from FEDA and Caritas partner NGOs.

First Round New Horizons Training: The objective of the training is to introduce the participants to leadership, communication and facilitation skills and the first half of the Basic Life Skills Manual that addresses the following topics: Girl's Identity, Rights and Responsibilities, Nutrition, Health, First Aid.

The following trainings were delivered during the reporting period:

- The Eighth Group under the supervision of CSN in Sohag Governorate received the training on September 17-22, 2003. Twenty nine facilitators from five NGOs attended the training out of which twenty-six were selected as New Horizons facilitators. (The five participating NGOs were: Gama'it tanmit al mougutama' bi al-tauail, Gama'it tanmit al mougutama' bi aoulad Khalif, Gama'it tanmit al mougutama' bi al-farasia, Gama'it tanmit al mougutama' Ilmarah al rafia bi al-shouranih, Gama'it tanmit al mougutama' bi nazlit aly.) The Training was conducted by two of CEDPA's regional trainers: Mr. Ahmed Abd El Karim and Ms. Abeer Kassem
- The Second Group under the supervision of UNICEF in Qena Governorate received the training on September 9 – 14, 2003. . Twenty six facilitators from the "Youth Association for Population and Development" NGO attended the training out of which twenty-three were selected as New Horizons facilitators. The Training was conducted by two of CEDPA's regional trainers: Ms. Safaa Gabriel and Ms. Abeer kassem
- The Eleventh Group under the supervision of FEDA in Aswan Governorate received the training on September 6–11, 2003. . Twenty six facilitators from FEDA and 'Gama'iat al Mostaqbil Li Tanmiat wa Hamiat al Moustahlik' attended the training out of which twenty-four were selected as New Horizons facilitators. The Training was conducted by Ms. Hamida Osman and CEDPA's regional trainer: Mr. Tarek El Kilany.

Second Round New Horizons Training: The training covers topics such as child development, environment, and small projects. Moreover, the facilitators are trained to facilitate the second part of the Life Skills Manual.

The following trainings were delivered during the reporting period:

- The Third Group under the supervision of NSP-CARE that represents two governorates (Beni Suef and Fayoum) received the training during the period from September 28 to October 2, 2003 in Fayoum Governorate. Eighteen facilitators from NSP attended the training. The Training was conducted by Ms. Marwa Mohamed (CEDPA's regional trainer) and Mr. Mohamed Ahmed Abd El Karim.

Third Round New Horizons Training: Participants are trained to facilitate the reproductive health manual of the New Horizon curriculum that covers the following topics: Adolescence, Violence against Women, Marriage, Pregnancy and Delivery, Family Planning, Sexually Transmitted and Dangerous Diseases.

The Following Trainings were delivered during the reporting period:

- The Second Group under the supervision of NSP-CARE in Minya Governorate received the training during the period from September 28 till October 2, 2003. Twenty four facilitators from NSP attended the training. The training was conducted by two of CEDPA's regional trainers: Ms. Nadia Lotfy and Ms. Abeer Kassem.
- The Sixth Group under the supervision of the Young Muslim Women's Association in Suez Governorate received the training on September 23 – 27, 2003. Twelve facilitators from the Young Muslim Women's Association and Gama'iha Tanmiat El Mougama' bi al-ganian attended the training. The training was conducted by Ms. Hamdia Osman, Ms. Safaa Gabriel (CEDPA's regional trainer) and Dr. Mohamed El Sharkawy.
- The First Group under the supervision of Comprehensive Care organization in the New Valley Governorate received the training on September 14 – 18, 2003. Nine facilitators from the Comprehensive Care organization and two other NGOs attended the training. (The two participating NGOs were the Business Men Association and Gama'iha EL Difaa' El Eigtamaa'i). The training was conducted by Dr. Moataz Bellah and two of CEDPA's regional trainers: Ms. Marwa Mohamed and Ms. Nadia Lotfy.
- The Eighth Group and the Tenth Group under the supervision of FEDA in Aswan Governorate received the training on September 14 – 18, 2003. Nine facilitators from group eight who were all affiliated with FEDA and fourteen facilitators from group ten who were affiliated with FEDA and four other NGOs attended the training. (The four participating NGOs were Gama'iha El Nahda, Gama'iha El Shabab El Misahiin, Gama'iha El Sida Zeinab, and Gama'iha Tanmiat Al Mougama' bi Touthka Sharik). The training was conducted by Ms. Hamida Osman, Ms. Marian Nabil (CEDPA's regional trainer) and Dr. Mohamed El Sharkawy.
- The Ninth Group under the supervision of FEDA in Qena Governorate received the training on September 7 – 11, 2003. Twenty three facilitators from FEDA and four other NGOs attended the training. (The four participating NGOs were: El Gama'ih al Nisaia bi el Gamalia, Gama'iat Tanmiat al Marah al Rifiah bi al a'liht, Gama'iat Tanmiat al Mougama' bi Aoulad Nagm and Gama'iat Tanmiat al Marah al Rifiah). The training was conducted by Dr. Mohamed El Sharkawy and two of CEDPA's regional trainers: Ms. Nadia Lotfy and Ms. Marwa Mohamed.
- The Tenth Group under the supervision of ICA in Fayoum Governorate received the training on August 17 – 21, 2003. Twenty one facilitators from ICA and five other NGOs attended the training. (The five participating NGOs were: Gama'iat Tanmiat al Mougama' el Mahali bi al Hamadaia al Gadida, Gama'iat Tanmiat al Mougama' el Mahali bi Abou Dnqash, Gama'iat Sidat al Fayoum, Gama'iat Tanmiat al Mougama' el Mahali bi basr rashoun, and Gama'iat el tanmia wa al ria'ia al moutakamla). The training was conducted by Dr.

Mohamed El Sharkawy and two of CEDPA's regional trainers: Safaa Gabriel and Abeer Kasem.

- » The Eleventh Group under the supervision of ICA in Aswan Governorate received the training on August 17 – 21, 2003. Twenty one facilitators from ICA and five other NGOs attended the training. (The five participating NGOs were: Gama'iat Tanmiat al Mougtram bi balana thalth, Gama'iat Tanmiat al Mougtram el Mahali bi Nagah wans, Gama'iat Tanmiat al Mougtram bi Gaa'fir al Sadek, Gama'iat Tanmiat al Mougtram bi garb sahil, Gama'iat Tanmiat al Mougtram bi adndan.) The training was conducted by Ms. Hamdia Osman, Ms. Seham Abd el Fatah, and Dr. Moataz Bellah.
- » The Ninth Group under the supervision of ICA in Fayoum Governorate received the training on August 10 – 14, 2003. Twenty two facilitators from ICA and five other NGOs attended the training. (The five participating NGOs were: Gama'iat Tanmiat al Mougtram el Mahali bi al nasaria al gadida, Gama'iat Tanmiat al Mougtram el Mahali bi damashin, Gama'iat Hours Ilkadmit al igtamaa'ia, al gama'ia al kiria al islamia li tanmiat al mougtramia', and Gama'iat Tanmiat al Mougtram el Mahali bi al gaa'firh). The training was conducted by Dr. Moataz Bellah and two of CEDPA's regional trainers: Ms. Nadia Lotfy and Ms. Marwa Mohamed.
- » The Fourth Group under the supervision of the Young Muslim Women's Association in Port Said Governorate received the training on August 3 – 7, 2003. Twelve facilitators from YMWA and two other NGOs attended the training. (The two participating NGOs were: Al Gama'ia al Nisaia li tahseen al saha bi Port Said and Gama'it ria'ait al fatah bi Port Said.) The training was conducted by Dr. Moataz Bellah and two of CEDPA's regional trainers: Ms. Nadia Lotfy and Ms. Marwa Mohamed.
- » The Ninth and the Tenth Group under the supervision of TRFP that represents two governorates (Dakahlia and Kafr El Shiekh) received the training on July 27 – 31, 2003 in Alexandria Governorate. Eighteen facilitators from five NGOs in Dakahlia attended the training. (The five participating NGOs were: Al Gama'ia al Nisaia li taahsin al saha bi al snblouin, Gamait tanmiat al mougtramia' bi talka, Gamait tanmiat al mougtramia' bi mit al Ghmroui, Gamait tanmiat al mougtramia' bi al mouqata'h, and Gamait tanmiat al mougtramia' bi al sngauia.) Six facilitators from four NGOs in Kafr El Shiekh attended the training. (The four participants NGOs were: Gama'it Tanzim al Asra bi al Mounifia, Gama'it tanmit al mougtramia' bi dlqis, Gama'it tanmit al mougtramia' bi mahalah al kasab, and Gama'it tanmit al mougtramia' bi rimon.) The training was conducted by Ms. Nadine Hamdy (CEDPA's staff), Ms. Nagwa El Dabah (CEDPA's regional trainers), and Dr. Moataz Bellah.
- » The Eighth Group under the supervision of ICA in Beni Suef Governorate received the training on July 27 – 31, 2003. Twenty one facilitators from ICA and six other NGOs attended the training. (The six participating NGOs were: Gama'it tanmit al mougtramia' al mahali bi dshtout, Gama'it tanmit al mougtramia' al mahali bi al shntour, Gama'it tanmit al mougtramia' al mahali bi sdmnt al gabil,

Gama'it tanmit al mougtaamia' al mahali bi Menshit Hider, Gama'it tanmit al mougtaamia' al mahali bi qamish al hamra, Gama'it tanmit al mougtaamia' al mahali bi bbarout). The training was conducted by Dr. Abeer El Agabany and two of CEDPA's regional trainers: Ms. Nadia Lotfy and Ms. Marwa Mohamed.

- » The First Group under the supervision of NSP-CARE that represents three governorates (Fayoum, Beni Suef and Minya) received the training on July 13 – 17, 2003 in Beni Suef Governorate. Seventeen facilitators attended the training. The training was conducted by Dr. Yehia Gado and two of CEDPA's regional trainers: Ms. Marwa Mohamed, Ms. Safaa Ghabrial.
- » The Seventh Group under the supervision of Ahmed Taher NGO in Minya Governorate received the training on July 6 – 10, 2003. Eighteen facilitators from Ahmed Taher and five other NGOs attended the training. (The five participating NGOs were: Gamait tanmit al mougtaamia' bi malatia, Gamait tanmit al mougtaamia' al mahali bi al r'abasia, Gamait tanmit al mougtaamia' al mahali bi blhasi, Gamait tanmit al mougtaamia' bi qarit shm, the one class school in markz Magaga.) The training was conducted by Ms. Hamdia Osman and Ms. Nadia Lotfy (CEDPA's regional trainers).

Gender Training: While Gender is incorporated in the New Horizon Curriculum, the New Horizon Training does not include a Gender section. Accordingly, a three day Gender course was developed to fill the gap. The Gender training is intended to sensitize the New Horizons facilitators regarding gender topics.

The following gender trainings were delivered during the reporting period:

- » The Seventh Group under the supervision of the Young Muslim Women's Association in North Sinai Governorate received the training during the period September 30 to October 2, 2003. Twenty seven facilitators from YMWA and two other NGOs attended the training. (The two participating NGOs were: Al Gama'ih al Kirih al Islamiah and Gama'it tanmit al-marrah al-sinaouia.)The training was conducted by Ms. Azza Kamel.
- » The Twelfth Group under the supervision of FEDA in Aswan Governorate received the training on September 27 – 29, 2003. Twenty eight facilitators from FEDA and sixteen other NGOs attended the training. The training was conducted by Psychologist Dr. Adel Madani.
- » The Eighth Group under the supervision of CSN in Sohag Governorate received the Gender training on September 14 - 16, 2003. Twenty nine facilitators from CSN and five other NGOs attended the training. (The five participating NGOs were: Gama'it tanmit al mougtaama' bi al-tauail, Gama'it tanmit al mougtaama' bi aoulad Khalif, Gama'it tanmit al mougtaama' bi al-farasia, Gama'it tanmit al mougtima' llmarah al rafia bi al-shouranih, Gama'it tanmit al mougtaamia' bi nazlit aly.) The training was conducted by Ms. Azza Kamel.
- » The Second Group under the supervision of UNICEF in Qena Governorate received the Gender training on September 6-8, 2003. Twenty seven facilitators

from the "Youth Association for Population and Development" NGO attended the training. The training was conducted by the Psychologist Dr. Adel El Madani and CEDPA's regional trainer Ms. Safaa Gabriel

Monitoring Visits for the NEW Horizons programs:

The following monitoring visits were conducted during the reporting period to monitor the running-up of the New Horizons Classes:

- A two-day monitoring visit was organized on September 22 – 23, 2003 to the Fifth Group under the supervision of the Young Muslim Women's Association in Ismailia Governorate to monitor the third round of the New Horizons Program. The monitoring visit was conducted by CEDPA's staff: Ms. Mehrnaz El Awady. In the five classes that were visited out of the sixteen implementing classes the beneficiaries showed a good understanding of the information regarding reproductive health.
- A three-day monitoring visit was organized on September 21 – 23, 2003 to the First Group under the supervision of NSP-CARE in Fayoum, Beni Suief, and Minya Governorates to monitor the third round of the New Horizons Program. The monitoring visit was conducted by one of CEDPA's regional trainer: Ms. Marian Nabil. In the ten classes that were visited out of the seventeen implementing classes the beneficiaries showed a good understanding of the information regarding reproductive health.
- A one-day monitoring visit was organized on September 17, 2003 to the Third Group under the supervision of the Young Muslim Women's Association in North Sinai Governorate to monitor the third round of the New Horizons Program. The monitoring visit was conducted by CEDPA's staff: Ms. Mehrnaz El Awady. In the five classes that were visited out of the sixteen implementing classes the beneficiaries showed a good understanding of the information regarding reproductive health.
- A three-day monitoring visit was organized on September 16 - 18, 2003 to the Second Group under the supervision of NSP-CARE in Minya Governorate to monitor the second round of the New Horizons Program. The monitoring visit was conducted by one of CEDPA's regional trainer: Ms. Safaa Gabriel. In the eleven classes that were visited most of the beneficiaries showed a good understanding of the information of the second half of the second manual.
- A two-day monitoring visit was organized during the period August 31 – September 1, 2003 to the Seventh Group under the supervision of FEDA in Qena Governorate to monitor the third round of the New Horizons program. The monitoring visit was conducted by Ms. Hamdia Osman. In the eleven classes that were visited out of the twenty-one implementing classes almost all of the beneficiaries showed a good understanding of the information regarding reproductive health.

- A two-day monitoring visit was organized on August 27 – 28, 2003 to the Seventh Group under the supervision of Ahmed Taher in Minya Governorate to monitor the third round of the New Horizons program. The monitoring visit was conducted by one of CEDPA's regional trainer: Ms. Abeer Kasem. In the eleven classes that were visited out of the fifteen implementing classes almost all of the beneficiaries showed a good understanding of the information regarding reproductive health.
- A two-day monitoring visits were organized on August 27 – 28, 2003 to the First Group under the supervision of Comprehensive Care in the New Valley Governorate to monitor the second round of the New Horizons program. The monitoring visit was conducted by one of CEDPA's regional trainer: Mr. Magdy Abd El Rahman. In the six classes that were visited out of the eleven implementing classes almost all of the beneficiaries showed a good understanding of the information regarding child psychology, and the environment.
- A two-day monitoring visit was organized on August 26-28, 2003 to the Sixth Group under the supervision CSN in Sohag Governorate to monitor the third round of the New Horizons program. The monitoring visit was conducted by one of CEDPA's regional trainer: Ms. Safaa Gabriel. In the fifteen classes that were visited out of the nineteen implementing classes almost all of the beneficiaries showed a good understanding of the information regarding reproductive health.
- A two-day monitoring visit was organized on August 24 – 25, 2003 to the Eighth Group under the supervision of FEDA in Aswan Governorate to monitor the second round of the New Horizons program. The monitoring visit was conducted by one of CEDPA's staff: Mr. Magdy Ibrahim. In the eight classes that were visited out of the nine implementing classes most of the beneficiaries showed a good understanding of the information regarding child psychology, and the environment.
- A two-day monitoring visit was organized on August 23-24, 2003 to the Sixth Group under the supervision of Ahmed Taher in Beni Suef Governorate to monitor the third round of the New Horizons program. The monitoring visit was conducted by one of CEDPA's regional trainer: Ms. Nadia Lotfy. In the ten classes that were visited out of the twelve implementing classes almost all of the beneficiaries showed a good understanding of the information regarding reproductive health.
- A two-day monitoring visit was organized on August 19 – 20, 2003 to the Ninth Group under the supervision FEDA in Qena Governorate to monitor the second round of the New Horizons program. The monitoring visit was conducted by one of CEDPA's staff: Mr. Magdy Ibrahim. In the fourteen classes that were visited out of the twenty eight implementing classes almost all of the beneficiaries showed a good understanding of the information regarding child psychology and the environment.

- A two-day monitoring visit was organized on August 6 – 7, 2003 to the Sixth Group under the supervision of the Young Muslim Women's Association in Suez Governorate to monitor the second round of the New Horizons program. The monitoring visit was conducted by CEDPA's staff: Ms. Mehnaz El Awady. In the seven classes that were visited out of the fourteen implementing classes almost all of the beneficiaries showed a good understanding of the information regarding child psychology and the environment.
- A one-day monitoring visit was organized on July 9, 2003 to the Fourth Group under the supervision of the Young Muslim Women's Association in Port Said Governorate to monitor the second round of the New Horizons program. The monitoring visit was conducted by CEDPA's staff: Ms. Mehnaz El Awady. In the six classes that were visited out of the thirteen implementing classes most of the beneficiaries showed a good understanding of the information regarding child psychology, and the environment.
- A one-day monitoring visit was organized on July 8, 2003 to the Tenth Group under the supervision of ITRFP in Kafr El Shiekh Governorate to monitor the second round of the New Horizons program. Two of CEDPA's staff: Ms. Nadine Hamdy and Ms. Mehnaz El Awady conducted the monitoring visit. In the seven classes that were visited out of the eight implementing classes almost all of the beneficiaries showed a good understanding of the information regarding child psychology, and the environment.
- A one-day monitoring visit was organized on July 1, 2003 to the Ninth Group under the supervision of ITRFP in Dakahlia Governorate to monitor the second round of the New Horizons program. Two of CEDPA's staff: Ms. Nadine Hamdy and Ms. Mehnaz El Awady conducted the monitoring visit. In the five classes that were visited out of the eighteen implementing classes most of the beneficiaries showed a good understanding of the information regarding child psychology, and the environment.

5. To enhance the enabling family environment to support the life options of girls and young women.

The New Vision Program for Boys: The program has been developed in recognition of male influence on the enabling environment for the empowerment of girls and young women. The program was initiated out of the needs of the girls who repeatedly declared that in order for their new knowledge and attitudes to result in real behavior change, it is important they have the support of the boys and men in their lives.

First Round New Visions Trainings: The purpose of the training is to introduce the participants to basic facilitation skills, leadership skills, and communication skills as well as orient them on gender issues, self-perception and self-esteem.

The following trainings were carried out during the reporting period :

- The First Group under the supervision of UNICEF in Assiut Governorate received the training during the period September 27- October 4, 2003. Twenty participants from the Youth Association for Population and Development (YAPD) and five Youth Centers attended the training. (The five participants Youth Centers were: Abou El-Teej YC, Bakour YC, Dikran YC, Doaneeh YC, and El-Zaraby YC). The training was conducted by two of CEDPA's regional trainers: Mr. Eid Abdel Salam, and Ms. Marian Nabil. The three day session on gender was conducted by the Psychologist Dr. Ali Ismail. By the end of the training, thirteen participants were selected as New Visions facilitators
- The Second Group (Al-Arish group two) under the supervision of YWMA received the training during the period from August 5 -12, 2003 in North Sinai Governorate. Twenty-nine participants (13 female & 16 male) from five NGOs/CDA's and seven Youth Center attended the training. (The five participants NGOs/CDA's were: YWMA, El-Fawakheria for Small Enterprise NGO, Islamic Charity NGO, El-Joura CDA, Sinaian Women's Development NGO. And the seven youth centers were El-Midan YC, Nadi Shabab Misr, El-Nejila YC, Bir El-Abd YC, El-Joura YC, Abou El-Fetia YC, and Shabab El-Toma YC.) The training was conducted by Mr. Magdy Ibrahim (CEDPA's staff) and Ms. Marian Nabil (CEDPA's regional trainers). The three days session on gender was conducted by the Psychologist Dr. Aly Ismail. By the end of the training, twenty participants were nominated as New Visions facilitators.
- The Second Group under the supervision of FEDA received the training during the period July 27 – August 3, 2003 in Qena Governorate. Twenty-seven participants (11 female & 16 male) from six NGOs/CDA's attended the training. (The six participants NGOs/CDA's were: Awlad Negm CDA in Bahjour, Women's Development NGO in Awald Negm in Bahjour, Social Services NGO in Gezirat Moterah, Women's NGO for Rural Women's Development in Garagous, Women's NGO in Kalaheen El-Hajer, Garagous CDA.) The training was conducted by two of CEDPA's regional trainers: Mr. Ashraf Abdel Gafaar, and Ms. Nivine Ramzy. The three days session on gender was conducted by the Psychologist Dr. Adel Madani. By the end of the training, twenty-two participants (10 female & 12 male) were nominated as New Visions facilitators
- The Second Group under the supervision of CSN received the training during the period July 26 – August 2, 2003 in Sohag Governorate. Twenty-five participants (5 female & 20 male) from two CDA's and seven Youth Center attended the training. (The two participants CDA's were: El-Ghoraizat CDA, Badr CDA in El-Taweel. And the seven youth centers were Sohag YC, Naseyat Amr YC, Needa YC, Abaar El-Waqf YC, Beet Khalaf YC, Saheel YC in Tema, Awlad Salama YC, El-Taweel YC.) The training was conducted by Mr. Magdy Ibrahim (CEDPA's staff) and Ms. Gihan William (CEDPA's regional trainers). The three days session on gender issues was conducted by the Psychologist Dr. Aly Ismail. By the end of the training, twenty-one participants (5 female & 16 male) were nominated as New Visions facilitators.

Second Round New Visions Training: The purpose of the training is to introduce the participants to Reproductive Health issues, and the changes that occur during

the adolescent period. The training also introduces the participants to some First Aid practices.

The following trainings were carried out during the reporting period :

- The First and Second Group under the supervision of ICA Fayoum received the training during the period September 27 - October 3, 2003 in Fayoum Governorate. Eighteen participants attended the training (17 participants from Fayoum groups and one from ICA Beni Suef group). The participants represented 5 NGOs/CDAs and four Youth Centers. (The five participating NGOs were: Gama'it Tanmit Al Mougama' bi al Hamidih, Gama'it Horous bi Kasr Rashoun, Al Gama'ih Al Kiriah Al Islamiah bi Sonors, Gamait Tanmit Al Mougama' bi Al Nasaria, and Gama'it Manshiet Hider bi BeniSuef. The four participating Youth Centers were: Markz Shabab Al Medinah, Markz Shabab Kasr Rashoun, Markz Shabab Abou Dounqash, and Markz Shabab Damshqin.) The training was conducted by two of CEDPA's regional trainers: Mr. Hatem Kotb, and Ms. Nivine Ramzy. The two day session on Reproductive Health information/issues was carried out by Dr. Mohamed El-Mootaz Bellah and the one day training on First Aid practices was carried out by Dr. Yosria Mohamed and Dr. Maha Adel. By the end of the training, thirty nine sessions were practiced by the participants. Several success stories were presented by the facilitators during the training sessions. One story explained the positive behavioral change that happened to a group of boys who almost started to consume drugs. However, after attending several New Visions sessions, the facilitator was able to gain the trust of this group of boys and they started to open up and talk about their problems. Now they are trying to quit smoking cigarettes and they became more polite with their parents.
- The First Group of Alexandria and the First Group of Gharbeia under the supervision of ITRFP received the training during the period September 20- 26, 2003 in Alexandria Governorate. Seventeen participants (Five from Alexandria group one (3 male and 2 female) and twelve from Gharbeia group one) attended the training. Alexandria's participants represented one NGO (Young Christian NGO) and three Youth Centers (Karmouz YC, Semouha YC, and El-Nasr YC). Gharbeia's participants came from one CDA (Kafr Hegazy CDA) and two youth centers (Shabshir El-Hesa YC and Shober YC). The training was conducted by Mr. Magdy Ibrahim (CEDPA's staff) and Ms. Gihan William (CEDPA's regional trainers). The two days sessions on Reproductive Health information/issues was carried out by Dr. Mohamed El-Mootaz Bellah and the one day training on First Aid practices was carried out by Dr. Yosria Mohamed and Dr. Maha Adel. By the end of the training, thirty nine sessions were practiced by the participants. Disagreement emerged during the training with respect to the age limit for attending the reproductive health section. Finally, it was agreed to leave the decision to the community to decide if the younger age (12-13) can attend all the Reproductive Health sessions or only part of these sessions. On the other hand several success stories were presented by the facilitators during the sessions.

- The First Group under the supervision of FEDA received the training during the period September 17-23, 2003 in Qena Governorate. Fourteen participants (one of them was a facilitator from Assiut who missed the training with his group) attended the training. The participants represented three NGOs (Social Services NGO in Gezirat Moterah, Women's NGO in El-Gamaleya, and Women's NGO in Garagous) and two Youth Centers (El-Gamaleya YC, and Abou El-Teej YC in Assiut Governorate). The training was conducted by two of CEDPA's regional trainers: Mr. Eid Abdel Salam, and Ms. Nivine Ramzy. The two day session on Reproductive Health information/issues was conducted by Dr. Mohamed El-Mootaz Bellah and the one day training on First Aid practices was conducted by two specialists: Dr. Meshal Mostafa and Mr. Hussein Abdel Hameed. Moreover, the different units in Manual One were discussed to find out how the materials were received by the facilitators and the beneficiaries. It was noticed that the Communication Unit, the Values Unit, the Human Feelings Unit, the Gender Unit (with some exception), the Personal Relationships Unit, the Family Unit, the Environment Unit, and the Future Planning Unit were found to be easy and very interesting for the majority of the beneficiaries. On the other hand, the Self-esteem Unit was difficult for the beneficiaries and the facilitators had to do it more than once to facilitate the information.
- The First Group under the supervision of YWMA Ismailia received the training during the period September 9-15, 2003 in Ismailia Governorate. Fourteen participants from ten NGOs and three YCs attended the training. The training was conducted by Mr. Magdy Ibrahim (CEDPA's staff) and Ms. Gihan William (CEDPA's regional trainers). The two day sessions on Reproductive Health information/issues was conducted by Dr. Mohamed El-Mootaz Bellah and the one day training on First Aid practices was conducted by two specialists: Dr. Yosria Mohamed and Dr. Maha Adel. By the end of the training, thirty nine sessions were practiced by the participants. Several success stories were presented by the facilitators. One story, for example, demonstrated the collaboration between the facilitator and the Local Unit in improving the environmental situation of the village. The Local Unit provided the garbage cars, plastic bags for the garbage, 100 mouse nets, and 50 trees and the facilitator with the beneficiaries cleaned around their houses and planted trees.
- The First and Second Group under the supervision of ICA Beni Suef received the training during the period September 6 -12, 2003 in Beni Suef Governorate. Twenty Five participants attended the training (14 participants from group one and 11 participants from group two). The participants represented nine CDAs (Sedment El-Jabal CDA, Dashtoush CDA, El-Shantour CDA, Menshat Heidr CDA, Sherif Pasha CDA, Riyad Pasha CDA, Gezirat Beba CDA, Tezment El-Sharkeia CDA, and Bani Soliman CDA). The training was conducted by two of CEDPA's regional trainers: Mr. Ashraf Abdel Gafar, and Ms. Marian Nabil. Moreover Dr. Mohamed El-Mootaz Bellah gave a two-day session on Reproductive Health information/issues and Dr. Yosria Mohamed and Dr. Maha Adel gave one day training on First Aid practices. By the end of the training, thirty nine sessions were practiced by the participants.

- The First Group of Sohag and the First Group of Assiut under the supervision of CSN received the training on August 14-20, 2003 in Sohag Governorate. Ten participants (8 from Sohag group one (6 male and 2 female) and 2 from Assiut group) attended the training. Sohag's participants represented two CDAs (El-Sheikh Makram CDA & El-Gharizat CDA) and three Youth Centers (El-Gharizat YC, Sohag YC, and Edfa YC). Assiut's participants came from two youth centers (Abnoub YC and Abou El-Teej YC). The training was conducted by two of CEDPA's regional trainers: Mr. Hatem Kotb, and Ms. Nivine Ramzy. The two day session on Reproductive Health information/issues was carried out by Dr. Mohamed El-Mootaz Bellah and the one day training on First Aid practices was carried out by Dr. Yosria Mohamed and Dr. Maha Adel. By the end of the training, thirty nine sessions were practiced by the participants. Due to the disagreement that emerged during the training regarding the age limit of boys attending the reproductive health sessions, it was agreed to leave the decision to the community to decide if the younger age (12-13) can attend all the Reproductive Health sessions or only part of these sessions. On the other hand, the facilitators declared that after the implementation of the first part of the New Visions the beneficiaries were very enthusiastic about the program and they formed a hygienic committee and started cleaning the street and the area around their houses. Also, they asked their facilitators to help them to contact the Director of the Local Unit, who in his turn, agreed to give them 25 small trees to plant it in their village.

Monitoring Visits for the NEW Visions programs:

The following monitoring visits were conducted during the reporting period to monitor the running of the New Visions Classes:

- A two-day monitoring visit was conducted on August 26-27, 2003 to the First Group under the supervision of Ahmed Taher CDA in Maghagha, Minya Governorate. The visit aimed to monitor the first round of the New Vision program. The visit was conducted by Mr. Eid Abdel Salam (CEDPA's regional trainer), and Mr. Mohamed Abdel Azeem and Talat Amar (Ahmed Taher CDA's Field Coordinators). Four classes were visited out of the ten planned to be visited. This happened because either the beneficiaries or the facilitators were not present at the time of the visit. Accordingly, it was agreed with Ahmed Taher CDA to hold a meeting with all the Maghagha group of facilitators to get acquainted with the latest status of implementation and undertake more monitoring visits to supervise the quality of work. However, with regard to the visited classes the overall level of the beneficiaries' knowledge of the manual's contents was good.
- A two-day monitoring visit was conducted on August 25-26, 2003 to monitor the First Group under the supervision of FEDA in Aswan Governorate. The visit aimed to monitor the first round of the New Visions program. The visit was conducted by Mr. Magdy Ibrahim (CEDPA Staff) and Mr. Mohamed Roushdy (FEDA Program Officer). There was difficulty in formulating a monitoring plan because FEDA Field Coordinator in Aswan left the Program without further notice. Also, some of the facilitators closed the classes after they opened them

due to work engagements. Only two classes were visited (2 female facilitators). The level of the beneficiaries' knowledge of the manual's contents in the visited classes varied between fair, and good. The Director of El-Hagendeya Youth Center was very enthusiastic about the New Visions program to the extent that he asked if he could be a New Visions facilitator. Although he was not approved due to the age limit, it was agreed with him to link the New Visions' beneficiaries to the Youth Center's sports activities.

- » A two day monitoring visit was conducted on August 20-21, 2003 to the First Group under the supervision of FEDA in Qena Governorate. The visit aimed to monitor the first round of the New Visions program. The visit was conducted by Mr. Magdy Ibrahim (CEDPA Staff), Mr. Mohamed Roushdy (FEDA Program Officer), Mr. Mahmoud Ibrahim, and Mr. Ahmed Hussein (FEDA Field Coordinator in Qena). Eight classes out of fifteen implemented classes were visited. The overall level of the beneficiaries' knowledge of the manual's contents in the visited classes varied between good and very good. When the facilitators were asked about the first part of New Visions' sessions and how they categorize them after they implemented it with the beneficiaries they replied that Communication, Family, and Environment were the easier sessions to deliver and the beneficiaries could easily implement the ideas and the information gained from these sessions. They added, however, that the Self-Esteem, Gender, Marriage (specially the wedding night), and Planning for the Future were more difficult and needed more effort to convince the community and the parents of the beneficiaries about the importance of these sessions and that they do not give inappropriate messages to the beneficiaries.
- » A three-day monitoring visit was conducted on August 19-21, 2003 to the First Group under the supervision of Ahmed Taher CDA in Beni Suef Governorate. The visit aimed to monitor the first round of the New Visions program. The visit was conducted by Ms. Marian Nabil (CEDPA's regional trainer) and Mr. Mohamed Abdel Azeem and Talat Amar (Ahmed Taher CDA's Field Coordinators). Ten classes were visited out of the Seventeen planned to be visited. This happened because either the beneficiaries or the facilitators were not present at the time of the visit. Also, the great distance between the classes and transportation difficulties did not facilitate the visit (to visit some classes it was necessary to use the ferry which closes early before the beginning of the class). It was noticed that the CDA did not undertake monitoring visits to all the classes. Therefore, it was agreed with the CDA to hold a meeting with all the facilitators to get acquainted with the latest status of implementations and undertake more monitoring visits to supervise the quality of work. The overall level of the beneficiaries' knowledge of the manual's contents in the visited classes varied between good and very good. When the beneficiaries and facilitators were asked about the behavioral changes that they witnessed after the implementation of the program, the beneficiaries said that they felt that the program was important and they tried to implement most of its subjects in their daily life or at least they shared the new information with their families, friends and colleagues. Also, one beneficiary who dropped out of the illiteracy class was encouraged to go back to attend it after he attended the New Visions sessions. The facilitators said that they witnessed some positive behavioral changes in the

beneficiaries such as the way they try now to control their anger using the methods learnt from the session.

- A two day monitoring visit was conducted on August 18-19, 2003 to the First Group under the supervision of YWMA in Ismailia Governorate. The visit aimed to monitor the first round of the New Visions program. The visit was conducted by Mrs. Roula El-Saady (CEDPA STAFF), Mr. Abdallah El-Telbany (YWMA New Visions Coordinator) and Ms. Alia (YWMA field Coordinator in Ismailia). Twelve classes were visited out of the eighteen implemented classes. The remaining classes will be visited by YWMA. The overall level of the boys' knowledge of the first manual's contents varied between good and very good, with some excellent exceptions. It was noticed that the support given by the Director of El-Mahmasa Youth Center reflected positively on the enthusiasm of the beneficiaries about attending the New Visions classes.
- A Meeting with El-Katfeya CDA in Aswan was conducted by Mrs. Roula El-Saady, (CEDPA) Mr. Magdy Ibrahim (CEDPA) and Ms. Seham Abdel Fatah (ICA Gender Team Member in Aswan Office) on August 14, 2003. The main purpose of the meeting was to facilitate the implementation of the New Visions program. It was noticed that the facilitators faced some problem during the implementation of the New Visions classes such as irregular attendance of some boys due to their parents who were worried about the idea that their boys are attending a program that is projecting wrong messages. Some parents prevented their boys from attending the classes. It was agreed with the CDA's board of directors to hold a meeting with the community leaders to present the main subjects and ideas of the New Visions program. Also, it was agreed with the social worker at El-Katfeya Village School who also is a member of the CDA to help the facilitators form groups of beneficiaries from the students at the school.
- A two-day monitoring visit was conducted on August 12-14, 2003 to the First and Second Group under the supervision of ICA in Fayoum Governorate. The visit aimed to monitor the first round of the New Vision program. The visit was conducted by Mrs. Roula El-Saady (CEDPA STAFF), Mr. Eid Abdel Salam (CEDPA's regional trainers) and Ms. Doaa Ahmed (ICA field coordinator). Five classes were visited out of the nine classes planned to be visited. The remaining classes are monitored by ICA. The overall level of boys' knowledge of the first manual's contents was good. However, the facilitators declared that the main problem in implementation was the irregular attendance of some boys due to their parents, who are worried about the idea that their boys are attending a program that is projecting wrong messages. Accordingly, the facilitators exerted more efforts and started visiting the parents and explaining the main ideas of the program, moreover they asked them to attend one or two sessions in order to feel comfortable with the program. It turned out to be a very good solution as the parents started to encourage their children to attend the program. It was agreed with ICA to conduct close monitoring of the classes who did not finish the first part of the manual.

- A three-day monitoring visit was conducted on August 11-17, 2003 to the First Group under the supervision of ITRFP in Gharbeia. The visit aimed to monitor the first round of the New Visions program. The visit was conducted by Mrs. Nadine Hamay (CEDPA), Mrs. Nagwa El Dabbah, and Mrs. Alia Maklad (ITRFP). A total of eleven classes were visited out of the eighteen planned to be visited. The reason for not visiting the remaining seven classes is that six facilitators dropped out of the program without opening classes and one facilitator was out of town and a visit was scheduled for the following week. With regard to the eleven visited classes, the overall level of boys' knowledge of the manual's contents varied between fair and good, with some very good exceptions. The units that were particularly difficult and required intensive work on behalf of some facilitators were the Self-Esteem unit and the Planning for the Future unit. The reason behind that, accordingly to the facilitators, is the difficulty of the terms used plus the fact that it is a new subject to tackle. The units that were interesting to the beneficiaries were that of Feeling and Emotions especially the session on Anger Management. Also the Personal Relations Unit was very new to them. The beneficiaries showed weakness with regard to the Gender Unit as they did not respond to the revision questions regarding this unit and it seemed that that the subject was not approached extensively by most facilitators.
- A two-day monitoring visit was conducted on August 6-7, 2003 to the First Group under the supervision of ICA in Beni Sueif. The visit aimed to monitor the implementation of the first round of the New Visions Classes. The visit was conducted by Mrs. Roula El-Saady (CEDPA). Five classes conducted by seven facilitators were visited. The remaining classes (seven classes) are monitored by ICA. The overall level of the boys' knowledge of the first manual's contents varied between good and very good. The facilitators, in general, faced some problems in implementation such as irregular attendance of some boys due to their exams mainly with the older ages (16-20) who are engaged with their study (last year of high school). All the beneficiaries revealed their interest in the New Visions Program and were able to do all the activities in the manual and were enthusiastic to attend all the sessions. Also they were very motivated by CEDPA's visit and asked if CEDPA can visit them more often. When the beneficiaries and facilitators were asked about the behavioral changes that they witnessed after the implementation of the program, one of the beneficiaries said that he practiced the self-esteem sessions with himself in order to become a more successful person in the future. Another beneficiary said that "How to choose a friend" is very practical and important and the Islamic religion stresses on the importance of selecting our friends. Another beneficiary added that "How to control our anger" is very useful and also is in accordance with the Islamic religion. Another beneficiary expressed his knowledge by drawing some nice drawing projecting the information he gained from the New Visions program.
- A two-day monitoring visit was carried out on August 5-6, 2003 to the First Group under the supervision of CSN in Assiut. The visit aimed to monitor the implementation of the first round of the New Visions classes. The visit was conducted by Mr. Hatem Kotb, one of CEDPA's regional trainers who was also accompanied by Ms. Azza Saleh (CSN Field Coordinator in Assiut). Only four classes were opened as many facilitators dropped out of the program before the

opening of the classes. The main reason for dropping out was that the facilitators were not encouraged enough to voluntarily implement the program. However, the four classes visited demonstrated a good level of comprehension. The overall level of the boys' knowledge of the manual's contents varied between fair and good, with some very good exceptions. The class of the facilitator 'Omar Aly Meabet', who is at the same time the Karate Coach for the boys, was excellent. The beneficiaries were very enthusiastic about the program and knew all the information in the first manual. They thanked their facilitator and the Director of El-Boura Youth Center for giving them the opportunity to attend the New Visions program.

- A two-day monitoring visit was conducted on July 15-16, 2003 to the First Group under the supervision of CSN in Sohag Governorate. The visit aimed to monitor the first round of the New Visions program. The visit was conducted by Mr. Magdy Ibrahim (CEDPA) and Ms. Roula El-Saady (CEDPA). Out of a total of fourteen classes planned to be visited, eleven were visited. The facilitators even though engaged in many other activities/commitments (work, exams, harvest) have exerted a lot of effort with the boys. The overall level of the boys' knowledge of the manual's contents varied between good and very good, with some excellent exceptions. All the beneficiaries revealed their interest in the New Visions Program and were able to do all the activities in the manual. When the beneficiaries and facilitators were asked about the behavioral changes that they witnessed after the implementation of the program, one of the beneficiaries, who is handicapped, said that he become more self-confident and accepted his handicap. Another one said that he stopped lying and stealing from his grandmother's wallet. One of the facilitators revealed that the beneficiaries become more capable of expressing themselves and discussing their opinions. Many facilitators noticed changes in the beneficiaries' appearance (much cleaner and tidier).

6. To Evaluate and Document Program Results and Impacts

The Monitoring and Evaluation Unit, a relatively new unit at CEDPA, was created as a result of an understanding of the importance of building a monitoring and evaluation plan into every program in order to more effectively and systematically assess program effects, as well as possible strengths and weaknesses.

The following activities were undertaken during the reporting period to evaluate and document CEDPA's various programs :

- › The CATALYST Consortium's documentation team met to discuss the synthesis document for the youth documentation project at CEDPA premises in New Delhi, India in the period from September 1, 2003 up till September 12, 2003. The Head Quarter team was represented by Kathrin Tegenfeld and Maryce Ramsey while the New Delhi team was represented by Arundhati Mishra and Renuka Motihar and finally the Cairo team was represented by Pamela McCloud, Maysa Ayoub, and Nagah Hassan. The first week was dedicated to orient the Head Quarters team and the Cairo team to the youth program of

CEDPA India. A field visit was carried out on September 2, 2003 to the slum district of Delhi where the NGO managing the program was visited. A trip to Indore, India was scheduled on September 4-5, 2003 to visit CEDPA's program in Indore. The second week was devoted to discussing the report produced in each country. Assignments were given where each group worked separately to finalize their report. At the end of the week, a joint meeting was conducted where a new timeline was decided to finalize the synthesis document.

- Preliminary Findings from the pilot phase of the New Visions Program were presented by Mona Selim at the "Reaching Men to Improve Reproductive Health for All" Conference in Washington DC from September 15-18, 2003.
- Reporting Requirements from Qena and Alexandria for workshops one and two of the FGM Abandonment Program were completed and submitted. Data analysis is still in progress.
- The collection of the qualitative baseline data for the FGM Abandonment Program started on September 21, 2003. It was decided to undertake the data collection in only two communities in each of the three governorates involved in the program: Qena, Assiut and Alexandria. It was also decided to collect data using focus group discussions with community members and a small number of in-depth interviews with key community informants. The data collection for Qena governorate took place in the period from September 21 till September 23, 2003 in two communities in Qena: El-Hala and El-Kalahin. Six focus group with community members were undertaken in each community (2 focus group with mothers – 2 focus group with fathers – 2 focus group with grandmothers) as well as four interviews with key community informants also in each community (doctor, sheik , and Umda).
- Eight focus groups were carried out with NH and NV facilitators and beneficiaries under the supervision of Ahmed Taher NGO in Beni Suef in the period from August 10-14, 2003. The purpose of the focus group discussion was to select cases studies of youth empowerment for the Catalyst Documentation project with CEDPA India. The selected case studies were further interviewed separately to document his/her empowerment where the information received was even further triangulated through more in-depth interviews with his/her parents, facilitators, and NGO staff.
- A series of in-depth interviews were conducted with the staff of Manshiet Nasser NGO in Beni Suef in the period from August 5-7, 2003. Manshiet Nasser was chosen as a case study for sustainability and empowerment as part of the Catalyst Documentation project with CEDPA India.
- A series of in-depth interviews with representatives from FEDA NGO in Qena were carried out in the period from July 29 -31, 2003. FEDA was chosen as a case study for sustainability and empowerment as part of the Catalyst Documentation project with CEDPA India.

- A focus group discussion was carried out with eight potential facilitators in Qena Governorate (under the supervision of FEDA) on July 27, 2003. The objective of the FG was to gather information on the facilitators' knowledge and attitudes before attending the New Visions training course so that any changes could be measured after completion of the training and program implementation. Also on that date, in-depth interviews were conducted with the managing directors of three CDAs in Qena that just started the implementation the NV program. The idea is to understand the organizational and institutional capacity of these CDAs as well as the vision of the board of directors in order to be able to detect any effect the program might have on the CDAs after their participation in its implementation. The three CDAs visited were: Gargous Women CDA, Kalahin Women CDA, and Aoulad Nigm community development association.
- The field work for the Catalyst Documentation Project with CEDPA India started on the July 21, 2003 in Alexandria. Maysa Ayoub and Nagah Hassan, the locally hired consultant, conducted a number of in-depth interviews with the youth who participated in the design and implementation of the NV program for the purpose of documenting to what extent they were involved in program's design and implementation. The data was triangulated through more in-depth interviews with CEDPA staff, NGO implementers and other participants.
- The qualitative assessment of New Visions' pilot phase was completed. Two focus groups were carried out on July 8, 2003 with the beneficiaries in El-Zaytoun village (age group 12-13 & age group 14-16). Moreover, on July 14, 2003 another two focus groups were carried out, one with El-Zaytoun's beneficiaries aged 18-20 and the second one with Dallas's beneficiaries aged 14-16. Also on that date, an in-depth interview was conducted with one of the facilitators of NV in El-Zaytoun. The last focus group was carried out on July 15, 2003 with Dallas's beneficiaries aged 12-13.



TNH Objective 6: To Evaluate and Document Programs' Results and Impacts

Activity: A study to measure program effectiveness on beneficiaries' knowledge, attitudes and behaviors with respect to the central components of the New Visions Program was undertaken in the summer of 2002.

Rationale: The Monitoring and Evaluation Unit, a relatively new unit at CEDPA, was created as a result of an understanding of the importance of building a monitoring and evaluation plan into every program in order to more effectively and systematically assess program effects, as well as possible strengths and weaknesses. Therefore, the piloting of the full New Visions curriculum in Beni Suef gave the M&E Unit an opportunity to pilot test and fine tune evaluation instruments measuring program effectiveness. These instruments would then be used on a much wider scale during the

full implementation phase in many governorates throughout Egypt.

Approach of the Study: This preliminary study was conducted during the pilot phase of the New Visions program in three villages in Beni Suef, Upper Egypt. A KAP Survey was administered to a sub-sample of beneficiaries at baseline and following program intervention as well as a group of non-beneficiaries for comparison purposes. Post-intervention focus groups with beneficiaries were also conducted to provide greater detail of changes in beneficiaries' knowledge, attitudes and behavior. Interviews were also conducted with facilitators of the program in order to assess what if any changes they had personally experienced throughout their participation, as well as obtain their perspectives on the program's impact on the boys/young men.

Results of the Study:

Basic Life Skills:

Beneficiaries' self-confidence and sense of self improved from baseline to time 2. This can be seen most prominently in the findings on self-expression, planning for the future and self-reliance.

A greater percentage of respondents reported feeling happy with whom they were, and had greater confidence in expressing themselves in front of their peers and family elders. During the focus group discussions boys/young men repeatedly voiced how they enjoyed the Communication, Self and Human Emotions Units, because they learned how to express themselves and deal with negative feelings like anger. Facilitators further supported these findings describing how in the beginning the boys said everything that came to mind without thinking about what they were going to say. The primary problem with self-expression was particularly for the younger boys who felt that people did not listen to them and value their opinions, even when they were right, because they were young. Nonetheless, they report that they still try to voice their opinion when they see someone doing something wrong and are more confident resisting peer pressure.

Their drive to succeed also increased. In the focus groups older participants recounted how they were now planning to complete their educations and go on to college. Younger participants spoke of how they started to organize their time between studying and playing. Many had set realistic goals for themselves to work towards.

Self-reliance was also another notable benefit from the program. Beneficiaries told stories supported by facilitators as to how they now could do more things for themselves around the house, including waking themselves up with an alarm, making their breakfast, making their bed, etc.

Facilitators also reported being greatly affected by the program in terms of their self-confidence. For half of them it was their first experience of voluntary work. They voiced how this increased through learning how to express themselves and having access to information. Although the majority of them had bachelors' degrees from college and one was even a lawyer, they all recounted how this was the first time that they had gotten comfortable standing up in front of people and speaking to them. Several facilitators also described how their relationships with the opposite sex had become easier, i.e. they could interact with the opposite sex without embarrassment.

Reproductive Health

All of the reproductive health survey indicators had more favorable outcomes from baseline to time 2, with the exception of getting HIV from a toilet seat¹, a husband's role in encouraging wife to breastfeed and family planning intent. The most significant shifts were seen in reproductive health knowledge, a fact that is somewhat expected given that knowledge was quite low at baseline and is generally the easiest and quickest to change following a program intervention. Two of the knowledge indicators, one dealing with HIV and the other with a girl's loss of virginity while making statistically significant gains remained well below 50% in terms of correct knowledge.

Beneficiaries and facilitators both discussed how their reproductive health knowledge was low before participating in the program. Several facilitators cited the Reproductive Health and Marriage Units as the units from which the beneficiaries benefited the most, stating that there were lots of questions and the boys/young men sometimes wanted to stay longer to discuss the issues. Boys related how they now viewed traditions like the traditional wedding night ceremony as a form of violence against women. However, some of the younger boys were uncomfortable discussing some of the reproductive health and marriage related issues because they were not yet relevant to them, which has led to a modification of this unit for younger boys.

Gender

Although both beneficiaries and facilitators views on gender improved in many ways, there were still some issues that were hard to tackle, especially with the beneficiaries. While there were significant changes in most gender variables in the survey, in terms of magnitude some showed smaller or no changes. However, the qualitative research findings shed more light on this phenomenon.

Attitudes regarding whether there could be collegial relationships between young men and women did not shift in the survey, despite the fact that many boys/young men in the focus groups said that they were not opposed to boys and girls having collegial relationships. The main obstacle lay with greater community attitudes to interactions between boys and girls. Focus group participants repeatedly stated how even if there is nothing wrong going on between a boy and girl and they are sitting or walking together, people will talk about them and say bad things.

FGM was another area where attitudes did not shift considerably. As previously mentioned the majority of the increase in the respondents who said they would prefer to marry an uncircumcised wife came from people to whom it did not matter at the outset. The proportion that wanted a circumcised wife did not shift to a great degree. Once again focus group data showed how many boys remained ambivalent about the issue, sometimes feeling that it is wrong, but still thinking that religious teaching supports it. Moreover, some boys and even a few facilitators voiced how difficult it would be to change attitudes given that it was such an entrenched tradition.

Domestic violence acceptability also showed significant declines on three of the five variables, but remained above 30% in the unequivocally yes/acceptable category and

¹ This question might not be very relevant to this group of respondents since they come from rural villages. It will be more relevant later on when the survey is administered in more urban areas.

close to 50% and above when combining the options of yes and it depends. This issue too is one that was sometimes supported by (erroneously) using religious teachings in focus group discussions. All participants knew that it was violence, but a minority still felt that it was a necessary final resort at times. They did qualify it by stating that it should not be severe.

Nonetheless, there were more marked gains, particularly in the division of traditional gender roles and responsibilities. By programs end significantly more (in terms of statistics and magnitude) respondents felt that areas such as decision-making, household duties, political participation and volunteerism were the responsibility of both men and women. Similarly, more respondents agreed that women and men could undertake each others roles outside and inside the house. Furthermore, fewer respondents felt that there should be unequal treatment of boys and girls. All of these trends were supported by focus group discussions and facilitator interviews. Participants expressed how there could be an exchange of roles between men and women. Some did say that there may be some jobs that that required hard manual labor that are not appropriate for women, but the majority agreed they had the right to work. Beneficiaries and facilitators both recounted how they have started to help out more around the house and take care of their own needs rather than automatically relying on their sisters or mothers.

That the beneficiaries and facilitators benefited from the program is without a doubt. Survey data shows improvement as well as the numerous anecdotes related by facilitators and beneficiaries. One facilitator sums up the beneficiaries' evolution.

After they started to find out these things that they don't study at all in school and that they don't know about and they don't know how to express themselves and the like, they took the matter (seriously). They are the ones who brought the tools/props. I tried to help them. They really changed a lot. Hoda (Dalas)

Recommendations: Findings also show the need to raise awareness in the community as a whole because while youth may change their attitudes on some issues, like gender relations and gain more skills like self-expression, society needs to support them. Currently, as youth stated community norms prevent them from applying some of the things they have learned. It is more difficult for youth to denounce entrenched traditions like FGM. While there are stories of success by facilitators, youth and other facilitators voice frustration in trying to change community norms.

Although survey findings did not reach this conclusion, focus group discussion seemed to show that the younger boys often had more positive attitudes with respect to gender, perhaps because they are still at an age where they are forming their opinions. This phenomenon will be further explored in the next phase as it can lend more support to the greater effectiveness of reaching males while they are still young.

A triangulation of data will be undertaken in the future with even further additional emphasis on qualitative evaluation to complement the quantitative component and capture attitudinal and behavioral change more comprehensively. In addition, T3 data (one year after program completion) will help assess if KAP changes that occurred during the implementation of the New Visions program will be sustained, improve or erode over time.

APPENDIX A:

Technical Assistance Activity Report
July - September 2003

**Appendix A: Technical Assistance Activity Report
(July -September 2003)**

STAFF MEMBER/ CONSULTANT	PLACE	DATES	PURPOSE
Mehrinaz El Awady	Ismailia	September 22-23, 2003.	Monitor New Horizon Round Three
Marian Nabil	Fayoum, Beni Suef, and Menya	September 21-23, 2003	Monitor New Horizon Round Three
Maysa Ayoub	Qena	September 21-23, 2003	Gathering baseline data for the evaluation of the F-GAMP (conducting focus group discussions and in-depth interviews)
Mehrinaz El Awady	North Sinai	September 17, 2003.	Monitor New Horizon Round Three
Safaa Gabriel	Minya	September 16-18, 2003.	Monitor New Horizon Round Two
Mona Selim	Washington DC	September 15-18, 2003	Presenting the preliminary findings from the pilot phase of the New Visions program at the "Reaching Men to Improve Reproductive Health for All" Conference
Dr. Salha Awad – Aalaa El Hoseny	Sohag	September 8, 2003	Monitoring Visit to follow up on Advocacy activities during the implementation phase
Dr. Omaima Hamdy– Aalaa El Hoseny	Fayoum	September 3, 2003	Monitoring Visit to follow up on Advocacy activities during the implementation phase
Dr. Omaima Hamdy– Aalaa El Hoseny	Minya	September 2, 2003	Monitoring Visit to follow up on Advocacy activities during the implementation phase.
Pamela McCloud , Maysa Ayoub, Nagah Hassan	New Delhi - India	September 1-12, 2003	Meeting with the headquarter team and CEDPA's India team to discuss the synthesis document for the Catalyst's youth documentation project.
Hamdia Osman	Qena	August 31 – September 1, 2003	Monitor New Horizon Round Three
Dr. Salha Awad – Aalaa El Hoseny	Alexandria	August 31, 2003	Monitoring Visit to follow up on Advocacy activities during the implementation phase.
Abeer Kasem	Minya	August 27-28, 2003	Monitor New Horizon Round Three

STAFF MEMBER/ CONSULTANT	PLACE	DATES	PURPOSE
Magdy Abd El Rahman.	New Valley	August 27-28, 2003	Monitor New Horizon Round Two
Safaa Gabriel	Sohag	August 26-28, 2003	Monitor New Horizon Round Three
Eid Abdel Salam - Mohamed Abdel Azeem - Talat Amar	Minya	August 26- 27,2003	Monitor New Vision Round One
Magdy Ibrahim - Mohamed Roushdy	Aswan	August 25- 26,2003	Monitor New Vision Round One
Magdy Ibrahim	Aswan	August 24-25, 2003	Monitor New Horizon Round Two
Nadia Lotfy	Beni Suef	August 23-24, 2003	Monitor New Horizon Round Three
Magdy Ibrahim - Mohamed Roushdy - Mahmoud Ibrahim Ahmed Hussein	Qena	August 20-21, 2003	Monitor New Vision Round One
Magdy Ibrahim	Qena	August 19-20, 2003	Monitor New Horizon Round Two
Marian Nabil - Mohamed Abdel Azeem - Talat Amar	Beni Suef	August 19-21, 2003	Monitor New Vision Round One
Rola El Saady - Abdallah El- Telbany - Alia	Ismailia	August 18-19, 2003	Monitor New Vision Round One
Rola El Saady - Magdy Ibrahim - Seham Abdel Fatah	Aswan	August 14, 2003	Meeting with El-Katfeya CDA in Aswan to facilitate the implementation of the New Vision program.
Rola El Saady - Eid Abdel Salam - Doaa Ahmed	Fayoum	August 12-14, 2003	Monitor New Vision Round One
Nadine Hamdy - Nagwa El Dabbah - Alia Maklad	Gharbeia	August 11-17, 2003	Monitor New Vision Round One
Maysa Ayoub - Nagah Hassan	Beni Suef	August 10-14, 2003	Selecting cases studies of youth empowerment for the Catalyst Documentation project with CEDPA India.
Sahar Mashhour - Sarah Goltz	Qena	August 9-10, 2003	To monitor FEDA trainers who are carrying out the first training workshop under FGMAP "The Orientation Workshop" to the four local implementing NGOs

STAFF MEMBER/ CONSULTANT	PLACE	DATES	PURPOSE
Mehrinaz El Awady	Suez	August 6-7, 2003	Monitor New Horizon Round Two.
Roula El-Saady	Beni Suef	August 6-7, 2003	Monitor New Visions Round One
Hatem Kotb - Azza Saleh	Assiut	August 5-6, 2003	Monitor New Visions Round One.
Nagah Hassan	Beni Suef	August 5-7, 2003	Conducting a series of in-depth interviews with Manshiet Nasser NGO as it was chosen as a case study for sustainability and empowerment for the Catalyst Documentation project.
Nagah Hassan	Qena	July 29, 2003	Conducting a series of in-depth interviews with FEDA NGO as it was chosen as a case study for sustainability and empowerment for the Catalyst Documentation project.
Maysa Ayoub	Qena	July 27, 2003	Gathering baseline data on NV potential facilitators and the new CDAs that just started implementing the NV program.
Sahar Mashour	Cairo	July 24, 2003	Train the Young Male Christian Association NGO to submit a sound project proposal to the Japanese Grants authority affiliated with the Japanese Embassy
Maysa Ayoub – Nagah Hassan	Alex	July 21, 2003	Conducting in-depth interviews with the youth who participated in the design and implementation of the NV program to document their involvement.
Pamela McCloud, Amel Gamel, Nashwa El Leithy, Fatma Fouad, Rola El Saady, and Engy Hussein	Beni Suef	July 21, 2003	Water Day to tackle the problem of water pollution in Mark El-Fashen –Beni Suef.
Ms. Sahar Mashhou - Ms. Sarah Goltz - Mr. Hatem Kotb - Yuko Osawa - Mr. Ayman Sadeq	Assiut	July 19, 2003	To assess the training skills of ACDA's trainers who are nominated to carry out the training activities under the FGMAP program in Assiut that will be funded by UNICEF.
Magdy Ibrahim - Roula El-Saady	Sohag	July 15-16, 2003	Monitor New Vision Round One

STAFF MEMBER/ CONSULTANT	PLACE	DATES	PURPOSE
Maysa Ayoub	Beni Suef	July 15, 2003	Conducting focus group discussions with NV beneficiaries for the purpose of evaluating the pilot phase.
Maysa Ayoub	Beni Suef	July, 14 , 2003	Conducting focus group discussion with beneficiaries and in-depth interviews with facilitators of the NV program for the purpose of evaluating the pilot phase.
Mehrinaz El Awady	Port Said	July 9, 2003	Monitor New Horizon Round Two
Mehrinaz El Awady- Nadine Hamdy	Kafr El Sheik	July 8, 2003	Monitor New Horizon Round Two
Maysa Ayoub	Beni Suef	July 8, 2003	Conducting focus group discussion with beneficiaries of the NV program for the purpose of evaluating the pilot phase of New Vision
Mehrinaz El Awady - Nadine Hamdy	Dakahlia	July 1, 2003	Monitor New Horizon Round Two

APPENDIX B:

Training Events
July -September 2003

Appendix B: Training Events (July -September 2003)

DATES	WORKSHOP TITLE	COUNTRY/CITY	# TRAINEES		PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS	PURPOSE
			Male	Female		
September 2, 2003	30-October Gender Training	North Sinai	0	27	YMWA + 2 NGOs	Sensitize facilitators regarding gender issues and violence against women
September 2, 2003	28-October Second Round New Horizons Training	Fayoum	0	18	NSP-CARE	Train facilitators on topics related to child psychology, environment and small projects.
September 2, 2003	28-October Third Round New Horizons Training	Minya	0	24	NSP-CARE	Train facilitators on topics related to reproductive Health.
September 27-29, 2003	Gender Training	Aswan	0	28	FEDA + 16 NGOs	Sensitize facilitators regarding gender issues and violence against women.
September 27- October 4, 2003	First Round New Visions Training	Assiut	20	0	UNICEF-YAPD + 5 YC	Introduce participants to basic facilitation skills, leadership skills, and communication skills as well as orient them on gender issues, self-perception and self esteem
September 27- October 3, 2003	Second Round New Vision Training	Fayoum	18	0	ICA + 6 NGOs + 4 YC	Introduce participants to Reproductive Health issues, and the changes that occurs during the adolescent period as well as some First Aids practice;
September 23-27, 2003	Third Round New Horizons Training	Suez	0	12	YMWA + 1 NGO	Train facilitators on topics related to reproductive Health
September 20-26, 2003	Second Round New Vision Training	Alexandria	15	2	ITRFP + 2 NGOs + 5 YC	Introduce participants to Reproductive Health issues, and the changes that occur during the adolescent period as well as some First Aids practices
September 17-23, 2003	Second Round New Vision Training	Qena	14	0	FEDA+ 3 NGOs + 2 YC	Introduce the participants to Reproductive Health issues, and the changes that occur during the adolescent period as well as some First Aids practices
September 17-22, 2003	First Round New Horizons Training	Sohag		29	CSN + 5 NGOs	Introduce participants to basic facilitation skills, leadership skills, and communication skills. The program also orient the participants to issues related to girls' identity, women 's rights, nutrition , general health and first aid

DATES	WORKSHOP TITLE	COUNTRY/CITY	# TRAINEES		PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS	PURPOSE
			Male	Female		
September 16-18, 2003	TOT Workshop Two under FGMAP	Cairo	2	7	ACDA	TOT training for ACDA as partner NGO
September 13-18, 2003	Workshop Two under FGMAP	Alexandria	14	37	Caritas+ the four local implementing NGOs + positive deviant	Caritas's trainers trained the participants on the analysis and planning activities that was provided to them by CEDPA under TOT Workshop two.
September 14-18, 2003	Third Round New Horizons Training	New Valley	0	9	Comprehensive Care + 2 NGOs	Train facilitators on topics related to reproductive Health.
September 14-18, 2003	Third Round New Horizons Training	Aswan	0	23	FEDA + 4NGOs	Train facilitators on topics related to reproductive Health
September 14-16, 2003	Gender Training	Sohag	0	29	CSN + 5 NGOs	Sensitize facilitators regarding gender issues and violence against women
September 14-15, 2003	Workshop Three – New Group under the advocacy program	Alexandria	6	18	ITRFP + 5 NGOs	Evaluate the implementation of the action plans, to present achievements, to discuss challenges and lessons learned, and also to put the recommendations of participants and their future advocacy plans.
September 9-14, 2003	First Round New Horizons Training	Qena		26	UNICEF -YAPD	Introduce participants to basic facilitation skills, leadership skills, and communication skills. The program also orient the participants to issues related to girls' identity, women 's rights, nutrition , general health and first aid
September 9-15, 2003	Workshop Two under FGMAP	Qena	15	44	FEDA + the four local implementing NGOs + positive deviant	FEDA's trainers trained the participants on the analysis and planning activities that was provided to them by CEDPA under TOT Workshop two.
September 9-15, 2003	Second Round New Vision Training	Ismallia	14		YWMA + 10 NGOs + 3 VCs	Introduce the participants to Reproductive Health issues, and the changes that occur during the adolescent period as well as some First Aids practices
September 7-11, 2003	Third Round New Horizons Training	Qena	0	23	FEDA + 4NGOs	Train facilitators on topics related to reproductive Health.

DATES	WORKSHOP TITLE	COUNTRY/CITY	# TRAINEES		PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS	PURPOSE
			Male	Female		
September 6-12, 2003	Second Round New Vision Training	Beni Suef	25	0	ICA + 9 CDAs	Introduce the participants to Reproductive Health issues, and the changes that occur during the adolescent period as well as some First Aids practices.
September 6-11, 2003	First Round New Horizons Training	Aswan	0	26	FEDA + 1 NGO	Introduce participants to basic facilitation skills, leadership skills, and communication skills. The program also orient the participants to issues related to girls' identity, women 's rights, nutrition , general health and first aid
September 6-8, 2003	Gender Training	Qena	0	27	UNICEF -YAPD	Sensitize facilitators regarding gender issues and violence against women
August 26-28, 2003	TOT Workshop One under FGMAP	Cairo	2	7	ACDA	TOT training for ACDA as partner NGO
August 17-21, 2003	Third Round New Horizons Training	Fayoum	0	21	ICA + 5NGOs	Train facilitators on topics related to reproductive Health
August 17-21, 2003	Third Round New Horizons Training	Aswan	0	21	ICA + 5NGOs	Train facilitators on topics related to reproductive Health
August 14-20, 2003	Second Round New Vision Training	Sohag	8	2	CSN + 5 YC + 2 CDAs	Introduce the participants to Reproductive Health issues, and the changes that occur during the adolescent period as well as some First Aids practices.
August 10-14,2003	Third Round New Horizons Training	Fayoum	0	22	ICA + 5NGOs	Train facilitators on topics related to reproductive Health
August 9-10,2003	Workshop One under FGMAP	Alexandria	5	20	Caritas + the 4 local implementing NGOs	Caritas's trainers orient the participants on the FGAMP Program that was provided to them by CEDPA under TOT Workshop One.
August 9-10,2003	Workshop One under FGMAP	Qena	0	20	Caritas + the 4 local implementing NGOs	Caritas's trainers orient the participants on the FGAMP Program that was provided to them by CEDPA under TOT Workshop One.
August 5- 12,2003	First Round New Visions Training	North Sinai	16	13	YWMA + 4 NGOs + 7 YC	Introduce participants to basic facilitation skills, leadership skills, and communication

DATES	WORKSHOP TITLE	COUNTRY/CITY	# TRAINEES		PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS	PURPOSE
			Male	Female		
August 3- 7, 2003	Third Round New Horizons Workshop Two – New group - under the advocacy program	Port Said	0	12	YMWA + 2NGOs	skills as well as orient them on gender issues, self-perception and self esteem Train facilitators on topics related to reproductive Health
July 27-31, 2003		Alexandria	6	18	ITRFP + 5 NGOs	Enhance the skills of the participants in strategic communication to enable them to discuss women's issues with key policy and decision-makers.
July 27-31, 2003	Third Round New Horizons Training	Alexandria	0	24	ITRFP + 9 NGOs	Train facilitators on topics related to reproductive Health
July 27-31, 2003	Third Round New Horizons Training	BeniSuef	0	21	ICA + 6 NGOs	Train facilitators on topics related to reproductive Health
July 27-August 3, 2003	First Round New Visions Training	Qena	16	11	FEDA + 6 NGOs	Introduce participants to basic facilitation skills, leadership skills, and communication skills as well as orient them on gender issues, self-perception and self esteem
July 26-August 2, 2003	First Round New Visions Training	Sohag	20	5	CSN + 2 CDAs + 7 YC	Introduce participants to basic facilitation skills, leadership skills, and communication skills as well as orient them on gender issues, self-perception and self esteem
July 22-23, 2003	Co-training basic skills	Alexandria	5	11	CEDPA's regional trainers	To train CEDPA's regional trainers on co-training methods.
July 13-17, 2003	Third Round New Horizons Training	Beni Suef	0	17	NSP-CARE	Train facilitators on topics related to reproductive Health
July 9, 2003	Team Training	Cairo	9	8	FEDA + CARITAS	Train FGMAP trainers from FEDA and Caritas partner NGOs
July 6-10, 2003	Third Round New Horizons Training	Minya		18	Ahmed Taher + 5 NGOs	Train facilitators on topics related to reproductive Health

APPENDIX C:

Project Benchmarks
July - September 2003

Table 1: Project Benchmarks July -September 2003

Objective	Indicators	Previous	Current	Benchmark	Benchmark: PV2		Final
		Total (A)	Reporting	To Date	Achieved	Planned	Project
		8/02-6/03	7/03-9/03	(A + B)			Benchmarks
				8/02-9/03			
1. To increase girls' access, retention and completion of formal basic education	Scholarships provided through NGO partners (80% girls)	1575	0	1575	0	423	2,423
	NGOs establish self-funding mechanisms to support scholarship programs	10	6	16	6	16	17
	Messages developed for PACP highlighting educational rights of all	0	0	0	0	0	x
2. To strengthen capacity of NGOs to develop, implement and evaluate quality sustainable programs for youth with a focus on girls and young women	New curriculum developed for NGO capacity building	0	1	1	1	2	2
	NGOs participate in TTA	48	6	54	6	12	22
	Training opportunities offered to NGOs	107	1	108	1	290	450

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Objective	Indicators	Previous	Current	Benchmark	Benchmark: PY2		Final Project Benchmark
		Total (A) 8/02-9/03	Reporting Period (B) 7/03-9/03	To Date (A + B) 8/02-9/03	Achieved	Planned	
3. To strengthen the capacity of NGOs to advocate for a more favorable policy environment and more equitable resource allocation for girls' and young women	NGO participate in Advocacy Training	14	5	19	5	26	30
	NGO advocacy activities implemented	14	5	19	5	4	5
	Special events celebrated	2	0	2	0	2	4
	IE&C materials distributed	8,370	2,000	10,370	2,000	15,000	20,000
	Environment, Health, Education Days celebrated	2	1	3	1	5	8
	Volunteer and Leadership Camps	0	0	0	0		2
4. To improve the life skills, self-confidence and health awareness of girls and young women	Regional Partners manage the implementation of TNH programs	6	0	6	0	0	6
	Regional Trainers trained	40	14	54	14	25	25
	Girls successfully completed the New Horizons for Girls Program- New Classes	1,187	0	1,187	0	6,432	16,432
	Girls successfully completed the New Horizons for Girls Program- Replication	1,023	356	1,379	356	4,023	8,023
	New NGOs implementing the New Horizons for Girls Program	9	0	9	0	111	136
	Existing NGOs implementing the New Horizons for Girls Program	13	1	14	1		
	NGOs receive and manage grants to implement PDA in 48 communities	0	3	3	3	3	4
	A PDA NGO Network is in operation	0	0	0	0	0	X

Table 1: Project Benchmarks July-September 2003

Objective	Indicators	Previous	Current	Benchmark	Benchmark; PY2		Final
		Total (A)	Reporting	To Date	Achieved	Planned	Project
		8/02-6/03	7/03-9/03	8/02-9/03	(A + B)		Benchmark
5. To enhance the enabling family environment to support the life options of girls and young woman	NGOs/YCs implement the New Visions Program	20	0	20	0	240	260
	Boys and Young Men participate in the New Visions Program	929	0*	929	0	6,382	11,382
	Boys and Young Men participate in the New Visions replication	0	0	0	0	2,000	2,000

* The Figure includes only those who have graduated. To date the number of boys enrolled in the New Visions program are approximately 3290 and the number in the replication classes is approximately 54 boys.

LIST OF ACRONYMS

ACDA	Assiut Childhood and Development Association
APE	Association for the Protection of the Environment
C4C	Communication for Change
CDA	Community Development Association
CEDPA	Centre for Development and Population Activities
CEFD	Center for Egyptian Family Development
CEOSS	Coptic Evangelical Organization for Social Services
COA	Coptic Orphans Association
COST	Coptic Organization for Services and Training
CSN	CDA for Children with Special Needs
CRS	Catholic Relief Services
ENGO	Egyptian Non-Governmental Organization
FEDA	Family and Environment Development Association
FGM	Female Genital Mutilation
FGMAP	Female Genital Mutilation Abandonment Program
FWADLC	Fayoum Women Association for Development of Local Communities
ICA	Institute for Cultural Affairs
ITRFP	Institute for Training and Research in Family Planning
JSI	John Snow Inc.
MOE	Ministry of Education
MISA	Ministry of Social Affairs
NCW	National Council for Women
NH	New Horizons
NGO	Non-Governmental Organization
PAP	Poverty Alleviation Program (Italian Government)
PDA	Positive Deviance Approach
PDI	Positive Deviance Inquiry
PPGYW	Partnership Project for Girls and Young Women
PROWID	Promoting Women in Development
PVO	Private Voluntary Organization
TNH	Towards New Horizons
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
YAPD	Youth Association for Population and Development
YMCA	Young Men Christian Association
YMWA	Young Muslim Women's Association
YC	Youth Center