



Promises that keeps in Village Organization under Microfinance Program

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Executive Director of BRAC visits in Afghanistan

Md. Aminul Alam, Executive Director, Overseas program of BRAC paid his visit to Afghanistan from 17 to 20 September 2008. During the period, he reviewed all BRAC Afghanistan programs with key officials as well as the meeting with Area manager and Regional Manager of microfinance program. He provided precious suggestions and directions for the improvement of programs.

Meeting with the Ambassador

Country Program Coordinator of BRAC Afghanistan had a meeting with Mr.Svante Kilander, Hon'ble Ambassador, Embassy of Sweden on 30th September 2008 at Swedish Embassy in Kabul. BRAC Afghanistan accomplished the SIDA project Community base School in 13 provinces of Afghanistan under BRAC education program. The discussion of the meeting is for the future education program and maternal

mortality. BRAC Afghanistan submitted a proposal for Intervention Strategies for Women Empowerment through promoting access to and exercises of Basic Health rights to Swedish International Development Agency (SIDA) in Samangan, Jawzjian and Saripul provinces. Md. Shahabuddin Ahmed, Program Manager of BRAC Afghanistan Education program also attended the meeting.

Meeting with the High Official of DFID

Ms.Anna Morgan, Livelihood Program Managers of DFID had meeting with the Country Program Coordinator of BRAC Afghanistan on 23rd September 2008 at DFID office in Kabul. DFID expressed their interest to work jointly with BRAC in the agriculture and health sector in Afghanistan. Mr.Taufiqur Rahman , Program Manager of BRAC Afghanistan Health program also attended the meeting.

Microfinance clients reach one hundred eighty three thousand

The total number of clients in microfinance programs

reached one hundred eighty three thousand by the month of September 2008.This a milestone for BRAC in Afghanistan. The Daily Afghanistan Times published the news on 15.09.2008 for their daily edition.

BRAC Information for MIX Market

BRAC Afghanistan participated in the valuable array of services provided by The Microfinance Information eXchange, Inc (MIX) for microfinance institutions in 2007. BRAC submitted institutional data for the financial Year 2007 and ensured the visibility and remains at the forefront of global transparency efforts through the MIX Market and their industry benchmarks to be featured in the Micro Banking Bulletin. BRAC has submitted the questionnaire and the disclosure authorization form.

Need Assessment Workshop

BRAC Afghanistan monitoring and evaluation department organized a monitoring needs assessment workshop on September 04

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.



Women Participants in training session

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at BRAC central office. Country Program Coordinator presided over the workshop and discussed the raising issues of monitoring and evaluation for emphasis the program activities. Program Managers and all regional monitors attended the workshop and delivered their views.

Submission of revised Proposal

Revised proposal of Community Base Health Program has been submitted by BRAC Afghanistan Health Program to Oxfam Novib for Nangarhar and Parwan provinces.

TB CAP proposal

In the month of September, BRAC Afghanistan submitted TB CAP (Tuberculosis Control Assistance Program) proposal to MSH (Management Science for health) for thirteen USAID supported provinces.

Expression of Interest

BRAC Afghanistan Health Program submitted expression of interest to the Ministry of Public Health for **SHARP** (Strengthening Health Activities for Rural poor) project of World Bank supported provinces. BRAC Afghanistan applied independently for Badghis, Nimroz and Samangan provinces.

BRAC Afghanistan in consortium with ACTED

(Afghan Center for Training and Development) applied for Balkh, Helmand and Farah provinces and with M-MRCA (Medical Management and Research Courses, Afghanistan) applied for Saripul and Wardak provinces of Afghanistan.

BRAC opens new training venue in Kabul

A new training centre has been setup at Khusal Khan in Kabul and started its operation in September 2008. English faculty has been shifted to this new facility with one classroom. The new venue can accommodate 20 participants at a time.

Training courses organized by BTRC

In September 2008, BRAC Training and Resource Center (BTRC) facilitated 12 different courses for the staff members of government agencies, national NGOs and international organizations of NOVIB, Helvetas and BRAC Afghanistan. A total of 233 participants attended in the courses where women participants were 101.

Karez inaugurated under NSP Program

BRAC NSP Program constructed a Karez in the district of Sorobi under Paktika province



Basnas, Karez in Paktika Province

The Karez was inaugurated by District Governor and the representative of PMU, RRD and BRAC. The total cost of the Karez was more than 732,000 Afs.

Country Program Coordinator visits in Herat

Country Program Coordinator of BRAC Afghanistan paid his visit to Herat province from 8 to 11 September 2008. During the visit; he observed the BRAC programs in Herat province and reviewed the program activities with the key officials as well as the field staff. He provided precious suggestion for the improvement and extension of programs

He had also meeting with the Government High officials of Herat province and presided over the BRAC Afghanistan program activities.