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COMMUNITIES COME TOGETHER TO IMPROVE ROAD

Villagers in Kulu and Pongoli have worked together to upgrade and maintain a community road, a project that was funded by the PNG LNG Project.

The newly reopened road, which is over 20 years old, will allow villagers easier vehicle access to basic amenities and services such as stores, the health clinic, schools and the police station.

Villagers spent four days pitching in on the project, getting their hands dirty cutting grass, clearing mud, clearing drainage, digging ditches, transporting gravel from nearby creeks, and fixing potholes to make the three-kilometre road more easily accessible.

PNG LNG Project Community Development Support Officer Allan Kealaua said that the community appreciated the support provided by the Project, and were all happy to help out to maintain their community road.

“Over the four days, we had men, women and youths all helping to get the road cleared – a great effort,” he said.

“Everyone was willing to get involved, and it was a demonstration of how, by working together, we can achieve a great result in a very short period.

“This is an old road and the K22,000 provided by the PNG LNG Project will directly benefit the community members of these villages. They’re looking forward to using their better road – and ensuring that it is maintained in the future.”

The Kuli and Pongoli villagers own the land which holds the three well heads in the Hides Project area of the PNG LNG Project. The community is located almost a kilometre below Mt Gira, where the Hides well heads are.

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Photos are available

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