



BAHAAL PROJECT

EMERGENCY RELIEF AND EARLY RECOVERY FOR THE FLOOD
AFFECTEES ACROSS PAKISTAN

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Field Monitoring Report

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According to the work plan a team of two monitoring officers of USAID-RSPN *Bahaal* Project visited four districts of Punjab namely Mianwali, D G Khan, Rajanpur, and Muzafarghar during the dates of 13th to 21th April, 2011. The purpose of the field visit was to monitor the activities of transitional shelter and hand pumps of *Bahaal* Project.

The detail and district wise observations of field visit are summarized as under:

Field Visit of District Mianwali:

1. Name of Monitor	Zahida Amin Nageen Akhter
2. Designation of Monitor / Observer:	Project Monitoring Officer
3. Visit Date:	13 th April,2011
4. Name of RSP	NRSP

Meeting with District Project Officer:

The monitoring team commenced their field visit by visiting the NRSP district office at the District Mianwali. A meeting held with the Project Officer Sahid Saddique, who briefed monitoring team about the progress being made of the transitional shelter (TS) and hand pump installation. According to his updates, the excavation work on all Transitional Shelter has been started. The documentation of TS was also in process. Moreover the installation of targeted hand pumps was almost completed only their branding was remaining.

Transitional Shelter:

The two villages namely Arsala Wala and Mahmood Pur of the union council Croshia were visited to get feedback from the beneficiaries of TS. It was observed that the community participation approach had ensured through the involvement of COs and VOs in the assessment process of TS which ensured the transparency. Duplication of work was also avoided through the coordination of other organizations who were working in the similar area. It was also observed that highly affected areas and villages have selected in the district Mianwali.



District Mianwali: Under Construction Transitional Shelter

Moreover, almost 99% beneficiaries were constructing TS with pakka bricks with the contribution of their own economic share just to make ensure its sustainability. The people complained about the shortage of skilled labor and their increased pay charges as a result the work progress on transitional Shelter effected directly. The reason behind this fact was the harvesting season of wheat.

Follow up of Hands Pumps:

It was observed that hand pumps were installed as per community need and at the proper place with community consultation. Almost 10 to 15 households were benefiting from the water from each hand pump. The platform of hand pumps and outlets for water drainage constructed properly although at some places outlets were not as per hygiene requirement (see below pics)



District Mianwali: Hand pumps with improper outlets

So this matter was discussed with project officer. He ensured that in some days this issue would be solved. The branding of hand pumps was under process as told by project officer.

Hygiene Session follows up at Mianwali:

Moreover, the team also conducted informal interviews with beneficiaries of hygiene training sessions in village Saiz Wala of the union council Moch. It was concluded by interviewing of randomly selected beneficiaries that they were practicing health and hygiene teachings both at domestic and community level.



Mianwali: Hygiene Session beneficiaries

Field visit of District DG Khan:

1. Name of Monitor	Zahida Amin Nageen Akhter
2. Designation of Monitor / Observer:	Project Monitoring Officer
3. Visit Date:	13 th April,2011
4. Name of RSP	NRSP

Meeting with NRSP-Bahaal:

In the district DG Khan monitoring visit was started by visiting the NRSP *Bahaal* office in the district DG Khan and held a meeting with the District Project Officer Zareena and MER Officer Adnan. They updated us regarding the progress on transitional shelter and hand pumps. As per their updates the excavation work has been started on all transitional shelter in which almost twenty TS have completed.

Field Visit Transitional Shelter:

Two villages of the Union Council Ghousabad namely Mamar wala and Basti Ahmad pur were visited to get beneficiary feedback on the implementation of TS. In this regard ten complete TS were visited and informal interviews were conducted with beneficiaries. It was concluded that generally beneficiaries were satisfied with TS as they successfully completed mud TS with addition of their minimum economic share.



DG Khan: Mud TS



Inside view of Mud TS

Moreover, the NRSP-*Bahaal* team of the district D G Khan provided the facility of contractor to those beneficiaries who could not build their TS at their own such as widows disabled etc. In forty thousand the local contractor ensured the completion of mud TS to vulnerable families.

By randomly interviewed beneficiaries it was confirmed that preference was given to households that were displaced, poor and had young children.

Field Visit of District Muzafarghar:

1. Name of Monitor	Zahida Amin Nageen Akhter
2. Designation of Monitor / Observer:	Project Monitoring Officer
5. Visit Date:	15 th April,2011
6. Name of RSP	PRSP

Field Visit of Transitional Shelter:

Two villages, Chanar and Basti Pakka Wale of the Union Council Pattal Kot Uddu were visited to get feedback from beneficiaries of transitional shelter. It was observed that according to the USAID set criteria only the most adversely affected places were focused on. The preference was given to households that were displaced, poor and had young children.

In the District Muzafarghar all the beneficiaries of TS were utilizing cemented block in the construction of base and walls. In this regard the role of PRSP-*Bahaal* team is very impressive. The project Officer Imtiaz Buttur informed the team that as they have selected worse affected areas where flood water expect to come every year so through community mobilization they concluded that all selected beneficiaries wanted to convert this transitional shelter into permanent shelter to make ensured its sustainability. In this connection PRSP helped to develop market linkages between beneficiary and supplier as a result beneficiary got material at low prices as compare to open market rates. In the average amount of fifty thousand beneficiary to get cemented one room shelter which has less chances of flatten during in coming moon soon rainy season. The average maximum share of beneficiary for this cemented block TS was ten thousand in shape of cash or material.



Muzafarghar: Cemented block TS



Inside view of Cemented Block TS

Field visit of District Rajanpur:

1. Name of Monitor	Zahida Amin Nageen Akhter
2. Designation of Monitor / Observer:	Project Monitoring Officer
5. Visit Date:	16 th April, 2011
6. Name of RSP	NRSP

Transitional Shelter:

The village Basti Cha Kamo Wala of the Union Council Tatar Wala visited to check beneficiary assessment and the implementation process of Transitional Shelter. The beneficiary assessment was as per criteria as vulnerable communities has targeted. Generally people preferred to build mud room as they have very low economic resources.



Rajanpur: Sharing of Walls



HH share in form of unskilled labor

Moreover, by sharing of walls, use of old material and household member's share in the form of unskilled labour helped to reduced cost of TS.

Follow up of Hands Pumps.

The two villages named Ikhtair Khan and Muhammad Shakar Chang of Union Council Rakh Fazal Pur were visited to monitor installed hand pumps under the umbrella of *Bahaal* Project. It was observed that hand pumps were installed as per community need which ensured that beneficiary selection process was as per defined criteria of *Bahaal* project. It is noticed that hand pumps were installed at the proper place with community consultation as there was no issue on water sharing. All the beneficiaries were satisfied with water quality as well. The quality of material of installed hand pumps was also satisfactory.



Rajanpur: Hands pumps

Documentation of Transitional Shelter:

During the visit of the four aforementioned districts RSPN monitoring team checked the documentation of Transitional Shelter. Photographs and GPS coordinates were missed so it was communicated to project officers of all visited districts that they ensured the availability of missing documentation as soon as possible. It is observed that in district Rajanpur the documentation was already done properly.