Welcome

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Rights of Migrants in Action

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GEMAPALU - INDONESIA
✓ **OBJECTIVES**

Access of potential migrant workers and members of migrant families to information and economic services in some selected areas of Lumajang, Probolinggo and Jember Districts areas is improved.
TARGET POPULATION AND BENEFICIARIES

DIRECT:
MALE - 1000
FEMALE - 2000

Migrant Worker Families,
Prospective Migrant Workers,
Migrant Workers of CU clients,
Community Based Organization

INDIRECT
25000

Gemapalu website visitors,
public campaign attendance,
Non-Migrant families with CU account,
the library book borrowers,
local key-government institutions (district and village level)
ACHIEVEMENT

- Credit Union members increased from 1020 at the beginning of the project to be 2,098 members at end of January 2017, as well as the asset increased from IDR 1,317,287,718 to be IDR 2,337,053,197 (amounting IDR 127,792,313 is cumulative remittance from migrant family relatives working abroad).

- 141 migrant worker families open account in CU, 111 migrant head of families (M/39 and F/72) develop small business from their remittance. CUSO mobile application provided by CU-GS is very helpful to monitor and manage the remittance.

- CU-GS services established in three targeted District: Lumajang, Probolinggo and Jember., giving job opportunity to 25 MFBO cadres as CU-GS staffs.

- 25 MFBO cadres become news contributor for website gemapalu.com
- 925 book borrowers (60% are children) benefited by mobile library.
- Campaign on the Rights of Migrant Workers and Safe Migration have been carried out in 15 schools, and 15 CBO, resulting cooperation with district/village government.
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**ACHIEVEMENT**

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Oct’15 – Jan’17

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KEY-OBSTACLES AND CHALLENGES

- There is no link between “Koperasi”, such as CU-GS with Bank in the destination countries of migrant workers, its difficult to access for information of the saved money owned by migrant workers in those bank.

- Poverty, consumptive culture, regulations that are not aligned with the rights of migrant workers create a vicious cycles of migrant worker issues.

- The Law No.39/2004 in regard with the placement and protection of Indonesian Migrant Workers is not given wider discretionary space and authority for local government to create legal instrument to protect migrant workers and prospective migrant workers.
LESSONS LEARNED

- Trust building (individually or institutionally) is a key-success factor in working together with migrant worker families for any purposes to make their life better.

- Education on life skill with creative ways, as well as to grow the reading culture, could encourage migrant worker families to be innovative to improve their social-economic situation.

- Capacity building for project staff/cadres, in term of management, finance, working with community, is very important to help them in developing empowerment programs.

- To inform the proper use of gadget and the benefit of library books reduces the tendency for children to play with gadgets.

- Journalistic training encourage MFBO Cadres to post writings, stories and news on Gemapalu website.
- Continued dialog and meetings between MFBOs and local government
- Development of business network, link to potential market for migrant worker families
- Produce IEC material (book, film) and disseminate the rights of migrant workers and safe migration.