



Activity Sheet 47

Mapping of Transport Infrastructure and services

Purpose

The purpose of this activity is to explore transport infrastructure and transport services within a given community and surrounding area. This map should be drawn of a real community/village/area known to the group.

Group Activity

1. Draw a map on flip chart showing the transport infrastructure and services for a village and surrounding area, including bridges, roads, paths, jetties and so on, and availability of motorised transport services such as taxis, buses, lorries, boats, animal drawn carts etc.
2. Illustrate how the infrastructure and service provision may change between seasons e.g. wet and dry season.
3. As a group discuss the following questions:
 - A. *Who in the community has access to and uses these transport services and infrastructure?*
 - B. *How does the use of various transport services differ for different sections of society (men and women, the poor and better off, disadvantaged groups, businesses, traders). Why is this?*
 - C. *What are the institutions that control the transport networks and infrastructure?*
 - D. *What is revealed by this sort of participatory technique that might be missed by a simple quantitative survey?*
4. Prepare to present your findings to the plenary.