India-Bhutan Development Partnership: High Impact Community Development Projects (HICDPs)

HICDPs are short gestation and community-oriented projects primarily aimed at infrastructure development in rural areas of Bhutan. HICDPs are aimed to effect a high-level of community impact especially in the areas of livelihood and income generation, health, education, gender and child empowerment, sports and sustainable development. HICDPs are planned and implemented by the local governments based on the priorities and needs of the respective communities. Focused on basic socio-economic development, these projects are found to be an effective tool for addressing rural poverty as they have a direct bearing on the lives of the grassroots people. These projects are ongoing across all the twenty districts and are supported with GOI assistance through the 12th Five Year Plan of Bhutan.

Project I: Black Topping of Access Road from Laya Junction to Gasa BHU I

The access road was built to improve the accessibility of Gasa Basic Health Unit in the Gasa District of Bhutan. The project has benefitted about 3,952 people of the surrounding gewogs and chewogs, who would be using the services of the Basic Health Unit. The black topping was completed as a part of 12th Five Year Plan GoI funded HICDP, at the cost Nu. 8.299 Million.

Project-I:
Project II: Construction of Bridge at Tandingagchu
For 300 people living in Tandingagchu of the Bumthang District, the bridge has come as a blessing as now they have a motorable road for day-to-day work and for health-related emergencies. The bridge has been constructed at a cost of Nu. 4 million and financed from the provision of the 12th Five Year Plan GoI allocated for HICDP Projects.