# **NEWSLETTER** Future Generations Afghanistan

Empowering Vulnerable Communities to Shape Their Futures



# **EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES**

In November, Future Generations Afghanistan made significant strides in enhancing the livelihoods and resilience of local communities in 8 provinces of Afghanistan. Despite the challenging circumstances, Future Generations Afghanistan supported 43,404 households in Badghis, Nimruz, Logar, Bamyan Laghman, Nangarhar, Kunar and Nuristan provinces through a diverse range of initiatives aimed at fostering sustainable development and food security.

## **EMPOWERING FARMERS**

In November, Future Generations Afghanistan collaborated with WFP, FAO, UNDP, and UNOCHA to support local communities across Afghanistan. FGA's various programs have played a crucial role in enhancing food security. During the month, FGA distributed certified wheat seeds and fertilizers to over 15,860 farmers in Badghis, Nimruz, Kunar, Laghman, and Nuristan provinces. Additionally, 2,718 farmers in Badghis, Nimruz, Kunar, and Laghman provinces were selected to receive wheat cultivation packages.

# **CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT OF FARMERS**

Adopting new methods and technologies is essential for improving agricultural productivity and combating drought. Through its capacity development training, Future Generations Afghanistan trained 6,590 farmers on wheat cultivation best practices and innovative techniques to boost agricultural yields in Badghis, Nimruz, Laghman, and Nuristan provinces.

Additionally, Future Generations Afghanistan facilitated Farmer Field Schools (FFS) for 900 farmers in Badghis province. Farmer Field Schools (FFS) offer numerous benefits to these farmers, helping them improve their agricultural practices and enhance their livelihoods.

FFS helps these farmers participate in practical, fieldbased training, which allows them to directly apply what they learn to their own farms. This experiential learning approach helps them understand new techniques and technologies more effectively.

FFS also fosters a collaborative environment where farmers can share their experiences and insights with each other. This peer-to-peer learning builds a strong community of practice and encourages the exchange of local knowledge.

By adopting the improved techniques and practices taught in FFS, farmers can achieve higher crop yields and betterquality produce. This leads to increased income and improved food security for their communities.

## **EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES THROUGH HOME GARDENING**

Home gardening offers significant advantages for rural communities by improving household livelihoods. It ensures a steady supply of fresh, nutritious produce, helping families meet their dietary needs and reducing dependence on purchased food—especially important in rural areas where market access is limited. Additionally, cultivating vegetables, fruits, and herbs at home lowers grocery expenses, allowing families to save money and allocate resources to other essential needs, such as healthcare.



In November, Future Generations Afghanistan provided home gardening tools and vegetable seeds to 3,351 households in Badghis and Nimruz provinces. These households can now grow a variety of crops in their home gardens, making them more resilient to climate shocks.

### **EMPOWERING LIVESTOCK OWNERS**

Livestock Farmer Field Schools (LFFS) are a highly effective method for enhancing livestock management practices and improving the livelihoods of livestock owners. LFFS provide hands-on training and practical knowledge in areas such as animal health, nutrition, breeding, and husbandry. Farmers and livestock owners gain insights directly from experts and benefit from peer-to-peer interactions, enhancing their skills and understanding.

Through LFFS, farmers learn to diagnose and treat common livestock diseases, administer vaccines, and implement preventive health measures. This results in healthier animals, reduced mortality rates, and increased productivity.

In November, Future Generations Afghanistan organized Livestock Farmer Field Schools in Nuristan, Nimruz, and Badghis provinces, benefiting 6,766 livestock owners.

### **INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT**

In November, Future Generations Afghanistan employed local laborers to develop community assets and infrastructure, including check dams, irrigation canals, water reservoirs, protection walls, and trench excavations in Badghis, Nimruz, Nuristan, Kunar, Laghman, Nangarhar, Logar, and Bamyan provinces. Additionally, 1,074 laborers received cash for their work benefiting their communities in Bamyan, Laghman, and Nangarhar provinces.



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# AT A GLANCE

- 600 households in Badghis received poultry package assistance.
- 542 farmers in Badghis and Nimruz received Micro Mini Silos for storing agricultural produce.
- 832 households in Badghis, Nimruz, and Nuristan were selected to receive dairy kits.
- 383 farmers in Nuristan and Kunar were selected for orchard plantation assistance.
- 4,877 households in Nangarhar received cash assistance, while 2,079 households received food assistance.
- Additionally, 632 individuals in Nangarhar received cash under the food-for-training initiative.