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List of Acronyms

AED	Academy for Educational Development
AMDA	Association of Medical Doctors of Asia
APF	Armed Police Force
ART	Anti-Retroviral Therapy
ASHA	Advancing Surveillance, Policies, Prevention, Care and Support to Fight HIV/AIDS
APRO	Asia Pacific Regional Office
IBBS	Integrated Biological Behavioral Surveillance
CHBC	Community and Home-Based Care
DACC	District AIDS Coordination Committee
DAFT	Design, Finance and Technical
DBS	Dried Blood Spot
DFID	Department for International Development, UK
DPHO	District Public Health Office
DRI	Direct Relief International
DQA	Data Quality Assurance
EPC	Essential Package of Care
EQA	External Quality Assurance
FHI	Family Health International
FSW	Female Sex Workers
GFATM	Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria
IA	Implementing Agency
IDU	Injecting Drug User
IHS	Integrated Health Services
LDTA	Local Development Training Academy
M&E	Monitoring and Evaluation
MARP	Most At Risk Population
MIS	Management Information System
MoHP	Ministry of Health and Population
MSM	Men having Sex with Men
NAP	National Action Plan
NAP+N	National Association for People Living with HIV/AIDS in Nepal
NCASC	National Center for AIDS and STD Control
N'MARC	Social Marketing and Franchising Project for AIDS, Reproductive Health and Child Survival
NPHL	National Public Health Laboratory
OI	Opportunistic Infection
OVC	Orphans and Vulnerable Children
PEP	Post Exposure Prophylaxis
PLHA	People Living with HIV/AIDS
PMM	Program Management Meeting
PMTCT	Prevention of Mother to Child Transmission
QA/QI	Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement
QCM	Quarterly Coordination Meeting
RDSAT	Respondent Driven Sampling Analysis Tool
SBC	Strategic Behavioral Communication
SI	Strategic Information
SOP	Standard Operating Procedures
SRM	Surveillance, Research, Monitoring and Evaluation

STI	Sexually Transmitted Infection
UCAAN	Universal Access to Children Affected by HIV and AIDS in Nepal
UNDP	United Nations Development Program
UNICEF	United Nations Children's Fund
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
VCT	Voluntary Counseling and Testing
VSO	Volunteers Services Overseas
WAD	World AIDS Day
WHO	World Health Organization

Executive Summary

This report covers the third semi-annual period July– December 2007 for the Advancing Surveillance, Policies, Prevention, Care and Support to Fight HIV/AIDS (ASHA) Project in Nepal.

The ASHA Project is currently implemented by three major partners namely FHI as the prime, Constella Futures and Association of Medical Doctors of Asia (AMDA). The Project works through 48 local implementing agencies (IA) in close collaboration with National Center for AIDS and STD Control (NCASC). During this period ASHA Project signed 9 sub-agreements with IAs.

Key activities and achievements during this reporting period include the following:

- Provided technical assistance to government and other key stakeholders in the areas of HIV commodity security, voluntary counseling and testing (VCT), sexually transmitted infection (STI), prevention of mother-to-child transmission (PMTCT), the national review of the surveillance system, the national program review of community and home-based care services, laboratory services, United Nations General Assembly Special Session (UNGASS) reporting, and monitoring and evaluation (M&E).
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- Provided STI diagnosis and treatment services at 27 sites
- Provided VCT and an Essential Package of Care (EPC) for people living with HIV/AIDS at 32 sites.
- Provided Community and Home-based Care (CHBC) services in 13 sites.
- Provided treatment for STIs to over 3,000 people (both new and old) from MARPs;
- Provided HIV counseling, testing and results to 7,800 people and palliative care to over 900 people.
- Secured consent from Government of Nepal and key stakeholders to use the GOALS model to plan resource allocation for HIV and AIDS in Nepal.
- Conducted National dissemination of CHBC assessment, and IBBS study findings.
- ASHA Project SRM Team Leader provided technical assistance to for estimation of HIV infections in Nepal for 2007 including support to a two-day workshop.
- Conducted District AIDS Co-ordination Committee (DACC) assessment.

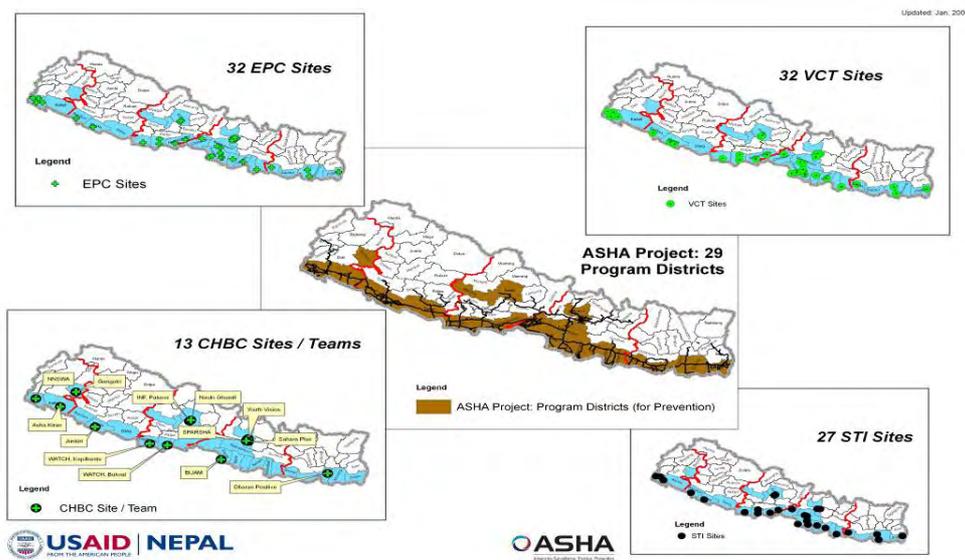
Constraints faced during the reporting period include ongoing political instability; continuity of key senior government officials; supply of drugs to treat STIs and Opportunistic Infections (OI); absence of approved National DACC guidelines at the district level.

I. Introduction

This report covers the third semi-annual period (July – December 2007) for the Advancing Surveillance, Policies, Prevention, Care and Support to Fight HIV/AIDS (ASHA) Project in Nepal. During this period the ASHA Project partners signed agreements with 9 new IAs (see Table 3), and continued to provide technical assistance to strengthen capacity of government and civil society. Key activities and achievements during this reporting period include the following:

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- Conducted District AIDS Co-ordination Committee (DACC) assessment.

Figure 1: ASHA Project Service Sites and Program Districts



II. Program Management

A. Human Resources

New Hires/Resignations

During this reporting period the ASHA Project hired the following personnel:

Table 1: New Personnel for ASHA Project (July - December 2007)

Name	Position Title	Start Date	Remarks
Mr. Satish Raj Pandey	Deputy Director, ASHA	August 1	Key personnel position
Ms. Hajindra K. Sapkota	Finance Associate	September 24	Replacing Leena Shrestha
Ms. Neera Thakur	Program Officer, Kathmandu	October 1	Replacing Prava Chhetri
Mr. Madhav Chaulagain	Program Officer, Central Region, Hetauda	October 16	Replacing Deepak Dhungel
Mr. Rabin Shrestha	Logistics Specialist	November 26	Replacing Bhushan Shrestha
Mr. Madhu Sudan Satyal	Program Officer, Eastern Region	December 16	Replacing Bhagawan Shrestha who will take up Program Officer Position in Kathmandu effective January 16, 2008.

Mr. Pandey replaced Ms. McPherson who was appointed Chief of the Party, ASHA Project.

Table 2: Promotions given under the ASHA Project (July - December 2007)

Name	Position Title	Start Date	Remarks
Ms. Prava Chhetri	Team Leader, Central and Eastern Region	September 1	Replacing Mr. Deepak Deo Bhatt
Mr. Bhushan Shrestha	Team Leader, Western and Mid/Far Western Region	September 1	Replacing Mr. Pranab Rajbhandari who takes up Communications Specialist position within FHI
Ms. Aruna Bajracharya	Sr. Administrative and HR Officer	October 1	
Mr. Bharat R. Gautam	Sr. Monitoring and Evaluation Officer	October 1	
Ms. Merina Baidya	Administrative Assistant	November 1	Replacing Sujina Shrestha.

Table 3: Staff position transfers under the ASHA Project (July - December 2007)

Name	Position Title	Start Date	Remarks
Mr. Pranab Rajbhandari	Communications Specialist	September 1	New Position
Mr. Deepak Dhungel	Field Support Officer	September 1	New Position

Table 4: Resignations from ASHA Project (July -December 2007)

Name	Position Title	Resignation Date
Mr. Deepak Deo Bhatta	Team Leader, Team Leader, Western and Mid/Far Western Region	July 24
Ms. Leena Shrestha	Finance Associate	July 26
Ms. Sujina Shrestha	Administrative Assistant	November 8

Staff Development

ASHA Project staff completed their annual performance evaluation in September. Together with accomplishments over the past one year, the staff identified areas for professional development. In the past six months, ASHA Project staff participated in various professional development activities:

- 1 staff participated in one-day training on Impact on Income Tax by Finance Bill 2007 (ACE Information and Management Support Pvt Ltd).
- 1 staff participated in a 5-day Strategic Behavior Communication (SBC) global workshop organized by FHI in Bangkok.

B. Partnership Management and Development

The Program Management Meeting (PMM) between senior staff members from the ASHA Project partners, FHI Nepal, Constella Futures and AMDA Nepal continued on a regular basis during the reporting period to discuss and coordinate activities and partnership issues. All three partners jointly had an annual workplan development workshop where each partner and its staff members worked together to develop the individual and unit level workplan drawing from the approved ASHA Project workplan. This helped the partner organizations and their staff members to understand each other's work, learn about collaboration and partnership issues and identified areas where there needs to be greater coordination. All three partners were also present for the reporting out meeting where each unit and partner discussed the progress being made so far and areas requiring improvements. Each partner and unit also developed a way forward matrix from the issues that were identified as needing action. Staff from the Program Unit, Technical Unit and Policy Unit met weekly for Program/Technical Meetings to discuss program progress, updates and constraints. Presentations on new technical information were made during every alternate Program/Technical Meeting.

A total of 9 new subagreement awards (Table 5) were approved by USAID and signed with IAs during this reporting period. A complete list of all current IAs under the ASHA project with detailed descriptions of each award is given in Annex A. With these new subagreements, ASHA Project now works in 29 districts.

Table 5: Approved contracts and sub-agreements with Implementing Agencies, Jul – Dec 2007

No	Implementing Agency	Focus	Location
1	Chhahari Mahila Samuha	Positive Prevention Program for PLHA	Chitwan
2	Dhaulagiri Positive Group	Positive Prevention Program for PLHA	Baglung, Parbat
3	Lumbini Plus	Positive Prevention Program for PLHA	Nawalparasi
4	Trisuli Plus	Positive Prevention for PLHA	Nuwakot
5	Federation of Sexual and Gender Minorities	Strengthening of MSM/MSW Network	National
6	Management Association of Nepal	Integrate HIV/AIDS Activities in Ministries of Government of Nepal	National
7	Conscious Media Forum*	Strengthening Journalist for Effective and Analytical Writings towards HIV and AIDS	National
8	Sneha Samaj*	Strengthening of National Network of Women PLHA in Nepal	National
9	Dristi Nepal*	Institutional Capacity of NGO run by Former Female IDUs	Kathmandu

* Denotes sub-agreement managed by Constella Futures

C. Coordination and Collaboration

The ASHA Project continues to collaborate very closely with national, regional as well as district level government structures and other key stakeholders including donors and the civil society. During this reporting period, several rounds of coordination meetings with NCASC, UNDP, the World Bank, UNICEF, NAP+N, Recovery Nepal, Zonal hospitals, District Public Health Office (DPHO) and other key stakeholders took place as required. ASHA Project also coordinates its activities through the national technical working groups and core groups.

At the regional and district levels, ASHA Project used its quarterly coordination meetings in all five regions as a forum to discuss program progress, program constraints and ways to improve regional coordination and collaboration by inviting all ASHA partners, district government officials, USAID representatives, USAID partners and other key donors/stakeholders. ASHA Project implementing partners continue to hold collaborative meetings with DPHO, DACC, Reproductive Health Coordination Committee (RHCC), service providers and stakeholders at the district level.

During this reporting period, FHI Nepal collaborated with the US Embassy, USAID/Nepal, UNICEF Nepal and National Association for People Living with HIV/AIDS in Nepal (NAP+N) to launch Universal Access to Children Affected by HIV and AIDS in Nepal (UCAAN) Partnership to support the Government of Nepal under the coordination of NCASC to mitigate the impact of HIV/AIDS on children and their families in Nepal. This partnership will work through the Children Affected By AIDS (CABA) National Technical Working Group and include multiple partners.

The ASHA Project coordinated with national and local stakeholders to observe National Condom Day and World AIDS Day (WAD) events. The slogan for National Condom Day was “Proper use of condom for dual protection” while the slogan for World AIDS Day 2007 was “Take the Lead”. Both events were commemorated by ASHA Project’s implementing agencies through various awareness raising activities, rallies and street theatre with the objective to educate the general public about HIV and AIDS. The ASHA Project participated as the core committee member as well as a member of sub committee for IEC material development for WAD National Event.

The ASHA Project also coordinated with the USAID funded N’MARC Project (Nepal Social Marketing and Franchising for AIDS, Reproductive Health and Child Survival) to facilitate the presentation of the social marketing component of the N’MARC Project during the regional ASHA project quarterly coordination meeting in all regions.

D. Technical Assistance and International Travel

A list of all local consultants providing technical assistance during this period and their scopes of work are included in Annex B. During this reporting period, the ASHA Project mobilized assistance from 19 local consultants for areas including management of anti-retroviral therapy (ART) and OI, PMTCT, CHBC, STI case management, SBC, management information systems (MIS) and project management/administration. The tasks carried out by these consultants include provision of technical assistance to IAs; conduct of national assessments; development of strategies, training curricula and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs); provision of technical support for clinical services including ART; collecting data; development of financial management system; providing legal advice, translation; writing reports; and, editing.

FHI Asia Pacific Regional Office (APRO) provided the following management and technical assistance to the ASHA Project:

- Dr Jim Ross – management support for the ASHA Project and Acting Country Director while FHI/Nepal Country Director was on leave;

- Dr Dimitri Prybylski - provided technical assistance to New Era and FHI staff on Respondent Driven Sampling Analysis Tool (RDSAT);
- Dr Motiur Rahman, who provided technical support for an assessment of existing facilities for external quality assurance (EQA) using Dried Blood Spot technology at the National Public Health Laboratory (NPHL) and an assessment of future possible space provided by NPHL for renovation and establishment of new HIV testing External Quality Assurance (EQA) laboratory; development of operating procedures essential for implementation of the Rapid HIV Testing EQA; and, preparation and outline of the training modules for “Laboratory quality and safety” and “DBS EQA roll out”;
- Dr Penny Miller who supported QA/QI system development and its roll out.

In addition, Amrita Mathew (FHI/Cambodia) and Sudip Mahapatra (FHI/India) provided technical assistance on a data quality audit for ASHA Project implementing partners.

Dr Nalinee Sangrujee from Constella Futures visited Nepal to provide technical assistance to initiate the application of the GOALS model to examine the policy questions, convene stakeholders’ meeting to introduce the GOALS model and discuss its application and usefulness of the results and to attend the stakeholders meeting and present the GOALS model.

International travel for ASHA Project staff during this reporting period included Jackie McPherson, ASHA Project Chief of Party who participated in the Regional Workshop on Leadership and Strategic Planning (funded through FHI core funding); Bharat Raj Gautam Senior M&E Officer who provided technical assistance to FHI Vietnam for Data Quality Assurance (funded through FHI headquarter funding); and, Pranab Rajbhandari, Communications Specialist who participated in SBC global workshop.

Details of all international travel are included in Annex C.

III. Technical Program Elements (Progress and Results by Results Areas)

<p>Results Area 1: Reduce transmission of HIV/AIDS epidemic through targeted prevention interventions within specific high-risk and vulnerable populations</p>

- Conducted Safe Highways Program activities for HIV prevention to care along the East West Mahendra Highway in the *Terai* with 12 IAs in 22 districts.
- Conducted HIV prevention to care activities for Female Sex Workers (FSWs), their clients, Injecting Drug Users (IDUs) and PLHA with 8 IAs in Kathmandu Valley, Birgunj and Pokhara cities.
- Conducted HIV prevention to care activities in Far Western Nepal for migrants with 4 IAs in 2 districts. This program is closely linked with the DFID-funded Reaching Across Borders Project implemented in the Far West and India by FHI. Reaching Across Borders built upon the successful Safe Migration Initiative under the USAID-funded FHI/IMPACT Project and IAs from the ASHA Project also provide support to the ART clinical sites supported under DFID.
- Initiated Positive Prevention activities in 5 districts through 4 PLHA run implementing partners.

Results Area 2: Build capacity of Government of Nepal and civil society to manage and implement HIV/AIDS activities and to inform policy formulation at national, local and community levels to reduce stigma and discrimination and enable access to services

Building capacity of Government of Nepal

The ASHA Project provides substantial technical assistance to the Government of Nepal, primarily through the NCASC and National Public Health Laboratory (NPHL). As the efforts towards mainstreaming HIV continues, it is expected that the ASHA Project will expand assistance to other ministries including Ministry of Home, Labor and Education. The following are specific activities completed during this reporting period:

- In collaboration with NPHL, organized a joint dissemination of the findings of the Dried Blood Spot (DBS) Technique for External Quality Assurance for HIV testing and developed an understanding with the major stakeholders on the way forward.
- Supported the development of National guidelines and training curriculum such as National VCT guideline revision (finalized), National adherence counseling curriculum (in the process of being reviewed by NCASC), National ART SOP development (in the process of being reviewed by NCASC) and National Logistic SOP.
- Actively participated in the National STI review, National VCT review, technical advisory group for development of National tool kit for prevention and control of HIV in sex work settings and National review of ART services. Technical Unit Head, CHBC Specialist, Laboratory Specialist and Technical Officer of the ASHA Project participated in VCT Site Assessment organized by NCASC under supplemental fund activities. VCT sites run by Government, UNDP and ASHA/FHI were reviewed using checklists developed by FHI and USAID for site assessment.
- Through the supplemental funding, ASHA Project provided logistic support to NCASC for the distribution of HIV commodities to different ART sites in the country. National site review of VCT sites, support to NCASC for the initiation of the ART services in new sites were also provided through the same mechanism.
- Conducted presentations on a variety of technical topics as outlined in Table 6.
- FHI/Nepal's Technical Unit Head participated in the program organized to clinically review and mentor government ART service sites. Laboratory Specialist of ASHA project participated in clinical review and mentoring of government ART service sites (Western Regional Hospital and Baglung District Hospital) in Kaski and Baglung districts. HIV related laboratory services, laboratory services for PMTCT, VCT and ART programs at the hospitals were observed during the visit. These teams used Clinical Facility and service Assessment Package, QA/QI tool kit developed by FHI and USAID during the visit to monitor the quality of services being provided.
- Signed agreement with Management Association of Nepal to integrate HIV/AIDS Activities in Ministries of Government of Nepal.
- The ASHA Project convened three Regional Consultation Meetings to share and get feedback on the preliminary finding of the assessment on DACC status.
- The ASHA Project, through Constella Futures, has continued to support enactment and implementation of the HIV and AIDS Bill and amendment proposal and a series of advocacy programs in regards to the endorsement of the HIV/AIDS bill has taken place.
- The ASHA Project, through Constella Futures, organized a stakeholders' meeting for the application of GOALS and a decision was made by NCASC to implement GOALS model for the costing of the National Action Plan (NAP).
- The ASHA Project conducted two orientation sessions to Nepal Police on post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP) of HIV. One hundred doctors and staff of Birendra Police Hospital participated in the orientation. PEP flow chart developed by the ASHA Project was introduced and distributed during the orientation.

- The ASHA Project facilitated a session on facts and figures about HIV/AIDS for the senior officials of Armed Police Force (APF). A consultation meeting followed the presentation to draft and develop HIV/AIDS curriculum and strategy for APF.
- The ASHA Project provided orientation on HIV/AIDS to the National Olympic Committee and National Sports Federations Representatives and to the members of Management Association of Nepal (MAN).
- The ASHA Project provided critical technical assistance and support to the National HIV/AIDS Program through participation in the following national technical working groups and core groups:
 - National Logistics Core Group: The ASHA Project Logistics Specialist as a member of this core group, contributed to the development of National Logistics SOP and national quantification of HIV commodities.
 - National Laboratory Core Group: The ASHA Project Laboratory Specialist and ASHA Project Technical Unit Leader participated in the VCT guideline development sub-committee and helped design HIV testing algorithm and made recommendations on test kits that can be used for HIV testing.
 - National PMTCT Technical Working Group (TWG): The ASHA Project ART/OI Specialist reviewed draft National PMTCT Guidelines 2007 and submitted comments to PMTCT TWG for the finalization of the guidelines.
 - National Pediatric Technical Working Group: The ASHA Project provided significant technical assistance in the development of the National Guidelines on Pediatric HIV and AIDS, which were officially disseminated by NCASC during this reporting period. The process was coordinated by UNICEF Nepal.
 - National VCT Technical Working Group: The ASHA Project Technical Unit Head participated in ongoing meetings to contribute to the revision of the National VCT Guidelines.
 - National OVC Technical Working Group: The ASHA Project Deputy Director participated in two meetings of the OVC/CABA National Task Force. These meetings oriented the task force members on issues related to Children Affected by HIV AIDS (CABA) and developed plans for field visits by the Task Force members to four districts in order to understand the situation of children affected by HIV/AIDS so that a response plan can be developed based on ground realities. The ASHA Project provided on-the-ground co-ordination support in Kailali district to facilitate this field visit.
 - National ART Core Group: The ASHA Project's ART/OI Specialist participated in National ART SOP Review Meeting and discussed the national ART documents.
- The ASHA Project, through Constella Future, has been supporting Armed Police Force to develop & institutionalize HIV/AIDS strategy and curriculum. The final draft of the curriculum has been submitted by the consultant. APF has allocated a room for the HIV cell.

Building Capacity of Civil Society

To build capacity of civil society to effectively participate in the national HIV response and reduce stigma and discrimination, the ASHA Project conducted the following activities during this reporting period:

- Conducted regular monthly program and finance review meetings with all ASHA Project IAs.
- Assisted IAs in strengthening their financial systems through mobilization of an expert consultant.
- Conducted a sustainability assessment with Sahavagi (IA in the Central Region) and a process evaluation with Community Welfare Center (IA in Kathmandu).
- Signed agreements with Federation of Sexual and Gender Minorities for strengthening of MSM/MSW Network; Dristi Nepal Institutional for building capacity of NGO run by Former Female IDUs; Sneha Samaj for strengthening of National Network of Women PLHA in Nepal; and, Conscious Media Forum for strengthening journalists for effective and analytical writings towards HIV and AIDS.

- Supported strategic planning exercise for NAP+N and Recovery Nepal to build the capacity of the two networks and their network partners.
- Conducted ASHA Project Orientation for 13 ASHA Project IAs in Kathmandu.
- Conducted an interaction session on HIV/AIDS related stigma for 11 PLHA support groups in Eastern Region during a workshop on Treatment Preparedness in Dharan funded by Tides Foundation.
- Administered stigma and discrimination leadership contracts to support vulnerable women. In this regard, a national federation of women living with HIV or AIDS in Nepal has been formed and is working actively. Dristi Nepal is working actively in the issues related to female drug users.
- Strengthened the capacity of the media to contribute to effective National response through training and regular advocacy. The Conscious Media Forum organized a media walk in the far western region of Nepal where there are major issues related to migration and HIV/AIDS. Twenty local journalists participated and reported on the event. Dissemination of this report is planned for January.
- Sensitized VDC and district level leaders and line agency stakeholders on HIV and AIDS in selected priority district. The HIV/AIDS curriculum was endorsed by Local Development Training Academy (LDTA). A press briefing was organized by LDTA regarding the endorsement. Training of Trainers was provided for the trainers of LDTA. The curriculum was launched in their regional training centers.
- 503 individuals and 43 organizations received training in HIV related institutional capacity building during this year.

Table 6: Presentations on Technical Updates under ASHA Project (Jan-Jun 2007)

S. No	Topic of the Session	Presenter	Audience
1	Post Exposure Prophylaxis of HIV	Dr. Durga Prasad Bhandari, Technical Unit Head	Doctors nurses and paramedics Birendra Police Hospital
2	Early Initiation of Antiretroviral Therapy in HIV-Infected Children Dramatically Decreases Risk of Death	Dr. Ramesh Acharya, Senior Technical Advisor, ASHA Project	Doctor nurses, Staff USAID, Tribhuvan University Teaching Hospital
3	Effectiveness of Drug Dependence Treatment in Preventing HIV among IDUs	Dr. Saroj Ojha, Project Coordinator, AMDA/ASHA Project	
4	International Pediatric Update with Lessons Learnt From Nepal	Dr. Bjorn Nilson, MD, MPH, ICEHA Clinical Mentor, Seti Zonal Hosp.	Doctor nurses, Staff USAID, TUTH, Kanti Hospital
5	Concept of Palliative Care and Importance of Comprehensive Symptom Assessment and Management:	Martin Duchesne, RN, ICEHA Clinical Mentor, to Seti Zonal Hospital	
6	Introduction to Hepatitis C	Dr. Pradeep Shrestha, Associate Professor' Institute of Medicine, TU	Doctor nurses, Staff USAID, TUTH, Kanti Hospital, NCASC Deputy Director
7	Hepatitis C and HIV Co-infection	Dr. Sashi Sharma, Associate Professor Institute of Medicine, TU	

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8	Scaling up ART for IDUs in Nepal	Dr. Penny Miller, Senior Technical Officer, FHI, Asia Pacific Regional Office, Bangkok	
9	ART drug interaction among IDUs	Dr. Sushil Shakya, Senior Medical Officer, Bir Hosp.	
10	Laboratory safety	Dr. Motiur Rahman, PhD, Deputy Director of Laboratory Sciences, FHI/Asia Pacific Regional office Bangkok	Laboratory experts and staff of NPHL
11	HIV /AIDS - An Overview	Dr. Durga Prasad Bhandari, Technical Unit Head, FHI/ASHA	Doctors nurses and paramedics of the hospital

Results Area 3: Improve planning, collection, analysis and use of strategic information by stakeholders to facilitate a more effective and targeted response to the HIV/AIDS epidemic

- Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) training was conducted for three implementing partners in Western region to introduce M&E concepts and its importance in managing programs and to develop an M&E guideline. Another refresher workshop on monitoring, reporting system, process and tools was held in the Eastern region to re-orient the monitoring concepts and processes as well as to review the existing recording and reporting system along with tools being used by IAs.
- Orientation training was conducted for IAs on the FHI Management Information System (MIS) and mapping tools. Outreach educators and community mobilizers were involved in practical exercises and discussed operational definitions of the indicators.
- The ASHA Project Surveillance, Research and M&E Unit, with technical support from FHI/Cambodia and FHI/India, conducted a data quality audit (DQA) with 19 IAs to audit the quality of the data being reported. USAID/Nepal also participated in the process. The report of this DQA was shared with NCASC, UNAIDS, UNDP, USAID, and WHO. A separate presentation on the DQA findings was made during the Quarterly Coordination Meeting.
- FHI/Nepal's SRM Unit Team Leader facilitated the National Strategic Information Technical Working Group (SI-TWG) meeting, chaired by the NCASC Director, to review the National HIV/AIDS Surveillance System and planned IBBS studies for 2008. Study findings of HIV prevalence from 2007 rounds of Integrated Bio-Behavioral Surveys (IBBS) conducted by FHI/Nepal among IDUs in Kathmandu and Pokhara and among MSM in Kathmandu were shared among the SI-TWG members.
- Dimitri Prybylski, Senior Technical Officer trained FHI/Nepal and New ERA staff on the use of Respondent Driven Sampling Analysis Tool (RDSAT) for analyzing data collected in the 2007 rounds of IBBS among IDUs in Kathmandu and Pokhara and MSM in Kathmandu. Following this training, New ERA staff adopted RDSAT analysis technique and included these results in the IBBS reports.
- The ASHA Project's SRM Team Leader and MIS Program Officer attended United Nations General Assembly Special Session on HIV/AIDS (UNGASS) Indicators Consultative Meeting which was organized to share the data compiled by NCASC, with technical support from the SI-TWG, to a wider audience. The ASHA Project's SRM Team Leader made a presentation on the UNGASS data validation process. Altogether 50 people participated from various government organizations, NGOs

and donor agencies. At the end of the meeting NCASC formed a Task Force for further data collection and validation for UNGASS reporting.

- ASHA Project SRM Team Leader provided technical assistance to for estimation of HIV Infections in Nepal for 2007 including support to a two-day workshop. This workshop was jointly organized by NCASC, UNAIDS, WHO and FHI. SRM team leader continued to participate in several follow-up meetings organized by NCASC and UNAIDS in this regard.
- The ASHA Project provided technical assistance that ensured sufficient data and information on the HIV epidemic and key indicators to enable successful use of the GOALS resource allocation model.
- The ASHA Project revised Integrated Health Service (IHS) for MARPs to include feedback from users regarding usability of current forms; incorporation of recommendations made by DQA studies; and initiation of a process to integrate ASHA Project MIS with National HIV M&E Strategy and Plan requirements.
- The ASHA Project calculated key PMP indicators and shared with NCASC and USAID.
- The ASHA Project made presentations on the HIV Epidemic in Nepal: an update to a national forum that was discussing the GOALS Model; The HIV epidemic: Global and Nepal's scenario to staff members of MAN; The HIV Epidemic and Program Concerns to representatives from all IAs in Kathmandu, Government, UN and other key stake holders; The HIV epidemic in Nepal to VSO volunteers; Study area and sample size calculations for the upcoming IBBS among the wives on migrants in Western Nepal to SI-TWG members and members from key network organizations.

Results Area 4: Increase access to quality care, support and treatment services through public, private and non-governmental sources for PLHA and their families

- During this reporting period, major modifications were made in the service delivery mechanism of Integrated Health Services (IHS). AMDA phased out from the Central Terai region and the areas being covered by AMDA were handed over to SAHAVAGI and GWP, two local NGOs. Similarly, based on the recommendations of the experts to increase coverage, AMDA's service delivery in Eastern terai was modified to have five static sites instead of mobile clinics and the clinics are now headed by Health Assistants with technical expertise being part-time available from a physician doctor.
- ART/OI Specialist conducted supportive monitoring visits to three clinics offering the Essential Package of Care for PLHA in Kathmandu valley to provide on-site clinical mentoring.
- The ASHA Project field tested and finalized standard operating procedure (SOP) manual for CHBC, STI, VCT and ART. QA/QI tools for VCT review were developed, field tested and used in National VCT review. This tool includes checklists for VCT, Lab, CHBC, STI, EPC, and ART. Curriculum for laboratory training, CHBC refresher training and outline of STI refresher training curriculum were also developed.
- The ASHA Project continued to provide technical monitoring visits to ASHA IAs to monitor, supervise and support the quality of the laboratory services; STI and HIV clinical services; strategic behavioral communication activities; and CHBC activities. ASHA Project partner AMDA also provided supportive technical supervision to 10 IAs during this reporting period.
- Conducted one 10-day HIV Clinical Management Training Program in coordination with NCASC for a total of 19 participants.
- Conducted 6-day training on STI Case Management for 21 participants out of which five participants were from government health facilities. In addition, organized one three-day refresher training on STI Case Management for 13 participants to refresh the previously trained health care providers on STI Case Management National Guidelines.

- Conducted two, 3-day Laboratory Training on STI/VCT for 42 participants (government, UNDP and ASHA implementing partners) to train laboratory personnel on laboratory diagnosis of STI and HIV according to the National Guideline.
- Conducted three 3-day training on Universal Precautions/PEP for 73 participants (doctors, staff nurses, health assistants, lab personnel, counselors and clinical support staff) to train IHS clinical staff on practice of universal precautions and post exposure prophylaxis within their health facility.
- Conducted one 7-day National CHBC Training Program for 27 participants comprising of 24 support group members and three medical doctors from eight IAs. The training sessions were on home visit skills practice, sharing of CBHC activities, PMTCT and ART for children. In addition, two 4-day refresher trainings on CHBC were conducted for 44 participants.
- Conducted two 10-day trainings on VCT counseling for 38 participants from 20 organizations. Another five-day VCT counselor's refresher training was organized during this reporting period attended by 14 participants from 8 organizations. In addition, two five-day basic counseling skills training for community workers was conducted for 40 participants from ASHA IAs.
- Continued to provide clinical mentoring on OI case management to health providers from ASHA Project partners who provide health services for PLHA and on ART to staff from Seti and Mahakali Zonal Hospitals.
- Through a specialized organization, ASHA Project carried out monitoring of the HIV counseling services provided by ASHA Project-supported VCT sites being run by eight partners to assess quality of counseling and to provide feedback to the counselors and the implementing agencies.

<p>Results Area 5: Create linkages among stakeholders and support national coordination of Nepal's cross sectional HIV/AIDS program supported</p>
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- The ASHA Project conducted its Quarterly Coordination Meetings with its IAs and stakeholders in 4 different regions. The purpose of these meetings was to discuss and share program activities, coordination, collaboration, networking and cross cutting issues among government and non-governmental stakeholders to improve effective and coordinated response to HIV/AIDS.
- The new UNAIDS Country Coordinator was oriented about the ASHA Project by ASHA Project Chief of Party and Senior Policy Advisor.
- The ASHA Project Senior Policy Advisor briefed the Director, National Center for AIDS and STD Control (NCASC) on the progress of policy related activities under the ASHA Project. The DACC analysis report was also shared and discussed.
- Conducted regular coordination meetings with government and other collaborating agencies including WHO, UNAIDS and the NMARC Project.
- Continued to support the DACCs through local IAs including district level meetings and presentations of project activities to key district stakeholders. DACC members participated in ASHA-regional quarterly meetings and issues related to DACC improvements were shared.
- Partners like UNDP, government partners and regional entities were invited to and attended ASHA Project quarterly coordination meetings where ASHA Project progress and coordination issues were discussed.
- Coordinated field level logistics including communication with partners during visits from government and NCASC delegates. Example – Children affected by HIV and AIDS assessment visit by NCASC to Kailali district.
- Held meetings with UNDP to coordinate mutual partner related issues as well as the renovation of NPHL.

Other Supported Activities

Universal Access for Children Affected by AIDS in Nepal (UCAAN) Launched

The US Embassy, USAID/Nepal, UNICEF Nepal, FHI Nepal and National Association for People Living with HIV/AIDS in Nepal (NAP+N) joined hands to launch UCAAN Partnership to support the Government of Nepal under the coordination of the National Centre for AIDS and STD Control to mitigate the impact of HIV/AIDS on children and their families in Nepal. The partnership, which has been made open to other key stakeholders, seeks protection, care and support for children affected by AIDS, with the goal of ensuring early entry into care and/or treatment and to increase access to comprehensive services for children throughout the country.

Distribution of Direct Relief International donations

FHI/Nepal completed the distribution of medical equipment and supplies to government and IAs received as donation from Direct Relief International (DRI).

Media coverage for the ASHA Project

ASHA Project's Chief of Party appeared on a popular talk show called *Bahas* (debate) along with Health Secretary and President of National Association for People Living with HIV/AIDS in Nepal. Communication Specialist talked about ASHA Project activities and the current HIV scenario in Metro FM and in the state owned television.

FHI Nepal's Associate Director recognized for excellence

FHI/Nepal's Associate Director for Finance and Administration, has been awarded the prestigious FHI Lynda Cole Award of Excellence for 2007. The Associate Director has been recognized as representing the attributes that were valued by Lynda and of having made major contributions to FHI and its mission.

IV. Monitoring and Evaluation Update

ASHA Project OP indicators[†] and achievements for this reporting period are in Annex D. A summary of all trainings and workshops conducted for the period are summarized in Annex E. Highlights of achievements related to targets for this reporting period are as follows:

- Exceeded by 10% the target for the number of individuals reached through community outreach.
- Exceeded the target (45) for the number of USAID-assisted organizations providing HIV-related services.
- Exceeded by nearly double the target set for the number of individuals trained to promote HIV prevention.
- Exceeded the target for number of individuals trained to promote HIV/AIDS prevention through other behavior change beyond abstinence and/or being faithful. The excess was mainly contributed by refresher training of ICH PEs and counseling training to the community workers.
- Met the target for the number of individuals trained in HIV-related policy development target.
- Met 50% of the annual target for number of organizations provided with technical assistance for HIV-related policy development.

[†] All OP indicators have been selected for this semi-annual period for reporting purposes. Some indicators are measured against the annual targets.

- Exceeded by more than 24% number of people trained in reduction of HIV-related stigma and discrimination.
- Targets for number of individuals and organizations trained in strategic information (M&E, surveillance and tools) through USAID assistance have not been met but most of the training programs are planned for Jan – Jun reporting period.
- Completed data collection among IDUs in Eastern and Western to Far-western *Terai* highway districts. Several rounds of dissemination have taken place for the IBBS. Final report being prepared.
- Targets for number of people living with HIV/AIDS reached with palliative care and support services at USAID-targeted service sites and to a greater extent for number of MARPs receiving STI treatment at USAID-assisted sites have not been met for this reporting period. This will be studied in depth during the subsequent reporting period.
- Exceeded the target on the number of individuals receiving VCT services.
- Exceeded the target of number of EPC and VCT sites providing services. The target for both was 30; the ASHA Project currently has 32 EPC and 32 VCT sites.
- Most training indicators are on course against the annual targets.

V. Constraints

Major constraints experienced during this reporting period were:

- Ongoing political instability;
- Irregular supply of STI and OI drugs; and,
- Absence of approved National DACC guidelines at the district level.

The constraint related to STI and OI has been communicated to NCASC and has been raised in the technical working group for logistics. NCASC has responded very positively to this situation and a mechanism has been developed to tackle this situation. It is expected that the supply of STI and OI drugs will gradually improve.

The constraints contributed to the delays in some planned activities and also affected the number of clients accessing available services. As in the previous reporting period, the political instability and difficult security situation in the Eastern *Terai* led to continuous disruptions in program activities. Similarly, the IAs are still facing shortages of STI and OI drugs and their regular supply hasn't yet been systematized.

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E a s t e r n	Indreni Sewa Samaj	INSES	605067	Mr. Surya K Moktan, Chairperson Mr. Chandra M Sangwa, Program Coordinator Asanpur VDC-6, Golbazar, Siraha Tel: 033-540015, 540153 e-mail: inses@ntc.net.np	Safe Highways: Prevention Projects in Siraha and Saptari Districts	Siraha Saptari	Oct 1 2006	Mar 31 2008	\$64,512
	Rural Development Foundation	RDF	605064	Mr. Vishnu Kunwar, Exec Director Pidari Chowk, Janakpur-9, Dhanusha Tel: 041-524971 e-mail: rdf@jncsweb.net	Safe Highways: Prevention Program in Dhanusha and Mahottari districts	Dhanusha Mahottari	Oct 1 2006	Mar 31 2008	\$63,505
	Sahara Nepal	Sahara Nepal	605069	Mr. Mahendra Giri, Exec Director Charpane 3, Jhapa, Nepal Tel: 023-543718 Fax: 023-542883 e-mail: saharanepal@ntc.net.np	Safe Highways Prevention Program in Jhapa District	Jhapa	Oct 1 2006	Mar 31 2008	\$46,803
	Social Improvement Development Center	SIDC	605068	Pankaj Nabh Singh, Chairperson & Exec. Director Dharambandh Road, Biratnagar-13 Tel: 021-527941, Fax: 021-537809 e-mail: sidc_brt@wlink.com.np	Safe Highways: Prevention Program in Sunsari and Morang districts	Sunsari Morang	Oct 1 2006	Mar 31 2008	\$62,117
	Dharan Positive Group	DPG	605091	Mr. Naresh Lal Shrestha, President Sainik Bhawan Line, Dharan - 10 Sunsari, Nepal Tel: 025-531321/9852047526 email: dpg_dharan@wlink.com.np	Home Based Care and Support Program in Dharan	Sunsari	Mar 16 2007	Mar 15 2008	\$11,038
C e n t r a l r e g i o n	Chhahari Mahila Samuha	CMS	605102	Dil Kumari Tamang, President Bharatpur Bus Park, Bharatpur Mobile: 9845067081 e-mail: chhahari2000@yahoo.com	Positive Prevention in Chitwan District	Chitwan	Nov 1 2007	Oct 31 2008	\$11,990
	General Welfare Pratisthan	GWP	605053	Mr. Mahesh Bhattarai, Program Director Naxal, Kathmandu G.P.O. Box-3245 Tel: 4473915, 2051022/ 057-520642 (Hetauda) e-mail (Kathmandu): gwp@ntc.net.np Hetauda: RR Chalise (Project Coordinator)	Safe Highways: Prevention to Care Services in Five Central Districts	Makwanpur Bara Parsa Rautahat Sarlahi	Sep 16 2006	Mar 15 2008	\$233,098
	Sahavagi	Sahavagi	605082	Mr. Shaligram Sharma, Program Manager Mr. Yam Bahadur Gurung, Project Coordinator Bharatpur12, Pokhareli Tol, Chitwan 056-527388, 532348 sahavagi@wlink.com.np	Safe Highway Project in Chitwan and Nawalparasi	Chitwan Nawalparasi	Dec 1 2006	Nov 30 2007	\$41,109
	Student Awareness Forum	BIJAM	605076	Mr. Mahesh Aryal, President Mr. Binay Amatya, Project Coordinator Pani Tanki, PO Box 94, Birgunj, Parsa Tel: 051520576; 621399; 051525473 email: bijam@wlink.com.np	Integrated Health Services for IDUs, Migrants and PLHA in Birgunj	Parsa (Birgunj)	Oct 1 2006	Mar 31 2008	\$57,828
	Lumbini Plus	LP	605104	Ms. Nirmala Paudel, President Shivamandir - 3, Kawasoti Thana Tel: 078-540011 e-mail: lumbini_plus@yahoo.com	Positive Prevention in Nawalparasi District	Nawalparasi	Nov 1 2007	Oct 31 2008	\$11,990

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K a t h m a n d u V a l l e y	Community Action Center	CAC	605063	Ms. Tulasa Lata Amatya, President Jamal, Kathmandu, G.P.O Box: 8234 Tel: 4245240/4245249 e-mail: cac_nepal@wlink.com.np	Integrated Health Services for FSWs and their Clients	Kathmandu Bhaktapur Lalitpur	Oct 1 2006	Sep 30 2007 Jul 31 2008 (Amd#1)	\$76,341 ↑ \$83,395 (Amd#1)
	Community Welfare Center	CWC	605062	Mr. Banmali Subedi Program Manager Thapathali, Kathmandu Tel:- 4268328, 4249787 e-mail: cwc@vianet.com.np	HIV/AIDS Prevention Project Among Clients of FSWs in Kathmandu Valley	Kathmandu Bhaktapur Lalitpur	Oct 1 2006	Mar 31 2008	\$116,388
	Jagriti Mahila Sangh	JMS	605093	Ms Bijay Dhakal (9803269211) Ms Bhawana Sanyasi (9841538775) Ratopool, Kathmandu Tel: 2100680	Network Capacity Building for Advocacy	Kathmandu Valley	Feb 16 2007	Feb 15 2008	\$10,003
	Sahara Plus	Sahara Plus	605089	Ms. Rosy Khadgi, President GPO Box 9580 (c/o J.R. Koirala) Buddhanagar Tel: 2220406 e-mail: saharaplus2005@gmail.com	Care and Support Services to PLHA in Kathmandu	Kathmandu Valley	Feb 16 2007	Feb 15 2008	\$7,378
	Sneha Samaj	Sneha	605071	Ms. Chhiring Doka Sherpa, President Dhobighat, Kathmandu Tel: 2210202 e-mail: snehasamaj@enet.com.np	Care and Support Project in Kathmandu for Women PLHA	Kathmandu	Oct 1 2006	Mar 31 2008	\$18,321
	Society for Empowerment-Nepal	STEP Nepal	605083	Jyotsana Shrestha, Project Director Jawalakhel, Lalitpur, PO Box 4664 Tel: 5546601 e-mail: stepnepal@wlink.com.np	Prevention Program Among Establishment Based Female Sex Workers in Kathmandu	Kathmandu	Dec 1 2006	Nov 30 2007	\$29,121
	Society for Positive Atmosphere and Related Support to HIV and AIDS	SPARSHA Nepal	605073	Mr. Ujjwal Karmacharya, General Secretary Mr. Madhav Adhikari, Coordinator Sanepa, Indrayanithan Tel: 5527654/ 5527354 e-mail: sparshanepal@wlink.com.np	Care and Support Services to PLHA in Kathmandu	Kathmandu	Oct 1 2006	Mar 31 2008	\$32,727
	Society for Women's Awareness in Nepal (Nari Chetna Samaj)	SWAN	605092	Ms Shova Dongol (9841207726), Chairperson Bijulibazar, Kathmandu, Nepal Tel: 4233801 e-mail: swannet@ntc.net.np	Network Capacity Building for Advocacy	Kathmandu Valley	Feb 16 2007	Feb 15 2008	\$10,003
	STD/AIDS Counseling and Training Services	SACTS	605052	Dr. Vijay Lal Gurubacharya, Chairman Ms. Purna Devi Mandhar, Proj Coordinator New Road, Kathmandu, G.P.O Box: 7314 Tel: 4246612, 2002172 Fax: 4227379 e-mail: sacts_vct@ntc.net.np	Integrated Health Services for MARPs in Kathmandu	Kathmandu	Sep 16 2006	Mar 15 2008	\$87,933
	Trisuli Plus		605103	Mr. Achut Sitoula, Chairman Bidur-3, Nuwakot Tel: 10-560727 e-mail: bista001@yahoo.com	Positive Prevention in Nuwakot District	Nuwakot	Nov 1 2007	Oct 31 2008	\$11,996
Youth Vision	YV	605061	Mr. Jagadish Lohani, Director Putalisadak, Kathmandu P.O Box: 8801 Tel: 4231684 e-mail: yvct@wlink.com.np	Prevention to Care Services for Most at Risk Groups	Kathmandu	Oct 1 2006	Mar 31 2008	\$77,200	

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W e s t e r n	International Nepal Fellowship	INF	605066	Mr. Buddhibal Ramtel, Act. Section Manager, Paluwa Srijana Chowk PO Box 28, Pokhara, Kaski Tel: 061-527818, 431015 Fax: 061-530940 e-mail: paluwa.manager@kaski.nepal.inf.org	STI/VCT/Care Services in Pokhara	Pokhara	Oct 1 2006	Mar 31 2008	\$86,272
	Naulo Ghumti	NG	605060	Mr. Ram Prasad Gyawali, Exec Director Mr. Som Lal Ojha, Program Manager Pragati Marg, New Road, PO Box 387, Pokhara Tel: 061-525235/ 539765 email: nauloghumti@ngn.org.np	Integrated Health Services for IDUs in Pokhara	Kaski (Pokhara and Lekhnath)	Oct 1 2006	Dec 31 2007	\$89,827
	Women Acting Together for Change	WATCH	605054	Ms. Sharmila Shrestha, Program Manager Battispatali, Maitidevi G.P.O. Box: 11321 Tel: 4492644 Fax: 4494653 e-mail: watchftp@wlink.com.np	Comprehensive Program on HIV/AIDS in Rupandehi and Kapilvastu Districts	Rupandehi Kapilvastu	Oct 1 2006	Feb 29 2008	\$124,697
	Child and Women Empowerment Society Nepal	CWES	605100	Ms. Sarala Kumari Pandey, Chairperson Ms. Bishnukala Bhandari, Program Coordinator Fewa Marg, Opp. Pokhara Foods, Pokhara Tel: 061-691488 e-mail: cwes@pinet.com.np; cwesn.kaski@gmail.com	HIV/AIDS Prevention to Care Program in Kaski District	Kaski	Jun 1 2007	May 31 2008	\$35,384
	Dahulagiri Positive Samuha	DPS	605106	Mr. Chandra Bahadur Khattri, Vice Chairperson, Mr. Sitaram Thapa, team Leader Guthi, Baglung Municipality-3 Tel: 068-520839, 9857620763 e-mail: amkbg1@ntc.net.np	Positive Prevention Program in Baglung and Parbat District	Baglung/ Parbat	Nov 1, 2007	31-Oct-08	\$12,887
M i d - w e s t e r n	Institute of Community Health	ICH	605059	Mr. Shankar Raj Joshi, Chairman PO Box 24950, Mitra Marga, Tinkune Subidhanagar, Kathmandu Tel: 6205180 (Ktm) Mr. Dil Bahadur Khadka, Project Coordinator 081-520920 (Nepalguni)	Safe Highway Initiative in Mid Western Nepal	Dang Banke Bardiya	Oct 1 2006	Mar 31 2008	\$92,245
	Junkiri	Junkiri	605098	Mr. Bhim Bahadur Ghale, President Bus Park Road, Nepalgunj-5, Banke Tel: NA Fax: 081-525455	CHBC services for PLHA in Banke District	Banke	Jun 1 2007	May 31 2008	\$16,934
	Nepal STD and AIDS Research Center	NSARC	605065	Dr. G. Raj Shakya, President Mr. Bachnu Jha, Project Coordinator PO Box 19, Nepalgunj, Banke Tel: 081-522522, 526522 e-mail: N_sarc_vct@wlink.com.np	Prevention to Care Services in Western Districts	Banke Bardiya	Oct 1 2006	Dec 31 2007 (Cost Amd#1)	\$101,349 ↑ \$14,779 (Amd#1)

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F a r - w e s t e r n r e g i o n	Asha Kiran Pratisthan	AKP	605096	Ms. Janaki B.K., President Mr. Sadhu Ram Rana, Project Coordinator Mobile: 9741064977 Attariya Chowk, Attariya, Kailali Tel: 091-550690 (on request) e-mail: NA	CHBC Services for PLHA in Kailali District	Kailali	Mar 16 2007	Mar 15 2008	\$16,309
	Equal Access	EA	605055	Mr. Nirmal Prasad Rijal Country Manager PO Box 118, Kupondole, Lalitpur Tel: 5550961/5521230 e-mail: nrjal@equalaccess.org	Safe Migration Radio Program	Kanchanpur Kailali Accham	Oct 1 2006	Dec 31 2007	\$94,445
	Gangotri Rural Development Forum	GRDeF	605095	Mr. Kul Bahadur Sethi, Vice President Bayalpata, Achham Tel: 097-629305, Fax: 097-629305 e-mail: NA	CHBC Services for PLHA in Achham District	Accham	Mar 16 2007	Mar 15 2008	\$15,294
	Nepal National Social Welfare Association	NNSWA	605058	Mr. Ashok Bikram Jairu, Exec Director Mr. Bhaskar Bhattarai, Coordinator Airport Road, Mahendranagar Tel: 099-525539/525703/ 523805 e-mail: general@nnswa.org; nnswaihs@ntc.net.np	Care and Treatment for Migrants in Kanchanpur	Kanchanpur	Oct 1 2006	Jan 31 2008	\$70,399
	Nepal Red Cross Society Kanchanpur	NRCS/ Kanchanpur	605056	Mr. Keshab Dhatta Pant, Exec Director Hospital Road, Mahendranagar Tel: 099-525588 e-mail: nrckpur@ntc.net.np	HIV Prevention in Kanchanpur for Migrants	Kanchanpur	Oct 1 2006	Jan 31 2008	\$74,436
	Thagil Social Development Association	TSDA	605099	Mr. Purnananda Lekhak, President Ainthpur, Mahendranagar Mr. Prakash Chandra Lekhak, Project Coordinator Tel: 099-525417	HIV Prevention and Care Program in Kailali and Kanchanpur Districts	Kailali and Kanchanpur	Jun 1 2007	May 31 2008	\$42,596
	National Health Foundation	NHF	605070	Ms. Jaya Dhungana, Exec Director Mr. Ranga Raj Dhungana, Advisor Bijulibazar, PO Box 10726, Kathmandu Tel: 4780791; 4780431 e-mail: napi@mos.com.np Mr. Vijay Gyanwali, Field Coordinator Tel: 097 690351(Achham)	Radio Listeners Program for Migrants in Far West	Accham	Nov 1 2006	Oct 31 2007 June 30,2009 (Amd#1)	\$28459 ↑ \$52,175 (Amd#1)
N a t i o n a l	Forum for Women, Law and Development	FWLD	605078	Ms. Sapana Pradhan, President Mr. Rup Narayan Shrestha, Advocate Thapatali 4242683; 4240627 e-mail: fwld@fwld.wlink.com.np	Legal Reform Program on HIV/AIDS		Nov 1 2006	Sep 30 2008	\$45,159
	Management Support Services Ltd.	MASS	605107	Mr. Om Rajbhandari, Managing Director 1113, Ganesh Man Singh Path, Kalimati PO Box 13895, Kathmandu Tel: 4271157/ 4276129/ 4271613 e-mail: mass@mass.wlink.com.np	Supplemental Fund Activities for the support of National Center for AIDS and STD Control and National Public Health Laboratory		Oct 1 2007	Sep 30 2008	\$108,698

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N a t i o n a l	Sahara Paramarsha Kendra	SPK	605097	Ms. Minerva Jonchhen, General Secretary Thapathali, PO Box: 8975 EPC 2612, Kathmandu Tel: 4250480, 016215849 Fax: 4250480 e-mail: saharavct@hons.com.np	VCT Counselor Training and Supportive Monitoring of Services		Jun 16 2007	Feb 29 2008	\$28,618
	New ERA	New ERA	605090	Mr. Yogendra Prasai (Executive Director) Mr. Siddhartha M. Tuladhar (Project Director) Mr. Niranjana Dhungel. (Project Coordinator) PO Box 722 Rudramati Marga, Kalo Pool Tel: 4413603, 4423176 email: info@newera.wlink.com.np	Integrated Bio-Behavioral Survey among IDUs in Kathmandu & Pokhara Valley, Eastern Terai and Western to Far Western Terai; and MSM in Kathmandu Valley		Feb 1 2007	Dec 31 2007	\$158,318
	Voluntary Services Overseas	VSO	605081	Ms. Tracey Martin, Country Director Sanepa, GPO 207, Kathmandu Tel: 5541469 / 5521619; fax: 5524743 e-mail: vsonepal@vsoint.org	Building Capacity of Organizations Involved in HIV and AIDS		Dec 1 2006	Nov 30 2007	\$63,161
	National Association of PLWHA in Nepal	NAP+N	605077	Mr. Rajiv Kafle, President Mr. Sudin Sherchan, Coordinator Maharajgunj PO Box 8975, EPC 4112, Ktm Tel: 4372022 e-mail: napn@napn.org.np; sudin@napn.org.np	Capacity Building for PLHA Networks		Nov 1 2006	Oct 31 2007 Oct 31 2008 (Amd#1)	\$32,370 ↑ \$41,456 (Amd#1)
	Recovering Nepal	RN	605088	Mr. Ananda Pun, Chairman P.O. Box 6744 Tel: 21111047, 016222448 e-mail: recovernp@wlink.com.np	Institutional Capacity Building for Recovering Drug Users Network in Nepal		Feb 1 2007	Jan 31 2008 (Cost Amd#1)	\$28,286 ↑ \$8,795 (Amd#1)
	Management Association of Nepal	MAN	605109	Mr. Kedar Man Joshi, Executive Director Anamnagar, Kathmandu Tel: 1.4224475, 4240475 Fax: 4240475 e-mail: man@man.org.np	Support to Integrate HIV/AIDS activities in ministries of Nepal Government		Nov 1 2007	Oct 31 2008	\$39,889
	Federation of Sexual and Gender Minorities	FSGMN	605105	Mr. Sunil Babu Pant, President Shiva Bhakti Marga, House No 344, Khursaniatar, Lazimpat, Kathmandu Tel: 4445147; 4443350 e-mail: bluediamondsociety@yahoo.com	MSM/MSW Network Strengthening		Nov 1 2007	Oct 31 2008	\$34,789

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Subcontract under Constella Futures International									
1	Dristi Nepal	Dristi	605051	Ms. Parina Subba Limbu, Project Director Sundhara, Next to Singapore Guest House, Kathmandu Tel: 016214906 e-mail: wfnepal@gmail.com	Institutional Capacity Building of NGO Run by Former Female IDUs	Kathmandu	Jul 1 2007	Jun 30 2008	\$16,986
2	Sneha Samaj	Sneha	605051	Ms. Chhiring Doka Sherpa, Executive Director Dhobighat, Kathmandu Tel: 2210202 e-mail: snehasamaj@enet.com.np	Strengthening the National Network of Women Living with HIV or AIDS in Nepal	National	Jul 1 2007	Jun 30 2008	\$20,871.15
3	Conscious Media Forum	CMF	605051	Mr. Kiran Pokharel, Chairperson Anamnagar, Kathmandu Tel: 4267315 Fax: 4267315 e-mail: cmfnpeal@gmail.com	Strengthen Journalist for Effective and Analytical Writings towards HIV and AIDS	National	Sep 1 2007	Aug 31 2008	\$32,222

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National	NGO-Federation of Nepalese Indigenous Nationalities	NGO-FONIN	605108		Capacity Building of HIV/AIDS Networks	National	Dec 1 2007	Nov 30 2008	\$8,247
	Voluntary Services Overseas	VSO	605081	Ms. Tracey Martin, Country Director Sanepa, GPO 207, Kathmandu Tel: 5541469 / 5521619; fax: 5524743 e-mail: vsonepal@vsoint.org	Building Capacity of Organizations Involved in HIV and AIDS	National	Dec 1 2006	Nov 30 2007 Nov 30 2008 (Amd#1)	\$63161 ↑ \$68,595 (Amd#1)
	New ERA	New ERA	605090	Mr. Yogendra Prasai (Executive Director) Mr. Siddhartha M. Tuladhar (Project Director) Mr. Niranjana Dhungel, (Project Coordinator) PO Box 722 Rudramati Marga, Kalo Pool, Kathmandu Tel: 4413603, 4423176 email: info@newera.wlink.com.np	Integrated Bio-Behavioral Survey among IDUs in Kathmandu & Pokhara Valley, Eastern terai and Western to Far Western Terai; and MSM in Kathmandu Valley		Feb 1 2007	Dec 31 2007 Jan 31 2008 (Amd#1)	\$158318 ↑ \$----(Amd#1)
Kathmandu Valley	Society for Empowerment-Nepal	STEP Nepal	605083	Jyotsana Shrestha, Project Director Jawalakhe, Lalitpur, PO Box 4664 Tel: 5546601 e-mail: stepnepal@wlink.com.np	Prevention Program Among Establishment Based Female Sex Workers in Kathmandu	Kathmandu Valley	Dec 1 2006	Nov 30 2007 June 30 2009 (Amd#1)	\$29121 ↑ \$73,651 (Amd#1)
Central	Sahavagi	Sahavagi	605082	Mr. Shaligram Sharma, Program Manager Mr. Yam Bahadur Gurung, Project Coordinator Bharatpur12, Pokhareli Toli Chitwan 056-527388, 532348 sahavagi@wlink.com.np	Safe Highway Project in Chitwan and Nawalparasi	Chitwan Nawalparasi	Dec 1 2006	Nov 30 2007 June 30, 2009 (Amd#1)	\$41109 ↑ \$113,503 (Amd#1)

Annex A

Subagreements for ASHA Project (Jul-Dec 2007)

SN	Organization	Acronym	FCO#	Contact Information	Project Title	Districts	Start Date	End Date	Budget
Western	Naulo Ghumti	NG	605060	Mr. Ram Prasad Gyawali, Exec Director Mr. Som Lal Ojha, Program Manager Pragati Marg, New Road, PO Box 387 Pokhara, Kaski Tel: 061-525235/ 539765 email: nauloghumti@ngn.org.np slojha.pm@ngn.org.np	Integrated Health Services for IDUs in Pokhara	Kaski (Pokhara and Lekhnath)	Oct 1 2006	Dec 31 2007 June 30 2009 (Amd#1)	\$89827 ↑ \$----(Amd#1)
Mid Western	Nepal STD and AIDS Research Center	NSARC	605065	Dr. G. Raj Shakya, President Mr. Bachnu Jha, Project Coordinator PO Box 19, Nepalgunj, Banke Tel: 081-522522, 526522 e-mail: N_sarc_vct@wlink.com.np	Prevention to Care Services in Western Districts	Banke Bardiya	Oct 1 2006	Dec 31 2007 (Cost Amd#1)	\$101,349 ↑ \$14,779 (Amd#1)
Far Western	Equal Access	EA	605055	Mr. Nirmal Prasad Rijal Country Manager PO Box 118, Kupondole, Lalitpur Tel: 5550961/5521230 e-mail: nrjal@equalaccess.org	Safe Migration Radio Program	Kanchanpur Kailali Accham	Oct 1 2006	Dec 31 2007 Jan 31 2008 (Amd#1)	\$94445 No Cost (Amd# 2)

Note:

SA/Amendment in process

↑: Increased in budget

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No.	Name	Address	Consultancy Dates	Scope of Work
1.	Ashok Kumar Bhujel	Gothatar VDC-8 Kathmandu	Sep 7 to 15, 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide technical assistance to NAP+N to conduct strategic planning workshop to develop strategic plan
2	Dr Ram Prasad Shrestha	Teku, Kathmandu, Nepal	Feb 26 – Jul 30, 2007	Technical <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assessment of DACC status.
3	Dr. Lisa Lynne Stevens	ASHA Project Baluwatar, Kathmandu	Mar 8, 2007 - Mar 7, 2008	Technical <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To finalize the National Adherence Counselor Training; Finalize the clinical standard operating procedures for pre-ART services to be adopted nationally; Provide technical support for new ART sites as they roll out services; Provide clinical support to clinicians providing clinical care for PLHA and support clinicians Continue with ongoing projects.
4	Dr. Sashi Sharma	Khadka Gaun Khadka Bhadrakali VDC 3 Kathmandu	May 22, 07 - Apr 30, 08	Technical <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide ART case management support to the Far West including clinical mentoring, travel to ART sites, supervision of case management.
5	Kalawati Rai	Thecho, Lalitpur Nepal	Nov 29 to Jan 15, 207	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To support and assist Technical Unit to move forward with layout/design and printing of technical reports and proof read
6	Mamta Chand	Sukedhara-4 Kathmandu	Jul 23 to Aug 18, 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To shoring out and packaging of IEC materials for distribution to IAs
7	Mr Sanjay Rijal	Subidanagar, Tinkune, Kathmandu	Dec 17, 2007 – Mar 30, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Data collection for the GOALS model and develop technical report summarizing the sources of data inputs
8	Mr. Bhaskar Singh Lala	P.O. Box: 4855 Baneshwor Kathmandu	Apr 16 - Sep 30, 2007	Technical <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide technical assistance to build the capacity of the implementing partners; Assist in preparation of financial management system.

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9	Mr. Chhabi Lal Sitaula	B.S. Lala & Co. Putalisadak Kathmandu	Apr 16 - Sep 30, 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide technical assistance in preparing voucher, maintaining ledgers and reports; Strengthening the capacity of finance staff.
10	Mr. Hari Shankar Niraula	41 Lokpriya Marg Dillibazar-33 Kathmandu	Jan 5, 2007 - Jan 4, 2008	<p>Management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To assist FHI in relation to the labor law, SWC Act and other relevant legal acts, ordinances and issues required to execute its program activities.
11	Mr. Krishna Gopal Shrestha	Sankhu Salkha Ward No. 3 Kritipur	Jul 23 - Aug 11, 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To conceptualize and produce color and sketch images for the Biswas branding strip.
12	Mr. Murali Prasad Sharma	Maitighar Kathmandu	Jan 5, 2007 - Jan 4, 2008	<p>Management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To assist FHI in relation to the labor law, SWC Act and other relevant legal acts, ordinances and issues required to execute its program activities.
13	Mr. Sunil Babu Pant	Shiv Bhakta Marg 344, Khursani Tar Lazimpat Kathmandu	Jun 5 - Dec 31, 2007	<p>Technical</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To comment on Nepali Questionnaire for MSM; Sensitization to study team on MSM during training session; Review final report.
14	Ms Bandana Rana	Dhobighat, Lalitpur, Nepal	Jun 15 – Sep 15, 2007	<p>Technical</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide TA to Armed Police Force to develop their HIV/AIDS strategy and curriculum.
15	Pariksha Rana	Hanumansthan Marg Ganabhal, Kathmandu	Jul 23 to Aug 18, 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To shoring out and packaging of IEC materials for distribution to IAs Assist in setting up CO Resource room including data entry and labeling of books/publications/IEC materials
16	Pariksha Rana	Hanumansthan Marg Ganabhal, Kathmandu	Nov 5 to 8, 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Entering data into GSS for all the implementing partners of ASHA Project as per the technical areas and to cross check the date entered with the hardcopy or source provided.
17	Prof. Dinesh P. Chapagain	House No. 264 Adwit Marg Bag Bazar, Kathmandu	Jul 25 to 27, 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To work with APRO Senior Regional Director to design FHI major strategies and business development planning.

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18	Regina Thapa	Ward No. 15 Satdobato, Lalitpur	Jul 16 to Dec 31, 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To assist FHI staff in developing various submissions to DRI as per need along with updated and revised product needs list. • Update FHI/Nepal on international and national guidelines and policies that govern donations to Nepal.
19	Sagun Sundar Lawoti	Kupondole, Lalitpur	Oct 1 to Dec 31, 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To produce ASHA project's Newsletter • Translate documents from English to Nepali to English • Edit Nepali and English documents

Annex C
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International Travel

No.	Name	Address	Travel From	Travel To	Dates	Purpose
1	Jim Ross	FHI Asia/Pacific Regional Office, Bangkok, Thailand	Bangkok, Thailand	Kathmandu, Nepal	July 22 to Aug 4, 2007	To assist in program development of FHI/Nepal
2	Amrita Mathew	FHI/Cambodia	Cambodia	Kathmandu, Nepal	Sept 1 to 10, 2007	To provide technical assistance on data quality audit for ASHA Project
3	Sudip Mahapatra	FHI/India Delhi India	Delhi, India	Kathmandu, Nepal	Sep 2 to 15, 2007	To provide technical assistance on data quality audit for ASHA Project
4	Dimitri Prybylski	FHI Asia/Pacific Regional Office, Bangkok, Thailand	Bangkok, Thailand	Kathmandu, Nepal	Sep 1 to 11, 2007	To provide technical assistance to New Era and FHI staff on RDSAT
5	Jackie McPherson	FHI Nepal CO P. Box: 8803 Baluwatar Kathmandu	Kathmandu, Nepal	Bangkok, Thailand	Sept 6 to 22, 2007	To attend the Asian Regional Global Operations Meeting (funded through FHI core funding).
6	Bharat Raj Gautam	FHI Nepal CO P. Box: 8803 Baluwatar Kathmandu	Kathmandu, Nepal	Cambodia	Sept 19 to 30, 2007	To review the findings of the DQA and address them thoroughly (funded through FHI headquarters)
7	Penny Miller	FHI Asia/Pacific Regional Office, Bangkok, Thailand	Bangkok, Thailand	Kathmandu, Nepal	Nov 26 to Dec 15, 2007	To provide technical support in QA/QI system development and roll out.
8	Pranab Rajbhandari	FHI Nepal CO P. Box: 8803 Baluwatar Kathmandu	Kathmandu, Nepal	Bangkok, Thailand	Dec 2 to 8, 2007	To participate SBC global workshop
9	Dr Nalinee Sangrujee	Constella Futures Washington DC, USA	Washington DC, USA	Kathmandu, Nepal	Nov 13 – 17, 2007	Provide technical assistance in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • initiating the application of the GOALS model to examine the policy questions, • convene stakeholders' meeting to introduce the GOALS model and discuss its application and usefulness of the results. • Attend the stakeholders meeting and present the GOALS model.

Annex D
ASHA Projec Semi - Annual Report (Jul - Dec 07)
Targets and Achievements

Indicator		Target	Target	Target	Target	Target	Achievement	% Achieved	Remarks
		FY 07	FY 07	FY 08	FY 08				
		Oct 06 - Sep 07	Jul - Sep 07	Oct 07 - Sep 08	Oct - Dec 07	Jul - Dec 07	Jul - Dec 07		
1.14 Number of individuals reached through community outreach that promotes HIV prevention through other behavior change beyond abstinence and/or being faithful	FSWs	10,500	2,625	11,000	2,750	5,375	4,944	92.0	The IDU IAS who do demand generation were not required to fill prevention PIF for IDU reach. Therefore, the number represents IDUs reached by service delivery only. This is being changed in the next reporting period and the prevention target for IDUS will be met.
	IDUs	1,500	375	3,000	750	1,125	777	69.1	
	Male Migrants and their Spouse	14,000	3,500	17,000	4,250	7,750	9,472	122.2	
	Clients of FSWs	17,000	4,250	18,000	4,500	8,750	10,497	120.0	
	Other Male	1000	250	1,500	375	625	517	82.7	
	Other Female	1,500	375	2,000	500	875	781	89.3	
	Total	45,500	11,375	52,500	13,125	24,500	26,988	110.2	
Sub-IR2: Build Capacity of HMG/N and civil society to manage and implement HIV/AIDS activities and to inform policy formulation at national, local and community levels to reduce stigma and discrimination and enable access to services.									
2.2 Number of USAID assisted organizations providing HIV/AIDS services (including prevention-to-care)		43		45		45	48	106.7	Against FY08 Target (SA matrix)
2.3 (a) No. of individuals trained to promote HIV/AIDS prevention through other behavior change beyond abstinence and/or being faithful		700	175	750	188	363	654	180.4	Refresher training of ICH for PEs contributes a lot to the achievement, Counseling training to community workers. This annual target may need slight revision.
2.3 (b) No. of individuals trained in HIV related policy development		150	38	150	38	75	179	238.7	Futures
2.3 (c) No. of local organizations provided with technical assistance for HIV-related policy development		10		10		10	5	50.0	Against FY08 Target
2.3 (d) No. of individuals trained in HIV related institutional capacity building		200	50	250	63	113	503	447.1	Futures, Sahakarya, MSBK Nepal
2.3 (e) No. of local organization provided with technical assistance for HIV-related institutional capacity building		43		45		45	43	95.6	Futures, Sahakarya, MSBK Nepal

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2.4 Number of people who complete sensitivity training for reduction of HIV/AIDS-related stigma and discrimination	6000	1500	7,000	1,750	3250	4,052	124.7	
2.5 Number of HIV/AIDS supportive policies/laws approved			1		1	x		Not strated yet
2.6 Number of districts that have integrated HIV/AIDS into their district plans			10		10	x		Not strated yet
2.7 Number of ministries that have mainstreamed HIV/AIDS componen into yearly program			3		3	x		Not strated yet
Sub-IR3: Improved planning, collection, analysis, and use of strategic information by stakeholders to facilitate a more effective and targeted response to the HIV/AIDS epidemic in Nepal.								
3.2 Number of individuals trained in strategic information (M&E, surveillance and tools) through USAID assistance	200	50	225	56	106	48	45.2	Most of the M&E, MIS activities have been planned in coming months and the annual target will be reached by Sept 08
3.3 Number of local organizations provided with technical assistance for strategic information activities	43		45		45	7	15.6	
Sub-IR4: Increased access to quality care, support and treatment services through public private and non-governmental sources for people living with HIV/AIDS and their families								
4.1 Total number of service outlets providing HIV related palliative care (Including TB/HIV)	26		30		30	32	106.7	Against FY08 Target
4.2 Number of people living with HIV/AIDS reached with palliative care and support services at USAID-targeted service sites	1500	375	2700	675	1050	914	87.0	
4.3 Number of USAID-assisted service outlets providing STI treatment	23		25		25	27	108.0	Against FY08 Target
4.4 Number of MARPs receiving STI treatment at USAID-assisted sites	8,000	2,000	8,500	2,125	4125	3,069	74.4	An analysis was done to see where this target fell short and mainly, three IAs reported lower number of STI cases than targeted. This issue has been taken up by the technical unit with the respective IAs.

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4.5 Total number of USAID-assisted service outlets providing voluntary HIV counseling and testing according to national and international standards	26		30		30	32	106.7	Against FY08 Target
4.6 Total number of individuals who receive counseling, testing and results at USAID assisted voluntary counseling and testing service outlets	7,000	1,750	7,500	1,875	3625	7,848	216.5	VCT target for FY08 need revisions due to over achievement.
4.7 Total number of individuals trained in voluntary counseling and testing according to national and international standards	100	25	60		60	38	63.3	This is against an annual target and the targeted number will be reached by Sept 2008
# people trained to provide palliative care			60		60	27	45.0	This is against an annual target and the targeted number will be reached by Sept 2008
# people trained to provide ARV services			60		60	19	31.7	This is against an annual target and the targeted number will be reached by Sept 2008
# people trained in lab related activities			40		40	42	105.0	Against FY08 target (Lab)
# people trained in medical injection safety						73		UP/ PEP
# people trained in HIV related community mobilisation for prevention, care and/or treatment		0	60	15	15	x		
Sub-IR5: Linkages created among stakeholders and national coordination of Nepal's cross-sectional HIV/AIDS program supported.								
5.1 Number of national level collaboration meetings conducted with national level stakeholders such as NCASC, Ministry of Health and Population, Social Welfare Council, Association of International NGOs in Nepal and other ongoing programs related to HIV/A	10		10		10			
5.2 Number of Districts where HIV/ AIDS work plan developed by District AIDS Coordination Committee (DACC) through USAID supported ASHA Project	3		3		3	x		Not started yet

Note: Target for Jul - Dec 07 is calculated from the targets of FY07 and FY08 as this semiannual period falls in both fiscal years

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Workshops and Trainings

No.	Topic	Title of Workshop / Training	Dates	# of Participants	Type of Participants
1	Strategic Information (M&E)	Monitoring and Evaluation Training	7/16/07 - 7/18/07	19	Staff from ASHA Project IAs in Pokhara
2	Strategic Information (M&E)	MIS and Mapping Training	7/12/07 - 7/15/07	19	Staff of CWES (AHSA partner in Pokhara)
3	Strategic Information (MIS)	Workshop on recording and reporting tools	8/30/07 -8/31/07	10	Staff from ASHA Project IAs in eastern region
4	Advocacy	Stakeholders Meeting on Alternative Resource Allocation Models of Costing HIV & AIDS National Action Plan in Nepal	11/16/07 – 11/16/07	49	Stakeholders
5	Advocacy	Regional consultation meeting with DACC in Biratnagar (not reported in last SA)	6/28/07 – 6/28/07	29	DACC members
6	Advocacy	Regional consultation meeting with DACC in Nepalgunj	7/13/07 – 7/13/07	32	DACC members
7	Advocacy	Regional consultation meeting with DACC in Pokhara	7/20/07 – 7/20/07	33	DACC members

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8	Advocacy	Regional consultation meeting with DACC in Kathmandu	7/27/ 07 – 7/27/07	36	DACC members
10	Clinical Management of HIV/AIDS	Training on Clinical Management of HIV AIDS	8/26/ 07 – 9/5/ 07	19	Doctors, Staff Nurse/ Nurse
11	Laboratory (HIV and STI Testing)	STI/VCT Laboratory Training	7/16 /07-7/20 / 07	21	Lab Technician, Lab Assistant
12	Laboratory (HIV and STI Testing)	STI/VCT Laboratory Training	12/3/ 07-12/7/ 07	21	Lab Technician, Lab Assistant
13	STI Case Management	STI case management training (Refresher)	8/6/ 07-8/8/ 07	13	Doctors , Staff Nurse/ Nurse, Health Assistants
14	STI Case Management	National STI case management training	12/2/ 07-12/7/ 07	23	Doctors , Staff Nurse/ Nurse, Health Assistants
15	CHBC	Community & Home Based Care Training	12/24/07-12/30/07	27	CHBC workers
16	UP PEP	Training on universal precaution and post exposure	7/24/ 07 - 7/26/07	23	IHS clinical staff

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17	UP PEP	Training on universal precaution and post exposure	8/21/ 07 - 8/23/07	23	Doctors , Staff Nurse/ Nurse, Health Assistants, Program helpers
18	UP PEP	Training on universal precaution and post exposure	12/27/07 - 12/29/07	27	Doctors , Staff Nurse/ Nurse, Health Assistants, Program helpers
19	VCT	Competency Based Curriculum for VCT Counselors Training	8/2/ 07 – 8/11/ 07	17	Counselors
20	VCT	Competency Based Curriculum for VCT Counselors Training	11/19/ 07 – 11/28/ 07	21	Counselors
21	Capacity building	Training/orientation on office management	Jul – Dec 07	144	Members of Recovering Nepal & National Association of People living with HIV/AIDS
22	Capacity building	Training/orientation on financial management	Jul – Dec 07	79	Members of Recovering Nepal & National Association of People living with HIV/AIDS
23	Capacity building	Training of Trainers on HIV/AIDS Curriculum to LDTA Trainers (24)	12/11/07 - 12/15/07	24	LDTA trainers
24	Capacity building	Advocacy and leadership training	12/28/2007 - 12/31/2007	22	Sneha samaj
25	Capacity building	Group discussion on Personality and Career Development among female IDUs/DUs of Nepal (20)	10/31/07 - 10/31/07	20	Female IDUs/DUs
26	Capacity building	Ongoing TA and mentoring	Jul – Dec 07	38	Capacity building partners