THE CONTRIBUTION OF CARE INTERNATIONAL'S PROJECTS TO UPLIFT THE QUALITY OF LIFE OF THE PEOPLE LIVING IN MANMUNAI SOUTH WEST DIVISIONAL SECRETARIAT DIVISION



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ABSTRACT

Quality of life is an individual's satisfaction or happiness with life in domains he/she considers important. Today, it has been a challenge for people in view of improving their quality of life especially for those who are in the developing nations. The contribution of government, non-government and private sector organizations are highly expected by the people for further empowering them to face this challenge. Since earlier time, the quality of life of the people living in Manmunai South West Divisional Secretariat Division had been in a bad condition and further because of the deep-rooted ethnic conflict continuing after 1990 in Sri Lanka this became worse in the forms of destruction of economic-social infrastructure, increasing displacement, disables, death and insecurity. As a result, there had been increasing rate of unemployment, under employment, low & instable income, inability to access basic needs, educational opportunities and health care and increasing families under poverty level to 88% of the total 5705 families of this division. In this circumstance, CARE International implemented two main projects -Food Security Project & WASH Project- with the objective to build the capacity of the household to meet their needs and improving their quality of life. But, even after the implementation of these projects there has not been observed a significant build up in the people present life set-up. However, there is a need to uplift their life even to some extent in future. To implement new projects in future, the analysis of these projects provide a good feedback. Therefore, a research is wanted to analysis the merits and the demerits of these. For that, this research carried to find how depth they contribute to the quality of life of the people, understanding the actual problem and finds new ways to further uplift their quality of life in a successful manner. According to that, each chapter of the study is formed as follow.

The first chapter is Introduction. It deals mainly with the problem of the study, research question, objectives of the study, conceptualization and hypotheses, methodology assumptions and limitations.

The second chapter is Literature Review. It deals mainly with the literature relating to the conceptual framework. The quality of life and its measures, development and its values and objectives, developing nations necessary concerns, food security and water and sanitation projects and its outcomes are main things dealt.

The third chapter is Data Analysis, Presentation and Evaluation. It deals with the establishment and significant of each variable considered through univariate and bivarate analysis. The data for the analysis are collected through structured questionnaire relating to the projects selected and the life domains considered from 100 sample families.

The forth chapter is discussion. It deals mainly with the attributable reasoning/causes behind each variable results/effects presented in the third chapter.

The final chapter is conclusion and recommendations. This deals with the over all conclusion about the contribution of these projects selected to uplift the people quality

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