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Accelerated Action Plan

IRM in collaboration with SAFWCO (as the lead organization) stepped into the second year of implementation of the Accelerated Action Plan for Reduction of Stunting and Malnutrition in the Sindh project. The project now has a remaining target of 11 districts to conduct awareness sessions and field-based capacity building activities for women and the families on the importance of livestock for improved nutrition for young children, adolescent girls and pregnant women. During the month of February 33 monitoring visits were conducted by the IRM Manager and awareness sessions were attended by the manager. To date, 91% of the project targets have been achieved. Furthermore, follow-up was also conducted on the field reporting & documentation along with the financial receivables along with planning and coordination activities with the key experts.

IRM SMART Schools

IRM Smart schools aims to bring street children back to school and currently 71 schools are operational in Punjab, Sindh and Islamabad with a total of 2,278 students enrolled. Akhuwat distributed gifts in IRM Smart Schools Lahore.



HIGHLIGHTS of the Quarter

**Accelerated Action Plan
IRM SMART Schools
BRACE - Quetta center**

**Southern Punjab Poverty
Alleviation Project (SPPAP) Phase II**

**Sindh Union Council and
Community Economic Strengthening
Support Project (SUCCESS)**

**United Nations Resident
Coordinator visit**

**Water pump installed
in desert area**

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BRACE - Quetta center

IRM Quetta initiated vocational and technical skills training under the BRACE project funded by European Union. 20 participants are currently enrolled in Mobile Repairing, 19 in Air Conditioning & Refrigeration and 21 in Motor Winding trades. Other activities included visits of political representatives to the Quetta center and Secretary Social Welfare.



Southern Punjab Poverty Alleviation Project (SPPAP) Phase II

The Government of Punjab, with financial assistance of the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), launched Phase II of the project for three years till March 31, 2021 titled South Punjab Poverty Alleviation Project (SPPAP) in districts Bahawalnagar, Bahawalpur, Muzaffargarh, Rajanpur, Rahimyar Khan and DG Khan in South Punjab. SPPAP is designed to assist the Government to achieve its objectives of economic growth and poverty alleviation. The overall goal of the project is to reduce rural poverty in Southern Punjab. The target for VTO component is 15,000 while the target for ETO component is 5000 beneficiaries. During the quarter, 1,770 participants graduated under the VTO component while the targets of ETO component were completed.



Sindh Union Council and Community Economic Strengthening Support Project (SUCCESS)

IRM is implementing the three-year EU/NRSP funded SUCCESS project in four Districts of Sindh (Matiari, Tando Allah Yar, Tando Muhammad Khan, and Sujawal). The project duration is October, 2017 to June, 2022. One of the key activities under the SUCCESS Programme is to provide Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) to 16,480 underprivileged community members, especially women. IRM designs and implements a demand driven training programme that help to enhance income generating opportunities for the target beneficiaries. During the quarter, 28 participants graduated in adda work, 29 in agriculture & crop management, 26 in applique Work, 29 in bakery product, 132 in commercial & poultry management, 42 crochet work, 14 in dress designing, 26 in electrician, 13 in hand embroidery, 14 in home base livestock farming, 47 in mehendi design, 14 in motorcycle repairing, 35 in professional car driving, 16 were trained in sheep and goat farming while 81 women and men are enrolled in different trades of vocational training.



Mr. Julien Harneis, United Nations (UN), Resident Coordinator visited the IFAD Assisted-Southern Punjab Poverty Alleviation Project (SPPAP) at Jatoi, District Muzaffarabad.

IRM Team Leader Ms. Summar welcomed and briefed him. He appreciated the work of IRM Vocational Training students.



Water pump installed in desert area of Tharparkar and Saleh Pat District Sukkur for provision of clean drinking water to the community.

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