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*The Paye Ziyarat And Qashlaq Kalan CDCs Constructing A 46.5-ML Flood Protection Wall In Paye Ziyarat Village, Qala-I-Naw: Expected To Safeguard 150 Homes And A Road From Flooding.*

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## Grants & Subcontracts Programming

- CDCs & DDAs are currently implementing 54 projects valued at AFN 59,712,850/USD\$1,091,897 (AFN 50-USD\$1.00) which will reflect improved service delivery to 79,994 residents across the target districts. (26 out of 54 projects are physically complete and milestone payments are under process, therefore; only 28 projects are actually ongoing).
- IDLG/MRRD provincial and district partners have completed 485 projects valued at AFN 508,396,640/USD\$8,679,687. These projects have benefited 1,504,635 residents. Please refer to Annex A for further details.

Snapshot of Grant Funded Programming



- 34 CDC milestone payments totaling USD\$144,830 were processed in Pashtun Zarghun, Farah Center, Qala-i-Naw, Guzara, Lash Wa Juwayn, Kohsan, Kushk-e Rabat Sangi, and Muqur Districts supporting both IDLG & MRRD-led grant funded solutions to community grievances.
- The CDC grantees completed 25 grant funded projects in Farah Center, Lash Wa Juwayn, Guzara, Kohsan, and Pashtun Zarghun Districts. These include Flood Protection Wall, Culverts, School Rehabilitation and Equipment, Water Reservoirs, and provision of equipment to DDAs. These projects were awarded by the respective District Governments and DRRD's to address existing community grievances within our target districts while also improving GIRoA's ability to deliver basic services.

## Status of Program Office Closures

- **Ghor Province:** Programming activities are complete in Chaghcharan, Du Layna, and Shahrak Districts. The DSTs and PST Offices were closed and all program staff withdrew.
- **Herat Province:** Programming activities are complete in Shindand, Pashtun Zarghun, Kushk-e Rabat Sangi, Kohsan, and Guzara Districts. The DSTs and PST Offices were closed and all program staff withdrew.
- **Farah Province:** Programming activities except one project in Farah Center are complete in Khak-e-Safayd, Bala Boluk, Pusht-e Rod, Lash Wa Juwayn and Farah Center and the DSTs and PST Offices were closed. The remaining project in Farah Center (Construction of 9-KM Water Supply Network) will be completed by July 15, 2015.
- **Badghis Province:** Currently there are 27 projects that are physically ongoing in Qadis (1 project), Muqur (13 projects), and Qala-i-Naw (13 projects). All programming activities will be completed by July 30, 2015.
- **Herat HQ Office:** Program activities will be complete and staff will withdraw by August 31, 2015.

## Badghis Province

- SIKA-West Engineers and M&E Personnel conducted 10 joint project site visits in Qadis, Muqur, and Qala-i-Naw which yielded 4 deficiencies that were in need of correction. Samples of these visits are outlined below:
- On June 30, SIKA-West Engineers and M&E personnel traveled to Mir Ha Village, Qala-e-Naw to monitor work progress and quality on the community's 34-ML Flood Protection Wall construction project. The Mir Hai Lamani and Khaja Ha Wa Sini Ha CDCs were asked not to use small stones for gabion boxes. The CDCs completed 77% of the work on the project. This project was awarded by the Badghis Provincial Government and the DRRD through the mixed Qala-i-Naw KSW. The project was designed to safeguard 50 Jeribs of farmland from being frequently damaged by seasonal flooding.
- On July 2, SIKA-West Engineers and M&E personnel inspected the work progress of a 93-ML Gabion Flood Protection Wall construction project in Mohammad Zai village, Muqur District. No deficiencies were observed. The Mohammad Zai Mohammad Rasool, the Mohammad Zai and the Mohammad Zai Muqur CDCs completed 75% of the work on their projects. This project was awarded by the Muqur District Government and Badghis DRRD through the mixed Muqur KSW. Once complete, the Flood Protection Wall will safeguard 234 homes and 100 Jeribs of community's farmland from flooding.

**What's next:** SIKA-West Engineers and M&E Personnel plan to undertake 26 project site visits in Muqur and Qala-i-Naw. These visits are to assess project quality, collect data, and provide guidance to grantees, so that SIKA-West can confirm that projects are completed in line with engineering specifications.

**Challenge:** The Shindand District Governor is postponing the signing of the handover documents for the SD-03-006 project since the last two weeks. This has resulted in delay of the last milestone payment and project close out.



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The Mir Hai Lamani And Khaja Ha Wa Sini Ha CDCs Completed 77% Of The Work On Their 34-ML Flood Protection Wall Construction Project In Mir Ha Village, Qala-I-Naw: Expected To Safeguard 50 Jeribs Of Farmland From Seasonal Flooding.



Laborers Constructing A 93-ML Flood Protection Wall In Mohammad Zai Village, Muqur District: Expected Safeguard 234 Homes And 100 Jeribs Of Farmland From Seasonal Flooding.