

## Tsunami newsletter launched

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The Steering Committee of the Tsunami Housing Support Project (THSP) together with all government institutions which were engaged in housing and other development activities in tsunami-affected areas have published a special tsunami newsletter carrying the detailed information of tsunami housing reconstruction activities implemented in devastated areas, writes Daily News, Colombo 030706 at <http://www.dailynews.lk/>

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The Tsunami Housing Support Project of the German Technical Co-operation (GTZ) on behalf of the German Federal Ministry of Economic Corporation and Development has helped with the publication of this newsletter.

The launching of the first issue of the newsletter was held at the Steering Committee meeting of THSP at the Ministry of Housing and Construction recently.

The first issue of the newsletter was handed over to the Secretary to the Ministry of Housing and Construction, P. Veerahandi by the Editor of the Newsletter, Deputy General Manager (Information and Publicity) of National Housing Development Authority (NHDA) L.S. Palansuriya and Senior Advisor to the THSP of GTZ, Mrs. Hilke Ebert.

This newsletter has prepared reflecting the Performance of the government institutions as well as the other participatory organisations in the housing development process in the tsunami devastated areas.

In addition to the article of the Rehabilitation and Development Agency (RADA) which is the most important institutions engaged in tsunami reconstruction activities has published a special article on the new housing policy of the government regarding tsunami housing.

Officials of the Ministry of Housing and Construction, Ministry of Urban Development and Water Supply, Ministry of Public Administration and Home Affairs, Ministry of Provincial Councils and Local Government, RADA, the External Resources Department, National Planning Department, NHDA, the Urban Development Authority (UDA), GTZ-THSP are the participants of this Steering Committee of the THSP which is chaired by the Secretary to the Ministry of Housing and Construction.

This newsletter will be distributed free of charge and those who wish to get a copy of this newsletter can contact the Deputy General Manager (Information and Publicity) of the NHDA, Sir Chittampalan A Gardiner Mawatha, Colombo 02.