

WORLD BANK ■ GOVERNMENT OF SAMOA
MEMORANDUM TO THE C6 GRANTS OPERATIONS COMMITTEE (GOC)
SECOND INFRASTRUCTURE ASSET MANAGEMENT PROJECT: (Cr. 3848-
WS)
COMPONENT C6: RISK ADAPTATION MEASURES SMALL GRANT SCHEME
(RAMSGS)

MID-TERM PROGRESS REPORT OF 50% GRANT FUND ON WATER POOL
REHABILITATION WORK BY SALA'ILUA VILLAGE WOMEN'S
COMMITTEE

1. INTRODUCTION

Strengthening the resilience of local coastal communities to withstand the impacts of natural hazards often require a mix of structural measures as well as non-structural solutions that are low-cost, small scaled and low tech. The non-structural measures involve the restoration of shoreline assets and marine natural resource systems that play key roles in coastal protection at the same time providing economically to community livelihoods.

The low-cost and small-scale nature of many soft options makes it appropriate that local communities implement them. Under the Samoa Infrastructure Asset Management Project Phase 2 (SIAM-2), a Small Grant Scheme is established as the mechanism for financing these.

2. BACKGROUND

- **Project Title**

The Sala'ilua Women's Committee submitted a proposal for funds to implement the rehabilitation of their village water pool that was damaged by previous cyclones and had not been tended to due to unavailable resources.

- **Amount Approved**

The Grant Operations Committee (GOC) at its meeting on 22 March 2005 approved the total amount of **\$13,004.00 SAT** to the Sala'ilua Women's Committee to proceed with the projects named above.

- **Disbursement**

The first 50% of \$6,502.00 SAT was disbursed to the Sala'lua WC after signing the Contract agreement with MNREM on behalf of the Government of Samoa. The first instalment was deposited directly into the women's committee bank account at the ANZ Bank.

SALA'ILUA WOMEN'S COMMITTEE AQUITTAL REPORT FOR FIRST 50% GRANT FUND.					
Funds Received					
First 50%		6,500.00		6,500.00	
EXPENSES					
Date	Items	Supplier	Committee Report Amnt (as it appears on inv incl tax)	VAGST	MoF Report amnt (b4 tax)
02/11/2005	40 Sheets Mesh Wire	SMI Hardware Centre	3,040.00	337.78	2,702.22
02/11/2005	6 Sheets – Plywood (1/8)	SMI Hardware Centre	600.00	66.67	533.33
02/11/2005	80 pcs x 3/8” Lengths Rebars	SMI Hardware Centre	960.00	106.67	853.33
02/11/2005	30 pcs x 2x3x18’ Local Timber	SMI Hardware Centre	486.00	54.00	432.00
02/11/2005	64 Bags Cement	SMI Hardware Centre	1,440.00	160.00	1,280.00
19/10/2005	Excavator Hire for 2 Days	Lady Miriama Transport Co. Ltd	5,625.00	625.00	5,000.00
		Total Expenses	12,151.00		10,800.88
		Overspend	(5,651.00)		(4,300.88)

3. EVALUATION OF PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION

- **Procurement**

Materials such as mesh wires, plywood timber, local timber and cement bags have been bought for the project work.

- **Constructions**

As reported by the Parliament representative of the village, construction work (Labour) involved the input from the aumaga of the village with support from the village council and the women's committee. An excavator was hired to dig and level the rocks and boulders towards the seaside of the pool. Work from the excavator has now stopped because it is expensive and up to now, it has not been paid.

4. RECOMMENDATIONS

- The Sala'ilua village women's committee has worked very hard to try and complete their project work.
- They have used up the first 50% amount of the grant fund and I recommend that they should be given the next amount to pay for the outstanding costs of the work not yet paid.

Yours faithfully



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Sala'ilua Water Pool (50% Funds Complete)

