

SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT FUND

Template

Project progress report

1. Project implementers / Organisation

Abuhadia Society for Women and Community Development

2. Project title

Improving IDPs livelihoods in Red Sea State

3. Report time frame

July – January

4. Summary: overall progress of the project

Launching of the project

Since the signing of the project contract in July the executive board of Abuhadia Society executive started to recruit the suitable staff through competitive process and have appointed coordinator, field officer ,accountant, animator and driver.

The staff then started process of familiarization and introduction of the project to the local authorities , and grassroots women committees in the selected sites .

The staff then undertook a series of meetings with women community in project sensitization, and needs assessment updating .

The outputs of this activities are

- Reorganization of village development committees
- Introduction of the project to the local government in Sinkat and community at large
- Refining of community needs and draw quarterly plans

Literacy courses (classes):

Four literacy courses start, in four settlements total of 267 women are enrolling in these classes , among them 146 are newly registered and 123 have completed the first year course .

Courses are implementing in 2 levels through the **REFLECT** method. The new registered are to start from the beginning and the old once have been registered as second level.

The Society have hired trained teachers (facilitators) from within their communities , and provided learning materials for them included , chairs , desks , books, pencils erasers, sharpeners black boards, chalks and teaching books , it is worth mentioning that teachers and learners are all Beja speakers and the course in addition to the alphabetical literacy considered as opportunity for Beja women to learn Arabic language the chief communication language in Sudan,

Main output here are

- Implementation of four literacy courses in four different settlements
- 267 women enrolled in these courses

Pay exam fees for IDPs girls:

The project pays the exam fees for poor student girls and sometimes boys whose families couldn't offer this cost , 50 IDPs girls and boys in deferent levels and in deferent schools as below:

33 secondary school girls from Sinkat and Gebiet girls secondary school . our approach in this in the coordinate with the school management to provide us the list of girls whose family don't pay the exam fees on dead line day . out of 125 girls sitting on this year for the Sudanese certificate exam 33 couldn't pay the exam fees . this could have complicated their sitting for the exam , but our intervention have avoided them these complications .

In the same way 17 girls and two boys received basic certificate exam fees , this quarter the concentration was in supporting exam fees as the schools year is coming to close . in addition to that books have been provided for three schools

The main outputs in this activity are

- Pay exam fees for total of 50 pupils 33 in secondary level girls and 17 in primary level among them two boys.
- 55 poor families girls and boys secured their seat in the final exam
- Reference books distributed for three schools

Community mobilization and organization sessions:

15 sessions conduct for the five sites as one session /site/month , session are facilitated by the project staff and Society volunteers , main topics are orientation, and sensitization to the concern women development committees and counseling some time when necessary.

Committee organization issues , and facilitation of dialogue with women around their opportunities and future plans .

The site are (Dalab) in Gabait area and Kabal, Laiamib, Alzrea, and Hawdad in Sinkat zone.

The main outputs of this activity are

- Reformation of five women village committees
- New knowledge for women in committee organization issues
- Stimulate critical thinking among women around realities , challenges and opportunities.

Para veterinary trainings:

Three Para veterinary training conducted for 32 women in Layamieb, Hudad in one course Dalab south and North in Gebiet and Kwabal , Zeraeeya in third course , the course included practical bases of animal health care , diagnoses bases , injections and dosage for mostly prevailing diseases . the course duration is three days in each site include practical sessions. the training facilitator is veterinary Dr. Mr. Issa Mohamed Ahamed.

This training have been done to prepare women for goats distribution activity . the output here is as following :-

- 32 women in five sites equipped with bases of animal diagnoses and treatment skills
- Linkage of women with the vet doctor of the area.
- New field of skills previously dominated by men have added to women skills

Leadership and organization trainings:

As it was plan three leadership and organization training conduct, the training are for the women development committees, this training have increase the capacities of these committees for managing their projects, the trainer facilitator is Mr. Abu Amina Hashim development consultant and the co facilitator Mr. Hashim Sead, the training issues are in general developments conceptions simple project cycle, the importance of the participation, addressing gender issues organizations and ---etc.

The training period 9 days 3 days in each place, Kabal, Gabiet and Sinkat the participants are 45 women (**women development committees**), the output of these trainings are

- Strength leadership skills of women leaders in the area
- Increased women confident in their capabilities to lead and manage wide community related affairs
- Interaction of women groups from different settlements gave the chance for exchange of experience and encourage women to prove their identity .

Volunteers mobilization training

Abuhadia Society have number of volunteer cadre in all the Red Sea State towns , in this project , mobilization training for the volunteers in Sinkat area organized , the participants category for this training are youth most of them are in the secondary and university education , the purpose of this kind of training is to enhance the personal skills of the volunteers and utilize them to serve the overall objectives of the organization , this training conducted for 35 volunteers 21 girls and 14 boys , they have been familiarized to the objectives and strategies of the Organization , this project in particular and have been given doses about voluntarism principle , humanitarian principles and development concepts. Further they have been drafted the volunteer activities for Abuhadia Society for this year.

The main output are

- 35 volunteer cadres have been oriented and profiled
- Draft plan for the volunteers activities produced and some activities have already started (additional evening course for secondary final year student organized in Gebiet)

FGM awareness campaigns

Three FGM awareness campaigns have been achieved , integrated team consist of religious, social , and health specialist , facilitate community internal dialogue to create change adopters from within the community , of course the process is long but this project came as continuation for previous interventions by Abuhadia Society and other social actors in the State.

The campaign covered different category of community , women and men, girls and boys , youth and leaders .

As the campaign is meant for the wide community it covered all Sinkat and Gebiet towns , in and outside the target area , total of 564 women and 350 men attended the sessions in different age categories .

The covered areas are Rikham, engaz ,Hudad ,layamieb ,Zeeraya , kwabal in Sinkat . Dalab Tikrayate and meekhairy in Gebiet in addition to Summat village .

The sessions were done in women centers , schools, youth centers and Khalwas (Koran schools)

The main outputs are

- More than 900 persons attended awareness sessions and knew the harms of FGM practice

- Communities have the opportunity to gather specifically to debate around this forgotten issue and listen to each other (supporters and opponents of the practice) and this will lead for continuous debate within each community .
- Opponents of the practice backed up within their communities to speak louder in elimination methods about this practice .

- Establishment of three retailing shops for women in three villages

This activity is to engage women in marketing activities and avail them alternative income generation opportunities , 34 women in three locations Dalab, Hudad and Kwabal , women have planned in two different ways 12 women in Dalab and 12 in Hudad agreed to work individually but they will exchange and coordinate as one group , in Kwabal 10 women gathered their goods together in one shop and form shop running committee of three to feed back the other members on monthly bases . however the both shops are now working with the following outputs :-

- 34 women engaged in marketing activities and earn income for the individuals it ranged from 40 – 70 SDG per month , as for the group shop the profit average reached 45 SDG per month .
- Link 34 women to market and create / strengthen new skills for them
- 13 children majority girls received their petty learning needs from their mothers income
- 7 women improved their housing roofs

- Distribution of milky goats for poor families in (Layamieb and Dalab)

25 families in Layamieb and Dalab , each have received three milky goats , the women committee in each site have screened the final list of beneficiary with facilitation from Abuhadia field staff, beneficiary women are required to pay back three month old goat (female) for each goat they have received to the committee , committee will redistribute it to the other needy families in the village, they decided to purchase the goats from their local market to avoid unfamiliar species and reserve for diseases . the main outputs are :-

- 25 families received milky goats , three goats per family
- Children secured milk in their diet
- Some of them sell the milk and buy their needs
- Women committee work appreciated by men .

5. Activity plan: each component of the activity plan should be evaluated in relation to expected results and outputs, what has been achieved, reasons for under/over achievement, corrective actions taken

Result one related to access of clean drinking water , so far nothing have been achieved here in this section because in this first quarterly the concentration was on the preparatory and related training.

Result two focused on Access 250 IDP women for literacy and 200 at risk girls in Sinkat and Gebiet to resume their education smoothly throughout one educational year, in this the literacy classes have started and supported with materials, books, chairs, desks and full time teacher / animator . women learn Arabic speaking , writing and reading bases. Previous year literacy graduates joined the class as upper level , this will restore some of them to the formal education as they could apply to sit on the primary final class (8th) exam if they , then they can

continue in formal education . our animator will provide the full support for these women another two years and support them to sit on that exam.

The second section in this result is support poor girls in the school by providing them the basic educational needs , exam fees, school uniforms and books . about 50 poor girls have received exam fees and this have make them feel secured as Fatima from Sinkat secondary school mentioned , (she said if Abuhadia Society didn't have paid the exam fees for me, my learning should have been interrupted thinking in from where to get this money . now I feel comfort and I can learn trustfully she said) . it is worth mentioning that the student who don't pay this fees may miss the exam . still the provision of uniforms and education needs not provided because this is end of year and we prefer it to be in the new year from March and on .

Result three is related to Improve awareness and practices for community organizational , practical living skills as well as HIV/AIDS and FGM harms. targeting 500 IDP women in Sinkat locality .

Set of trainings have been achieved to serve this result as following

- Community awareness sessions resulted of reorganization of women village committees in five site and improvement in their performance .
- Three leadership and organization training for women leaders , this was concentrated dose to improve their leadership and organization skills .
- FGM campaigns in Sinkat Gebiet and Summat covered more than 800 persons , facilitate critical self assessment and self criticism debate
- Paravets training for 35 women in five villages

So far good number of community women and men engaged in debates and discussions about the harms and risks of the FGM practice , in simple and easy language , and from different prospective (Religious, health and Social prospective) new skills acquired by women leadewrs in leadership and organization and this have increased the confident of women in their capacity for challenging and change . also new skills of animals diagnose and treatment acquired for women .

Still there some activities remained from the activities planned for this section , such as HIV/AIDS awareness and training, business management training and community mobilization sessions will continue .

Result four include Creation of self-employment opportunities for 250 IDP women through different income activities., in this result retailing activity have been implemented in three villages for 34 women and part of the milky goats distributed. the immediate impact of these activities is , additional income gained by women , this income returned back to the family , some improved their houses , others pay it for their children education especially for girls , the broader impact is women getting in touch with market , create business partnerships and profit and loses calculation , this will create saving and investment in the near future .

As for the milky goats it has been distributed for families who are buying milk for their children , after the milky goats received they have saved 15000 SDG per month . this money have been utilized for other practical needs in housing , medicine and new micro businesses.

, the second round of milky goats will be distributed after this round completed and assessed

6. Planned activities for the following quarter

Year 1	Activity	Location (city)	Implementing body
			<i>(example)</i>
Month	Establishment of one water points	Sinkat area	Contractor & water corporation
	- contacting of water department in Sinkat locality		
	- community meeting		
	- line digging		
	- building of location		
	- purchasing of material and transportation		
	- implementation of work		
	Rehabilitation of well	Gebiet	Contractor & water corporation
	- community meeting		
	- preparation of ladders		
	- purchasing of material		
	- implementation of work		
	education support	Sinkat and Gebiet	Education department
	- schools visits		
	- identify poor students through school management		
	- purchasing of school needs		
	- Provide school needs		
	Conduct 15 community mobilization and organization sessions	Dalab, Layamieb, Zerayeeya, Kwabal, and Hudad	Abuhadia Staff
	- community orientation meetings		
	business management and marketing training	Dalab, Layanieb, and Hudad	Hired consultants
	- facilitator contact		
	- preparation of contract		
	- selection of participant		
	- purchasing of training materials		
	- training implementation		
	volunteers training	Port Sudan	Hired consultants
	- contact of facilitator		
	- preparation of contract		
	- purchasing of training materials		
	- implementation of training		
	courses on communication for HIV/AIDS	Swakin	SNAP, Abuhadia
	- contact of facilitator		
	- preparation of contract		
	- contact of partners		

	participant		
	- purchasing of training materials		
	- training implementation		
	distribution of milky goats	Hudad and Kwabal	Staff
	- community meeting		
	- selection of group		
	- purchasing of goats		
	- transportation		
	- distribution of milk goats		

7. Administrative and logistical changes or constraints

There is some delay in the implementation of this project (two months) resulted from delay in receiving of the first instalment check after the signing of the contract , as the period was transitional for the SDF staff in Khartoum so nobody follow up and notified us about the check . however although we are working with limited logistical facilities in remote area , but we will do the best to accomplish the planned activities. Any how the picture will be more clear in the second round instalment implementation.

8. Any other information that could be useful

As the country is in transitional stage from conflict to the peace and from one party system to multi party democracy, this transfer and change require positive role from the civil actors to support and aware people about their rights and voters awareness sessions , this applied for the whole Sudanese community , especially women political participation , so we would allocate some of the contingency budget to address this particular activity .

Date:

Person responsible:

ANNEX III

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Template

Monthly financial report

Period: from July 2008 to 31/01/2009

Amount received to date (Euro 25000 – SDG 80000) from the SDF: *in € and in SD*

1. Summary

Budget line	Planned amount in SD 1st year	Amount remaining (from last report)	Expenses in SD	Amount remaining in SD	% spent 1st year
1- Salaries	88365		32690	55675	37%
2- Materials	45850		0	45850	0
3- Equipment	33096		2025	31071	6.1%
4 - Transport	15009		4250	10759	28.3%
5- Other	81628		30890.5	50737.5	37.8%
6- Overhead	14000		3152.1	10847.9	22.5%
Contingency line 10%	27794.84		00	27794.84	00
	305742.84		73007.6	232735.24	23.9%

2. Details by budget line

Budget line: *(title)*

Item	Planned amount 1st year	Amount remaining (from last month)	Expenses in SD	Date of expense	Receipt number
TOTAL					

Make a table for each budget line.

3. Explanations / Constraints (if applicable)

Bills and receipts will be attached to this report.