

World Development Report 2007 Consultations REPORT

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1. Introduction

The World Bank PNG Office held consultations with young Papua New Guineans for the World Bank's annual World Development Report. The 2007 World Development Report will focus on youth issues. These consultations took the form of three 1 day work shops held in 3 different centers in PNG from the 21st to 26th November 2006. These workshops were facilitated by Country Office staff (Christoph Raudonat and Dodi Doiwa) and members of the World Bank Youth Consultative Group (Rex Paura, Emmanuel Ali and Stewart Yareki)

The aim of this consultation was to gather information and ideas on "Youth Issues" from different youth organizations and representatives from 3 different regions of the country to be included into the 2007 World Development Report on youth and development. Participants were representatives of youth and community groups as well as walk-in clients.

These consultations help identify problems that young people face in developing countries such as PNG, where youth make constitute up to 60% of the population. It is important to recognize the issues that young people are facing so that solutions can be found and so assist young people to contribute to the development of their country.

2. Methodology

Format: The one day workshops were run as follows:

- Introduction of World Bank and the World Development Report
- Introduction of World Development Report themes
- The participants were separated into sub groups according to the themes and assisted by facilitators.
- Group discussions –work with flip charts and laptops
- Group presentations of themes
- Follow up – Question and Answer session

Dates of consultation:

Roadshow dates:

Madang: 21. November

Goroka: 23.November

Port Moresby: 25 November 2005

3. Summary of the events

Madang – November 21st, 2005

The workshop for the Madang road show was held at the Madang Teachers College. This workshop was delivered in 2 parts. The first session was held in Monday 21/11/05. This session basically gave an introduction of the World Bank and then a description of the World Development Report 2007. The following day we went in for focused group discussion and presentations.

Goroka – November 23rd 2005

Street Interviews were conducted at the market place, on the streets and at the local radio station.



Port Moresby – November 25th 2005

The third workshop held in Port Moresby brought in an audience of 25 from several schools and youth groups such as the Youth Against Corruption Group which is affiliated to Transparency International. The format of this workshop was similar to the Madang consultations.

4. Main outcomes of the event

- For the main outcomes of these consultations please refer the document attached titled Summary, which gives a brief description of the consultations findings.

5. Potential for follow-up and Partnerships

The consultations showed the potential for close cooperation between World Bank Youth Program and Civil Society. The fact that number and variety of participants present were involved during the consultations in some way underlines this potential. Items discussed apart from the issues were possibilities of cooperation for youth outreach in the provinces.

Madang Teachers College

The Madang Teachers College is currently involved with various programs such as a rehabilitation program run in conjunction with the Provincial Prison, Beon Goal where low risk prisoners are taken as students on a yearly teaching program. They are also very much involved on HIV/AIDS awareness programs, using this as an opportunity for the students to visit rural communities and schools to promote this campaign.

Hauslain Radio Program/NBC (Goroka)

This program has a far reaching network that covers much of the Highlands region of the country. The issues that are aired on the program are very similar to those raised for discussion in the WDR 2007 consultations. Hence there was a definite interest in partnership particularly given the World Bank work with Youth Radio in PNG

Port Moresby Grammar School (Port Moresby)

Ongoing partnership with the school since 2003.

Youth Against Corruption (YACA)

Salvation Army

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