

# NEWSLETTER

## Future Generations Afghanistan

Empowering Vulnerable Communities to Shape Their Futures



### FGA'S CONTINUED PARTNERSHIP WITH FAO

Afghanistan's food insecurity crisis is one of the most complex and dire in the world, and it is a result of multiple overlapping factors, including climate change, poverty, and displacement. Implementing agricultural projects has become extremely important, as 70% of the country's population is living in rural areas and relying on agriculture and pastoral production.

In October, FGA was able to sign two separate contracts with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO). The GCP/AFG/106/USA project will be implemented over a three-year period with a budget of over 3 million dollars. The project will help improve food security, nutrition, and resilience in environmentally sustainable ways for vulnerable smallholder households in three provinces of Afghanistan (Nimruz, Nuristan, and Badghis).

The project includes providing emergency assistance packages and technical trainings for vulnerable smallholder households through the use of cash for work and the rehabilitation and repair of 57 critical small-scale community irrigation infrastructures in order to improve their food security, nutrition, and resilience.

The emergency packages include: autumn/winter wheat packages formulated for faster growth, summer crop

seed, nutrition-sensitive home gardening packages, emergency livestock protection packages with locally formulated feed supplements, backyard poultry packages, nursery cultivation packages with relevant technical trainings, dairy kits with technical training, backyard mushroom production kits, beekeeping kits, micro solar dryers, micro green/poly house kits, and micro/mini silos for the storage of cereals. The technical trainings offered includes skills and knowledge on social behavioral change communication (SBCC) on nutrition-sensitive production and relevant technical training on nursery cultivation, dairy farming, mushroom production, and beekeeping.

On 20th of October, FGA signed another LoA (letter of agreement) with FAO under the project OSRO/AFG/111/EC) which will be implemented in Kandahar province with the provision of livestock protection and unconditional cash transfer. The project will be implemented over a two-month period with a budget of 33 thousand dollars.





## SOUTHWEST REGION

Over the past month, Future Generations Afghanistan has made significant progress in Nimroz, Kandahar, and Badghis provinces, providing essential assistance to the local population. Under the Cash for Work project, 12 check dams have been completed, and 93,883 trenches have been excavated in Nimroz. In addition, 2,018 households received wheat seed packages and technical training, while 200 households were provided with poultry packages.

In the same province, a total of 425 households have received cash assistance, while 100 households have been selected to receive the same assistance. Furthermore, technical training sessions have been conducted for 2,300 households on livestock management, while 20,607 animals in Nimruz and 22,174 animals in Kandahar received deworming medicine. In Kandahar, 125 micro solar driers have been distributed to households. In Badghis, FGA selected 324 households to receive wheat cultivation packages, and a total of 810 households received livestock protection packages, while 2,539 households received cash assistance.







## CENTRAL REGION

In Wardak, 19 infrastructures were completed under the cash-for-work project. Additionally, 1,597 households received cash-for-work under the same project. In Logar, 7,741 households were selected to receive wheat cultivation packages, while 4,878 households have already received the packages. 2,520 households were selected to receive livestock protection packages, and a total of 644 households participated in the cash-for-work project.

## EAST REGION

FGA in the east region has been making strides in providing aid to the local population, in Nangarhar, 143.611 MT of high energy biscuits (HEB) have been distributed to 110,470 students under the WFP-funded School Feeding Project. 24,256,000 AFN have been distributed to 7,580 households. Additionally, 442 MT of food has been distributed to 7,204 households. Under the WFP-funded RFS (Resilience Food System) project in Nangarhar and Laghman provinces, a total of 15,244,800 AFN have been distributed to 2,382 households. 2,000 households in Kunar have received cash through the Cash-for-Work project. The project is aimed at providing support to vulnerable households by providing them with temporary employment opportunities, including infrastructure development and community services, which can help to improve their household income and living standards.

In Nuristan, FGA has been actively working to empower the local population by implementing various projects. Over the past month, 1000 farming households have received 48.5 MT Wheat seed, which will help in increasing the agricultural productivity of the province and improve the livelihoods of the farmers. Furthermore, 300 check dams and 231 trenches have been completed, and over 4316 beneficiaries have worked under the Cash-for-Work project.

In the same province, 2,335 and 2,210 households have been chosen for wheat cultivation and livestock protection packages, respectively. Additionally, cash assistance was provided to 1551 households, and 700 households received poultry packages and technical trainings.

