



Country Program Coordinator meeting with the officials of Education Ministry

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BRAC organized training on Education Management.

A five month long certificate course on “*Education Management*” as a part of capacity development for 20 high Officials of Afghan Ministry of Education has organized by BRAC Afghanistan Education Program on March 18, 2008 to receive training from the Training and Resource Centre, BRAC Bangladesh. Country Program Coordinator had meeting with the participants of this training course before leaving Kabul and express his gratitude.

Global Fund Round 8 for Tuberculosis

BRAC Afghanistan arranged visit of Prof. GR Khaitri to Kabul as the consultant for Tuberculosis Proposal Development Team for the upcoming Global Fund Round 8. He attended a GAP analysis workshop held in Ministry of Public Health from 2nd to 5th March 2008.

Prospective Nursing Training Program in Badghis

Spanish Agency for International Cooperation (AECI)

expressed their commitment for supporting a Nursing Education Program in Badghis province. It would be a standard nursing training program and would be conducted in coordination with the Institute of Health Sciences/MoPH.

Further Strengthening Tuberculosis Control Program

BRAC Afghanistan continues to provide technical support for Perwan provincial hospital by recruiting a Lab technician and a Program Organizer (PO) for further strengthening Tuberculosis.

Request for Proposal (RFP)

BRAC Health Program has been short listed by the Ministry of Public Health (MoPH) and received Request for Proposal (RFP) for implementing mobile health teams at Balkh, Badghis and Nimroz provinces under Health System Strengthening (HSS) project of MoPH/GAVI. The deadline for submission is 14th May 2008.

BRAC Afghanistan submitted Proposal to Global Health for Providing Logistics and other support to a USAID study team for conducting Afghanistan Private Sector Study.

Expression of Interest (EOI)

BRAC Afghanistan submitted Expression of Interest (EOI) for conducting an operational research on increasing demand and utilization of reproductive health care services in four districts of Hirat and Punsjher provinces.

Meeting with AMA members on performance evaluation

A meeting was held with Afghanistan Microfinance Association board members (AMA) and other MFIs on 30th March at MISFA premises and presided by Mr. Amzad Ali Arbab, Managing Director of MISFA Ltd on performance evaluation of MFIs working in Afghanistan. Director of NGO department and the officials of Economy Ministry also attended the meeting. BRAC officials participate in the meeting and were elaborating the BRAC program performance and activities as well as the program achievement.

BRAC submitted MF Asset list

According to the requirement of Economy Ministry, BRAC submitted MF Assets list as per guide dense

BRAC firmly believes and is actively involved in promoting human rights, dignity and gender equity through poor people's social, economic, political and human capacity building.



GAIN team visit BRAC Nursery

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of Microfinance Investment Support Facility for Afghanistan (MISFA).

BRAC official selected for FM course

A thirty nine days long training course on financial management of Microfinance Institution is facilitating by EDA India. One of the Financial Analyst of BRAC Afghanistan Microfinance program selected to participate in this course.

Community Education meeting held in Kabul

Second Project Steering Committee meeting of girls' education project was held on 9th March at PSU office in Kabul, discussion on annual progress of the year 2007, work plan 2008 and other issues in presence of Ms. Sue Wiebe and other officials of CIDA, Sr. Advisor of MoE Teacher Training, Advisor of MoE General Education, Ms. Susan Wardak, Director of Teacher Education, Ms. Hamida Nizami, Director of Basic Education., Afghanistan Education program, Ms. Anita Anastacio, Parti Chief of PACE-A/CARE and BRAC officials. On meeting, all attended participants express their satisfaction on the interventions and achievements of the Girls' Education Project.

Training course organized by BTRC

A training course on *Project Planning and Management* for the senior and mid level Officials of Aga Khan Health Service (AKHS) has been organized by BTRC. The program was funded by Aga Khan Development Network. A total of 16 Officials attended in this course.

A course on *'Monitoring and Evaluation'* and *'Package training for Professional Accountants'* were facilitated for different International NGOs during the month of March. Total 20 number of participants benefited by these courses.

In addition of different types of training were organized by BTRC for 79 staffs from different programs of BRAC.

BTRC also provided training to 74 participants of partner organizations of Oxfam Novib in this month.

BRAC signs a new contract under NSP

BRAC NSP programme signed a new contract with Ministry of Rural Rehabilitation and Development (MRRD) on March to implement the cycle IV for 452 communities in Helmand, Nangarhar, Samangan and Badghis provinces within one year contract period.

NSP Workshop on ESMF:

World Bank and NSP/MRRD arranged a three day long workshop on *"Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF)"* was held in Ministry of Rural Rehabilitation and Development (MRRD) during March 23 to 25, 2008. Among the meeting MRRD officials and BRAC personnel's attended in this workshop.

GAIN Evaluation Team visited Nursery Project

GAIN (Green Afghanistan Initiatives) Evaluation Team was formed

at Kabul to evaluate all GAIN projects throughout Afghanistan. Mr. Ernie Wijango, the team leader and other members of the evaluation team visited the central nurseries at Takhtapul and Balkh as well as Community Nurseries at Nahri Shahi district. During the visit, the team discussed various issues on nursery program activities and expressed their satisfaction for the initiatives of nursery project and expected future long term success of GAIN approaches throughout the country.

BRAC submitted business plan proposal

BRAC submitted proposal for implementing Regional Rural Economic regeneration through rural enterprise development in Balkh province for support to small and medium enterprise. This project will be implemented under the super vision of the Ministry of Rural Rehabilitation and Development (MRRD).

Exposure visit to India

Two officials of BRAC Micro-finance program had an exposure visit to India from 1 to 13 March



ASK meetings in India

2008. The purpose of visit was to exchange experience of Indian NGOs organized by Association for Stimulating Know-How (ASK), India.