

RF Management Software Training

Completion Report

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Introduction

Energising Development (EnDev) is working together with the Nepal Electricity Authority (NEA) for grid extension and densification in rural areas. Under the framework of community rural electrification program, a revolving fund (RF) is established to provide a soft loan to needy CREEs that help to bridge the financial gap to complete the financial closure of their electrification projects. GIZ/EnDev also provided capacity building measures to these communities and assisted them to operate in a sustainable manner. The modality of the revolving fund for grid extension is continuing with better fund management mechanism. The fund is also going to be up-scaled on result based finance approach based on repayment of loans and reallocation to new CREEs.

A software to properly manage the fund was developed by Young Innovations, as per the TOR set forth by EnDev. As part of the project, a training session was conducted after the software development was conducted. The report summarizes the training which was conducted.

Date and Venue of the training

The training was conducted on Monday, October 16th, 2017. The venue for the training session was Nepal Electricity Authority (NEA), Community Rural Electrification Department's Office at Banasthali, Kathmandu.

Training Team

The training was conducted by Mr. Sachit Bir Singh Dongol and Mr. Kiran Shrestha from Young Innovations. Mr. Sachit Bir Singh Dongol is the lead developer of the Software and Mr. Kiran Shrestha is a Software developer who was involved in the software development of the RF Software.

Participants

Mr. Kuber Pudasaini and Mr. Gyan Deep Poudel from NEA participated in the training session.

Training Summary

The training covered the basics, all of the workflows including the features and their correct usage of the Revolving Fund Project. The goal of the training was to make the users (CRED personnel) familiar with the features of the system, and to teach them how to use it. It also covered the different aspects of the Community Rural Electrification Program and how they have been incorporated with the system.

The training explained every feature and entity involved with the Community Rural Electrification Program in depth along with all the workflows required for the system to project all the real world data into the system and how to use them correctly. The training was targeted to the personnel at the Community Rural Electrification Department to make them able to tackle any difficulties regarding the project.

The system had the following features that had been explained in detail.

- Login
- Add a Bank
- Add Transactions to a Bank
- Add CREEs
- Add Loans
- Add Documents and Vouchers to a Loan
- Add Payments for Loans
- Add Expenses and Expense Categories
- Print Vouchers, download uploaded documents, view Transactions.
- Generate Reports

Conclusion

Finally, at the end of the training, we received positive feedback for the system. The attendees were quite impressed with the application, and felt that it was fairly easy to use. They were happy that the system had been made since it would make it easier for the department's personnel to track their records simply and more efficiently.