

Schools - Agri-business - Solid Waste

New schools in uncleared

The construction of four new schools in the villages of Uppural, Seenanveli, Vaddavan and Il-lankaithurai is in their final stage. Earlier schooling



Primary school in Vaddavan, Eachchilampathai DS Division, temporary shed in the back and new school building under construction

was done in temporary sheds which had to be erected every year with the support from NGOs. The new and permanent buildings consist of four to five class rooms, an office for the principal and the teachers and sanitation facilities. Furniture will be made available. The average expenditure for each school is around Rs. 1.6 million. Most of the construction work is done by the School Development Societies.

Seed paddy cleaning and sorting machine arrived

IFSP is funding the Department of Agriculture's (DOA) 'seed paddy outgrowing programme'. Lack of quality seed paddy is a major constraint of farmers. The Department of Agriculture initiated the seed paddy outgrowing programme in Muthur DS Division. In Maha 2001/2002 180 farm families participated and a total of 45 acres was cultivated. The programme continues into Yala 2002. GTZ has procured a seed cleaning and sorting machine at a cost of Rs. 1.35 million. The MPCS Muthur is

renovating a building close to Killivedy. IFSP and DOA are going to facilitate the establishing of a 'Farmer's Company' to operate the 'Muthur Seed Cleaning and Sorting Centre'. DOA will provide



Unloading the 'Petkus K 41' seed cleaning and sorting unit at DOA, Trincomalee

technical expertise. MPCS Muthur is expected to manage the day-to-day operations in closest co-operation with an 'Association of Farmer's Organisations' which is presently being formed by DOA. IFSP will be providing organisational support. Altogether, IFSP-GTZ allocated Rs. 2.5 million for this project. MPCS Muthur spends almost Rs. 700,000 for the construction of the building. Besides seed paddy, the sorting and cleaning machine could also process pulses and other seeds.

Market stall opened in Padavisiripura

16 new market stalls were formally opened on 25 February 2002 by the president of the PS Padavisiripura and Team Leader IFSP-GTZ. GA Trincomalee had earlier confirmed to chair the handing over of the market stalls, however, he had to manage the mobile services which took place on the same day. The 16 market stalls were constructed by PS Padavisiripura in cooperation with the local 'Women's Association' at a cost of Rs. 300,000. Whereas funding was exclusively from

the Sri Lankan budget, GTZ provided the engineering expertise. The market stalls will benefit the public since the fair in Padavisirupura is now larger and more trading partners can cater to local demand. At the same time, the stalls create the opportunity for 16 new small scale businesses, mainly for women. This project promotes the local economy. IFSP is supporting similar projects for



Opening of market stalls at Padavisirupura main market: Women's Association takes over

local agri-business: rearing of fish fingerlings in floating cages in Mahadiwulwewa for tank fishing (ref. to IFSP news 17), banana and vegetable cultivation in villages in Muthur, extensive and semi-commercial horticulture and home gardening in 22 Agricultural Ranges, Palmyrah products.

Solid waste management action plan

The 'Solid Waste Management Action Plan for Trincomalee' was officially presented and handed over to Chief Secretary NEP on 2 February 2002. The solid waste action plan includes the Municipality of Trincomalee, the DS Division and Pradesha Saba Town & Gravets and the Pradesha Sabas of Muthur and Kantalai. The plan covers all relevant technical and organisational aspects to deal with the ever increasing amounts of waste produced by the population of Trincomalee town, Muthur and Kantalai. In fact, people perceive Muthur as the dirtiest town in the district. The Urban Council, the Divisional Secretaries and the Presidents of the Pradesha Sabas as well as the public are challenged. It is necessary to identify a

new landfill site and to reorganise garbage collection, transport and disposal. The UC Trincomalee and the GA Trincomalee should restrict the use of polythene bags and should ensure that plastic is collected for recycling. The many thousand local visitors coming to Trincomalee every weekend need to be advised to take their garbage home and not throw it away. Recently many deaths of deer were recorded. The cause of death is the consumption of plastic from thrown away food.

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TP 21 **75 Minor Tank Development Programme**, Inventory, planning maps, progress, IFSP

Administrative Map of Trincomalee District: district, DS Division and GN Division boundaries.

Thematic maps of Trincomalee district: villages included in the mid-day meal programme, PNA villages, poverty status of villages (in progress)

Well Inventory Maps of the northern coast of Trincomalee district

Maps of Minor Tanks with recent land use pattern covering most areas of Trincomalee district



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