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Participants; IOM, WFP, UNICEF, FAO, FOCUS, WAW/UNHCR, ACTED, GIZ, NAC, UNAMA and UNOCHA

#	Agenda	Discussions	Action points
1	Welcome and introduction	OCHA warmly welcomed the team and the team introduced themselves to each other.	
2	Clusters updates (WASH, Health, Nutrition, FSAC, and Shelter)	<p>FAO; Building resilience and self-reliance of livestock keepers by improving control of Foot-And-Mouth Disease (FMD) and other Transboundary Animal Diseases (TADs) project</p> <p>Weekly Monitoring of Live animal Market for information about circulating strains of FMD virus in Badakhshan and collect sample to send for laboratory testing in Kabul.</p> <p>2-Animal Health and husbandry information points established in Live Animal Markets.</p> <p>18 service providers - VFUs in-charges received training on PPR vaccination campaigns in Baharak district</p> <p>About 3034 farmers who are members of extension groups (received training on animal diseases, different livestock management in 13 district under DCA and 14 district under AKF in Badakhshan.</p> <p>ACTED; Shelter support to natural-disaster affected households in, Badakhshan Afghanistan <u>Program Goal</u></p> <p>The overall objective of this project is to support natural disaster-affected families in Badakhshan province to repair and reconstruct durable and disaster resilient shelters through the provision of shelter construction materials and skilled labour and to reduce the winter associated immediate risk to life by providing cash for heating and rent to the most vulnerable households</p> <p>Project location:</p> <p>Kishem , Argo and Teshkan districts of Badakhshan province:</p> <p>Number of Shelters: 374</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kishem 133 shelter • Argo 41 shelter 	Respected humanitarian partners will share their update stock list with UNOCHA

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- Teshkan 200

The project activities recently started and its ongoing in the mentioned areas

FSAC; funded by OCHA

Project Name: Natural disaster-affected agricultural dependent households are supported to restore their agricultural livelihoods

Project summary:

Supporting vulnerable disaster affected and agriculture dependent families in Badakhshan to address food security needs and to re-engage in agriculture livelihoods

Project Goal

The overall objective of this project is to support the restoration of livelihoods of households affected by natural disaster in the past six months, which will also contribute to a reduction in a household's engagement in negative coping mechanisms.

Coverage area: in Badakhshan province: Shuhada, Teshkan, and Darayem Districts.

Number of beneficiaries: 710 Former in total.

- Shohada-299 Farmers
- Toshkan-250 Farmers
- Darayem-161 Farmers

Main activities:

- Delivery of trainings to farmers
- Distribution of agriculture kits to farmers.

Distributed kits for each forms:

- DP fertilizer 50kg
- Fertilizer 50kg
- Reformed wheat 50kg.

CLTS (Community Leading Total Sanitation) Project funded by UNICEF

Project ending date: Feb-2018

Project goal.

- Accelerating Ending Open Defecation in Afghanistan through the Implementation of a Community Led Total Sanitation Programme.

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- UNICEF and ACTED will create a synergy through this agreement with the aim to increase the CLTS implementation capacity of Community Health Workers (CHWs) to ensure that Afghanistan can meet the target of ending open defecation by 2025.
- Target Groups
- UNICEF Afghanistan plans to upscale the ending of open defecation by 1) creating a massive CLTS implementation capacity among NGO partners and government; 2) strong leadership and coordination avoiding overlap and ensuring that high open defecation prevalence areas are targeted; and 3) the adoption of a harmonized CLTS approach among all implementers to safeguard the strict non-subsidy approach which is a key success factor underlying the CLTS methodology.

Project location:

- Shahri-e-Buzurg and Kishem district of Badakhshan province
- Target beneficiaries:
- Kishem 87 CDCs
- Shahr-e-Bozorg-82

Main objectives:

- Promoting local construction through simple sanitation structures using locally available and inexpensive materials.
- Promoting empowerment of trained beneficiaries in building their own structures, thus increasing ownership and durability of the infrastructures, and limiting ACTED's involvement, for ACTED teams will only act as technical advisors when local populations will be in charge of the construction's process.
- Promoting the culturally-sensitive targeting of women as they are often the driving force between behavioral changes within communities.

NAC;

IRDIII(Running Activities for Integrated Rural Development Program) Badakhshan Regional Office - 2017

Introduction of IRDIII Program

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The Norwegian Afghanistan Committee is implementing the Integrated Rural Development Program funded by the Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation NORAD started from 2016 – December 31, 2018. The main goal would be contributing on poverty reduction in rural area of Afghanistan. The package is including education, health, food and work, gender and human rights, governance, disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation. The program would be implemented in Badakhshan, Ghazni, Faryab, Khost, and Kapisa, the duration of program would be for three years started from 2016 – end of 2018, hence , the details of running activities for the year 2017 in Badakhshan is listed below.

1. Education

- Facilitate training and upgrading of 810 self-help groups member, 54 community based education teachers, on child development, life skills, and daily life skills, health, hygiene and nutrition at Yawan, Arkhanjkhov, Kohistan, Keshem, Yaftal-e-Payan and Faizabad city.
- Establishment of 5 play group for 106 children between the ages of 4-6 participated in Keshem, Argo, and Faizabad city.
- Facilitate training and guiding of community members and encouraging for enrolment of their kids into schools.
- Developing training modules, research programs, draft new programs based on community economics' needs.
- Provide continues support (including salary, learning materials) to community based schools in Argo, Yaftal-e-Payan for 192 students (129 male and 63 female) and 4 male teachers.
- Provide contuse support (including salary, learning materials) to Accelerating Learning Centre ALC in Yaftal-e-Payan for 25 students and one male teacher to facilitate the learning process.
- Winter in service diploma program for 52 school teachers from Kohistan, Raghistan, Yawan, Arkhanjkhov, Yaftal-e-Payan, Kishem, Argo and Faizabad city, they are receiving training on teacher training centre in Faizabad, after completion of the 3 years winter program they will receive the teacher training centre TTC diploma 14 grade.

2. Disaster Risk Reduction

- Providing technical support to ANDMA and paying salary of selected communication focal point person among government department and international NGOs.
- Facilitation of quarterly provincial meeting with close coordination of ANDMA and other 60 provincial government representatives, international NGOs to discuss challenges, share common plan, and draft mitigation plan.

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- Sharing information and activities regarding disaster risk reduction among DRR working at provincial levels,
- Evaluation and identifying vulnerable points that affected during drought time, and evaluated 40 villages in Yawan, Kohistan, Arkhanjkhov, Kishem, Argo and Yaftal-e-Payan

3. Gender and Human Rights

- Establishment of youth activity and learning centre in Faizabad city for capacity building and strengthening of 60 male and female for the period of 6 months, the participants will receive training and workshop on thematic are of English language and computer skills, gender and human rights, environment safeguard, research on key and marketable matters, disaster risk ruction, citizen rights, life skills and culture patterns.
- Establishment of youth activity and learning centre in Kishem district for capacity building and strengthening of 50 male and female for the period of 6 months, the participants will receive training and workshop on thematic are of English language and computer skills, gender and human rights, environment safeguard, research on key and marketable matters, disaster risk ruction, citizen rights, life skills and culture patterns.

4. Food and Work

- Monitoring and evaluation of lead formers, value chain and micro business,
- Facilitate capacity building training for agriculture faculty and agriculture schools on agriculture and research, and participatory practices for 50 students in Kishem and Faizabad districts.
- Market analyses for identifying agriculture products and value chain, and work with shopkeepers, provider and consumers,
- Facilitate job creation for 30 labour- male against protection and maintenance of forms (irrigation, cutting and cleaning of canals and) in Shuhada district.
- Facilitate job creation for 30 against protection and maintenance of forms (irrigation, cutting and cleaning of canals and) in Kalafgan district.
- Facilitate job creation for 30 labours against protection and maintenance of forms (irrigation, cutting and cleaning of canals and) in Dash-e-Gurugh of Faizabad district.
- With partnership of DAI Women in Economy recruited 5 female interns from newly graduated of agriculture faculty of Badakhshan, they will be under the training and internship for 6 month.

GIZ update;

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	<p>GIZ BDNP in 2017 works in four districts of Badakhshan province such as Shahri Buzurg, Shaki, khowhan And Kofab. Totally 16 villages will be under coverage of this project, the project is already started and the assessment and selection process already complemented The project provides training for the established committees and on GPS and WASH which is ongoing Meanwhile this project will cover 16 school in each districts for the schools consultants will be deployed to provide trainings The project constructs protections, check dam and Washes. In spite of that GIZ provides Capacity building in Faizabad for the governmental partners such as ANDMA, RR, and PG GIZ provides transports for the natural disaster assessment team in its working districts such as Shahri Buzurg. FOCUS; FOCUS works in 15 districts of Badakhshan province but in 2017 tries to cover the Khowhan district too, FOCUS could update the OCHA and ANDMA through its communication links which are collecting daily updates through its links in its working districts. During the winter and currently the Darwaz districts roads are closed by snow which caused postponing some project' activities.</p> <p>UNICEF ; UNICEF provides stationary for the Raghistan, Kohistan, and Yawan districts schools the allocated stationary will be supplied by the next weeks. The stationary will be distributed for the students first to third classes, totally UNICEF covers 226 local Classes in mentioned three districts. Polio Vaccination is ongoing except three cold districts, the mentioned cold districts subsequently will be covered. UNICEF provides WASH facilities in Raghistan and Kohistan districts' schools. UNICIF has 2000 NFI available which will be distributed through ARCS in responding natural disasters.</p> <p>. ARCS; has prepared its strategic plan for the next three years 2017 to 2020</p>	
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Three projects are under the process to disaster risk reduction, which will construct protection walls in vulnerable areas.

ARCS provides trainings for its volunteers

ARCS provides health services and 2 mobile health teams are available to expose medical services for the needed people in Faizabad city.

ARCS has committed to assess and respond the conflict IDPs and natural disaster affected families where are not accessible to the humanitarian patterns.

ARCS distributes the UNICEF NFI for the natural disasters and conflict IDPs in a transparent manure WAW; UNHCR has distributed winterization cost for the IDPs which created problems, it can be an example.

IOM; natural disaster assessment is ongoing to assess the 170 families which were passed by natural disaster screening committee.

In assessment, one family's submitted 3 petitions.

UNHCR; has distributed blankets for 175 family's (3 blankets for each family).

WFP;

In 2017 in competing with 2016 the WFP food allocation decreased around 45 percent and WFP's plan for 2017 already shared with the related governmental institutions.

WFP has prepositioned food for six months in impassable areas of the Badakhshan province

For 2017;

Food for work; for three months

Assess creation; 2388 MT which will cover all districts of Badakhshan province which will be supplied for two times in a year.

In Emergencies; 1775 MT for cap IDP and natural disasters there are allocated 946 MT.

WFP IPs will assess and distribute food for the natural disasters affected families and conflict IDPs.

WFP will distribute second food ration for 630 conflict displaced families of Jurm and Warduj in Baharak who have once received food ration in 2015 and 2016 and still are living in displacements.

UNAMA; while in 2016 there were constraints through government and army commanders and it was remained a big challenge, but for 2017 UNAMA has weekly meeting with the police, security departments and PG to discuss about the security situation and constraints and hopefully these problems will be solved.

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3	Emergency preparedness,	<p>The Badakhshan Health, ES/NFI, FSAC and WASH clusters respecter’s partners have good preparedness for responding the emergencies in Badakhshan provincial level to natural disaster and conflict IDPs. And the following points noted to be improved in next emergencies ;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordination between ARCS, Government and INGOs; as this issue was raised by ARCS Badakhshan sometimes the IDPs submits 3 petitions with the same subject and same names to ARCS, DoRR and INGOs which causes duplication in assessment and responding. • The Badakhshan markets supply through Kunduz and Takhar In emergencies in case the Kunduz road is blocked the markets will face to shortage of food materials. • In 2015 when the Kunduz overrun by Taliban there was not road access to Kabul and Mazar and the cost of commercial flight went up from 5,000 Afs to 30,000 Afs, • PACTEC services can be changed from charter to regular because the charter cost is too high. • In emergencies the prices go up in districts’ markets because they will face to shortage of goods. 	<p>OCHA will meet the PG and DoRR to improve the coordination between ARCS, INOs, and DoRR for avoiding duplication in response and assessments.</p>
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