

**DM 2003 Project Implementation  
PROGRESS REPORT**

[03/31/2004]

**I. Background Information**

<b>DM Project Number and Title</b>	# 1466 – Drishtee - Connecting India Village by Village
<b>Report Author's Name (if different from Team Leader)</b>	
<b>Total Award</b>	US\$ 68,100
<b>Amount Disbursed to Date</b>	US\$ 13,620 ( 20% 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.

<b>Milestone Objectives (Copy from the Agreement)</b>	<b>Status (Completed/ In Progress)</b>	<b>Descriptive Information on the Status</b>
e.g. Promotion of organic farming as an income generating activity: Train 40 rural women on organic mushroom farming .	Completed	43 women from 5 villages were trained through 3 organic farming classes. About half of them expressed a keen interest in this potential source of income.
1. Develop a hypothesis for the Service Development process 2. Identify factors which can determine price and volume 3. Prepare a set of questionnaires for the rural consumers 4. Prepare a tabulation format and a model for Centralised & Decentralised services 5. Identify model Kiosks for running the pilot services 6. Select 5 Model districts and seek necessary permissions from District officials for conducting the Survey.	Complete	<p>The Hypothesis has been defined as “ a kiosk can earn 6 K in Rs. Per month by servicing 5000 people in a village”. The factors which determine price and volume are a. Opportunity cost b. Per capita income c. Efficiency of the service provider d. Geographic and Psychological distance with the service provider e. alternative market etc.</p> <p>A Model Kiosk has been defined as the one, which is being operated by a Kiosk Owner, who performs the best, in terms of revenue/service mix. Ideally 3-4 or more Model Kiosk operators are identified at the time of training and are motivated to run the next generation Drishtee services.</p> <p>For the implementation of the Mission 6 K services, we have identified 1 + 1 Kiosk Operators in each districts of Sirsa, Morena, Jalandhar, Madhubani and Tezpur. In addition to the piloting of Mission 6 K, the Model Kiosk Operators would also be involved in routing the Government application. This way there cost of commuting to and fro from their Kiosk to the Block and the District headquarter can be covered.</p>

ii) If you did not achieve some of your stated milestone objectives, please explain the reasons.

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

Yes       No

If Yes, describe your achievements:

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### 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?

<b>Challenges:</b> The General elections have been announced.	<b>Adjustments:</b> We are trying to move faster now to cover up for loss of time later.
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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

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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?

There could be a possible delay of 15 days due to General Elections.
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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?

Too early for any possible outcomes at this stage
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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: <input type="checkbox"/> National: <input type="checkbox"/> International:

Explain the Award/Recognition or the Media content:

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Government: <input type="checkbox"/> National Government: <input type="checkbox"/> NGO: <input type="checkbox"/> Bilateral Development Agency:	<input type="checkbox"/> Multilateral Development Agency: <input type="checkbox"/> Private Corporations: <input type="checkbox"/> Other: e.g. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Multilateral Development Agency: Development Marketplace of the World Bank (financial partnership and technical assistance)
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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: Names of the Organizations

Amounts Funded/Committed: US\$ 000,000

## V. Information for the DM

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

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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**

<b>Items</b>	<b>Sub-Totals (USD)</b>
<b>1 Personnel</b>	4200
<b>2 Materials and Equipment</b>	640
<b>3 Training</b>	1100
<b>4 Travel</b>	1800
<b>5 Evaluation/Information Dissemination</b>	850
<b>6 General Administration/Overhead</b>	2100
<b>7 Communication</b>	920
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>11610</b>