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PRESS RELEASE

MRA Hands-Over the Remainder of Relief Supplies to EPG Disaster Committee

The Mineral Resources Authority (MRA) yesterday, handed-over the remainder of the K200, 000.00 worth of relief supplies for the Mulitaka landslide victims, to the Enga Provincial Disaster Committee in Wabag.

This follows the delivery of a small component of the supplies on May 31, to Yambali village, where the landslide occurred on May 24. Yesterday's presentation of the goods by the MRA's Project Coordinator for the Porgera Project, Joe Kak Ryangao, was received by Enga Provincial Government Officer Ben Saret, on behalf of the Provincial Administration and its Disaster Committee.

When receiving the goods, Mr Saret thanked the MRA's Managing Director Jerry Garry, and its management, for contributing to the relief efforts during the province's time of need. He said disasters like the landslide occur when we least expect them and that the supplies would go a long way in helping the people of Yambali village.

On May 24 when the disaster struck, the MRA and a State Team were conducting the Community Development Agreement negotiations (CDA) for the Porgera Project in Wabag town, which is about an hour and 20 minutes-drive away from Yambali village. Upon learning of the disaster, Mr Garry directed his officers attending the CDA negotiations, to procure the supplies which include 600 bags of rice, 400 cartons of tinned fish, 400 cartons of noodles, 200 bales of sugar, and 200 bottles of cooking oil among other basic goods.

Photos of the hand-over ceremony of the supplies



Photo: (R-L) Mr Saret, Mr Ryangao and MRA's Liaison Officer for the Porgera Project, Terry Angai. At the back are the supplies loaded onto trucks to be transported to the disaster site.



Photo: The Enga Provincial Disaster Team with Messrs Saret, Ryangao and Angai



Photo: Bags of rice



Photo: Cartons of Maggi noodles