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Lesson Learned from the grass-root activities to assist water and sanitation access at community levels in the Asia-Pacific



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JWF's Grass-root activities



4°C AQUA PROGRAM



Joint Program with 'TORAY'



Japan Water Forum Fund



Darvish Yu Water Fund

Example: The promotion of rainwater use in Sri Lanka through the 4°C Aqua Program



Objective:

- To promote rainwater use by making use of the roof on the house in the village where does not have water service
- To assist women and children to reduce the burden from collecting water

Good Practices:

- Encourage the participation from the recipients in the construction process as the supporting staff
- Coordination with the local implementing agencies of the project and local communities in the planning and the operation
- The improvement about the balance between the selection criteria of the recipients and their ownership
- Local implementing agencies' initiative to present the existing situations to the government and international community, and encourage them to understand the gap and challenges

Lesson Learned:

Challenges:

- **Cost & Benefit**
 - The cost to set up the rainwater tank is higher than buying water in terms of durable years
- **How to develop the criteria to measure the effects of projects**
- **Difficulties to gather the quantitative data and monitor the effect of the projects regularly**
- **Awareness and knowledge gap** between international community and local communities
 - **How to disseminate the ideas and co-benefits** for the implementation of the SDGs target on the gap
- ◆ **Necessary to organize the good practices and lessons systematically in line with local situations and to improve the PDCA cycle**

