

Annex II

Nomination form for cities and local governments to participate in the campaign

Please send the nomination form and the mayor's letter to isdr-campaign@un.org. Nominations will be accepted on an ongoing basis throughout 2010-11.

City / Local Government (Please indicate the year the numbers were provided.)	
City name	Mannar Urban Council, Northern Province, Sri Lanka
Location (short description)	Mannar is located in the western part of the northern province , about 111km north west of anuradhapura. Its co-ordinates are approximately 9o 2' north and 79o 49' east. The urban centre is located on Mannar island situated in the north west coast of Sri Lanka.
Size (year)	27.85KM sq (UC profile 2008)
Population (year)	54,345 (2010)
GDP	-N/A-
Hazard type(s)	Floods, Drought, Cyclone
Name of Mayor / Commissioner / Governor / Community leader	
Mr. S. Gnanapragasam	
Which part of the city administration will be the focal point for the Campaign?	
Chairman's Office	
Contact details Focal Point	
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Which local institutions will be engaged in the Campaign? (In addition to the local government.)	
Disaster Management Center (DMC), Practical Action	
Major Disaster Risks (Please indicate major disasters that have occurred, prevailing hazards and vulnerable conditions.)	

The main disaster in the area is floods, Drought and Cyclone. The citizens are more prone to these hazards. Since Mannar is located in the Cyclone belt of Sri Lanka sever cyclones were hit in 1978 super cyclone. The community of the area is predominantly engaged in fishing and agricultural activities.

Achievements and plans in relation to the ten essentials areas

*A - Make an estimation of the **status** per essential as follows:*

1 - poor/nothing in place, 2 - some progress in place, 3 - in place, well functioning, or N/A

*B - Please describe main areas of **progress** and **achievements**.*

*C - Please identify **activities** and **plans** your city will pay special attention **to improve the current situation** during the campaign and beyond. Additionally, feel free to propose special events or activities your city would like undertake to raise awareness on disaster resilience. Please select the respective Essential(s).*

Essential 1 – Risk reducing organization and coordination in place

Status - 3

Progress and achievements – Mannar Urban council is close working with Divisional disaster management committee. Mannar Urban council was engaged in recent flood relief coordination with assistance of District Disaster Management Coordinators.

Plans – Mannar Urban council planned to enhance its Disaster Management Committee of the Urban council to be actively involve in decision making process in pre, during and post disaster process.

Essential 2 – Budget assigned

Status - 3

Progress and achievements - -N/A-

Plans – at the special council meeting a one percent 1% allocation will be proposed and approved for the disaster risk reduction activities of the council. this will be an exemplary action for the other institutions to follow and will be maintained as a fund for making the city resilient to disasters

Essential 3 – Risk assessment prepared

Status - 3

Progress and achievements – approached DMC for the technical assistance. discussions have been initiated with agencies for this purpose.

Plans - To finalise the disaster specific hazard maps for flood and drought with the help of the DMC and other technical agencies. the maps will be prepared in consultation with the community and all relevant technical agencies. This maps will be used as resource and reference material for DM planning and other development actions by the council and also promoted among other agencies in development.

Essential 4 – Investment in risk reducing infrastructure

Status - 3

Progress and achievements – Selected drainage systems have been rehabilitated

Plans – Implementation of selected structural mitigation activities on availability of funds. plan the structural work according to the hazard profiling by the DMC. allocating more funds within the UC budgets and mobilising the funds needed through the government and non government institutions.

Essential 5 – Safe schools and health facilities

Status - 2

Progress and achievements – - Disaster Management Awareness programs were conducted in the schools with the assistance of District Disaster Management unit of Mannar.

Plans – Education facilities in the area are proposed to upgrade

Essential 6 – Risk-compliant building regulation and land use applied

Status - 3

Progress and achievements – technical Officers of the Mannar Urban Council were trained on hazard resilient building designs and about the building codes.

Plans – The proposed development plan of the area assigned compatible uses for each land zone identified by the UDA with the assistance of Urban Development Authority (UDA)

Essential 7 – Education programmes and training in place

Status - 1

Progress and achievements – Tsunami Evacuation drills were conducted with the assistance of DMC.	
Plans – Facilitating the training and awareness creation programs by the DMC and other institutions in mannar UC area.	
Essential 8 – Ecosystems and natural buffers protected	Status - 1
Progress and achievements – have identified the eco systems and natural buffers prevailing in mannar through the CEA and CCD	
Plans – Assesment of the damage caused to the eco systems, facilitating the development of sandunes, regulations on settlemennet and construction in the eco sensitive areas of mannar, awareness creation activities to the community. cleaning and maintaining the natural drainage and water retention mechanisms.	
Essential 9 – Early warning systems installed	Status - 1
Progress and achievements – community based early warning mechanism was developed. This needed to be improved in the future.	
Plans – 1. identification of potential places for establishing early warning system for floods, Community awareness building along with DMC, MOH and other institutions., Establishing earlywarning working groups	
Essential 10 – Needs-based (survivors) reconstruction	Status - 1
Progress and achievements - -N/A-	
Plans – -N/A-	

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