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## ACRONYMS

BoQ	Bill of Quantity	MFBs	Micro-finance Banks
CBOs	Community Based Organizations	MFIs	Micro-finance Institutions
CDLD	Community Driven Local Development	MHM	Menstrual Hygiene Management
CHC	Community Health Center	MNCH	Mother & Neonatal Care and Hygiene
CIG	Common Interest Group	MoU	Memorandum of Understanding
CLF	Community Livelihood Fund	MPA	Member of Provincial Assembly
CMST	Community Management Skills Training	NGO	Non-Governmental Organization
CMW	Community Midwifery	NOC	No Objection Certificate
CO	Community Organization	NRM	Natural Resource Management
CPI	Community Physical Infrastructure	NyK	Naukari Ya Karobar (Employment or business)
CRP	Community Resource Person	O&M	Operation and maintenance
DWSS	Drinking Water Supply Scheme	PKR	Pakistani Rupees
ED	Executive Director	PM	Project Manager
EoP	End of Project	PMIFL	Prime Minister Interest Free Loan
EPS	Environmental Protection Society	PPAF	Pakistan Poverty Alleviation Fund
FATA	Federally Administered Tribal Areas	PPR	Programme for Poverty Reduction
FCPF	Forest Carbon Partnership Facility	PRA	Participatory Rural Appraisal
FO	Field Officer	PSC	Poverty Score Card
GB	General Body	PTC	Parent Teacher Council
GGHS	Government Girls High School	PwDs	Person with Disabilities
GGMS	Government Girls Middle School	REDD+	Reducing Emission through Deforestation and Forest Degradation
GWP	Girls friendly WASH Project	SDG	Sustainable Development Goals
HH	Household	SMC	School Management Committee
HR	Human Resource	TNA	Training Need Assessment
HRD	Human Resource Development	TOP	Terms of Partnership
IAUP	Integrated Area Upgradation Projects	ToR's	Terms of Reference
ID	Institution Development	TSP	Training Service Providers
IEC	Information Education and Communication	UC	Union Council
IT	Information Technology	UCLDP	Union Council Livelihood Development Plan
KPK	Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	UN	United Nation
KRM	Karobar Rehumai Markaz	VCs	Village Committees
LACIP	Livelihood and small scale Community Physical Infrastructure Project	VO	Village Organization
LC	Loan Center	WAP	WaterAid in Pakistan
LHW	Lady Health Worker	WASH	Water, Sanitation & Hygiene
LSO	Local Support Organization	WATSAN	Water and Sanitation
M&E	Monitoring and Evaluation	WSSC	Water Supply & Sanitation Company



# FORWARD & ACKNOWLEDGMENT

It is with great pleasure to present you the annual progress report of 2017. During the year, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and specifically Malakand Division remained peaceful and provided opportunity for scaling up developmental efforts. During the Year-2017, EPS continued its effort in the field of its four programmatic priorities which are Environment & Climate Change, Sustainable Livelihood, Education, Health and Nutrition specifically in Malakand Division of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

EPS believe on quality of work with focus on sustainable socio economic measures. During the year, the Society implemented various core activities and projects on Institutional Development, Livelihood, Health & Nutrition, Education, Community Physical Infrastructure Schemes, Water Sanitation and Hygiene including MHM and Interest Free Loan. This was achieved with the support of our major sponsors namely Pakistan Poverty Alleviation Fund (PPAF) and WaterAid Pakistan. During the reporting period, one project “Livelihood Support and Promotion of Small Community Infrastructure Project LACIP-Extension phase” was successfully completed. Our partners remained satisfied with the projects we carried out for them.

On behalf of Environmental Protection Society (EPS), we thank you deeply for your valuable contribution and support both morally and financially. At the same time, thanks goes to all of our staff and members of EPS board and general body for their hard work and dedication.

Last but not the least, in any sense, the deep involvement of the activists of communities with which EPS worked during 2018 is worth appreciation. We wholeheartedly thank them for making the development intervention successful. Together, we will continue our efforts in more professional manner.





# About EPS

Environmental Protection Society (EPS) is a non-governmental, non-ethnic, non-political and indigenous organization working in the region since 1991. Its main activities and projects were concentrated in District Swat where it earned a good name and started its journey towards professionalism as well and extended its interventions to the surrounding districts; Shangla, Kohistan, Batagram, Buner, Malakand, Upper Dir and Lower Dir where EPS had already developed good working relations with most of the organizations and line departments. EPS head office is located in Saidu Sharif, district Swat and is registered in 1994 under the Societies Registration Act, 1860.

## EPS Strategic Plan 2017-2019

EPS has developed Strategic Plan 2017-19 towards assessing strengths, weaknesses and lessons learnt from the previous strategic plans; analyzing and aligning the current and future developmental challenges and opportunities in KP & FATA with those of EPS; and establishing clear strategic vision and goals for EPS to work towards in an effective, efficient and sustainable manner

## EPS Programmatic Priorities

EPS Programme Guidelines provides practical and step-by-step guidance to the planning, designing and implementation of programme operations. It attempts to develop high-quality standard procedures that contribute to improved and consistent performance of programmes. EPS four programmatic priorities are; Environment and Climate Change, Sustainable Livelihood, Education and Health & Nutrition.

### Programmatic Priorities:

1. Environment & Climate Change
2. Sustainable Livelihood
3. Education
4. Health & Nutrition

## Vision

Clean and healthy environment where all people live with dignity and peace

## Philosophy

Collective Broad Based Sustainable Development

## Mission

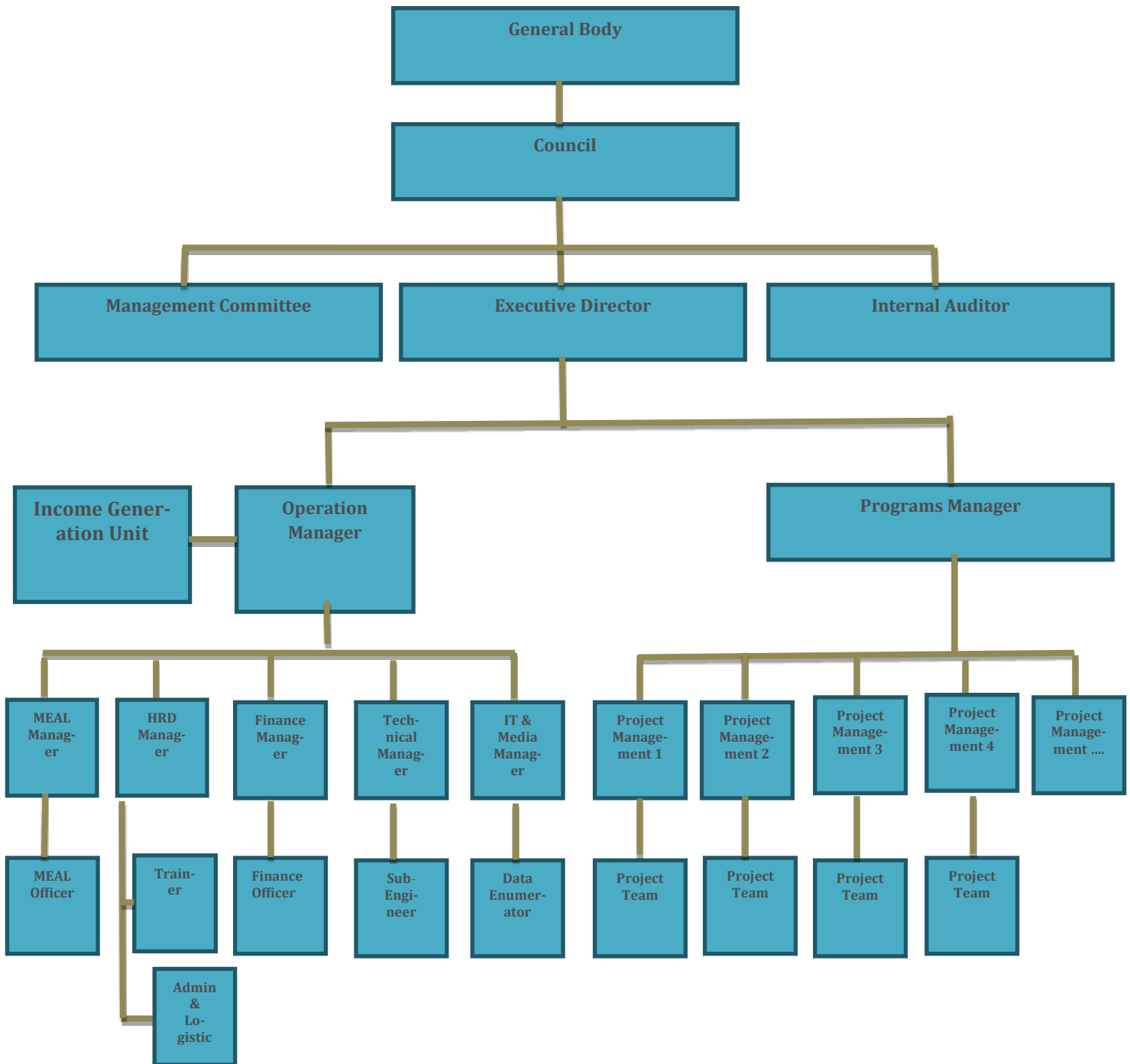
To strive for inclusive development with community participation for deserving people with care and respect

## Values

Accountability, Transparency, Care, Self-Reliance, Participation and Integrity



# ORGANOGRAM OF EPS





# EPS Team

## Council / Board Memembers

- ◇ Prof. Abdul Wahab Khan- Chairman
- ◇ Prof. Fazal Subhan Afghani- Vice Chairman
- ◇ Mr. Mian Bakht Zada- Press Secretary
- ◇ Prof. Irshad Ali Khan- Councilor
- ◇ Mr. Iftikhar Ali Khan- Councilor
- ◇ Mr. Tahir Alam- Councilor
- ◇ Mr. Hameed Ullah- Councilor
- ◇ Ms. Huma Shakir- Councilor
- ◇ Mr. Muhammad Afzal Khan- Councilor

## Key Staff members

- ◇ Mr. Akbar Zeb- Executive Director
- ◇ Mr. Masroor Ahmad- Programs Manager
- ◇ Mr. Khalilullah- Manager HR & Admin
- ◇ Mr. Israr-Ul-Haq- Manager M&E
- ◇ Mr. Tariq Khan- Finance Manager
- ◇ Mr. Shahab Ali Shah - IT Manager
- ◇ Mr. Shakeel Ahmed Khan- Project Manager
- ◇ Mr. Sajid- Project Manager(PMIFL Scheme)
- ◇ Mr. Ibrar Ahmad- Project Manager
- ◇ Mr. Sher Ali- Project Manager
- ◇ Mr. Haseeb Khan - Project Manager

EPS EPS membership is open to all those (male and female) conscious to the overall environment of the region. General Body members meet once a year to review the programmes and finances of EPS. The members of GB fill half of the seats of the Council falling vacant each year through election. Internal auditor for the accounts of the Society is also selected by the GB. The GB has the right to propose and pass amendments in the bye-laws.

The Council is a voluntary body, which acts as the Board of Governors. The Council is responsible to frame and amend policy guidelines for the Society and move the Society forward within the bounds of its vision and philosophy and monitor the activities of the Society towards the objectives of the Society. Presently there are nine members of the Council. A Chairman selected for a one-year term represents the Council. A Vice-Chairman and a Press Secretary are also elected for one-year term.

The Management Committee comprising of three members is responsible to review the overall performance of the Society on monthly basis or any time if required, in term of material and financial resources, and keeping management system of the Society on the right track.

The Grievances, Disciplines and Civil Behavior Committee are constituted by simple majority of the Council in quorum. It comprises of three Councilors and is formed on yearly basis.

The Management Structure of the Society comprises of Executive Director, Programme Manager, Administrative and HR Manager, M&E Manager, Finance Manager, Officers and support staff. Besides the core staff each project executed by EPS has its own management structure, with the Executive Director as the management head.





# Our Policies

## 1. Finance Policy

EPS has a separate Finance unit and specialist staff to maintain accounts of the Society as well as accounts of different projects. Accounts of the Society are prepared in accordance with the International Accounting Standards as applicable in Pakistan. The Society has well established accounting and internal control systems for the smooth and transparent operations of the Organization and projects' affairs. Presently, EPS is using software for recording all the accounting transactions. This software has the provision to keep record of accounts both for the Society and its projects. In addition, EPS Finance Unit keeps record of assets and inventory for this purpose. Moreover, Project wise inventory listing and asset register is being maintained and assets are properly coded to identify as to which Project these belong. In order to have an efficient and effective internal control system, reconciliation is being done every month, segregation of duties has been made, assets and cash is being verified periodically and on surprised check basis, Standard Operating Procedures have been established in order to have control, these include procurement and personnel policies. Variance analysis is being done in order to control funding. Co-signatory system for bank payments is in place.

## 2. Admin & HR Policy

EPS have well written administration and human resource policy which is followed with true spirit and includes; core values & practices, recruitment, working hours, leaves, allowances and benefits, employees benefits and grades, procurement of goods and services, travel policies and procedures, vehicle management guidelines, performance appraisal, training & development, discipline, dispute resolution and termination.

## 3. Gender Policy

Environmental Protection Society (EPS) have realized to have formally written, approved and publicized gender policy to give strategic directions to the organization and also make it accountable. It is a fact that inequality between men and women is deep rooted and is manifested in discrimination against women in different forms. To have a gender balanced environment both at organizational and field levels efforts need to be made in gender mainstreaming. The overall objective of the policy is to provide an enabling environment for women and men within the organization and communities.

This policy is aimed to contribute to UN Declarations and MDG 3 regarding gender equality and women empowerment within bounds of cultural and social norms and values.

Policy vision is "Equitable distribution of responsibilities, burdens and benefits between women and men as well as their participation in dialogues and decision making in development".

## 4. EPS Code of Conduct

Environmental Protection Society (EPS) considers 'Code of Conduct' as a key tool for the prevention of harassment, exploitation, abuse and inappropriate behavior by staff. The 'EPS Code of Conduct' portrays the principles of manners expected of all staff and anybody engaged by the Society, and looking for promoting good practices. The Code is designed to guide and protect all staff. Any violation of this Code may result in disciplinary action up to and including dismissal. In addition, it is written to reflect the organization's core values and commitment to ensuring that staff members always act in the best interest of all stakeholders.





## EPS Partners

Abt. Associates Inc.	Ministry of Environment, Local Government & Rural Development
Asian Development Bank & Go: KPK	Oxfam NOVIB
British Council	Oxfam GB
CARE International in Pakistan	Pakistan Poverty Alleviation Fund (PPAF)
Catholic Relief Services (CRS)	Primary Education Project Go: of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
Civil Society HID Programme (CHIP)	SDC- IC (Innovation for Poverty Reduction Project)
Concern Worldwide RAPID Fund	South Asia Partnership (SAP) Pakistan
Concern Worldwide Regular Program	Swiss Agency for Development and Co-operation (SDC)
Custodian of two Holy Mosques Relief Campaign for Pakistan	Swiss NGOs Programme Office
Department for International Development	Trust for Voluntary Organization (TVO)
Food and Agriculture Organization	UNDP GEF SGP
Government of KP	UNDP SGP PTF
Handicap International (HI)	United Nations Children Fund (UNICEF)
IUED, Geneva University, Switzerland	USAID Entrepreneurs/MEDA
JOBS International	USAID- Pakistan Jobs Project
John Snow, Inc. (USAID)	Welt Hungerhilfe (DWHH)

## EPS Partners during the Year 2017



Pakistan Poverty Alleviation  
Fund (PPAF)



WaterAid Pakistan



## EPS Projects during the year 2017

### School WASH (Water Sanitation & Hygiene) Project

- Awareness and Capacity Building focusing on MHM
- WASH Infrastructure
- Research and Advocacy

### Livelihood Support and Promotion of Small Community Infrastructure Project (LACIP) Phase 1 Extension

- Institutional Development
- Community Physical Infrastructure Schemes thorough IAUP Approach

### Prime Ministers Interest Free Loan Scheme (PM-IFL Scheme)

- Provision of interest free loan to poor households having poverty band between 0-23 for productive enterprises development.

### Programme for Poverty Reduction (PPR)

- Institutional Development
- Livelihood Enhancement & Protection
- Health & Nutrition
- Education
- Community physical infrastructure Schemes



## EPS Working Area





## Important activities conducted during the year 2017

During the Year 2017, Environmental Protection Society (EPS) carried out a number of core activities which contributed to its vision and mission. EPS general body and Council took keen interest and actively participated in all of the activities. Beside core activities, the Society implemented projects during the year 2017 in partnership with Pakistan Poverty Alleviation Fund (PPAF) and WaterAid Pakistan.

## EPS General Body Meeting Minutes, 2017

The annual General Body meeting was held at EPS Office on February 26, 2017 under the chairmanship of Prof. Abdul Wahab Khan, Chairman EPS at EPS head office. After introductory session by Mr. Akbar Zeb, Executive Director EPS and sharing of the agenda, the Chairman thanked the participants for their continuous support to the Society. Progress for the year 2016 was shown through video documentary and all the participants appreciated the progress and the unique style of presentation.

Following the presentation, in the question answer session and open discussion, the following decisions were approved.

1. The house selected Mr. Muhammad Afzal Khan and Ms. Huma Shakir in membership of council.
2. Executive Director has to submit national and international days plan and intimation to General Body members for participation.
3. At the end the house approved the plan and proposed budget for the year 2017 and also approved post of pre-auditor for EPS.

From the general body only Mr. Muhammad Afzal Khan and Ms. Huma Shakir submitted applications for membership of the Council. The house selected both of them as there was no need for election. Rests of the members were kept intact by the general body members.



General Body Members



Inauguration ceremony of EPS Office in Saidu Shareef.

## World Water Day

EPS celebrated World Water Day on 22 March, 2017 as a mean of focusing & grabbing attention on the importance of clean, nontoxic & hygienic water and advocating for the sustainable management of accessible freshwater resources. The event was celebrated in Government Girls Higher Secondary School Kalakalay of District Swat.

The students, teachers and GWP-EPS staff celebrated the day by doing paintings, writing debates, and sketches competition and speeches about the importance of the day. Water stands at the heart of the new 2030 agenda for sustainable development. At the end of the event all the participants vowed to conserve the water by standing consolidated not only with those 38.7 million of Pakistanis who lack access to clean and safe drinking water but all those 783 million people across the world who are deprived of this exquisite natural gift.



Celebration of World Water Day.

## Inauguration Ceremony

Environmental protections society's new office at Saidu Sharif, Swat was inaugurated on 20 May, 2017. The foundation stone was laid by Chairman EPS Mr. Abdul Wahab Khan in presence of EPS general Body, counselors, core staff and guests.



## National Green Day “Going back to Indigenous, Local Tree Species”.

EPS observed National Green Day and launching of spring plantation campaign on February 09, 2017. Principal theme of the day was "Going back to Indigenous, Local Tree Species". The event was organized in collaboration with Forest Department. On this occasion Mr. Akbar Zeb – Executive Director EPS welcomed the participants warmly and put insight on the importance of the National Green Day and our role. He also stressed on full participation in Spring Plantation Campaign. Mr. Iqbal – SDFO Forest Department district Swat expressed his views on Green Pakistan Program and its importance. Senior SDFO Swat also express his view on the day and mentioned some technical points and educated the participants on environmental threats and issues and their role.

Forest Department representatives mentioned in their speeches that we have provision of free plants to community for which many community requests were handed over to them and were entertained. At the end of the ceremony, plantation campaign of 1000 plants containing pine, acacia (kikar) and Eucalyptus species was carried out. 1000 plants were planted on the same day (February 09, 2017).

*“I don’t care if you don’t care”. \_GreenDay*



National Green Day Celebration.

## Natural Disaster Day Celebration

To reduce death and loss risk during natural disaster an event was organized in TMA Mingwara hall followed by a walk. During the event the Additional Commissioner Barikot Mr. Fahim Khan, Rescue 1122 Swat District Emergency Officer Mr. Kamal Khan and other participants said natural disasters are exam of mankind from Allah and during earthquakes, floods and other disasters we have to pay our part to reduce the loss.

Rescue 1122 is armed with modern equipment's and students of various education institutions are also playing their due role. In this purpose EPS, Hayat foundations and many other organizations are working hand in hand to aware people

## MHM Day

World MHM day was celebrated on 12 August, 2017 at national level with MHM working group, and other major stakeholder's. In the event people from different walk of life participated i.e. social sector, govt officials, health department, and students. The Federal Secretary for climate change graced the event as chief guest. Representative from IRSP, UNCIEF, CSRED, govt institutes, Sports, Health Department, Education department, highlighted the need of MHM awareness during their speeches. All of the speakers focused that there is lot of gaps to be addressed regarding MHM education, as getting awareness about MHM education is our basic rights, and policies should be redesigned to incorporate MHM education in the curriculum and infrastructure.

In the exhibition EPS displayed its IEC material including booklets, flipcharts, pens, key chains, studies, cups, wall clocks. All of the participants appreciated the EPS's efforts, as on provincial level EPS is the only organization which is directly working on MHM issue.



MHM Day.



Natural Disaster Day Celebration





World Tourism Day celebration.

## WORLD TOURISM DAY Sustainable Tourism-A tool for development

EPS in collaboration with **Pakistan Poverty Alleviation Fund** for the first time ever celebrated World Tourism day on September 27, 2017 under the theme of Sustainable Tourism – a tool for Development, celebrated and attended by the students of GGMS Dadahara and vital members from village and community organizations of UC Kuza Abakhel. This day is celebrated every year with different themes selected by UNWTO national assembly the purpose of which is to raise awareness on social, cultural, political and economical importance of tourism among international community and tourism sectors contributions in achieving SDGs.

This day was marked by displaying banners, plays by students on sustainable tourism; selling regions specialty and goods of community to promote local economy, conserving nature and reducing overconsumption and waste, maintaining and promoting diversity of culture and good human relation and co-ordination of host community with tourists. Theme was more put into words by speeches and beautiful poem which said,

**“Let’s all as stakeholders pledge to make tourism, the real responsible, the real sustainable”.**

At the end of the event VO president Miss. Samina paid her gratitude to EPS for celebrating the day by saying,

**“ We never knew about this day before. Swat is a tourism hub and we, the inhabitants need to realize its importance”.**

## Global Hand washing Day “Making Hand washing a habit”.

Global Hand washing Day (GHD) is a campaign to motivate and mobilize people around the world to improve their hand washing habits. Celebrated globally on 15 October every year, EPS also celebrated this day under the theme **“Make Hand washing a Habit”**. The dedication was raising awareness of hand washing with soap as a key approach to disease prevention. The Celebrations were held at GGMS Gul Bandai on October 15, 2016 to visualize its importance in the children and the main objectives were;

Celebrate Global Hand washing day.

Foster and support a general culture of hand washing with soap in Communities.

Raise awareness about the benefits of hand washing with soap.

*“Spread the LOVE not the GERMS”.*



Celebration of Global Hand Washing Day.



## Training of School Caretakers on WATSAN and O&M

Generally, water and sanitation projects experience their most serious problems with operation and maintenance and with cost recovery aspects. Capacity building of School Care takers on WATSAN Operation & Maintenance is also one of the main activities of GWP project for the sustainability of WATSAN services at schools.

Two Trainings were imparted to the caretakers of the targeted schools on the Operation & Maintenance of WATSAN services on 26 March 2017 and 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017. Care takers from all the targeted 30 schools participated in these trainings. The overall aim of operation and maintenance is to ensure efficiency, effectiveness and sustainability of water supply and sanitation facilities. It is required to ensure the sustainability of any project in which a new infrastructure has been put into place. These training ensures that the project is sustainable in a long-term and allow for the correct provision of services and benefit of end-users. It also prevents the systems to collapse creating environmental and health hazards. This training helped in practical involvement of school caretakers in operation & maintenance of constructed/rehabilitated schemes.

### International Day of Persons with Disabilities

International Day of Persons with Disabilities is annually observed on 3 December with an objective to promote an awareness of disability issues, the fundamental rights of persons with disabilities and integration of persons with disabilities in the main stream of each aspect of the social, political, economic and cultural status of their communities. The event was organized by the EPS GWP team with the help and cooperation of the School Staff on 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2016. The purpose of this event was to realize and promote an understanding of disability issues, mobilize support for the dignity, rights and well-being of the people with disabilities. The major focus of the event was the advocacy care and understanding of disability needs.

At the end of the event EPS staff urged all the students to feel the true emotions of people with disabilities to achieve the best of their skills in the practical life. At the ending of program EPS staff highly appreciated the efforts of principle and students and thanks the whole staff of the school and prizes were also distributed among students for encouragements. The participants adopted participatory approach and participated fully in the session and also thanked the team of EPS & acknowledged their efforts.



School Caretakers training.



World Disability Day celebration.



## Environment & Climate Change

EPS has a rich history on managing natural resource including water bodies like river swat and its tributaries, forests and wildlife, agriculture and livestock. EPS aims to protect and safeguard the health of streams, conserve rivers, make the environment clean and safe for health and living as well as conserve other natural assets. EPS is working with the local communities in the provision of the potable water and sanitation facilities using the local technology and engineering standards for the vulnerable population. EPS provides engineering support to the community based organization and other on demand basis and have implemented water supply and sanitation services on participatory basis under different projects.

Basic components of the Environment & Climate Change programme are:

- \* Natural Resource Management (NRM).
- \* Water Sanitation & Hygiene (WASH).
- \* Research & Adaptation.
- \* Awareness & Advocacy.

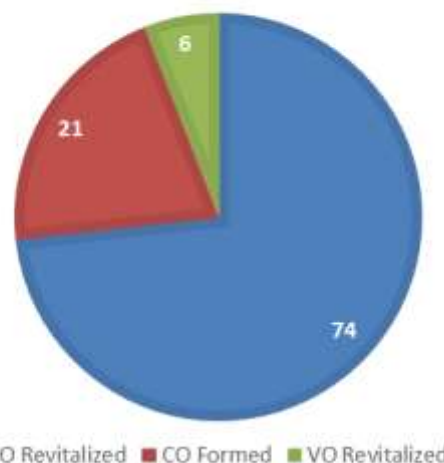
## NATURAL RESOURCE MANGEMENTN (NRM)

### Social mobilization (SM) And Human & Institutional Development (HID):

Social Mobilization and/or Human & Institutional Development remained cross-cutting theme of each EPS programmatic priority. During the Year-2017, EPS worked with already established community institutions and focused on their capacity building initiatives. Along with this, some new Community Organizations and Village Organizations were also formed. EPS through its project "LACIP Extension phase" in district Buner revitalized 74 community organizations, newly formed 21 COs and revitalized 6 Village Organizations. 40% community institutions were formed/revitalized with female target groups and a total of 1,558 households were organized in these community institutions consisting of 945 male and 613 female members .

EPS also developed a **project documentary** on the LACIP Extension Phase project and was shared with all relevant stakeholders. Physical progress under institutional development includes;

INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRESS



### NRM & Community Physical infrastructure:

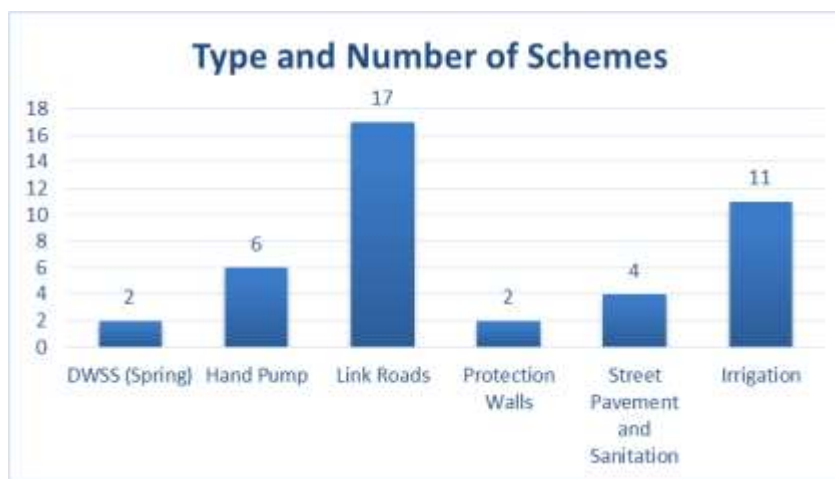
In partnership with Pakistan Poverty Alleviation Fund, EPS started its project titled "Programme for Poverty Reduction (PPR)" in Sep, 2015 which continued throughout the Year-2017. The target union councils are koz Abakhel and Hazara. One of the important of the programme was community productive physical infrastructure. The basic elements of this component included productive infrastructures like irrigation networks for developing land and water resources; (spring/gravity water flow, extension of existing schemes, hand-pump), sanitation facility (sewerage drains, confinement of green manure to the specified site) farm to market roads, street pavements, irrigation channels lining of existing channels. At the end of 2017, 42 CPI schemes have been provided to the community organization benefiting 1688 households with the main focus to build the capacities of the community activists through its identification and implementation by them.





In 2017, 17 numbers of link roads were constructed and completed in union council's hazara and Koz Abakhel benefiting more than 680 households. This resulted in better access of the marginalized communities to basic infrastructure services as compared to the situation at the start of the project. The organizations have positive relations with CDLDs and other Civil Society Organizations working in the area.

Similarly, in 2017, 11 numbers of irrigation schemes (including pipe irrigation, PCC water channel lining) were completed benefiting more than 550 households in union council hazara and Koz Abkhel. Due to the construction of irrigation schemes (pipe irrigation and lining of water courses) per acre production have been increased, saving of time for irrigation purposes has been achieved. Economic conditions of the villagers have also been improved. Other schemes completed includes street pavements and sanitation (4), protection walls (2), hand pumps (6) and DWSS spring based (2). Beside PPR project, EPS also constructed Community Physical Infrastructure Schemes through Integrated Area Upgradation (IAUP) approach. Through this approach a cluster of CPI schemes were constructed in four different villages of two Union Councils of district Buner and in collaboration with Village Organizations. Details of these schemes are as in table;



Name of IAUP	Scheme Name
IAUP VO Shawal Nawagai	Link Road & Bridges
	DWSS (8 No of Hand Pumps)
	Disaster Mitigation Structure
IAUP VO Razar Koga	Drainage & Sanitation
	Link Road & Bridges
	Disaster Mitigation Structure
IAUP VO Shabab Ambela	Drainage & Sanitation
	Link Road & Bridges
	Irrigation
	Disaster Mitigation Structure
IAUP VO Durmai	Drainage & Sanitation
	Link Road & Bridges
	Disaster Mitigation Structure

### **Afforestation & reforestation:**

EPS organized Forest Assembly on October 19, 2017 at Relax Hilton Palace Hotel, Bypass road Mingora Swat. More than 100 participants attended the Forest Assembly consisting of community members from two PPR UCs Tehsil Kabal, Forest Conservator Malakand- Yousuf Khan, FCPF CSO Representative Asia-Pacific Kanwar Muhammad Javed Iqbal, Tehsil Nazim Mr. Rehmat Ali, IPS Representative Khawar Sultan, General Secretary of SAFI Jamshaid Ali, Deputy Project Director Green Pakistan Programme Masood Ali, Executive Director EPS and Chairman of LSO Hazara and Kuz Abakhel.

Forest assembly objectives were; youth involvement in REDD+ initiatives for employment and opportunities, prioritizing key issues related to deforestation and forest degradation for way forward, and formulating recommendations through a joint resolution.

Forest Assembly was formally started through recitation of few verses from the Holy Quran. Mr. Masroor Ahmad (Programme Manager) facilitated the whole process starting from introduction of participants, assembly agenda, speeches, open discussions and resolutions till refreshment. In his speech, Conservator Mr. Yousuf Khan highlighted that REDD plus means Reducing Emission through Deforestation and forest Degradation. By afforestation and conservation of forest we cannot compete the situation as the forest conservation can save only 0.9 billion ton a year, whereas the annual addition to the air is about 4 billion ton, which is too high. The treaty of REDD was not signed by USA, China and other major pollution generation countries. USA and other developed countries are the major producers of the CO2. USA currently producing 17.2 ton pppy, whereas Pakistan produce 0.9 ton pppy at the moment.





REDD project is need to be started in major industrial countries. Only the developing countries are working on REDD. In Botan the activity has been started through the NGOs and payment is made to the owner on the basis of cubic feet of wood.

Mr. Jamshed from Madyan stressed on that in order to made the REDD program successful the following points are need to ensure;

- The local owners are need to consider owner rather than royalty holders
- All the material of REDD needs to be published in Urdu language
- Share of local owner be increased to 80% in Malakand as it is in other areas of KP
- Forest policy 2015 be implemented in its true spirits
- Sui gas be extended to the communities living in forest areas
- NGOs working on Forest Conservation be funded
- Projects and program be initiated in forest areas
- Local communities be fully involved in the programs and their support be sort out.



Mr. Khawar Sultan from Institute of Policy Study (IPS) told that IPS is working on Forest issues to highlight the aspects of REDD to the communities, to identify the issues of forest and bring it in the knowledge of the communities and sort practicable solution of these issues and to ensure proper implementation of policies and program at various levels.

Mr. Masood Ali (Deputy Director Green Pakistan Programme) briefed the key activities under federal forestry initiative. Key messages of his speech were;

- We are the owner of the forest and we have to protect it for ourselves.
- For carbon stocking the protection of carbon is important.
- Tsunami and Green Forestation program has done much in the protection and conservation of project.
- The role of the community is very important to make these program successful



Mr. Kanwar Muhammad Javed paid thanks to all stakes for the successful conduction of the Assembly. The Federal Ministry of Climate Change should initiate immediately at-least two REDD+ demonstration projects in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa by covering Malakand and Hazara Divisions under the umbrella project of World Bank's Forest Carbon Partnership Facility (FCPF) for REDD+ readiness - said FCPF CSO Representative Asia-Pacific Kanwar Muhammad Javed Iqbal while addressing the plenary of Local Forest Community's Consultative Assembly at Mingora Swat.



Mr. Akbar Zeb (Executive Director EPS) also spoke on the occasion and highlighted EPS efforts in environment conservations in the last 27 years since establishment of EPS. He added that EPS will continue its efforts in forest conservation and promotion as it is the core mandate of the Society and stressed on community active participation in decision making and implementation efforts.

Tehsil Nazim Mr. Rehmat Ali paid thanks to all stacks and participants, and expressed his views that the forest can be protected and offered his services whenever needed.





Local forest community's consultative assembly held on 19th of October 2017 at Mingora, Swat, discussed and debated the outstanding forestry issues, latest development of REDD+ readiness in Pakistan and the need for development of Pilot REDD+ Sites in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

Therefore, the plenary of Community's consultative assembly resolves as under:

EPS-FA Resolution 01/2017 – Agreed that on behalf of local forest community of Malakand and Hazara Divisions; EPS Swat take-up the matter to put forward recommendations, to the level of relevant departmental heads at Provincial and Federal Governments in Pakistan, the development of at-least two REDD+ demonstration projects in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa under the umbrella project of World Bank's Forest Carbon Partnership Facility (FCPF) for REDD+ readiness along-with relevant suggestions on today's highlighted issues for which the contents will be prepared in the light of today's proceedings of the assembly.



### **Knowledge dissemination through Environmental Clubs:**

During the Year-2017, EPS established eight environmental club four in UC Hazara and four in UC Kuz Abakhel of Tehsil Kabal district Swat while more environmental clubs in seven additional schools is under process. Environmental clubs were formed in both (boys & girls) schools and fifteen students from each School were made part of environmental club as members including one group leader & 2<sup>nd</sup> group leader while a teacher was nominated as focal person of the club. These clubs organized different activities including school wide activities and activities that involve students out door for Environmental campaigns like winter plantation etc.

One day environmental session for school students was organized in schools which was facilitated by EPS field team members. The session enhanced the students' understanding of various environmental issues and equipped them with the relevant skills to advocate for environmental Issues and reach out to their peers, friends, families and the community members.

Environmental Protection Society after formation of Environmental Club in identified schools, facilitated the environmental club with Environmental kits. Which is expected to help them to address the environmental issues in schools indoor. Environmental Kits was comprising of Hand Cart,



Water Pipe and Spade etc. Similarly, these environmental clubs were provided with ornamental plants along with flower pots.

Each environmental club was facilitated with 250 plants for plantation and were planted at the feasible community identified site but focus was given to the CPI Scheme sites like along irrigation channel, link road etc.



## Capacity Building:

During the Year-2017, EPS fully focused on capacity building of local institutions including Community Organizations (CO's), Village Organization (VO) and Local Support Organization (LSO). 06 Training events on Community Management Skills Trainings as refresher course were conducted while two CMST were conducted for newly established CO's. One training each on Basic Civic & Constitutional Rights, Value Governance and Management and Disaster Risk Management while 02 trainings each on Linkages Development & Resource Mobilization and 06 Village Development Plan.

Trainings (Support to community institutions)	Number	No of Pax
CMST Refresher	6	120
CMST (For new COs Office bearer)	2	40
Basic Civic & Constitutional Rights	1	20
Value Governance and Management	1	20
Peace Pluralism and Inter Provincial Harmony	2	40
Linkages Development & Resource Mobilization	1	20
Village Council Development Plan	6	150
Operation and Maintenance of Completed Infrastructure Projects	2	40
Disaster Risk Management	1	20
<b>Total</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>470</b>

## Water Sanitation & Hygiene (WASH)

### Water Supply:



EPS during the Year-2017 worked on inclusive WASH services in Government Middle & High Schools of district Swat. After the WASH analysis of the Govt. Girls Middle & High Schools of the targeted area, 10 schools were selected for new or improved inclusive drinking water facilities. Accessibility & Safety audits were conducted in all the selected schools then BOQs were developed accordingly and construction work was initiated.



During the reporting period, drinking water supplies have been completed in 10 schools. This work comprised of digging of bore holes, dug wells, spring based water supply, water supply from Govt. tube well and rehabilitation of existing water sources etc. Pre and post water quality tests were conducted to ensure safe drinking water to the targeted schools.

To ensure durability and sustainability, trainings were imparted to SMC/PTC members of targeted schools on management of WASH facilities and school caretakers on basic operation and maintenance of Water and Sanitation facilities in schools. The completion and handover certificates were also signed and handover to schools in which further responsibility of operation and maintenance is also made part of school administration.

## **Sanitation:**

During the Year-2017, EPS also worked on providing accessible and safe sanitation facilities for adolescent girls in Government Middle and High Schools of district Swat. The Sanitation work has been completed in 15 schools during the reporting period, the work comprise of construction of Girl's Friendly latrines with incinerator, hand washing facilities, solid & liquid waste management. There were also some out of order latrines in the schools which were also rehabilitated. In some cases where the schools have already enough and new latrines just incinerator was constructed and modified to make it girl's friendly. Solid waste bins are also installed in the schools for the safe disposal of solid wastes. The IEC messages were painted in the schools, visibility sign boards were installed and the facilities were handed over to the school administration and district education department including further operation and maintenance on part of School administration.



## **Hygiene Promotion:**

Hygiene & Menstrual Hygiene Management awareness raising sessions were conducted in the selected schools with all the targeted Girl's Schools during the Year-2017. IEC materials were developed and were used during the session to bring good practices in routine life. MHM Booklets were also distributed among the students during sessions.

The main objectives of these sessions are

- Create awareness on menstruation and its management
- Strengthen students as well as teachers' knowledge and skills on MHM
- Bring positive changes in attitudes to menstruation
- Provide facilities at school for changing sanitary protection materials, washing and disposal
- Make available MHM materials and supplies at school
- Establish safe collection and disposal system in the school

MHM Kits including safe sanitary pads were also distributed in the targeted schools for the management of menstrual hygiene during school time.





## **Public Awareness raising campaign on School WASH:**

The Society conducted public awareness raising campaign on school WASH during the Year-2017. Campaign on Hand washing is launched to motivate and mobilize school girls and teachers to improve their **hand washing** habits by washing their hands with soap at critical moments throughout each day. It is dedicated to raising awareness of hand washing with soap as a key approach to disease prevention.

The campaign was initiated to reduce childhood mortality rates related respiratory and diarrheal diseases by introducing simple **behavioral changes**, such as **hand washing** with soap. This simple, accessible action can, according to research, reduce the rate of mortality from these diseases by almost 25 and 50 per cent. Hand washing with soap is among the most effective and inexpensive ways to prevent diarrheal diseases and pneumonia, which together are responsible for the majority of child deaths. Most health care-associated infections are preventable through good hand hygiene – cleaning hands at the right times and in the right way.

Nine events on Hand washing were conducted in the targeted schools during the reporting period. These events comprise of speeches, skits, poems, practical demonstration and painting competition on advantages and disadvantages of hand washing.



## **RESEARCH & ADAPTATION**

### **Accessibility & Safety Audit of Schools:**

The need and provision of the WATSAN facilities in target schools of district Swat is subjected to accessibility and safety Audit. The audits are conducted with a set of questionnaire and personal observations of the visiting team. The accessibility and safety audit report help the technical team to Plan, design and implement as per the need and requirements of the school and its intended users.

In this regard, 'accessibility and safety audit' were conducted during the Year-2017 in all the targeted schools. The team members comprise of; Coordinator, Interviewer, Drafts Person, Note Taker, General Photographer.



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common accessibility Issues identified are:

- Access to safe drinking water
- Access to sanitation facility
- Access to safe disposal of sanitary pads & other solid waste
- Uneven/ obstacles at different places, difference in elevation of the WATSAN facilities and school ground level
- No support for the Persons with Disabilities & wheel chair users
- No safe disposal of sanitary pads and other solid waste

#### **Safety Issues:**

- Feeling insecure during menstruation
- Low level of boundary walls
- MHM related myths and improper practices

#### **Action taken:**

Based on the identified issues proper design were prepared in consultation with school management and each school findings were used to design each water, sanitation and solid waste interventions as per needs or gaps identified in the accessibility and safety audit report. Perception about MHM and related safety issues were mainly targeted through MHM education and awareness.

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## **AWARENESS AND ADVOCACY**

### **Community awareness sessions & advocacy seminars, workshops and knowledge forums:**

During the Year-2017, MHM awareness sessions were also conducted in the targeted schools surrounding fifteen (15) communities. The main purposes of the sessions were to aware out of school girls. In this regard 64 sessions were conducted in the reporting period.



### **Capacity buildings Initiatives:**

During the Year-2017, EPS build capacity of teachers and WASH Club members. School WASH clubs are formed in all the targeted schools and involved in ensuring O & M of project WASH services, follow-up of MHM awareness sessions and taking care of the cleanliness of WASH in schools. Trainings were imparted to the WASH clubs members on WASH & MHM rights.



210 school girls and 46 female teachers in 15 schools attended the trainings. The main objectives of these trainings were

- Understanding hygiene including MHM and sanitation promotion
- Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) rights in schools
- Menstrual Hygiene Management and Human Right



Similarly three (3) trainings were conducted in the reporting period to trained and engage Govt. Officials, LHWs and Muallimas of the targeted area to raise awareness on WASH & MHM rights. In this regard 18 government officials, 25 LHWs & 27 Muallimas capacity was enhanced on hygiene and MHM.

The training was aim;

- To develop understanding of participants on WASH and MHM rights.
- To understand the phenomena of WASH & MHM and analyse the related problems in schools and communities.
- To build the capacity of participants on WASH and MHM and motivate them to create awareness in schools and communities.
- To learn and adopt simple WASH & MHM related techniques for safe guarding health and environment.



## Advocacy Initiatives:

In order to disseminate the finalized policy recommendations with the relevant stakeholders and experience sharing, Provincial workshop was conducted in which all the relevant stakeholders i.e. Provincial and District level Education department, Health department, Social welfare department, Local govt, MHM working group, Social activists, PHED, TMA, C&W, Private school regulatory authority, National and International CSOs participated. The Honorable minister for "Local Government and rural development" Mr. Inayatullah Khan graced the event as chief guest. He appreciated the efforts of EPS and said that work done in district Swat is of high importance and needed to be replicated in other parts of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province. He added that being head of very important ministry he will ensure the adaptation of inclusive WASH service at women



councilors' level, and will ensure specific budget allocation for provision of inclusive WASH services. Furthermore he recommended to the relevant Education Ministry to revisit Education Policy for mainstreaming and inclusion of Menstrual Hygiene Management (MHM) with respect to teacher's trainings, girls education, MHM friendly sanitation facilities and mainstreaming of accessibility and safety audit for identification & investment/allocation of funds for inclusive WASH facilities as well as allocation of School funds for the Operation & Maintenance of constructed/rehabilitated WASH facilities.



Five relevant International days were celebrated every year in the targeted schools to Highlight MHM such as MHM day, World Water Day, World Toilet day, International day of Persons with disabilities and Global Hand washing day.



To establish an enabling environment for the protection and promotion of WASH rights and practices in District Swat through collective Advocacy and lobbying initiative by Stakeholders,

Coordination Meetings of District WASH forum were conducted on quarterly basis. In the reporting period three numbers of coordination meetings were conducted in this regard. In the last meeting the forum is now handed over to Water and Sanitation Company WSSC Swat. The WSSC will lead the District WASH forum and will conduct the coordination meetings on quarterly basis.





District Experience Sharing & Concluding Workshop was conducted at the end of the project duration. All the relevant stakeholders i.e. District education department, targeted school Heads, WASH club teachers & students, Health department, Social welfare, Members of Civil society organizations etc actively participated. The Honorable member National Assembly “Miss Ayesha Syed” (Member SDGs Committee) chaired the Workshop as the chief guest. She appreciated the efforts of EPS, Water Aid and Education department for their combined efforts in making this project successful. She said MHM is of high importance and needed to be replicated in other parts of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province both by Government and Non-Government Organizations. She highly esteemed the project interventions and said that now the teachers would pay the significant part in taking this cause ahead.

### **Sustainable Supply Chain Mechanism of Safe Sanitary Pads:**



Sustainable supply chain mechanism of sanitary pads was also established in all the targeted 60 schools during the reporting period. Objective of the assignment is to introduce safe sanitary practices for adoption through ensuring supply at school & community level. Five numbers of Trainings were imparted to 94 focal teachers of targeted 60 schools on Sustainable Supply chain mechanism and stock management in this regard. After the trainings the sanitary pads stocks depending on school strength were provided to the targeted schools free of cost. The focal trained teachers will retail the sanitary pads to the school girls on minimal prize of PKR 7 per pad. After utilization of the sanitary pads stock the focal teacher will purchase the sanitary pads stock again from the whole sale dealers and will revolve the funds to make the sanitary pads available to the school students all the time. The focal teachers for the trainings were nominated by the district education department and were made responsible for the monitoring, follow ups, audits etc. Now 90% school girls have access to hygienic sanitary material at schools.

### **Sustainable Livelihood**

A livelihood is sustainable when it can cope with and recover from the stresses and shocks and maintain or enhance its capabilities and assets both now and in the future without undermining the natural resource base (Chambers & Conway).

EPS aims to improve the livelihoods for poor and vulnerable communities through capacity building, coaching, in-kind support, establishing livelihood support systems, referrals and market linkages, links with service provider and value chain development/enhancement. The objective of sustainable livelihood is to improve the beneficiaries' conditions through the improvement in community infrastructure, productivity, skills enhancement and increase in the crops production.

Basic components of the sustainable livelihood programme are:

- Agriculture & Livestock
- Enterprise Development
- Skills Enhancement
- Linkages Development



## AGRICULTURE & LIVESTOCK

### Training of Agriculture CRPs from KP & FATA:

Environmental Protection Society organized ten days training of Community Resource Persons on Good Agricultural Practices through Agricultural Research Station (North) Mingora Swat. Participants of the training were from Swat, Chitral, Dir and Bajaur where PPAF partners are working under PPR project. The event was hosted by EPS and all arrangements including finalization of training curricula was facilitated by EPS.

Main topics of the training were; Facilitation skill, Integrated Farm Management, Cereal Crop disease management and seed preservation, Maize Production Technology in KP & Bajaur (Agronomy, Cropping pattern, Cultural practices, Maize Breeding, Maize Plant Protection/Disease/ Pest management and Post-harvest Handling), Vegetables cultivation through seed, seedling, Walk-in and high tunnels vegetable cultivation, Insect pest and disease management on vegetables, Seed production of cross and self-pollinated vegetables, Horticulture/Selection of most common fruit varieties, layout of field, plantation, cultivation, post harvesting, Nursery raising and improvement techniques of fruit crops, Pruning training of fruit plants, Olive Production technology, Grape production and other low delta crops, Value Addition of Cereal Crops, Fruit & Vegetables, Nutrients management, Compost, Poultry manure, green manure, Farm yard manure as vital element of plant nutrient, Bio-fertilizer, Importance of Apiculture, Preparation of bee wax sheets and preparing bee hives, Vertebrate Pest Management, Integrated Disease Management, Stone and Pome fruit nursery, Practical Demonstration, Tomato and potato Production Technology, Onion and Garlic production Technology, Orchard layout methods practical demonstration, Pruning demonstration, Soil and land use; water management, Problem analysis for identification of further priority subjects to deal with during training, Question and Answer session on all the subjects treated during the courses, Effectives methodologies for assisting the Community, Farmer Field School approach, Preparation of communication material and Post Evaluation.



### Community Interest Groups (CIGs):

EPS have established 10 CIGs in two Union Councils of Tehsil Kabal district Swat. These CIGs includes dairy, poultry, fruits and vegetables. Proper training on CIGs management have been provided and continuous support from EPS is provided to strengthen them. EPS is also planning to award CIG grant fund to more successful common interest groups in the area to acknowledge their efforts and further strengthen the local farming community.

### Community Livelihood Fund (CLF):

The CIF was established in 2014 and run under the supervision of LSO and in some cases under VOs and have disbursed @ Rs. 20000 per beneficiaries with the written terms and conditions. The procedure for the loan is that the beneficiary brings resolution from CO to NYK center. The center registers these beneficiaries and provides details to the loan center. The loan center according to the policy evaluate the application and prepare poverty score card of the beneficiary. The center provide loan to the beneficiary having PSC score below 40. The application is transferred to loan committee of the LSO. The loan committee visits the beneficiary family for social appraisal and then technical appraisal with the partner organization. After that the loan is approved by looking to the nature of the business. An MOU is signed by the CLF/LSO/VO with the beneficiary for repayment of the loan. The CO then prepare business plan for the beneficiary. The finance secretary of the LSO then provides cheque to the beneficiary.

### Union Council Livelihood Development Plans:

EPS developed Union Council Livelihood Development Plans of UC Hazara and UC Kuz Abakhel of Tehsil Kabal, district Swat in consultation with LSO and VOs members. PRA exercises were conducted to map the existing resources, sectors, gaps and possible actions. Through these UCLDPs detailed implementation plans were developed and efforts were made to cover maximum directly or indirectly through linkages establishments.

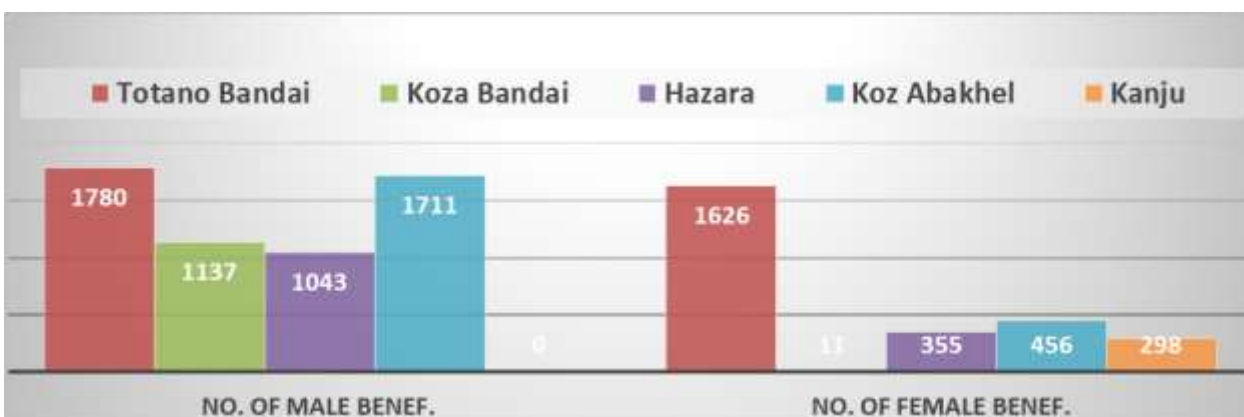




## ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT

### Interest Free Loan Scheme:

Environmental Protection Society (EPS) in partnership with Pakistan Poverty Alleviation Fund (PPAF) is implementing a project captioned "Prime Minister Interest Free Loan Scheme (PM-IFL Scheme)" in Union Councils Hazara, Kuz Abakhel, Kanju, Kuza Bandi and Totano Bandi of Tehsil Kabal District Swat. The project is of four years duration. As per the scheme we have to target beneficiaries falling in the range of 0-40 Poverty Score range. The focus of the Prime Minister's Interest Free Loans (PMIFL) Scheme is to enhance productivity and graduate households out of poverty and make them bankable for MFIs, MFBs and other financial institutions. The project first started in three Union Councils which was then extended to two more Union Councils based on extraordinary performance in productive enterprises enhancement with 99% recovery rate. During the Year-2017, EPS benefited a total of 8,417 beneficiaries from PMIFL schemes through providing them interest free loans for productive enterprises out of which 2,746 were female beneficiaries. The productive enterprises were small general stores, grocery shops, vegetables



shops, small hotels, tea shops, mobile shops, accessories shops, hand trollies, skilled artisans support, farming inputs/ NRM inputs etc.

Main Activities were to; establish loan centres at Union Council level, establish Karobar Rehnoma Markaz (KRM) in the loan Centres at each Union Council, identify the target beneficiary for the Interest Free Loan, deliver small productive loans to the target community lying between 0-40 poverty band, conduct Social Appraisals at the door step of the applicant, conduct technical appraisal of the applicant, disbursement of loans to the appraised and approved beneficiaries and advance intimation for the lump sum loan maturity.

Major achievements during the reporting period includes; establishment of a new Loan Center in UC Kanju, increased the number of beneficiaries from 4,745 to 8,417. The main focus was on female coverage so the number of female beneficiaries increased from 140 to 2,746, conducted social and technical appraisals of 3,672 applicants, disbursed 3,672 loans of worth Rs. 53 millions in all UCs and 99.99% of due recovery received during the year which was worth of Rs. 37.56 millions.

## LINKAGES DEVELOPMENT

### Exposure/Market linkages of the concerned livelihood institutions:

Exposure Visit of Naukari Ya Karobar (NYK) and Youth Center (YC), Common Interest Group (CIG) and Community' Livelihood Fund [CLF] established by EPS in two Union Councils Hazara and Kuz Abakhe tehsil Kabal District Swat was carried out to local Support Organization (LSO) in Garhi Habibullah District Mansehra 27<sup>th</sup> February, to 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2017). The participants were from NYK (3), CLF (3), YC (18) and CIG (20) and 2 EPS representative. This exposure visit was arranged in connection of trainings provide to these institutions to build their capacity. The purpose of the Exposure visit was to make linkages of these institutions with the concerned LSO and its institutions.



## **Health and Nutrition**

EPS is working in the areas where health services and facilities are either dysfunctional or not available. The main focus of EPS is the environmental health along with personal and communal hygiene. There is also a lack of awareness and sensitization regarding women's health issues and they are also deprived of accessing health facilities. Awareness regarding nutritious food, its availability, use and access is also very weak in rural setup. In this scenario, EPS possesses the outreach capacity and has established acceptability among the communities along with the expertise to address women health issues thus enabling it to bring about a positive change in the existing situation of women and children health in the area. The Health & Nutrition Programme of EPS aims to improve the health & nutrition status of women and children in the target areas along with the improvement in the health care system.

- The basic components of the Health Programme are:
- Improvement in availability, access, use & utilization of nutrition food.
- Mother and Neonatal care health.

## **IMPROVEMENT IN ACCESS, USE & UTILIZATION OF NUTRITION FOOD**

### **Community Awareness Sessions through trained CRPs on health seeking behavior**

EPS during PPR phase-II, trained 13 male & female CRPs in 05 days duration refresher training on health, nutrition, WASH and MNCH. The trained Community Resource Persons were from target community of Union Council Hazara and Kuz Abakhel. These trained CRPs further took 170 household level sessions with target communities both male and female on health seeking behavior. The main topics of these sessions were health, nutrition, WASH and MNCH. Honoraria was paid to these trained CRPs and proper follow up visits were made to ensure maximum benefits to the target community.

## **MOTHER AND NEONATAL CARE HEALTH**

### **Capacity Building of LHWs and provide them Kits**

EPS enrolled four female beneficiaries for LHWs/CMWs trainings selected from UC Kuz Abakhel and Hazara. As this was eighteen months course which continued through the Year-2017. EPS facilitated these beneficiaries to complete training through support in payment to selected institute for their training cost. The main focus was on social, epidemiologic and cultural context of maternal and newborn care, pre-pregnancy care, and provision of care during pregnancy, competency in provision of care during labour and birth, provision of care for women during the postpartum period, postnatal care of the newborn and facilitation of birth spacing and post-abortion care.

EPS had already provided them the LHWs kit in consultation with them. Each LHW out of four was given the same kit.

## **PRIMARY HEALTH CARE SYSTEM**

### **Strengthening of Health Facilities**

EPS during the Year-2017 continued support for strengthening of Health Facilities. EPS completed strengthening of Civil Dispensary Dadahara Union Council Kuz Abakhel Tehsil Kabal district Swat. MNCH center was further strengthened at Government Health facilities in UC Kuza Abakhel district Swat. The support provided earlier also include one LHV and attendant to Civil Dispensary Dadahara and also necessary medical equipment, furniture, medicines and clinical waste disposal bins.

### **Community Health Centers (CHCs):**

Two community health centers (CHCs) were established earlier in 2016, one in UC Koz Abakhel and one in UC Hazara which were continued through the Year-2017. The purpose of these CHCs was to improve access to health care centers and provide health services at the door step. These CHCs has qualified doctor, nurse, dispenser and security guards. These CHCs were already equipped with necessary medical equipment, furniture, medicines and clinical waste disposal bins. EPS continued its support to these established CHCs in the form of center rent and staff salaries etc. during the Year-2017.

### **Roundtables on Health Issues:**

During 2017, EPS conducted one roundtable on health and nutrition issues. The roundtable informed, inspired and activated a wide variety of stakeholders to support the development process. The goal was to improve the health and well-being of all people. Discussion on Health Literacy like what is health literacy, how it affects people and what can be done to improve health literacy were also conducted. Discussion on Nutrition related problems of community (obesity, physical inactivity, coronary heart diseases, stroke, and consumption of diets high in fats) were also included in these discussions and way forward was developed for joint efforts in this regard.





## Education

Through social mobilization process, EPS engaged in education sector right from 1991 and implemented numerous projects in basic Education Programme. Overall objectives of the Education Programme of EPS are to improve gender parity, quality of girls' and boys' education, create awareness among community and encourage the opportunities for school entrepreneurship.

Basic components of the Education Programme are:

- Formal Education
- Informal Education
- Research & Advocacy

### Support to establish Community Schools:

EPS continued its support to already established Community Schools under Education component of Program for Poverty Reduction Program in UC Hazara and Kuz Abakhel. 09 Community Schools were supported during the Year-2017 in the form of teachers provision to these schools. A total of 18 teachers were paid salaries to enable them to continue services in community schools. This enabled those out of schools children who don't have access to education facility.



### Awareness sessions/campaigns by CPRs/IEC material for enrolment enhancement/Edu Mapping & Quality Education

EPS had already trained Community Resource Persons on RTE, Educational Mapping & action Plan. These trained CRPs were further involved to disseminate key message to community through sessions, walks & advocacy.

CRPs formed Taleemi Mohallah Committee at UC level. Meeting was organized at LSO office and it was ensured to involve them in the whole process. Taleemi Mohallah Committee was further involved for action planning advocacy & educational campaigns. CRPs mapped the educational institutions especially in context of needs & disaster prone which will enabling EPS to further pursue educational institutions accordingly in facilitation during project life. Through these trained CRPs more than hundred household level sessions were conducted in both Union Councils (Hazara and Kuz Abakhel) of Tehsil Kabal, district Swat.

### Missing facilities Support to govt. School:

During the Year-2017, EPS supported Government Schools for quality education. Missing facilities Support was provided to 11 Government School through Development Plans and involvement of CO, VO, CRPs & PTMCs Committees in the form of Furniture & fixture, repair & renovation, toilet, drinking water, teaching Kits etc. This activity was very closely coordinated with Education Department district Swat and key officials were invited in tender opening and were also involved in needs identification. During handing over ceremonies, key education officials and district administration representatives were invited and was much appreciated at all ends.



### District Education Roundtable with stakeholders:

During the Year-2017, EPS organized one district education roundtable to analyses the educational issues in district Swat & possible solutions, forum for key development actors to share activities & progress and last one electorate's agenda & possible response to educational issue & legislation. The roundtable was participated by members of local government, members of three tier of social mobilizations, District education deptt, Civil Society, NGOs & INGOs & press members.

Main issues in education in general and both target Union Councils in particular were discussed. EPS efforts in education sector was highlighted and further needs were brought in the notice of high officials.





## **Knowledge Management Video Documentaries**

During the Year-2017, EPS also developed a comprehensive documentary on Education interventions in Union Council Hazara and Kuz Abakhel. The documentary was a mix of video clips and graphics. Voice over in English with text in sequence of the scene was very professionally organized. The documentary was disseminated among key stakeholders through a DVD copy.

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