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#### **Foreword from the Board of Trustees**

We are pleased to announce a strong set of results showing improved performance across our non-profit for positively impacting the lives of targeted population in various parts of Afghanistan. FY2021 was a year of significant change for Organization for Research and Community Development (ORCD).

We have made substantial and rapid progress, and this has established solid foundations for the next phase of our strategic plan.

Board of Trustees Organization for Research and Community Development (ORCD)

#### **Foreword from CEO**

With great honor, I would like to state that 2021 was a year in which ORCD kept us its momentum for forward movement toward expansion. Going through numerous challenges, ORCD made sure that the year accomplishments are a success. This is not only a honor and privilege for me but all members of ORCD including its management staff, volunteers and trustees who put in place dedicated efforts, expertise and displayed great enthusiasm for having ORCD emerging as a strong Afghan national NGO in the country firmly linked with its sister organizations in Pakistan, Zimbabwe and in the United States pursuing same mission, vision and strategic goals across the world.

In line with our strategic plan that was adopted in 2012, ORCD kept up its momentum and had its all projects aligned with its mission, vision, and strategic objectives. ORCD services ranged spanning from health, nutrition, protection, rural development, gender mainstreaming and women empowerment by integrating innovative approaches aimed at addressing complex needs of communities and individuals in different parts of the country especially in rural areas.

Our projects adopted innovative approaches in their efforts to have refined and diffuse innovative community-based development activities and replicated the best practices ORCD got in different parts of the country.

The projects implemented by ORCD in 2021 were not only contractual obligations with donors but were also part of a social obligation it has established with the target communities. They were not only achieving deliverables set by donors but were also documenting best practices and learning from beneficiaries so that they could be used for better service provision in future.

The dedicated staff of ORCD both at central and field level as well as the generous support of donors such as UN Women, United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UNOCHA), United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR), World Food Program (WFP), Ministry of Rural Rehabilitation and Development (MRRD), Penny Appeal UK and Ministry of Public Health (MoPH) made all these achievements possible. Their generous and professional support proved highly crucial in all accomplishments of ORCD during the year 2021. Let me thank you all for your continued support and invite you to continue joining us in working towards improved access to and provision of humanitarian and development services to the needy people across the country.

Sincerely,

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BPHS Basic Package of Health Services
CDC Community Development Councils

GAVI Global Alliance for Vaccines and Immunization
DRRD Department of Rural Rehabilitation and Development

DoRR Department of Refugees and Repatriation NCDI Non-Communicable Disease and Injury ESRP Economically Stressed Rural Population

EVAW End Violence Against Women WPC Women Protection Centre GBV Gender-based Violence

IDP Internally Displaced Population

JICA Japanese International Cooperation Agency
MRRD Ministry of Rural Rehabilitation and Development

MSI Marie Stopes International UN-Women United Nations for Women

CCNPP Citizens' Charter National Priority Program

AKF Agha Khan Foundation WFP World Food Program WAG Women Action Group

UNHCR United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
TSFP Targeted Supplementary Feeding Program
SAVE Secure Access in Volatile Environment

BGE Block Grant Entitlement

PDC Provincial Development Council IDP Internally Displaced Population

SHC Sub Health Center BHC Basic Health Center

CHC Comprehensive Health Center

DH District Hospital

CHW Community Health Worker

HF Health Facility
FATP First Aid Trauma Post
PHP Private Healthcare Provider

CB-DOTs Community Based-Directly Observed Treatments UNODC United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

UNOCHA United Nations Office for Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs

PPP Public Private Partnership

WB World Bank

MoPH Ministry of Public Health

MAIL Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Livestock

UNDP United Nations Development Program

MoWA Ministry of Women Affairs

MoRR Ministry of Refugees and Repatriation RUTF Ready to Use Therapeutic Food

PA Penny Appeal

BADILL Boost Alternative Development Interventions through Licit Livelihoods

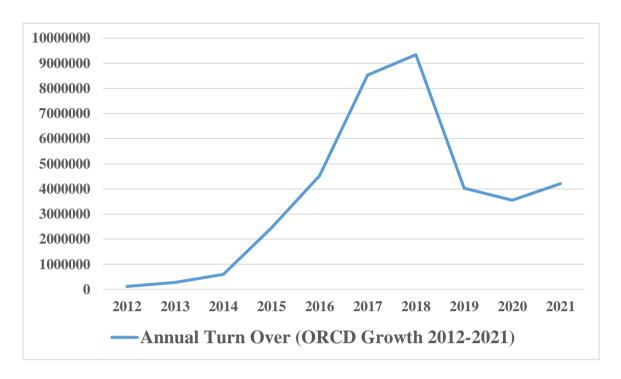
AAH Action Against Hunger
IRW Islamic Relief Worldwide
AHF Afghanistan Humanitarian Funds
IOM International Organization for Migration
BHA Bureau for Humanitarian Assistance

### **List of ORCD Projects in 2021**

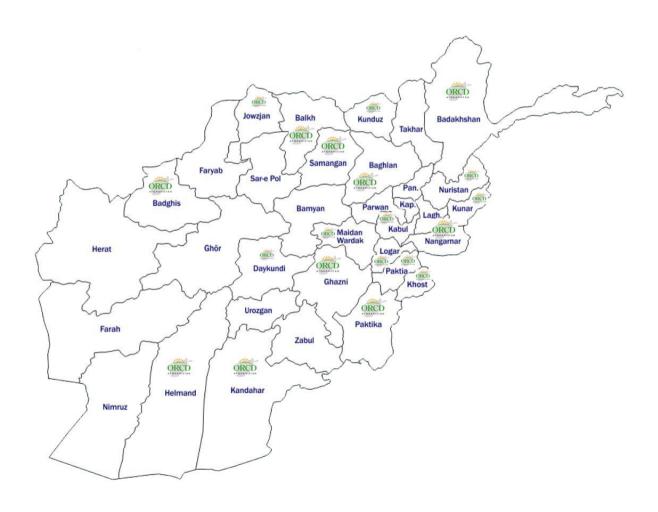
SN	Assignment name & brief description of main deliverables/outputs	Client Name
1	Eshtighal-Zaiee-Karmondana (EZ-KAR) Baghlan,Afghanistan	IDLG/DMM
2	Provision of Transitional and emergency shelter and sanitation facilities, food and nutrition assistance to conflict and natural disaster affected communities	OFDA/USAID
3	Provision of Basic Package of Health Services (BPHS) and Essential Package of Hospital Services (EPHS) in Kunar (Sehatmandi)	WB/MoPH
4	Provision of Mobile Package of Health Services (MPHS) through 15 mobile health teams in 12 provinces of Afghanistan	HSS/GAVI
5	Provision of emergency food, hygiene, water,cash and Winterization grant to internally displaced population (IDPs) in Kabul	Penny Appeal- UK
6	Eshtighal-Zaiee-Karmondana (EZ-KAR) Kunduz, Afghanistan	IDLG/DMM
7	Afghan HIFZ orphans support program through one-to-one sponsorship	Penny Appeal
8	Expanding Community-based Outreach Vaccination (CBOV) using mobilization immunization strategy in partnership with HNTPO	GAVI/HSS
9	Reintegration & Development Assistance in Afghanistan (RADA-BAGHLAN)	IOM
10	Reintegration & Development Assistance in Afghanistan (RADA-BALKH)	IOM
11	Corona virus diseases 2019 (COVID -19) Emergency Response and Health Systems Preparedness Project	МоРН
12	Thirst Relief Project-Afghanistan -Construction of 22 Wells	Penny Appeal
13	Strengthening Routine Immunizations project in Kunar province	МоРН
14	Sustainable Employment and Profit through Vocational Skills Training Value Chain and Enterprise Development Kabul	NCA
15	Data for Impact (D4I) Monitoring and Evaluation to Assess and Use Results (MEASURE) Evaluation Phase IV Project	University of North Carolina (UNC)/USAID
16	Covid 19 Relief Effort for Afghan Communities and Households (REACH) Project "Dasterkhan-e Mili" Kunduz Province	IDLG/WB
17	Provision of emergency food, hygiene, water and cash grant to internally displaced population (IDPs) in Kabul	Muslim Aid
18	Solar Panel Water Well Project, Tawoos Khel, Kot, Nangarhar, Afghanistan	Penny Appeal
19	The Mosque Project (Masjid-e-Tooba)-Afghanistan	Penny Appeal
20	Operating Women Protection Centres Family Guidance Centres (FGCs) in Baghlan province	UN-Women
21	Support to Baghlan Women's Protection Center	WPC
22	Covid 19 Relief Effort for Afghan Communities and Households (REACH) Project "Dasterkhan-e-Mili" Paktia Province.	IDLG/WB

#### **Bulleted Accomplishments during 2020**

- In MPHS through 15 Mobile health Teams, , A total number of 15 Mobile health teams (MHT) were active and providing health services at 12 provinces, considering proposed service delivery points (SDPs).
- **WPC in Baghlan** accommodated 119 women accompanied by 27 children who were provided psychosocial counselling, legal aid, literacy trainings and vocational trainings aimed at women economic empowerment.
- In Afghan HIFZ Orphan Support Program, ORCD financially supports 400 orphans from different parts of the country to ensure they remain with their guardians and continue their Hifz-e-Quran and gaining contemporary education.
- In Bureau of Humanitarian Assistance, the project aims at the provision of transitional and emergency food and nutrition assistance to the targeted conflict and natural disaster affected communities in hard- to- reach areas, whilst increasing evidence-based humanitarian program in Afghanistan.
- In EZKAR Kunduz, the overall aim of the project is to increase economic opportunities in Kunduz city that fall under IDLG's mandate and that face a high influx of displaced people, by (i) creating short term employment opportunities and (ii) investing in market enabling infrastructure in Kunduz city.
- IN RADA-BAGHLAN, ORCD started Community Based Activities (Social and Psychosocial Aspects of Sustainable Reintegration) of RADA Project in Baghlan Province. The overall Goal of the project is: To contribute to the progressive achievement of Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 10.7, "to facilitate orderly, safe, regular, and responsible migration and mobility of people including through the implementation of planned and well-managed policies".
- IN RADA-BALKH, ORCD started Community Based Activities (Social and Psychosocial Aspects of Sustainable Reintegration) of RADA Project in Balkh Province. The overall Goal of the project is: To contribute to the progressive achievement of Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 10.7, "to facilitate orderly, safe, regular, and responsible migration and mobility of people including through the implementation of planned and well-managed policies".
- In Thirst Relief project funded by Penny Appeal aims to provide clean and safe drinking water to vulnerable communities in Afghanistan. ORCD in partnership with PA has successfully constructed deep tube wells in various districts and villages around the country in the past. Currently the project funds construction of 22 deep wells in two Provinces Nangarhar and Baghlan.
- In REACH Kunduz Project, it was an endeavor to provide relief to the people who have been badly affected by COVID 19 crisis. It was believed that COVID-19 crisis will exacerbate poverty and further push households into periods of prolonged hunger because of reduced migration, lost work opportunities, and high food prices.
- In Solar Panel Well Project,ORCD has been able to construct two Solar Panel Networks with funding from PA in the past, which have yielded great results and have successfully provided water to hundreds of impoverished community members in Kabul and Baghlan Provinces.
- In The Mosque Project funded by Penny Appeal and implemented by ORCD, aims to construct small, medium, and large rural based Islamic religious facilities (i.e., Mosques) for vulnerable communities in Afghanistan.



#### **Annual Growth Rate Since 2012**



### **Operating Areas of ORCD in Afghanistan**

#### Eshtighal-Zaiee-Karmondana (EZ-KAR) Baghlan, Afghanistan

This project was funded by World Bank through Government of Afghanistan with Technical and administrative support of IDLG in thirteen cities of different provinces of Afghanistan including Polikhumry city of Baghlan province. ORCD was the implementing partner with IDLG /WB In the Baghlan City.

The Project Development Objective is to strengthen an enabling environment for economic opportunities in the targeted city Polikhumry city of Baghlan province, which is one of the cities where there is a high influx of displaced people. This will be pursued by facilitating increasing access of the returnees' access to civil documents, providing short-term employment opportunities, improving market enabling infrastructure, and supporting investor friendly regulatory reforms.

The overall aim of the project is to increase economic opportunities in Polikhumry city of Baghlan province that fall under IDLG's mandate and that face a high influx of displaced people, by (i) creating short term employment opportunities and (ii) investing in market enabling infrastructure in Kunduz city.

The main achievements of the project were the mobilization of 110 CDCs (Community Development Councils with establishment of 9 CDCs out of 110 planned CDCs , 0 Guzar Assemblies (GAs) out 22 planned CDCs and of with establishment of 0 BGAs (Business Guzar Assemblies) out of 6 planed BGA .the project suspended due to WB withdrawal from Afghanistan due to political change happened recently in the country .



Figure 1 ToT training EZ-KAR Baghlan



Figure 2 Orientation Workshop to Municipality staff EZ-KAR Baahlan

### Provision of Transitional and emergency shelter and sanitation facilities, food and nutrition assistance to conflict and natural disaster affected communities.

The project aims at the provision of transitional and emergency food and nutrition assistance to the targeted conflict and natural disaster affected communities in hard- to- reach areas, whilst increasing

evidence-based humanitarian program in Afghanistan.

At the beginning of the quarter, MHNT team worked in Badakhshan.

Regarding the Badghis Food for Piece, Beneficiaries assessment completed in all four districts (Qala-e-Naw, Muqur, Jawand and Qadis), data were analyzed and all selected BNF sheets



Figure 2 Child Examination for Nutrition

shared with related provincial directorate and governor, certification of DoRR and PRRD was taken, and the Beneficiaries lists shared with UNOCHA regional office and promise for the cooperation. Beneficiary verification for FFP was completed.

In the communication scenario, central office attended Nutrition Cluster meeting and provincial project manager participated in all provincial related meetings including PHCC, meeting under the leadership of Governor and OCT meeting.

The 666 BNF analyze sample has been shared with ACTED's AME for their review and comments, the data cleaning and analyze result were satisfactory, the verification took place and was satisfactory with the close coordination of DoRR.

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Mobile teams were active in Badakhshan and screened the U5 and PLW, mobile team screened 8276 under five children screened, 139 children of them were Severe Acute Malnutrition, 457 children were Moderate Acute Malnutrition and 4023 PLW nutrition status screened, 805 (443 pregnant & 362 lactating women) were malnourished and referred to the nearest HFs for taking nutritional therapy. MIYCN activity, 4023 mothers assessed, and they were briefed about nutrition status.

Community Nutrition awareness was going on, totally 11125 clients (3600 male & 7525 female) were oriented on Nutrition topics, Nutrition orientation to the community leaders, 1745 community leaders and mula oriented on nutrition importance and how to prevent malnutrition status and improve children health especially under five and women health status.



Figure 2 Cash for food PDM in badghis



Figure 3 Cash for Food Process

## Performance-Based Contract to Deliver the Basic Package of Health Services (BPHS) and Essential Package of Hospital Services (EPHS) in Kunar.

HealthNet TPO & ORCD took immense pride to have given the implementing opportunity of Sehatmandi Project started on Jan 01, 2019 that will continue until end of June 2021. Since then and the inception of the project, HealthNet TPO & ORCD has strived hard and made it possible to render all required quality health services of BPHS/EPHS to targeted beneficiaries in the community. Despite being in hardship and having faced numerous challenges and hindrances in the community



i.e. security threats, interventions of anti-government elements, HealthNet TPO & ORCD have been committed to render the aforementioned services as they have promised to MoPH and with zero compromise in the quality of work. As the project commenced, all the health workers were provided with formal contracts based on KPI's, renovation of health facilities has been done, the generators left from the former implementer, and ambulances which were out of work and in very deplorable condition were repaired, Foremost, four nursing counters were established for provision of quality health management and services at provincial hospitals.

In 2020, 207 Health Posts, 23 PHCs2,9 BHC,4 CHC,1 CHC+ and 2 DHs were active and provide quality health services, The Health Posts encompassed 207 male and 202 female Community Health Workers.

The table below depicts achievement of the Sehatmandi indicators against targets in 2020:

Indicators	Target	Achievement
Total number of ANC	34766	47638
Total Number of PNC	31235	36668
Total Number of CYP at HFs level	24710	5991
Total Number of Cesarian section	828	506
Total number of Under-five morbidity	532264	522252
Total Number of Growth monitoring/IYCN	134167	129865
Total Number of institutional deliveries	19668	18668
Total Number of Major surgeries	2028	2765
Total Number of Family planning counseling	60%	23061
Total Number of Penta -3	37842	27048
Total Number of TB treated cases	410	424
Total Number of TT2+	75779	74111



Figure 3 : Our Deputy Project Director for Kunar BPHS/EPHS Project is appreciated by the Provincial Public Health Directorate of Kunar Province for demonstrating excellent management of the project.

### Provision of Mobile Package of Health Services (MPHS) through 15 mobile health teams in 12 provinces of Afghanistan

Funded by the HSS/MoPH, based on contract between ORCD and Ministry of Public Health of GoIRA, the project implementation started on May 01, 2020 that continued until end of Feb 2021. During 2020, A total number of 15 Mobile health teams (MHT) were active and providing health services at 12 provinces, considering proposed service delivery points (SDPs).

The overall objectives of the proposed assignment were to enhance the equitable access and effective coverage of health services through integrated public health care system, and community participation

with more focus on underserved kuchi population through mobile.

The primary target populations of this project are pregnant women and children under five years of age. However, the entire population in the target areas is able to receive basic health services through 15 MHTs and 1036 CHWs in 13 provinces such as Kabul, Ghazni, Logar, Kandahar, Nangarhar, Balkh, Jawzjan, Herat, Samangan, Baghlan, Kunduz and Faryab.

The table below depicts achievement of MHT project indicators against targets in 2020:



Indicators	Target	Achievement	Achievement percentage %
Number of under one child received Penta-3	26,502	9,791	37%
Number of TT2+ vaccination performed by MHTs	25,670	24,187	94%
Number of OPD Consultation	595,254	177,590	30%
Number of under five children treated by MHTs	128,240	65,378	51%
Number of Home deliveries attended by MHTs	370	478	129%

Number of deliveries assisted/referred by MHTs	660	151	23%
Number of 1st ANC visits by		7,137	28%
MHTs	25,670	7,137	2070
Number of FP consultations		5.507	4%
performed by MHTs	128,240	3,307	476
Number of suspected TB			
cases identified and referred		7,574	43%
out by MHTs	17,810		





#### Provision of emergency food, hygiene, water, cash and Winterization grant to internally displaced population (IDPs) in Kabul

This was emergency project which was financially supported by Penny Appeal while ORCD was the implementing partner. The main objective of the project was to provide emergency aid to war affected Internally Displaced families, who had recently fled their homes in a quest to save their lives. These

families were provided with emergency food, hygiene kits, and water to meet their immediate needs of food and health issues while living in Kabul, also cash grant to return to their places of origin.

These families were facing with enormous troubles in Kabul, having to live in open spaces and public parks under open skies with no or limited access to food items. Majority of the families wished to return to their place of origin

but due to the lack of cash they were unable to  $_{Figure\ 1\ A\ beneficiary\ Receiving\ the\ Cash\ Aid}$ pay for rented vehicles.



The project had an immensely significant and substantial positive effect on the lives of the IDPs. With the generous support of Penny Appeal, ORCD was able to distribute food items, hygiene kits, and cash grant among 272 HHs (1940 individuals) of IDPs who were living in a vulnerable situation in different parts of Kabul. Under this project the vulnerable IDPs families were able to meet their immediate needs, also to meet their cash issues to pay the transportation cost who were willing to return to their place of origin.

#### Eshtighal-Zaiee-Karmondana (EZ-KAR) Kunduz, Afghanistan

ORCD has been implementing Ez-Kar project in the Kunduz City with funding from the IDLG. The Project Development Objective is to strengthen an enabling environment for economic opportunities in the targeted city (Kunduz) which is one of the cities where there is a high influx of displaced people. This will be pursued by facilitating increasing access of the returnees' access to civil documents, providing short-term employment opportunities, improving market enabling infrastructure, and supporting investor friendly regulatory reforms.

The overall aim of the project is to increase economic opportunities in Kunduz city that fall under IDLG's mandate and that face a high influx of displaced people, by (i) creating short term employment opportunities and (ii) investing in market enabling infrastructure in Kunduz city.

ORCD has been mandated for the period of 36 months to set- up 100 Community Development Councils (CDCs), 20 Gozar Assemblies (GA), and 6 Business Gozar Assemblies (BGA) in the in the city of Kunduz. Through following Citizens' Charter Afghanistan Program (CCAP), ORCD will work on the community mobilization, election of Community Development Councils (CDCs), Gozar Assemblies (GAs), and Business Development Assemblies (BGAs). ORCD will also work in the developing of Community/ Gozar/Business Gozar planning using Participatory Learning Assessment (PLA) tools with the community/Businesses, Capacity building of the CDCs, GAs, and BGAs in a variety of areas, and prioritization of subproject proposals based on pre-defined criteria.

#### **Success story:**

In the month of March 2021, we held an election at Mujahideen CDC at 5th Nahia of Kunduz City. Among other candidates, Qazi Zabiullah was elected as the chairperson for the said CDC.

From March 23, 2021, we planned the follow-up meetings with the entire CDCs chairpersons and other CDCs members of 5th Nahia to supervise their activities. On April 21, 2021, we met with Qazi Zabiullah, Chairperson of Mujahideen CDC for having a discussion with him regarding CDC activities and the members' responsibilities. We also shared the PLA tools with him that were already prepared. The



following are some achievements that have been achieved in a short time:

#### Achievements of the CDC 5th:

Tree plantation in the 5th CDC

A school was under threat of rainwater. Through the cooperation of the community succeeded in constructing a waterway (Stream) for rainwater

Construction of culverts

Meeting and officially requesting the Kunduz municipality for transferring the garbage.

Meetings with the Provincial government authorities for providing job and education opportunities for the community.

Meeting with the government and non-governmental organizations for finding educational opportunities for women and girls.





#### Afghan HIFZ orphans support program through one-to-one sponsorship

The Afghanistan Orphans support program, funded by Penny Appeal is being implemented in 23 provinces of Afghanistan. The project started during June 2020 and continued in 2021. It financially supports 400 orphans from different parts of the country to ensure they remain with their guardians and continue their Hifz-e-Quran and gaining contemporary education. The project aims at transforming the lives of orphans by empowering them to have access to education to play a productive role in building Afghanistan. To ensure transparency, ORCD established an online registration system for the project and was spread through social media and websites so that needy orphan from around the country can register themselves. From a list of approx. 500 applications, ORCD selected 400 most deserving orphans in consideration of the Selection Criteria below:

- -The beneficiary is an orphan (lost his/her father or both parents)
- -The orphan's age is 4-18
- -The orphan is already a school student or willing to join school and has started or willing to start Hifz-e-Quran

After the accomplishment of the initial phases, ORCD contracted all the 400 orphans and opened bank accounts for all 400 orphans so that the monthly stipend can safely reach orphan. To ensure that the monthly stipend is expended in accordance with the contract terms, ORCD's field teams have been regularly performing monitoring visits to each province to monitor and supervise the education progress of each child. In addition, the field supervisors make sure that the orphans are safeguarded against any sort of abuse by raising their awareness and closely working with the orphan guardians.

So far, the project has had a positive impact over the communities and has been welcomed by both the community members and governmental officials, because most of the orphans in Afghanistan are highly vulnerable and in need of financial support. The project impact on the orphans themselves and their families has been immense. All the registered orphans have now hope for their future. Besides, many other orphans have also contacted ORCD to be part of the project, thus the online registration



Figure 1: Orphans sponsored through the HIFZ project have been enabled to start learning Qur'an.



Figure 2: One of the 400 sponsored children reciting the holy Qur'an

form is still open for new orphans' registration. Considering the positive project progress, ORCD expects that the project will be extended for another year, which will continue to provide a great, enduring and life-changing support to the selected orphans.

### Expanding Community-based Outreach Vaccination (CBOV) using mobilization immunization strategy in partnership with HNTPO

CBOV Project Funded by the HSS/MoPH, based on contract between ORCD and Ministry of Public Health of GoIRA, the project implementation started on Oct 22, 2019 that continued until 22 March 2021.

During 2021, A total number of 6 community-based outreach vaccination (CBOV) were active and proving immunization activities in prosed service delivery points of Kunar Province.

The overall objectives of the proposed assignment were to improve access to and increase coverage of immunization services in un-served children residing in white areas of the low performing districts and provinces.

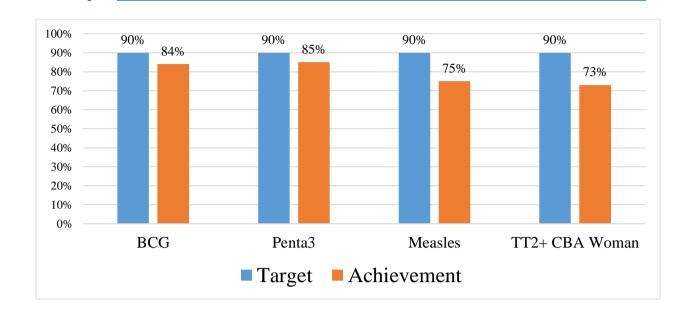
Specific objective of the project was:

- 1. To increase Penta-3 coverage in targeted areas close to 90% of national target by the end of project
- 2. To increase Measles coverage in targeted areas close to 90% of national target by the end of project
- 3. To increase TT vaccine coverage in targeted areas close to 90% of national target by the end of project

The table below depicts achievement of CBOV project indicators against targets in 2021:

Commu	Community Based Outreach Vaccination (CBOV) Project, Using Mobile Immunization Strategy (Kunar Province), 2020 Achievement report										
	BCG			Penta3			Measles		TT2	2+ for CBA W	Voman
Target	Achievement	Percentage	Target	Achievemen	Percentage	Target	Achievemen	Percentage	Target	Achievemen	Percentage
2510	2120	84%	2510	2132	85%	2510	1875	75%	12550	9149	73%

Graphical illustration of CBOV project target versus achievement during year 2021







#### Reintegration & Development Assistance in Afghanistan (RADA-BAGHLAN)

In partnership with IOM ORCD started Community Based Activities (Social and Psychosocial Aspects of Sustainable Reintegration) of RADA Project in Baghlan Province. The overall Goal of the project is: To contribute to the progressive achievement of Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 10.7, "to facilitate orderly, safe, regular, and responsible migration and mobility of people including through the implementation of planned and well-managed policies". The specific objective of the project is: To support Afghan returnees, their families and host communities towards sustainable reintegration in Afghanistan.

#### **Success Story**

Abdul Satar, who is father of a mentally disabled son (hydro cephalous) lived a normal life about six years before. He had a grocery shop in Shorcha community which could provide his family expenses until it was robbed which was a big shock of his life.

Name: Abdul Satar

Age: 35

Community: Shorcha

Refer Date: 17-03-2020

Counseling Sessions: 4

Mobile #: 0704050190



He says "one morning I went to open my shop after the morning prayer. When I arrived to the market, suddenly I saw my shop doors open with broken lock and empty shelves. I felt darkness in my eyes and got unconscious for about one hour. When I opened my eyes, I saw people around me who took me home with full disappointment. After that accident, I faced psycho problems. I was under the pressure of both family and community. Everyday people asked me for money they had lent for my shop material. On the other hand, my son is suffering from hydro cephalous which is another anxiety in my live."

He had referred to the mental doctor (Nader Alemi in Mazar-e-Sharif) but, due to economic problems he could not afford to go for the second time to continue his treatment, he remained with his psychological challenges.

This case was founded by Psychosocial team of RADA with the assistance of community peer supporters. This man (Abdul Satar) was introduced to the nearest clinic (Nahrin Clinic) for counseling on 17-3-2020. Before the counseling sessions, he was disappointed and his anxiety was increasing day by day but after three counseling sessions, he felt himself fine and fresh and ready to live his normal life as part of the community. He says that he has observed every advice of the counselor and now he is absolutely fine. Currently, he works as a taxi driver in his community and according to him, the community behavior has also changed against him than the previous times. He is working hard to save money for treatment of his son and his family expenses.



Figure 1 : Reviewing Khwaig Alwan community's CDC plan

Figure 2 : Referring females with psychosocial needs to the respected clinic in Nawabad Baghlan-e-Markazi

#### Reintegration & Development Assistance in Afghanistan (RADA-BALKH)

In partnership with IOM ORCD started Community Based Activities (Social and Psychosocial Aspects of Sustainable Reintegration) of RADA Project in Balkh Province. The overall Goal of the project is: To contribute to the progressive achievement of Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 10.7, "to facilitate orderly, safe, regular, and responsible migration and mobility of people including through the implementation of planned and well-managed policies". The specific objective of the project is: To support Afghan returnees, their families and host communities towards sustainable reintegration in Afghanistan.

#### **Success story**

On successfully recovered psychosocial case

We found a client in Ansary 6th in Mazar city by name of Mrs.Rokat aged 40 years old daughter of Padshah originally from Badakhshan province. Her main problem was sleepless, feeling sad crying (depression). Two years ago her husband had a car accident and were unconscious for twenty days. after becoming well, she expressed his husband does not have any interest on her and he love a woman in his duty work. So she can't express his feeling to anybody and relatives and always feel alone and sad.

After third session of psychosocial counseling, she feels better and express herself that her doubt was baseless and her husband doesn't have any sin. So, she is friendly with her husband now and techniques which were showed to her by our psychosocial counselor, her sleep disorder is resolved.



Figure 1: Psychosocial counselling to the client in Balkh Province



Figure 2: Establishing referral mechanism in Khushkak community



Figure 3: Provincial Reintegration committee meeting Balkh Province .

## Corona virus diseases 2019 (COVID -19) Emergency Response and Health Systems Preparedness Project.

ORCD implemented the COVID-19 services according to the MoPH specifications. As the COVID-19 situation is still prevailing in the country, this third amendment of the contract will respond to the second wave continuing and possible third wave of the infection.

ORCD has been implementing COVID-19 preparedness and response services since May 2020. Based on MoPH request/approval, 36 vaccinators recruited in Kunar province to provide COVID-19 vaccines to the target population through fix and outreach methodology.

Services delivery points (SDPs) selected in close coordination with PPHD/PEMT in all target districts of Kunar province. Considering cold chain rules, regular supply of COVID-19 vaccine provided to the target health facilities based on their target and clients load. Both fix and outreach strategies utilized to reach more people and to prevent wastage and expiration of the COVID-19 vaccines.

In addition, to generate demand among the community and target group, ORCD provided public

awareness sessions in all districts of Kunar province. This awareness raising caused to mobilize the community and to utilize all supplied vaccines before to their expiry date.

According to the MoPH guidance note, all 36 provincial through vaccinators recruited recruitment committee. Based on eligibility and qualification, 36 vaccinators have been selected for 18 sites. To observe gender mainstreaming during the COVDI-19 vaccination program, both male and female vaccinators recruited. From all 36 vaccinators, 19 of them are male and 17 of them are female. Challenges and recombination:

During the reporting period. overall vaccination conducted smoothly but there were some challenges:

Propaganda against vaccination effectiveness Fear from the usual side effects of vaccines.

Low awareness about vaccines benefits. For these challenges HNTPO/ORCD have been trying to raise awareness and to provide responses to the rumors.

Also, there were security threat and warning

from AOGs to vaccinators reported.



Figure 1: COVID-19 WARD



Figure 2: Patient monitoring

#### Thirst Relief Project-Afghanistan

Thirst Relief project funded by Penny Appeal aims to provide clean and safe drinking water to

vulnerable communities in Afghanistan. ORCD in partnership with PA has successfully constructed deep tube wells in various districts and villages around the country in the past. Currently the project funds construction of 22 deep wells in two Provinces Nangarhar and Baghlan. With the completion of this project, about 3080 individuals including men, women and children from now have access to clean drinking and domestic hygiene water. The project will have a positive impact on the lives of the

benefitting individuals, protecting them from Figure 1: Thirst Relief Project beneficiaries happily using the risks of different contaminated water borne services of the hand pump diseases as well as providing them with water



sources near their houses which will safeguard women, girls and boys from different security hazards such as, kidnapping, GBV, sexual exploitation etc. Moreover, the communities will be physically relaxeing as they will not have to be travelling long distances to fetch water for their needs. It will also save their daily time and energy, especially for young kids, who will have more time to concentrate on education and other productive activities.

The project has been greatly appreciated by the local authorities and communities as it will not only address a basic living need for a large number of people in two provinces but also it is a supporting hand for the government authorities in providing rudimentary living facilities for rural based poor community members.

#### **Strengthening Routine Immunizations project in Kunar province**

HealthNet TPO and ORCD are joint venture organizations implementing the strengthening routing immunization (SRI) project in Kunar province. The project started on 19 Aug 2020 with one month inception phase for planning, hiring of the vaccinators, orientation meetings, procurement, coordination with the communities and other preparation works, and will continue till 18 Aug 2021.

The SRI Project has been designed for unsecured, rural white areas of Kunar Province which is a challenge because AOGs were banned vaccination in these areas. These areas were remaining underserved and there were no immunization services.

As all the target areas located under control of AOGs where the EPI services were banned for several years. ORCD/HNTPO are in close contact with community to provide smooth ground for sound implementation of the project.

All ten SRI EPI teams were active and provided immunization services according to the action plan. Compared to the 2nd quarter overall progress in 3rd quarter has been improved and satisfied which indicated in the bellow sections.

A total 615 out of 484 targeted surviving infants received the third dose of pentavalent vaccine (Penta3).

Penta 1–Penta 3 drop-out rate was 24%. Significantly improved compared to the last quarter and expected to be achieved the target up to the end of project.

431 out of 484 of targeted surviving infants received the first dose of measles containing vaccine (MCV1), thus 89% target has been achieved.

615 out of 484 of targeted children Fully Immunized (FIC),

A total of 3104 out of 7746 CBA women received TT Vaccines.

Antigens given	Annual Target	Annual coverage	Coverage%
Total 5 round TT vaccination (15-45 years) 20%	7,746	3104	40
BCG	1,936	1026	53
Penta-1 and OPV-1	1,936	1377	71
Penta-2 and OPV-2	1,936	974	50
Penta-3 and OPV-3	1,936	678	35
Measles at 9 months	1,936	714	37
OPV Children 2 to 5 yrs	5,809	3034	52



Figure 1: SRI Team provides vaccines to children and mothers in Kunar Province rural areas



Figure 2:SRI Supervisors conducting SDP to apply vaccines and delivering EPI awareness messages to the community of Noorgal District Kunar Province

## Sustainable Employment and Profit through Vocational Skills Training Value Chain and Enterprise Development Kabul

ORCD implemented the Climate Smart Economic Empowerment project in Kabul province. The project targeted vulnerable members of communities including women, men, unemployed and underemployed youths in Charasyab and De-sabz district of Kabul.

The project (CSA-EEP) practical intervention was started in May 2021 and activities of outcome 1 and outcome 2 were completed by end of 2021, and outcome 3 completed by end of March-2022. Value chain analysis, market demand assessment for vocational training, and feasibility study workshops were conducted. As the result of the assessments, profitable enterprises and market demanded skills were identified for 2020 intervention in then targeted communities. The project was coordinated with relevant government entities both at national level and districts level, and the targeted communities were mobilized to take active part in the project intervention as right holders.

Main external factor that affected the project negatively was Covid-19 pandemic and government change and collapse that caused financial limitation and barriers for women participation, that both followed long-lasting lockdown and has delayed the project implementation period, and activities specifically outcome 3 were extension to 2022 with no cost.

#### **Achievements:**

#### Outcome 1.

Women, men and youth small-scale producers and service providers are economically empowered.

- That achieved and support of **162** (58 Y boys, 39 M) & (39 Y girls & 26 W) beneficiaries received value chain and business management training their capacity built for starting of business, new tools and technology provided to them, so now they started business which will empower their economic condition
- 33 small-scale producers (disaggregated by female/male) received business trainings, tools and technology and started the business which will increase their profit by 15%

Outcome 2. Climate smart food production systems are in place benefitting rights holders.

- 110 (39 Y Boys, 27 M), (27 Y girls, 17 W) were trained in climate-smart agriculture (Lime Sulfur Making, Compost Making, green manure usage and Mulching Making) practice and they will apply the practice from 2021 spring season.
- Eleven (11) communities in Deh Sabz and Charasiab have functional disaster risk management mechanisms in the targeted districts.

Outcome 3. Jobs & entrepreneurship opportunities are created for young women & men

- 31 (16 Youth M, 15 Y W) successfully completed vocational skills & business management training both theoretical and practical
- 31 (16 Youth M, 15 Y W) receive business start-up toolkits at end of project and started their Owen business





Figure 1 Moblile repairing course in NCA project

Figure 2 DRM training in NCA 2021 project

### Data for Impact (D4I) Monitoring and Evaluation to Assess and Use Results (MEASURE) Evaluation Phase IV Project

The Afghanistan Maternal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent (RMNCAH) strategy and its Costed Implementation Plan (2018-2022) addresses family planning as one of the core strategic directions. Majority of the efforts of the Ministry of Public Health (MoPH) towards fulfilling obligations under its first FP2020 commitment in 2016 is on track. In line with that, the number of public health facilities offering family planning has significantly increased and the Afghan population is relatively having more expanded choices as compared to the era before 2016. In addition, Afghanistan is now doing better toward promoting public/private partnerships and engaging with religious leaders, youth and civil society.

This study has provided evidence to demonstrate a significant regional variation in a number of factors that could influence women of CBA intentions to use modern family planning methods. There was an association between literacy, exposure to different sources of information on modern contraceptive, age, number of children, gravidity, place of residence and use of modern contraceptives. It indicated that literacy increased the use of modern contraceptive. The use of contraceptive was high with certain age categories (21-40yrs) although it was low in age group of up to 20yrs and above 40s. Central and west region were high in modern contraceptive use for the current and past user compared to east and southeast region with the least use.

Regions of assessment used for AHS 2018 family planning reanalysis.



### Covid 19 Relief Effort for Afghan Communities and Households (REACH) Project "Dasterkhan-e Mili" Kunduz Province

It was an endeavor to provide relief to the people who have been badly affected by COVID 19 crisis. It was believed that COVID-19 crisis will exacerbate poverty and further push households into periods of prolonged hunger because of reduced migration, lost work opportunities, and high food prices. During the past few years, the number of households that face seasonal hunger during the winter period has increased to some 60% (with some regional variation) and in all likelihood, the number of households faced with insufficient food or a lack of purchasing power to buy food has increased to 80 percent or more.

To address this dire situation, the Government of Afghanistan will implement a national strategy to provide relief to its citizens. Under this program it was planned to provide USD 40 or AFA 3,000 to 90 percent of households in the communities who have been badly affected by the COVID-90 crisis.

Due to the transition in the political power when the Taliban succeeded in taking the control of the country, the World Bank announced the concluding of their activities in Afghanistan. ORCD was able just to hold coordination meetings with the relevant departments, hold meetings with CDCs heads, religious leaders, also to disseminate information and hold awareness raising sessions with the communities prior to initiation of the project.

### Provision of emergency food, hygiene, water and cash grant to internally displaced population (IDPs) in Kabul

This was emergency assistance for winterization season to assist Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) who were been displaced to the Kabul city due to the conflict between Taliban and Government

forces. This project was financially supported by Muslim Aid UK while the ORCD was the implementing partner. Under this project 200 IDPs HHs were assisted with Food and Non-food items, hygiene kits and cash assistance. The overall project's aim was to assist a total 1400 persons who have been displaced to Kabul due to recent offensive in the provinces which ultimately led to the fall of the government. Although until the fall of the Government, somehow assistance was provided to them in terms of food, water, sanitation, yet after the fall of the government in the hands of Taliban these IDPs were also forgotten. Since the offensive of Taliban has concluded and the provinces have been fully under the control of Taliban and there are no ongoing clashes in the villages of their origin, many of these displaced population intend to return to their homes who have left behind. However, they cannot afford transportation and desperately need food, hygiene kits, and cash grant so that their emergency needs to be fulfilled.

Through this project, ORCD succeeded to distribute the food and non-food items, hygiene kits and cash grants among the targeted vulnerable IDP families. The project had an immensely significant and substantial positive

effect on the lives of the IDPs. With the generous



Figure 1 ORCD Staff members helping the beneficiary



Figure 2 IDP is happy to receive much needed assistance

support of Muslim Aid, ORCD was able to distribute food items, hygiene kits, and cash grant among 200 HHs (1400 individuals) of IDPs who were living in a vulnerable situation in different parts of Kabul. Under this project the vulnerable IDPs families were able to meet their immediate needs, also to meet their cash issues to pay the transportation cost who were willing to return to their place of origin.

#### Solar Panel Water Well Project, Tawoos Khel, Kot, Nangarhar, Afghanistan

The SPWW project funded by Penny Appeal and implemented by ORCD Afghanistan is intending to construct Solar Powered Water Networks to address the water needs of rural communities in Afghanistan where people do not have access to clean and safe water and electricity power. ORCD has been able to construct two Solar Panel Networks with funding from PA in the past, which have yielded great results and have successfully provided water to hundreds of impoverished community members in Kabul and Baghlan Provinces. Currently, the SPW project is being implemented in Tawos Khil village of Kot district in Nangarhar Province which aims to enhance access to safe drinking and domestic hygiene water for the villagers of Tawos Khil village

Most of Tawos Khil village inhabitants are poor farmers and workers who were struggling with their water needs besides other basic living necessities. Almost all the previous water resources such as wells, hand pumps, streams or springs were either destroyed, caused to dry up or carried unsafe contaminated water. Additionally, some of the clean water resources were far away from the village and the villagers had to walk 2-3 Kilometers to fetch water for their daily needs. With the construction of a Solar Powered Water supply network in the Village around 190 households have access to hygienic drinking and daily domestic use water close to their living premises.



Figure 1 ORCD Successfully completed Construction of SPW



Figure 2 A beneficiary happily using clean water

#### The Mosque Project (Masjid-e-Tooba)-Afghanistan

The Mosque Project funded by Penny Appeal and implemented by ORCD, aims to construct small, medium, and large rural based Islamic religious facilities (i.e., Mosques) for vulnerable communities in Afghanistan. Previously, ORCD has constructed two small mosques with fundings from Penny Appeal during 2020. The construction of a large mosque in Kabul Province is the third instance of both organizations' partnership under the The Mosque Project.

Due to high poverty rate in the country, most of the community members can hardly afford to provide basic livelihoods for their families. Buthkhak village, located in eastern part of Kabul city is one of those townships with almost all its residents living below poverty line. In addition, with the increase in conflicts around the country, the village has become home to several displaced families. Living in extremely difficult financial circumstances, the villagers were performing their prayers out in the

open, being exposed to harsh weather conditions during various seasons of the year. Considering all the aforementioned points, the village residents were in desperate need of a mosque building in order to be able to worship Allah SWT in a safer place.

ORCD with donations from Penny Appeal embarked on the construction of the mosque in coordination with community elders in February 2021. First, ORCD held meetings with community members and ensured that the land on which the mosque will be built is a communal property. Next, ORCD's engineering team designed the mosque taking into consideration the opinions of community members as well as local government authorities (previous government). Furthermore, ORCD selected high quality service providers for the construction activities of the mosque to make sure that optimum quality is achieved, and the project outputs endure for a longer period.

With the accomplishment of this project, 170 HHs & 1190 individuals are expected to be directly benefitting from the services of the mosque by offering five times prayer everyday, while the resident kids in the village will be attending Qur'an education classes in the mosques. In addition, the community women will also be benefitting from the Islamic teachings on loudspeakers.



Figure 1 Inauguration Ceremony of Masjid



Figure 2 The Mosque has a capacity of around 450 Worshippers

## **Operating Women Protection Centres Family Guidance Centres (FGCs) in Baghlan province**

The aim of FGC is to provide the following services for families/couples at provincial level:

- Legal counseling on men and women right (focusing husband and wife)
- PSS counseling which covers both husband and wife of a family.
- Conduct awareness raising campaigns for families and at community level
- Referring cases to the relevant departments like DoPH, justice department, and etc.
- Provide mediation to solve family issues.
- Promotion of the FGC as a safe and empowering space for women and girls, and utilisation of the space to organise a range of activities in the FGC (literacy, art classes, information sessions, physical exercise, vocational training, recreational activities, economic empowerment)

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Figure 1 Physic

Figure 1 Physco-Social Councelling Session

The approach is actually human rights -based. Based on the experience of ORCD in running FGCs, the proposed project has

been developed and designed in a manner that potential survivors' rights and needs are first and

foremost. Through this approach, it will be ensured that survivor has a right to: be treated with dignity, and respect instead of being exposed to victim-blaming attitudes. Therefore, ORCD makes sure that staff who will be working in the center are well trained and experienced. In addition, ongoing trainings will be conducted to them on the survivor-centered approached. More importantly, their attitude toward beneficiaries and victims will be considered as an important factor during their annual appraisals.

Till date, 18 PSS cases have been referred and registered at Baghlan FGC and PSS counseling are provided on regular basis.

#### Support to Baghlan Women's Protection Center

The overall goal of the project is to protect women from gender-based violence, and the project interventions are planned to ensure that women exposed to violence receive maximum benefits, to remove the constraints they face in accessing justice and other services in better and useful manner and to improve overall conditions and well-being of women.

WPC provides shelter, food, clothes and PSS and legal services for women who experienced or experiencing gender-based violence. Moreover, there are many other services and amusements in WPC like vocational trainings, literacy teaching and teaching Islamic subjects and prayers by WPC team. In vocational classes, women learn about weaving, tailoring, and making other handcrafts. The literacy teacher conduct literacy classes for women to learn literacy and to be able to read, write and count. On the other hand, there is primary health facility which our midwife provides for clients. WPC is a safe place for women with 24/7 services. All the said facilities are provided for free. In 2021, 31 cases have been referred to Baghlan WPC with 14 accompanying children.







Figure 3 Vocational Training

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#### **ORCD Donors and Partners**



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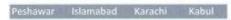




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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of "Organization for Research and Community Development (ORCD)" (the Organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2021, and the statement of fund and expenditure, statement of cash flows, statement of changes in accumulated funds for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the organization as at December 31, 2021, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the basis of preparation as described in note 2 to the financial statements.

#### Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of ORCD in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Afghanistan, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Basis of Preparation and Restriction on Distribution and Use

We draw attention to Note 02 to the financial statements, which describes the basis of preparation. These financial statements are prepared to assist ORCD to meet the financial reporting requirements of the organization, donors and Ministry of Economy (MoE) of Afghanistan. As a result, the financial statements may not be suitable for another purpose. Our report is intended solely for ORCD and its donors and should not be distributed to or used by parties other than ORCD or its donors.

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Islamic Republic of Afghanistan Ministry of Economy Paktia Directorate of Economy ستاينليک

Appreciation letter

Bahram Bahir Paktia Director of Economy

تاريخ: ١٣٩٩/١٢/١٢

Respected Provincial office of (ORCD)!

پکتیا اقتصاد ریاست د مؤسساتو د همغږی، پر وخت را پور ورکړې، په جلساتو کې of coordination, timely reporting, active participation in meetings and علون او د اقتصاد ریاست سره د برنامو د تدویر په برخه کې د همکاري cooperation with Paktia Directorate of Economy in the arrangement of پایله ماخصونو په نظر کې نیولو سره ارزونه تر سره کړې، چې د یادې ارزونې په پایله کی ستاسو محترمه مؤسسه د (۴) برترو ولایتی مؤسسو په قطار کې ځای لري، نو 🔻 workshops & seminars. As a result, your esteemed organization got to be in the په همدي اساس اقتصاد رياست ستاسو هلو څلو ته د قدر په سترگه گوري او دا list of top four NGOs, therefore Paktia Directorate of Economy appreciates your ستاينليک د يوې معنوي ډالۍ په توګه درکوي، تر څو مو چارې لا پسې گړنډۍ او efforts and grants this letter of appreciation as an encouraging item to speed up your efforts, and May your spirit of service be strengthened.

Warm Regards

د (ORCD) مؤسسي محترم ولايتي دفتر! حيه مو لا پياوړې شي.