

CPH awards best Lab Technician in Ghor

BRAC Afghanistan 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.

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Meeting with World Bank

A meeting was held between Mr. John F. Speakman, Lead Private Sector Development Specialist in South Asian Region of World Bank and the Country Program Head of BRAC Afghanistan on October 18, 2009 at World Bank office in Kabul. The discussion was held on the issue of the prospect of developing and implementing on Poultry & Agriculture sector in Afghanistan. World Bank shows interests to provide fund for the development of above sector and accordingly a proposal is submitted to World Bank for establishing Poultry, Hatchery and Feed Mill in Kabul province.

Another meeting was held with Mr. Sunil K. Khosla, Senior Energy Specialist in South Asian Sustainable development of World Bank at World Bank office on October 22, 2009. World Bank wants to start as Pilot phase of Solar lighting systems in Daykundi and Bamiyan provinces.

BRAC and PRT French talks on possible partnership

Captain Gilly and Captain Daniel Barnier of French Provincial Reconstruction Team (French PRT) had meeting with the Country Program Head of BRAC Afghanistan at BRAC office in Kabul on 22th October, 2009 to discuss the possible partnership to work jointly for the development of Horticulture Nursery in Nizrab district of Kapisa province and Soorbi district of Kabul province. Country Program Head of BRAC Afghanistan briefed the BRAC's program performance in Afghanistan. A proposal is submitted to PRT French which is under consideration for funding.

Handover Process of SHARP Project

BRAC has awarded SHARP (Strengthening Health Activities for Rural Poor) project partnership with ACTD in Helmand province. BRAC and ACTD have taken responsibilities of 30 Health Facilities out of 57 from Ibne Sina and had meeting with the In Chargers of all

health facilities under this project. According to the contract, BRAC will implement BPHS (Basic Packages of Healthcare Services) in Helmand.

BRAC Afghanistan organized Certification Ceremonies

BRAC Afghanistan Education Program implements a capacity development intervention for the government school teachers through providing subject based training on English, Mathematics and Science (Biology and Chemistry) in order to assist in shaping of potential

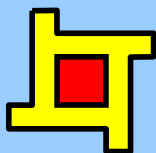


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nation by the provision of quality education. As the part of this capacity development intervention, BRAC Afghanistan Education Program accomplished 3 batches subject based training in Kandahar province of which two batches on



mathematics subject with 49 participants and one batch on English subject with 22 participants on October 29 and 31, 2009 respectively. BRAC Afghanistan arranged certificate ceremonies and all participants were awarded by certificates on the courses accomplishment day.



Country Program Head visits in Central and West Region

The Country Program Head of BRAC Afghanistan paid his field visits to Ghor and Hirat provinces of Afghanistan on 26 October, 2009. During the field visits; he observed the BRAC program performances and reviewed the program activities with the key officials as well as the field staff. He provided precious suggestions for the improvement and the extension of program.

Country Program Head also had meeting with the Senior officials of UNICEF-Hirat province for supporting on Education and Health programs. He also meets with the Governor, Member of Parliament and the Head of Security in Ghor province. Furthermore, he attends TB review meeting and awards best Lab Technician by Certificate.

Emergency Preparedness for Seasonal Disease

BRAC has prepared a comprehensive plan to tackle the probable outbreak of Swine flu in all of the provinces in Afghanistan based on the report of the Afghan Ministry of Public Health (MoPH). BRAC Afghanistan Health program has conducted a day long orientation to the Health facilitator of BRAC run Health facility centers for prevention and control of Swine flu and provided necessary IEC materials.

Training performance of BTRC

In October 2009, BRAC Afghanistan Training and Resource Center (BTRC) conducted two batches of training on *Gender Advocacy and Public Resource Monitoring Course* for the officials of the Afghan Ministry of Women Affairs. The Course duration was six days for each batch and was sponsored by Asia Foundation. Total 64 Provincial Directors and Deputy Directors from 34 provinces participated in the training course.

BRAC Afghanistan Training and Resource Center (BTRC) have been signed three MoUs with SCA, NCA and CCD to provide management development trainings for their staff. A tripartite Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) have been signed among BRAC Afghanistan, UNICEF Afghanistan, and the Ministry of Public Health (MoPH) for providing training on "Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Practices" to the Community Health Workers (CHW) of Afghanistan will be started from December 2009.

Country Program Head visits Community Based Schools in Kabul

Country Program Head of BRAC Afghanistan paid his

visits some BRAC run Community Based Schools in district 11 and city district 13 of Kabul province on October 12, 2009. During his visit, he observed the classroom teaching, students' performance and talked with concern teachers, Program Organizer and Regional Manger of BRAC Afghanistan Education Program in context of quality education and community mobilization.

He also expressed his deep satisfaction on the performance of the BRAC CBS students along with on the contribution of concerned BRAC officials in regard of ensuring quality education for the out of school children.



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