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Ref: Letter of Support for Sasakawa Award for Disaster Riduction

Dear Madam/Sir,

It is my pleasure to support the nomination Chitwan district in Nepal for UN Sasakawa Award for Disaster Reduction, 2011. The district has been participating in the "Making cities resilient campaign: My city is getting ready" campaign from Nepal. Practical Action has been partner of the district in DRR for last 6 years. Practices and initiatives taken in the district with support from Practical Action have received wider recognition.

Considering the commitment of the district in mainstreaming DRR into development planning to contribute to the HFA priorities, Practical Action is proud of our partnership with the district. Along with the information of nomination in the 'cover form' attached, we support the district for the award.

The good practices and model examples set in the district are in process of scaling up in other vulnerable districts in Nepal as we come to know national government agencies have put in priority to replicate the lessons that came out of the district. I believe selection of the district in the award will enhance the momentum of DRR in Nepal.

Please feel free to contact me, should you need any further information in this regard, at the address which you can find at the footer of this letter.

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Sincerely yours

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