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250 Furniture Items for Creating Learning Environment at Government Girls High School , Shadan Lund, District Dera Ghazi Khan

Government girls high school ,Shadan Lund (which is considered a backward area) is situated 60 km away from the district headquarter Dera Ghazi Khan. More than 500 students are enrolled in the school. According to the headmistress of the school, there is a need of furniture for students for effective learning space. Due to the lack of funds, they could not overcome the afore mentioned problem.

Being a female CCB, Pak Youth could better understand the intensity of issue of Government Girls High School , Shadan Lund. Ms.Talat Hameed , Chairperson Pak Youth CCB is very concerned in making better environment of government education institution especially for women in her area. She conducted meetings with school management to identify the most preferred issue. After meeting, it was identified that improved sitting arrangements were the most preferred issue. the project Cycle management training conducted by DTCE, Pak Youth CCB prepared a project proposal on provision of furniture in school.



CCB project was approved by the union council Shadan Lund and funds of Rs. 188,000 (80% cost) were released by DTCE. CCB contributed Rs.47,000 (20% cost).

CCB provided 250 furniture items including student chairs, staff chairs, table and cupboards to Government Girls High School Shadan Lund on June 2nd, 2012. The students, teachers and administration of the school were delighted on the occasion. District Officer Education (Elementary) appreciated the efforts of CCB, Union Council Administration Shadan Lund and DTCE.



Connecting People through Macadamized Road in Taraqi Pasand (CCB), District Bhakkar

M. Nazir is the inhabitant of Moza Luk Kalan, union council-Angra Daggar of district Bhakkar which is declared flood affected. One day, he received an invitation to participate in program orientation and need identification meeting of DTCE conducted by a local NGO. He attended a union stakeholder meeting in the month of November 2011 where he conceived the idea of CCB and how they could deal with their real problems which they were facing from last 60 years through the creation of CCB. Nazir called a meeting of their neighbour regarding the formation and need identification of projects through CCB. Under the chairmanship of Nazir, they decided to form CCB named Taraqi Pasand comprising 15 females and 10 males' members. Based on participatory approach, they decided to construct PCC flooring from macadamized road to Jamia Masjid Younas in Moza Luk Kalan. Due to the tarmac road, community faced a lot of problems like access to main road in times of rain, breath diseases due to dust, sanitation particularly after flood became worst.

After the formation of Taraqi Pasand CCB, Nazir (Chairman) and Abdul Nasir (Secretary CCB) attended project cycle management training conducted by DTCE through local CSO where they learnt:

- How to develop a CCB project proposal?
- What is the process of approval?
- How it could be implemented?

They developed project proposal, submitted them at union council level for approval and funding by DTCE. The total cost of the project was Rs. 300,000. They collected 20% (Rs. 60,000) CCBs share from the community for the construction of PCC flooring where as 80% (Rs. 2,40,000) was provided by DTCE through UC Angra Daggar. Also, the community contributed through manpower during the implementation of the project.

Now the project has been completed and direct beneficiaries of the project are 40 households which include males, females, old citizens and children with indirect beneficiaries in hundreds.



Enrichment of computer center in Government Primary School Moza Rakh Dhole, District Dera Ghazi Khan

Dera Ghazi Khan was severally affected by the flood of 2010. Its 30 union councils were declared flood affected. Union council Jhakar Imam Shah was badly hit by the Indus River in 2010. Most of the residents were displaced and infrastructures like houses were destroyed by the flood water. The government of Punjab constructed only model village in Moza Rakh Dhole , UC Jhakar Imam Shah to rehabilitate the flood affected community. In that

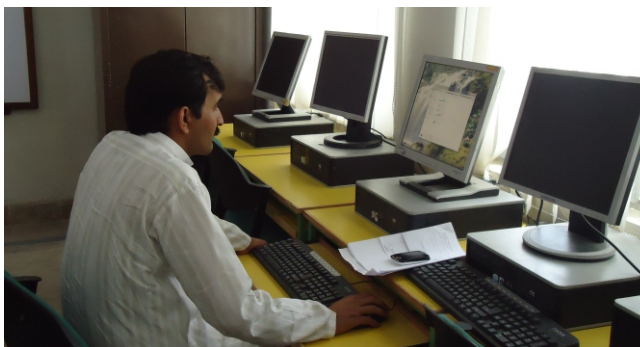
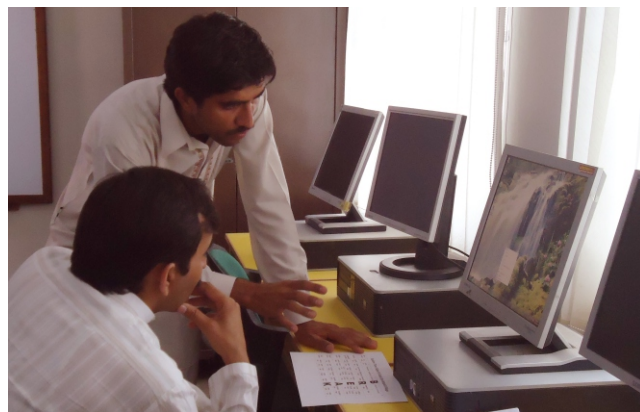
model village, a government primary school is working having 327 children (male and female) are enrolled. Also, a computer lab is established by the government comprising five computers (which are not meeting the children requirements) to educate the students.

AL-Asar Citizen Community board which is a female CCB, came to know that DTCE has launched its FACER project for recovery of flood victims in DG Khan. The Chairperson and Secretary attended two day project cycle management training conducted by DTCE in DG Khan. The participants learnt about the procedures of CCB project including documentation, financial assistance, approval and implementation.

Al-Asar CCB prepared a project proposal on expansion of computer Laboratory in government primary school at model village Moza Rakh Dhol , union council Jhakar Imam Shah. DTCE provided fund of Rs 161,920 (80% cost of CCB project) while 20% cost was contributed by CCB . CCB expanded the computer laboratory by purchasing 10 computers, a printer and a scanner. Currently, more students have easier access to computers and teaching learning is more effective.

Apparently, it looks a tinny step but it will lead to put the flood affected community, s children on the long way of prosperity and better future.

Al-Asar CCB including students, teachers and surrounding community is thankful to DTCE for offering such a creative way to help and empower community.



1409 Issues of 157 Union Councils across Pakistan RESOLVED!

Adding Successes to PCRP (Police Community Relation Program)

PCRP has so far successfully conducted 675 Khulli Kachereis (Open Public Forums) in 157 Union Councils of partner districts of Punjab, Balochistan, Sindh and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. A total of 1659 issues have been raised in Khulli Kacheries out of which 1409 issues had been resolved by the concerned police stations. So far, 59022 participants have attended the Khulli Kacheries, out of which 47275 were male and 11747 were females.

Some Achievements from Balochistan

Zhob

Quite a few success stories have so far been achieved. For example in Zhob; UPSCs (Union Public Safety Commissions) along with the local police and community gathered at a road side and requested passing by citizens in vehicles to remove the tinted sheet for security reasons. More than 300 cars abided with the request and removed the tinted sheets at the spot.

An attempt to kidnap a businessman was taking place in Zhob; once again, the local UPSC along with its chairman arrived at the location along with the police and within a few hours of encounter and some exchange of fires, the kidnapped victim was not only released but four criminals were also arrested.

The Union Public Safety Committee Chairman Mr. Shah Baran Gang Mohallah and Mr. Rafiq General

Secretary Press Club submitted the issue of car tainted windows at the Khulli Kachery meeting of March 2011, highlighting that criminals were mostly driving in cars with tainted windows. The Zhob Police with the assistance of the local community started a campaign in the city and the press highlighted the progress in News papers. Through this campaign three hundred cars tainted papers were amicably removed.



Adding Successes to PCRP (Police Community Relation Program)

The Ganj Union Khullie Kachery raised the issue of Qabristan drugs adda. Contrabands were openly being sold and while the police knew about this, however no action was being taken. On the intervention of Khullie Kachery, police took action, arrested two persons, closed down the adda and confiscated drugs.

Based on similar community-police cooperation in other unions under the Khullie Kachery program, Mr. Amir Khan Mandokhail DIG Zhob Range stated that this is the first time in my career that I have seen an effective model to reduce crime. The community perception has always been against the police, but now the community is not only highlighting public safety issues in Khulli Kacheries but supporting the police in crimes control and furthermore awarding the police on issues resolved. This is highly appreciated by the police and has encouraging repercussions where the police want to do more for their community.



Gwadar

In Gwadar, due to extensive cooperation of the community and growing interest and efficiency of the police, many local drug dealers have been arrested and drug availability has been remarkably reduced within the district. In order to appreciate the local populace for their cooperation, police has introduced a 24 hour helpline.

Most appreciating step on behalf of the UPSC of Gwadar and Gwadar police station is the installation of complaint boxes all over the concerned union councils. This step was a result of the growing relationship between community and police. The key to these boxes remain with the police and UPSC. Each month they are being opened and the complaints are resolved accordingly, by the police.

Lasbella

One of the biggest achievement of police in district Lasbella with reference to Khullie Kacheries, is the control on selling of Ghutka (mild form of drug), which was openly being sold in the Uthal City jurisdiction. The Local Community highlighted this issue in first Khullie Kachery meeting held in March 2011 that Ghutka was easily available and openly sold and therefore more and more people were getting addicted, especially the youth. In response to the issue raised by the community, the police took quick and stern action against Ghutka sellers. This resulted in arrests of the sellers along with registration of FIRs and confiscation of the contraband. Ghutka is no longer easily available and now to ensure complete eradication, the community is planning an awareness campaign against the use of drugs.

The main Uthal highway was being used by miscreants to carry out crimes related to car snatching, robberies, kidnappings etc. The locals and travelers were afraid while crossing this area as no police patrolling was in place. The platform of Khullie Kachery was used to highlight this issue. The police responded with reactivation of police posts around 'zero point', deputed more staff and initiated patrolling. The level of incidences has dropped substantially and the community is somewhat satisfied with the progress.

Killa Saifullah

The roadside area of Muslimbagh city had been encroached by illegal vendors, which resulted in traffic jams. The issue was submitted to the concerned Police Station through the Khullie Kachery. The SHO with police force and Assistant Commissioner with Levies force took an action against illegal encroachers and cleared the area. This was very much appreciated by the community.

In the area of Sadar Muslimbagh, the UPSC amicably settled a dispute in the Khullie Kachery of two families on water rights, which was about to turn into a tribal war. In this case the Khullie Kachery worked as a forum to alternate conflict resolution with successful result.

Killa Abdullah

The major issue raised at the Khullie Kachery in Eidgah area was that young boys stood outside the Government High School (GHS) and teased girl students along with taking photos from their mobile phones. The police person deputed at the GHS was young in age and indifferent to the situation. In response to community concern, the police stationed a senior person and the issue has been resolved.

Pishin

The locals and travelers were afraid of travelling on the main road at night. The issue was submitted to the concerned police station through the Khullie Kachery forum. In response, the police have established a check post at Barakabad; this area was identified by the community. In the first week the police, during checking confiscated 130 kg of hashish, arrested the concerned and registered a case.

117 Household 213 women's 207 Man 418 Children's are beneficiaries to easily access pit washrooms (Latrine) and clean drinking water

Shikarpur was severally affected by the flood of 2010. union council Jam Sumano badly hit by the sindh river most of the residents were displaced and infrastructure like house were destroyed by the flood water. After the basic rehabilitation there were lots of problems faced by the native community primarily the clean drinking water, Pit washrooms, sanitation and health was the main problem,

Be short of of clean drinking water and unavailability of washrooms were the cause of disease & infections in daily routine approximately 4 to 6 people unhygienic by gastro syndrome villager were very worried because access to hospital is not easy due to transportation problem.

Saheli Citizen Community board, came to know that DTCE has launched its FACER project for recovery of flood victims in Shikarpur. The Chairperson and Secretary attended two day project cycle management training conducted by DTCE in Shikarpur. The participants learnt about the procedures of CCB project including documentation, financial assistance, approval and implementation.



Saheli Citizen CCB prepared a project proposal for pit washrooms and hand pumps for clean drinking water in union council Jam Sumano. DTCE provided fund of Rs 184,800 (80% cost of CCB project) while 20% cost was contributed by CCB. Saheli CCB Implemented the project and constructed washrooms and installed hand pumps for clean drinking water and started health awareness campaign to educate the community about sanitation and health. Currently, there are 117 Household 213 women's 207 Man 418 Children's are Beneficiaries

Apparently, it looks a metallic step but it will lead to put the flood affected community, s on the long way of prosperity and better future.

Saheli Citizen CCB including surrounding community is thankful to DTCE for offering such a creative way to help and empower community.

10,800 People Can Access Drinking Water at Their Door Step

DTCE funded 21 mixed (Female) CCBs projects under ICED Program in District Charsadda KP. These all 21 projects are in the sector of drinking water supply scheme. These projects have been funded by DTCE at 100% worth 5.28 Million. The Quantity of DWSS Hand pumps are 84 which covers 21 union councils out of 49 Ucs, the total beneficiaries are 10,800 people of the district.

There were lots of problems faced by the native community primarily the clean drinking water, sanitation and health was the main problem, lack of clean drinking water and unavailability of hand pumps and filter plants were the cause of diseases & infections in daily routine approximately 3 to 4 people unhygienic by gastro and other diseases.

Citizen Community boards of 21 union councils conducted comprehensive meetings with DTCE and highlighted their basic problems and issues. In this regard DTCE conducted project cycle management training workshops attended by the Chairmen's and Secretaries of CCB's. The participants learnt about the procedures of CCB project including documentation, financial assistance, approval and implementation.

21 mixed female CCBs prepared a project proposal for drinking water supply scheme in their respective union councils and submitted to DTCE after Budget and development committee (BDC) meeting under the chairmanship of district coordination officer Charsadda the drinking water supply scheme project implemented and completed successfully

It seems that a tiny step but it will lead to put the affected community on the long way of prosperity and better Healthy future. All beneficiaries including surrounding communities are thankful to DTCE for tendering such a creative way to help and empower the communities.



Flood affected community on the long way of prosperity and better healthy future.

Through public private partnership, 'Participatory development' can be integrated into the public institutions as a feasible strategy towards sustainable development. A community organization provides the organizational structure for citizens to express their interests and contribute to development of their communities.

CCBs involve people in identifying development needs of the community and make them in charge of the development process. CCB mechanism has made greater citizen partnership possible and encouraged communities to work for their own development. In 2010 Flood Muzafargarh was severally affected. Union council Dair Deen Pana was badly hit by the flood. Most of the residents were displaced and basic infrastructures were



destroyed. In after effects of flood lost of diseases and infections spread in the community due to unavailability of clean drinking water. Pakistan female Citizen Community board which is a female CCB, came to know that DTCE has launched its FACER project for recovery of flood victims in Muzafargarh. Pakistan female CCB get in touch with DTCE Team and The Chairperson Ms Aisa Hassan and General Secretary Arooj Fatima attended two day project cycle management training conducted by DTCE in Muzafargarh. The participants learnt about the procedures of CCB project.

Pakistan female CCB prepared a project proposal on installation of hand pump for clean drinking water through proper mechanism DTCE provided fund of Rs 250,000 (80% cost of CCB project) while 20% cost was contributed by CCB. CCB successfully completed the project of installation of hand pumps to access clean drinking water on their door step and to overcome on infection, disease, bugs and viruses.

Total 30 hand pumps installed in different villages & galaxy of beneficiaries are 4000 apparently, it looks a tinny step but it will lead to put the flood affected community, s on the long way of prosperity and better healthy future. Pakistan female CCB and community are thankful to DTCE for offering such a resourceful way to help and empower community.

Supporting Women's CNIC Registration

Two day, Grants Opening Meeting for 15 partner organizations from Balochistan, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Punjab and Sind for Cycle-3, Gender Equity Program (GEP) on "Supporting Women's CNIC Registration" was held at local hotel. National Database and Registration Authority (NADRA) and Aurat Foundation (AF) have signed MoU through which the AF facilitates unregistered women of the country in the acquisition of CNIC. Women especially in far flung and marginalized areas are a challenge for NADRA due to lack of awareness about their rights and CNIC benefits.

AF in close collaboration with The Asia Foundation (TAF) is implementing the GEP, which is an initiative supported by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID).



Devolution Trust for Community Empowerment (DTCE) has been awarded a sub-grant for providing other partner organizations technical assistance for effective implementation of the project.

Local Citizens Information Network - Continuing a Media-Driven Awareness Raising Campaign on the Need for a Local Government System

Through print and electronic media, the Media Department pursued an aggressive information dissemination campaign to buttress its efforts to empower communities through a local government system. The role and efforts of DTCE and LCAs for the restoration of the local government system also highlighted. During the period DTCE set out to put into practice a national social communication campaign to solicit support for an LG system. The Local Citizens Information Network, managed by DTCE's Media and Communication Department, implemented a comprehensive plan for an advocacy and awareness raising campaign & designed to help Local Council Associations advocate an LG system among the general public by providing a platform that enjoys nation-wide visibility.

DTCE's Media and Communication Department has worked tirelessly to facilitate National Seminar on Independence of the Judiciary Islamabad, LCA address to Balochistan High Court Bar Association Balochistan, District Bar Association Gujranwala and LCA'S National Level Convention in Faisalabad.

Additionally electronic media was used to further DTCE's information dissemination and awareness raising campaign. Thematic talk shows on the Local Government System were broadcasted through national news channels, details of which have been produced as under.

Talk show of "Insight", a widely hailed and popular Group (Nawa e Waqt) television programme on Waqt News, was dedicated to a discussion on the Local Govt System. Participant was Chairman DTCE Mr. Daniyal Aziz & Hosted by Saleem Bukhari

Talk show of "Ghusstakhi Muaff", on waqt News was aired, topics discussed Local Govt System, Inflation, unemployment, Corruption, and economic condition of Pakistan Participant was Chairman DTCE Mr. Daniyal Aziz & Hosted by Ms. Batool



During the period, owing to the untiring efforts of the Media Department, Waqt News Talk show "Awami Express" aired a program on the LG system, Inflation, unemployment & Corruption, DTCE Chairman Mr. Daniyal Aziz , Secretary Foreign Affair Mr. Akram Zaki, Senator ANP Ms. Bushra Gohar, Voice President APML Dr. Guhram Mujtaba, Former chief election commission Kanwar Dilshad were also invited as guests on the show.

During the period, Dawn News very popular and prime time Talk show "Target Point" aired a program on the LG system, DTCE Chairman Mr. Daniyal Aziz , Provincial Information Minister PPP Mr. Sharjeel Memon, MNA (PMLN) Zaeem Qadri, Central Secretary Information PTI Shafqat Mehmood were also invited as guests on the show.

