

Livelihood Support & Promotion of Small Community Infrastructure Program (LACIP)

LACIP UPDATE



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Teachers training at DI Khan



The Livelihood Support and Promotion of Small Community Infrastructure Program (LACIP) collaborated with Change in Education (CIE) to train teachers of Dera Ismail Khan Government Primary, Middle and Higher Secondary Schools at the DI Khan National Club. The trainings were imparted by expert trainers from the Roots National Institute of Teachers Training and Education (RNITE) the training wing of Roots Millennium Schools. The trainings dealt with teaching theories and strategies, and 21st Century teaching practices and demonstrated their practical implementation in classrooms. The methodologies and standards used by the trainers enhanced the capacity the government school teachers to evaluate performance, manage classrooms and assessment of students.

In Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, so far 670 government teachers, 413 men and 257 women educationists, have been provided trainings on school management, teaching methodologies and subject related trainings. LACIP selected the schools in consultation with the government line departments and the parent teachers' school management committees (PTSMCs). This process ensured identification of actual needs, avoided duplication of efforts and remains sustainable.

Communities of Haripur trained on disaster preparedness



Part of our efforts go towards ensuring that communities are adequately prepared to manage disasters. A mock drill was conducted by the Ghazi Barotha Taraqiati Idara (GBTI) in district Haripur recently to create awareness in communities regarding disaster response and increasing their capacity to cope. The Village Disaster Management Committees (VDMCs) participated at all stages, and the drill and training took their level of prior knowledge into consideration. The mock drill exercise was designed to demonstrate the possible scenarios during a disaster, evacuation routes were defined and safe places were pre-identified by the VDMCs. Both men and women participated equally in the activity which included brainstorming sessions and familiarization with basic Disaster Risk Reduction terminologies.

Feasibility study for next phase of LACIP

The next phase of LACIP is being planned to ensure that the program continues to meet the needs of the people it serves. KfW commissioned the study which began with a visit of PPAF by a team of consultants, Dr. Nikolaus Schall (mission leader) and Mr. Ahsan Ali Chughtai (business development / financial consultant).

LACIP also organized a workshop with its POs and arranged meetings with local government representatives and district administration including Deputy Commissioner, Assistant Deputy Commissioner, District Nazim in Charsadda and Swabi to discuss the impact of LACIP-I interventions and the major features of next phase. The discussions, feedback and suggestions will ensure that LACIP-II is even more successful than LACIP-I.



NRSP strengthens Haripur communities



LACIP partnered with National Rural Support Program in Haripur to implement institutional development and community physical infrastructure programs in two union councils of Haripur, Dingi and Bakka. LACIP and

NRSP jointly managed access and sustainable utilisation of social and economic infrastructure, strengthening of the local civil society and enhanced participation of the local people in decision making at the village level. NRSP managed completion of the project by forming 21 village organizations, two local support organizations and carrying out 474 capacity building community trainings and over 156 CPI schemes, including 16 Integrated Area Uplift Programs (IAUPs) of which three have been completed and the rest are ongoing, within a period of two years. For this purpose, PPAF had allocated PKR 200 million to NRSP Haripur of which 162 million has already been utilized. Under the extended CPI component for these villages, NRSP will ensure implementation of 140 conventional schemes.

Abbottabad communities linked to main route



A LACIP team visited two union councils, Seer Gharbi and Nagri Tutiar, in district Abbottabad to check the progress of the community physical infrastructure projects in these areas. The ongoing projects which include plain cement concrete roads and covered drainage are being implemented by the Mountain Institute for Education & Development (MIED). During the monitoring visit, the team members met with representatives of village organizations and reviewed the data records of integrated and uplift projects. One of the Boni Pind integrated and uplift project has been completed, while two projects have been partially completed and are expected to be completed soon.

Assets transferred to poor in Chitral



A LACIP Team conducted a field visit in Chitral to monitor the progress of ongoing activities carried out by AKRSP in four union councils, Yarkhoon, Chitral-II, Koh and Oveer, of district Chitral. Under the Livelihood Enterprise Development program, LACIP provided 1,259 assets to people living below the poverty line. The asset recipients, men and women, mainly purchased grocery and general store stock. In addition, 460 individuals were given vocational skills trainings. Moreover, Common Interest Groups (CIGs) have also been formed for asset transfer in groups to the members of LSOs and VO which will ensure sustainability and a bigger impact. During the interaction with the communities, it was noted that the asset beneficiaries from village organizations (VOs) and the local support organizations (LSOs) were selected on the basis of poverty score card.

Livelihood support benefitting communities

Another LACIP Team visited Haripur and Swabi to monitor the progress of various projects of Community Physical Infrastructure and Livelihood and Institutional Development. These projects are being implemented by the Ghazi Barotha Taraqiati Idara (GBTI) and are on track. The individuals who have been provided livelihood assets were found to be familiar with their business management plans and have started expanding their small businesses in just four months. In addition to that, some of the community members were imparted skill trainings which enabled them to start working with local industries.



Strengthening Education System

A two-member team of LACIP visited Change in Education (CIE) in Buner to monitor the progress made on the education project. Four Government Boys Schools located in union councils Nawagai and Koga were visited and the construction work being carried out in these schools was examined. The Team also visited the Government High School in village Sura and Government Boys Primary School in village Agarai to check the actual requirements for repair and maintenance. Responding to the observations, the LACIP Unit decided to reconstruct these schools which will help more than 300 students. In addition to reconstruction, these schools will be provided furniture and science labs.

