

CANADA FUND PROJECT BRIEF

1. Project Title : Mainstreaming the Participation of the Badjao Sea-Gypsies (in the Sustainable Development of their Community)
2. Location : Davao City
3. Project Sector : Primary education
Basic life skills for youth and adults
Early childhood education
Health education
Basic Nutrition
Cottage industries and handicraft
4. CIDA Contribution : Php 1,314,000.00
5. Implementing Organization : Integral Development Services Phil Inc.
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6. Duration : December 07, 2004 - January 07, 2006
7. Project Description :

The project is an integrated community development program addressing the most basic needs of the Badjao community with the vision that they become empowered. The components of the program are: Education, Health and Nutrition, Livelihood, and Environment Restoration. Cutting across these components is strong community organizing activities and value formation. The project will not only prepare the internal environment of the Badjaos but will also prepare the outer /greater community of Davao City.

The project seeks fund support from Canada Fund for Local Initiatives for the components 1-4 (Education, Health, Nutrition, Livelihood and Environmental Restoration). Land Security and Shelter Components will be funded by Habitat for Humanity.

8. Beneficiaries : 250 preschool children, 100 youths and parents
9. Expected Results :

The following are the expected project results after one year of project implementation:

- At least 100 Badjao out-of-school youth and parents have been enrolled in the numeracy classes. Fifty percent of them are able to write and count functionally;
- At least 100 Badjao children aged three to five years have been enrolled in a pre-school program. Fifty percent of them are able to write the alphabet, count numbers from 1 to 10, sing nursery rhymes and do some drawings;
- At least 250 children have improve their health through the nutrition component as to be indicated by the positive difference in their weight prior and after the project;
- At least 10 Badjao leaders are able to represent their community for and other social functions and to spearhead community development activities at the community level. The Badjaos are also expected to have crafted their community development plan;
- At least two communal micro-enterprises have been developed;
- The accumulation of solid wastes at the household level has been reduced by 50 percent through reduction and proper disposal;
- The personal sanitation practices has been improved through the establishment of three communal toilets in the community;
- The Badjao community has been linked to other government and non-government stakeholders and service providers.
- A video/documentation of the project with support from the city government