Socio-Economic Impact Monitoring of Rural Electrification Projects in Yunnan and Tibet Autonomuos Region between 2002 – 2007

A China Case-Study

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Monitoring Objectives

- Poverty Alleviation
- Environmental Sustainability
- Education and Health Services
- Income Generation
- Gender
- Migration
- Institutional

Approach and Methods

- Modified questionnaires on the bases of Energy Poverty Gender (ENPOGEN) Study
- Basic Principle aiming at a depiction of the individual HH as a whole acc. to one family member interviewed – remained unchanged
- Guidelines for interview between head of village and foreign social science expert elaborated

Selection Criterias for Interviewers

- Sound & comprehensive knowledge about the region
- Multilingual capability / Computer literacy
- Educational background
- Preferably women
- Experience with Statistical Social Science Software Programme
- Experience with face-to-face interviews





Execution of Baseline-Studies

- Development of household questionnaire
- Elaboration of guidelines for interviews
- Selection and training of local interviewer
- Performing household interviews
- Village mapping and expert interviews
- Establishment of data processing tools
- Evaluation of Data











Key-Facts Baseline Tibet (09/2004)

Village	total No. HH	No. of HH interviewed	% of total HH	Type of HH			Type of electricity
				Poor	Middle	Rich	supply
Deser	78	30	38,5	11	16	3	No electricity
Sangin	63	35	55,5	12	8	15	Village PV/Wind- System, SHS
Tashi Donglam	107	30	28,0	7	15	8	Village PV- System
Gunko	33	26	78,8	9	14	3	Village PV/Wind- System
Numa	89	35	39,3	9	16	10	Grid
Total	370	156	42,2	48	69	39	

Impacts in Tibet (07/2006)

- Usage of Electrical Household Appliances for (Information, Communication, Entertainment) increased by 47%
- Importance of Radio decreased at the expense of TV
- Limited capacity of RE-Systems does not allow productive use, but restaurants and shops = income increased by 5%
- Reduced working hours for kids, but for women/men unchanged
- School absence of kids (6-14 years) reduced from 32% to 6% and (15-19 years) from 67% to 24%

Impacts in Tibet (07/2006)

- Candles/Batteries replaced as main energy supply source
- Dissatisfaction among SHS users, due to poor technical reliability and Village-Power-Systems due to limited time to use electricity
- Expenditures for candles / batteries reduced but compensated by fees to be paid for electricity
- Remaining dry cells (torches) are still carelessly being thrown away

Key-Facts Baseline Yunnan (10/2002)

	total	No. of HH	% of total	Type of HH		Type of
Village	No. HH	interviewed		Poor	Rich	electricity supply
Nanyao	34	22	64,7	8	14	No electricity
Dongfeng	38	24	63,1			35 Pico- Hydro, 1 central Hydro for back-up
Jiuzihai	50	34	68,0			No electricity
Total	122	80	65,6			

Yunnan - Economic Impacts

Increase of Cash Income

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Ø100-200 € (2002) ; Ø 200-250 € (2005) ; in 2007 Up to 200 € : 18% 300 - 400 €: 20% 450 - 500 € : 14 % 501 - 2000 € : 30%
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Possession of TV-Set

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18,8% (2002); 59,2% (2005); 86% (2007)
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- Purchase of Appliances for Productive Use
 0% (2002); 7% (2005); 8% (2007)
- Productive Use of Electricity
 0% (2002); 15% (2005); 50% (2007)



Yunnan - Social Impacts

Lightning Conditions
 13,8% (2002); 100% (2005); 100% (2007)

Kids School Attendance
71% (2002); 85% (2005); 100% (2007)
64% HH state improved conditions & opportunities

- Daily Work-load for Women/Men

 11-15h (2002); 7-10h (2007)
 Changes due to electricity?
 Women No (32%); more (26%) less (42%)
 Men: No (46%) more (14%) less (40%)
- Migration 15% (2002); 3% (2005); 4% (2007)

Yunnan - Environmental Impacts

Consumption of Dry Cells

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77,5% (2002); 25,4% (2005); 40% (2007)
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Consumption of Wax Candles

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75% (2002); 7% (2005); 10% (2007)
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Conclusions & Outlook

- Short, mid and long-term impact
- Direct / Indirect Impact of Energy
- Health Improvement
- Environmental Sustainability
- Social Changes

Thank you for your attention!

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