

# FLASH REPORT MONTHLY 12 2016



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AFGHANISTAN



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## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MONTH

The highlights of activities taken place during December 2016 in Balkh, Samangan and Sarepul Provinces under below mentioned projects:

1. Sustainable Livelihood Program. The project is implemented in Kishindeh and Shortepa districts of Balkh province and funded by Hand in Hand International.
2. Reducing Poverty and Gender Inequality in Sarepul province of Afghanistan by Improving Household Income and Financial Resilience for Rural Women through Enterprise and Job Creation. The project is implemented in Sancharak, Gosfandi and Balkhab districts of Sarepul province and funded by DFID and Hand in Hand International.
3. Supporting Rural Entrepreneurship and Promoting Women's Socio-Economic Empowerment in Dara-i-Suf Bala and Dara-i-Suf Payan districts of Samangan province. The project is funded by EU, J&J CCT and Hand in Hand International.

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### SHG MEMBERS ESTABLISH MICROENTERPRISES IN SAREPUL PROVINCE

Hand in Hand Afghanistan continuously supports its beneficiaries to create income generating enterprises. The beneficiaries who are the most vulnerable and marginalized groups of their societies are provided with vocational skills training and enterprise startup kits in order to establish microenterprises and jobs.

In this month, **544** micro-enterprise established or enhanced in Sarepul province as following

- Balkhab District **435**
- Sancharak District **75**
- Gosfandi District **22**

HiH Af has supported creation of **8,428 (75% female)** microenterprises in Sarepul province since 2015 under “Reducing Poverty and Gender Inequality by Improving Household Income and Financial Resilience for Rural Women through Enterprise and Job Creation”. The project is funded by Department for International Development and Hand in Hand International.



SHG Members Receiving Enterprise Startup Kits | Balkhab District | Sarepul Province



## TRAINERS RECEIVED REFRESHER TRAINING

From 5<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> December 2016 training of trainers conducted for Village Enterprise Facilitators (VEFs) and district staff in Sancharak district of Sarepul province.

In this training 12 VEFs (7 female) and 2 district staff participated.

The training conducted for 7 days and covered the following topics:

- Group Management
- Microfinance
- Business Development Services
- Market Linkage and Value Addition



Refresher Training | Sancharak District

## PRE-CULTIVATION SESSION FOR FARMERS

During this month 63 agriculture farmers participated in pre-cultivation session at Sancharak district of Sarepul province.

The session was delivered by agriculture vocational master trainer and included a Q&A session to address the questions asked by farmers.



Pre-Cultivation Training | Sancharak District

## SHG MEMBERS RECEIVED SKILLS TRAINING

During this reporting period 23 SHG members successfully completed vocational skills training in the following sectors

- Livestock
- Agriculture
- Poultry

All SHG members are trained on Vocational Skills to establish or enhance their enterprises.



Vocational Skills Training | Goshardi District

## SHG MONTHLY SAVINGS AND LOAN SUMMARY

During this month period total **AFN 1,149,442** have been saved internally by SHG members and **AFN 836,800** have been internally lent by SHG members in order to establish or enhance their microenterprises.

Enterprise startup toolkits and internal loans have resulted in creation of **646 jobs (79% Female)** through microenterprises run by SHG members.



SHG Group Meeting | Balkhab District

## I DON'T HAVE TO WALK DOOR BY DOOR IN SEARCH OF A JOB ANY MORE

Rakia, 28 years old mother of 4 children lives in Khamshorak village of Balkhab district. Her husband migrated to Iran two years ago in search of a job and has not returned yet. She says *"after my husband left I used to work for neighbors and relatives to earn a living for myself and my kids"* Her husband was a farmer and has a small rain-fed land, he was not able to earn enough for his family therefore he migrated.

Rakia joined has joined Perozi Self Help Group and attended in regular meetings, received Group Management, Microfinance and Business Development Services (BDS) Training. Then she enrolled in poultry vocational training and received poultry startup kit as a helping hand to establish her poultry enterprise.

Now she has got her own poultry farm, producing around 15 eggs every day. She sells the eggs with help of HiH Af's village enterprise facilitator for AFN 6 each. During the BDS training, she learned that she can make income selling dairy products. She has leased her husband's agricultural land with guidance and motivation from the HiH Af's field staff. She says *"training helped me to understand and run a business. Now I don't have to worry about running my family. I am confident that life will be better soon."*

Rakia has planned to get a loan from the SHG and buy more chickens so that she can produce more eggs because now she understands the market demand.





## CUMULATIVE RESULTS AS OF DECEMBER 2016



+0

**36,507**

Members Mobilized  
(64 % Female)



+0

**2,252**

SHGs/CIGs Created  
(63% Female)



+0

**36,507**

Members Trained in  
Group Management  
(63 % Female)



+0

**35,525**

Members Trained in  
Microfinance  
(65% Female)



+0

**30,346**

Members Trained in BDS  
(67% Female)



+23

**22,969**

Members Trained in  
Vocational Trainings  
(57% Female)



+0

**5,830**

Members Trained in  
Life Skills  
(73% Female)



+449

**19,310**

Members Received  
Enterprise Startup Kits  
(79% Female)



+1,149,442 AFN

**66,616,965 AFN**

Internally Saved by SHG  
Members  
(67% Female)



+836,800 AFN

**44,267,510 AFN**

Internally Lent by  
SHG Members  
(67% Female)



+544

**26,739**

Micro-Enterprises  
Created/ Enhanced  
(71% Female)



+646

**31,397**

Jobs Created  
(71% Female)

## Partners and Supporters





Orientation to Agricultural Farmers | Char Roh Village | Sancharak District | Sarepul Province

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