

**DM 2005 Project Implementation
PROGRESS REPORT**

[June 21, 2006]

I. Background Information

DM Project Number and Title	1962-Sustainable Use of Blue Crab
Report Author's Name (if different from Team Leader)	Gamboa, Alfonso
Total Award	US\$ 40,260.00
Amount Disbursed to Date	US\$ 22,143.00 (55 % of the Total Award)

II. Progress Against Milestones

i) List the milestone objectives in the first column as expressed in the Project Agreement. The second column should indicate the current status of each milestone objective. In the third column, please provide quantitative data and qualitative information describing the status of the project against that particular milestone.

Milestone Objectives (Copy from the Agreement)	Status (Completed/ In Progress)	Descriptive Information on the Status
Milestone 2 Cross Site Visit	Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The LGU Officers and community members went to the Province of Cebu last June 14-17, 2006. The members went to areas that have already gone through the technology of Crab Meat Processing. (Please see Attachment A.)
Milestone 3 Production of Crab Pots	On going	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trained Crab Pot Weavers from Upland Barangays of the Municipality are now serving 60-70% supply of the entire demand of Crab pots. On an average, one weaver can finish 10-12 Crab Pots in a day. There are already 25 trained weavers who can produce quality crab pots in the upland communities. This is in addition to the 65 weavers trained in the first two batches. Annex II shows the increasing volume of crab pots produced by the upland communities. In the last three months, 80% of the crab pots were produced by the weavers trained under the project. Total crab pots dispersed to fishermen is 64,696 pcs. (Please attached report of the Summary of Crab Pots Distributed and Number of Beneficiaries Served)

Milestone 3 Boats refitted for crab pot fishing	On going	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Twenty (20) boats have already been refitted for crab pot fishing for the namely: Exzur Britan (2), Gina Abellar (3), Pepe Germino (4), Elmer Samanion (11). We refit boats at the rate of one fishing boat per week. We expect to achieve all refitting of boats by the end of September.
Milestone 4 600 families using crab pots as their method of fishing	On going	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are already 259 families using crab pots as their method of fishing. This is 43% Accomplishment of the target 600 families.

iii) Has your project's overall accomplishments to date exceeded the original plan?

Yes No

If Yes, describe your achievements:

The communities involved in blue crab fishing realized that a processing plant would be a substantial development for them to realize the full economic benefit of the blue crab resource.

III. Overall Project Progress

i) What have been the main challenges of your project to date? What, if any, adjustments have you made to your original business plan in order to overcome the challenges and meet your objectives?

Challenges:	Adjustments:

ii) Have any of your objectives changed or have you added new objectives since you signed your Project Agreement? If Yes, explain the changes.

Yes No

The new objective is to establish a crab meat picking plant which will be owned and managed by the crab buyers and crab fisherfolks who will be formed into a cooperative. This will protect our fishermen from price manipulation and exploitation.. This will also create opportunities for the wives and adult children of the crab fishers to have a second income by processing their own catch.

iii) Do you have any concerns about meeting your next milestone objectives?

Yes No

If Yes, what are the concerns and how do you plan on addressing those challenges?

iii) Although this is an interim report, are there any development outcomes or results of your activities to date that you would like to call attention to?

It is noted that the fund intended for the Training is more than sufficient for the actual need of the Implementation Team. It would be of great help if we can realign the balance of the training to the procurement of the materials and equipment as this is seen to be more advantageous to our beneficiaries.

iv) Reminder: In accordance with Paragraph 3.1.1 of the Project Agreement, each project team is required to submit a statement of account showing the use of the funds within three months after the last disbursement. As a part of periodical expenditure review exercise, please provide an annex with un-audited summary of expenses during this reporting period.

IV. Ancillary Achievements

i) Have you or has your organization received any awards/recognitions or media attention as a result of your DM-funded project during this period?

Yes No

If Yes, please specify the sources and identify the names.

Award /Recognition	Media
<input type="checkbox"/> Local: <input type="checkbox"/> National: <input type="checkbox"/> International:	e.g. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International: BBC News on Dec. 3-4, 2003 <input type="checkbox"/> Local: <i>Progress Channel. Every Sundays of the months of February, March, April, May, June, July, 2006</i> <input type="checkbox"/> National: <input type="checkbox"/> International:

Explain the Award/Recognition or the Media content:

The public remains unaware of this resource. We featured the project and the potential that it has to alleviate the economic condition of our fishermen. We also used this to try to develop a local market for our blue crab.

Attach web links/news clips, if available:

ii) Has your organization made any new partnerships as a result of this project during this reporting period?

Yes No

If Yes, specify type of the organization from the list below and describe nature of the partnership:

<input type="checkbox"/> Local Government: <input type="checkbox"/> National Government: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NGO: TAMBUYOG DEVELOPMENT CENTER is assisting us in obtaining our Marine Stewardship Certification <input type="checkbox"/> Bilateral Development Agency:	<input type="checkbox"/> Multilateral Development Agency: <input type="checkbox"/> Private Corporations: <input type="checkbox"/> Other: - Mass Media & Society Class, Mass Communications Department of the University of St. LaSalle, Bacolod City, Negros Occidental
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iii) Sustainability and scalability after completion of the DM fund are top of the DM Team's priorities. Has your organization leveraged new funding or secured future funding during this reporting period?

Yes No

If Yes, provide the following information.

Funding Sources: **Municipal Development Fund (Food Security Program)**
Amounts Funded/Committed: US\$ **5,000.00**

V. Requests to the DM

i) Do you have any comments on the overall process and support provided by the DM Team or Project Liaison?

The Blue Crab Project Implementation Team is very happy and grateful to the help of the DM Team especially the Project Liaison that though it is not part of the prior objective he even extended his help in the Crab Meat Processing Conceptualization.

ii) If your contact information has changed, please provide us with the new information.

Contact Name:	
Title:	
Organization:	
Primary Email Address:	
Secondary Email Address:	
Organization's Website	
Phone:	
Fax:	
Address:	
Postal Code:	

Annex I. Project Expenses for this Reporting Period

Items	Sub-Totals (USD)
1 Personnel	1,466.98
2 Materials and Equipment	17,809.00
3 Training	2,087.94
4 Travel	1,500.00
5 Evaluation/Information Dissemination	426.51
6 General Administration/Overhead	
7 Other	
Total Expenses	23,290.43

Annex II

CRAB POT SOURCES						
Month of:			MUNICIPALITY (LOCALITY)			
	OTHERS	%	UPLAND	%	LOWLAND	%
SEPTEMBER	5,797	89%	29	1%	670	10%
OCTOBER	7,652	92%	416	5%	172	3%
NOVEMBER	8,585	89%	601	7%	460	4%
DECEMBER	2,416	46%	2,610	50%	182	4%
JANUARY	1,580	58%	1,137	41%	25	1%
FEBRUARY	4,523	56%	3,169	39%	400	5%
MARCH	1,701	35%	3,102	64%	60	3%

APRIL	2,582	36%	4,354	60%	335	4%
MAY	-	0%	2,146	95%	102	5%
JUNE	2,140	22%	7,240	73%	510	5%
	36,976		24,804		2916	