4. Repairs to Clean Water Distribution Network for ex-Refugee Communities in West Timor (Indonesia)

(1) Local Partner: Centrum Inisiatif Rakyat Mandiri (CIRMA), a civil society organization founded in 2018 in

West Timor, East Nusa Tenggara Province, Indonesia

(2) Project budget: \$2,096.30 (JWF Fund: \$1,500, implementing organization: \$500, beneficiaries: \$96.30) Project expense: \$2,087.04 (JWF Fund: \$1,500, implementing organization: \$500, beneficiaries: \$87.04)

(3) Beneficiaries: 702 people (men: 202, women: 211, children: 289)

(4) Background: Dusun IV is inhabited by 110 poor households consisting of former refugees from Timor Leste who chose to remain as Indonesian citizens. Over the last 10 months, this clean water facility has not been functioning due to damage to the submersible pump and several broken pipe connections. Since the breakdown of the water pump, almost 110 households have been without clean water. They have to walk 5 kilometers to fetch water in the valley. Residents must compete with cattle that want to drink from the almost dry spring. Repairing the submersible pump and damage to the pipeline is the only solution.

[Before]



Waterless reservoir among dry grass



Empty buckets without a drop of water

(5) Details of the project:

Repairs to pipelines from the reservoir to households.

Removal of the damaged pump and installation of a new submersible pump.

Pump testing and flow testing of household pipelines.

Technical guidance for the hamlet water management team.

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[During]



Equipment delivery inspection



Burning insulation of piping



Pipeline inspection



Final test of reservoir outlet

[After]



An elderly man drinks clean water for the first time in a while.



Water flowing into a household reservoir.



Mr. Alex Mauk, 55 years old

First of all, I would like to thank the kind people of JWF for providing us with a solution to the problem with our water facilities. For months we could not get enough water for our daily lives. We put our hope in CIRMA who have been assisting the community, and praise God that there is still concern from the good people at JWF, even though we have never met. To all of you at JWF, we love you with all our hearts.



Mrs. Rica da Gomez, 42 years old

As a mother, I find it very difficult without water at home, even in the kitchen. We used to have good water until the pumping equipment broke down. It was already very difficult for us to eat, let alone buy water, so we had to look for water along the riverbank where the cattle drink, to get one or two gallons of water for cooking. Fortunately, CIRMA heard our complaints and found a solution. Even more fortunately, there are good people from Japan willing to help with our problems. We have nothing of value, only our voices, so we can only thank all the good people at JWF. Our best wishes to all of you far away in Japan.



Mr. Piet K Hayon, 62 years old

We extend our heartfelt appreciation for the support provided by JWF in establishing the clean water facility. We are filled with profound gratitude, knowing that it will not only fulfill our immediate needs but also ensure a sustainable and well-maintained infrastructure. We pledge to uphold our responsibilities to guarantee the continued functioning of this essential asset. Rest assured, every member of our community will benefit from the clean water, fostering unity and prosperity among us all. Once again, our sincerest thanks go out to JWF for their unwavering commitment to improving the lives of those in need.