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Incentives Driving Economic Alternatives—North, East and West (IDEA-NEW)



Photo (left): Women in Northern Afghanistan (Districts 7, 10 and Sakhi Camp community in Balkh Province) are learning how to spin high-quality yarn from local wool. Demand for yarn is high in Afghanistan and can be sold in markets throughout the country.

Photo (right): Female carpet weavers have found jobs through IDEA-NEW interventions in Chaparhar, Rodat, Kama and Surkhrud Districts and as well as in Jalalabad city, Nangarhar Province.

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Acronyms

AAP	Annual Activity Plan	IVR	Interactive Voice Response
ADP	Alternative Development Program	JDA	Joint Development Associates
AGE	Anti-Government Elements	LOP	Life of Project
ACCI	Afghanistan Chamber of Commerce and Industries	MAIL	Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Livestock
AISA	Afghanistan Investment Support Agency	m	Meter
ANDS	Afghanistan National Development Strategy	M&E	Monitoring and Evaluation
ASAP	Accelerating Sustainable Agriculture Program	MCN	Ministry of Counter Narcotics
ASMED	Afghanistan Small and Medium Enterprise Development	MHP	Micro-Hydro Power
CCI	Community Constructed Infrastructure	MRRD	Ministry of Rural Rehabilitation and Development
CDC	Community Development Council	MPW	Ministry of Public Works
CDF	Commercial Demonstration Farm	MoWA	Ministry of Women's Affairs
CNAT	Counter Narcotics Advisory Team	NSP	National Solidarity Program
CNTF	Counter Narcotics Trust Fund	NTA	Nangarhar Talc Association
COIN	Counter Insurgency	NVDA	Nangarhar Valley Development Authority
DAI	Development Alternatives, Inc.	PDC	Provincial Development Council
DCA	Dutch Committee for Afghanistan	PRT	Provincial Reconstruction Team
DoPW	Department of Public Works	RCC	Reinforced Cement Concrete
DOWA	Department of Women's Affairs	RMHC	Rabia Mariam Handicraft Co.
EMS	Environmental Management System	SDF	Small Demonstration Farm
FTE	Full-time Equivalent	TCN	Third-Country National
GDA	Global Development Alliance	TIMER	Technology Innovations for Market-Led Economic Rehabilitation
GIRoA	Government of Islamic Republic of Afghanistan	USAID	United States Agency for International Development
ha	Hectare	USDA	United States Department of Agriculture
ICARDA	International Center for Agricultural Research in the Dry Areas	USG	United States' Government
IDEA-NEW	Incentives Driving Economic Alternatives—North, East and West		
IP	Implementing Partner		
IPM	Integrated Pest Management		
ISAF	International Security Assistance Force		

Background

IDEA-NEW is a USAID-funded initiative in Afghanistan that began in March 2009. Activities are undertaken to target instability/insurgency locales and buffer zones to curb narco-trafficking, and at the same time, increase job creation, strengthen Afghan leadership and promote economic growth.

While responding rapidly through Community Constructed Infrastructure (CCI) projects that foster trust and infuses communities with cash and income, IDEA-NEW then builds upon those gains in order to maintain the long term focus of sustainable growth in the agriculture and rural development sectors.

The program is predominately centered in the Eastern Region, but also addresses interrelated issues of instability and economic development in select areas of the country's Northern, Northeastern and Western Regions.

Major emphasis is on: *Job Creation, Agricultural Sales and Capacity Building*. IDEA-NEW provides support and linkages to overall US government counter-insurgency (COIN) priorities through local-level agricultural and private sector development, and by engaging local government to respond to the needs of its constituencies in these sectors.

Three partners implement IDEA-NEW: Development Alternatives, Inc. (DAI), ACDI/VOCA and Mercy Corps. DAI works in the East and West, ACDI/VOCA in the North/Central region and Mercy Corps in the Northeast.

Photos at right from top: Field technician and farmer, Goshta District, Nangarhar; Home-based poultry business owner, Argo District, Badakhshan; CCI laborer, Abkamary District, Badghis



Major Accomplishments to Date

IDEA-NEW interventions have benefited 130,337 families in 14 provinces throughout the North, East and West of Afghanistan.

Job Creation

- Since July 2009, IDEA-NEW has created a total of 11,561 Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) jobs, in the sectors of agriculture, community-constructed infrastructure (CCI) and rural business development.

Job Creation/CCI

- IDEA-NEW has paid more than \$1.8 million in wages to over 20,000 people on CCI projects to date.

Job Creation/Agriculture Productivity and Agribusiness:

- The program has established more than 250 commercial and small-sized demonstration farms to train farmers in collaboration with MAIL on modern crop techniques like raised beds and staggered planting. A total of 157,633 people have been trained on these farms and through other agriculture- and livestock training programs.
- A total of 2,763 hectares of cropland have been planted to high-yielding annual and perennial horticulture varieties
- A total of 3,079 hectares of cropland have been brought under irrigation in IDEA-NEW targeted area
- IDEA-NEW has successfully multiplied two MAIL-certified varieties of mung-bean for distribution to more than 15,000 farmers.
- More than 25,000 farmers in Eastern Region have participated in voucher distribution programs for improved vegetable varieties.
- More than 4 million kgs of onions have been exported to Pakistan by Afghan traders for export revenues of \$1.6 million.
- A total of 410,431 livestock are under increased management/care as a result of IDEA-NEW interventions; this has included deworming and other activities in close concert with local paravets.

Job Creation/Rural Job Creation

- IDEA-NEW has helped entrepreneurs to start more than 466 rural enterprises for men and women throughout its areas of operation.

Building Capacity:

- Partnering with MAIL provincial and district offices, a total of 103,917 MAIL staff and farmers were trained on melon-fly control in the West, North/Central and Northeast regions. An impact study completed in November 2009 showed IDEA-NEW's melon fly training program to be effective, increasing participant farmers' yields by 113% and sales by 46%.
- A total of 1,621 women and 679 men have received business skills training
- A total of 298 government line staff members have received training and capacity building related to their jobs.
- IDEA-NEW has established six Ag Retail Associations Across the Northern Provinces, who are working with 117 Ag Retailers to increase sales

- In total, IDEA-NEW has provided technical assistance and training to 12 Associations in its areas of operation, including for fruit growers, talminers, beekeepers, women's handicrafts and others.

USG and GIROA Coordination:

- A Livestock Deworming Campaign in Faryab was implemented in concert with US Army Special Forces, MAIL, USAID's Accelerating Sustainable Agriculture Program's Veterinary Field Units and local, private para-veterinarians. In total 266,605 animals were dewormed in 14 of Faryab's districts. A similar program in Badghis has already dewormed 350,000 livestock in the second quarter of FY'10.
- IDEA-NEW is collaborating with MAIL and the Nangarhar PRT to cultivate eight varieties of wheat breeder seeds through MAIL's Nangarhar Valley Development Authority (NVDA) on 100 hectares of government-owned land in Farm-E-Ghaziabad of Nangarhar. The project is expected to provide 250-300 tons of foundation seeds for wheat seed production enterprises and companies, including village-based seed enterprises operating throughout the Province. These companies will replicate the foundation seeds and produce more than 6,000 tons of certified wheat seeds for farmers across Nangarhar province in 2010.
- IDEA-NEW is collaborating with USAID's ASMED project to strengthen the poultry value chain by establishing a feed mill in Surobi District of Kabul Province.
- IDEA-NEW facilitated a plenary workshop for MAIL in the second quarter of FY'10, in which all 34 Provincial Directorates participated. The program kicked off a national Agriculture Extension Program for the country.

Afghanization and Afghan First:

- In partnership with the Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Livestock (MAIL), IDEA-NEW is very committed to the US government policy "Afghan First". A total of 97% of IDEA-NEW project staff members are Afghans. IDEA-NEW also prioritizes local procurement, and has procured over \$5.3 million from Afghan vendors since June 2009.

Biweekly Highlights

July 16-31, 2010

In the biweekly period, IDEA-NEW focused on creating jobs throughout the North, East and West of Afghanistan, increasing farmers' agricultural sales and rural resident incomes, and strengthening the Government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan's (IRoA) capacity to respond to the needs of its citizens.

Job Creation/ Community-Constructed Infrastructure (CCI):

During the reporting period, IDEA NEW worked on 69 community-constructed infrastructure (CCI) projects throughout its areas of operation. In the reporting period, it paid \$ 238,194 in wages and generated 38,267 person days.

To date, the project has paid \$3.18 million in wages and created 561,905 person-days for more than 24,947 people, representing 2,161 full-time equivalent (FTE) jobs.

A total of 69 projects were active: Twenty CCI projects were active in the eastern region, 24 in the northeastern, eight in North/Central and 17 in Badghis.

The following CCI projects finished in the reporting period:

- Hafiz Moghol Gabion Protection Wall Project in Argo District, Badakhshan Province. This gabion wall project will benefit 800 families residing in seven villages. The total length of completed protection wall is 350 meters, which assures the protection of agricultural land from floods.
- Maymana-Bilchiragh Road Improvement Project finished, with all 39 culverts and 50 meters of gabion protection wall having been completed. This is a 52km road, serving 406 villages and 50,000 rural families.

New CCI projects started in the biweekly period:

- Qazaq Baghak Road Rehabilitation Project in Taloqan District of Takhar Province will rehabilitate 1.7 km of road and construct 30 meters of protection wall, benefiting approx. 1,250 families.
- Farman Quli Irrigation Canal Rehabilitation Project in Tagob District, Badakhshan Province involves the rehabilitation of two intake structures, 180 meters of canal lining with stone and concrete, 30 meters erosion control walls, and the construction of one aqueduct. This project is expected to benefit 450 families.
- Yasech Road Rehabilitation Project in Suhahda District of Badakhshan Province involves the rehabilitation of 4.8 kms of road, benefiting 1,560 families in Suhahda District.
- Mazar Almond Market Concrete Platform Improvement Project was initiated together with the Mazar-e-Sharif Balkh Dry Fruits Processing Association (MBDFA) to construct a concrete platform on 2,425 sqm area for almond sorting and packing.
- Work on Khulm River Gabion Protection Extension Project in Balkh started with the excavation of the wall foundation. The gabion walls that will be constructed will safeguard 500 hectares of endangered agricultural lands against flooding, and 500 families will work directly on the construction work involved.

Job Creation/ Agriculture Productivity and Agribusiness

- A one-month Marketing, Accounting & Business Management training program for gabion weavers was completed for 324 women and 104 men who wove gabion wires into boxes to be used in the construction of protection walls in Pul-e-Khumri District of Baghlan Province. The training covered essential marketing principles, basic accounting and business management skills.
- Onion export started to Pakistan during this reporting period with IDEA-NEW support, a total 231,000 kg of onions were exported by Afghan traders the value of which was \$ 45,815.
- During the reporting period, 11 live Karkila Aw Maldari (agriculture and livestock) radio shows were aired from Sharq Radio (91.3 FM) in Nangarhar Province, Kunar Radio (105.2 FM) in Kunar Province, and Kawoon Ghag Radio in Laghman Province.
- Through the poultry project for women, in Baghlan Province, 6,000 kgs of poultry feed was distributed to 30 beneficiaries in Khost District. Also, veterinarians working in Burka and Nahrin Districts were linked to 90 beneficiaries who have recently received pullets that require vaccination and treatment, in the biweekly period.
- Around 2,370 indirect beneficiary farmers were trained in Lead Farmer plots in vegetable cultivation, timber, orchard development, fruit tree nurseries, grape trellising and rice cultivation programs in Baharak, Shuhada, Warduj, Jurm, Kishem, Argo, and Teshkan Districts of Badakhshan Province.
- 263 farmers have been trained on mechanical and chemical control of melon fly in melon crops in Faizabad, Jurm, Baharak and Argo Districts of Badakhshan Province. This is part of a field campaign being undertaken by MAIL line department staff.
- Wheat grown on plots where improved methods of crop cultivation were being trialed has now been harvested, and yields have been measured and compared with the yields of annual crops in neighboring plots that are cultivated using traditional methods. According to IDEA-NEW supervision, on average, the visited model plots of wheat produced 31% more compared to the yields of neighboring farms.
- 237 bee hives and 237 empty boxes were distributed to 79 beneficiaries associated with two Beekeeping Cooperatives in Badakhshan Province. The Baharistan Cooperative has 53 beneficiaries in Baharak District, and Shari Ghullan Cooperative has 26 beneficiaries in Jurm District. Each beneficiary received three bee hives and three empty boxes.
- In addition to the five model plots previously established in Feroz Nakhchir District of Samangan Province and the seven in Faryab Province, IDEA-NEW provided trellising for MAIL's EC-funded Perennial Horticulture Development Project (PHDP) vine variety collection at Pushti Bagh, Dihdadi District of Balkh Province in the reporting, where a total of 217 trellis posts were installed.

Job Creation/Rural Job Creation

- ZRM Carpet Company expanded its operation in Nangarhar and Laghman Provinces. A total of 34 persons, including nine female carpet weavers, started operations (with plans to expand to a total of 70 individuals within a month). This new design of carpet in which about 60% silk is used will be exported to Canada to satisfy an order that the company has received from an international buyer.
- The hatchery in Saroobi District of Kabul Province, which has been contracted by the owner of IDEA-NEW supported broiler breeder farm, produced 23,200 day-old chicks in the reporting period. All the broiler chicks were sold to poultry farmers in Nangarhar.
- The broiler breeder farm in Saracha village of Bihsud District, Nangarhar Province, produced 9,000 fertile eggs during the reporting period.

Building Capacity

- A total of 998 fruit and vegetable farmers were trained in the eastern region through its various programs and on more than 210 model farms and resource centers; please see Annex II for a detailed chart.

- Tool distribution for yellow maize and mung bean model plots has been completed for 21 out of 199 farmers of yellow maize and mung bean demo plots, and the process of the distribution is ongoing in the target area.
- 1,073 people were trained in melon fly control in Baghlan and Badakhshan Provinces through Agriculture Departments (MAIL) staff.
- During the reporting period, Nangarhar Industrial Association held election for its two subsectors, water & ice. The manager/owner of ASMA Water Company was elected as a board member.
- TARAQI SABA ToT (Training of Trainers) started on July 24th, and will continue for 15 days. The participants are teachers from different Girl High Schools of Nangarhar, Laghman and Kunar Provinces. The ToT focuses on the elaboration of basic business plans and aims to ultimately strengthen the capacity of high-school students.
- During the biweekly period, IDEA-NEW's agricultural retailing development program distributed 214 copies of the sales day-books to 107 agricultural retailers in Balkh, Faryab, Samangan, Jawzjan and Sari Pul provinces. Each agricultural retailer received two copies of sales day-books.
- Osiyo Hamkarlik (OH) and Barakat companies have been contracted by IDEA-NEW to provide 324 two-wheeled tractors and, during the biweekly period OH delivered 71 units to the IDEA-NEW warehouse (total of 106 delivered to date).
- During the reporting period, under two-year Strengthening Animal Health and Production project, implemented for IDEA-NEW by the Dutch Committee for Afghanistan (DCA), 18 trainees (15 male and 3 female) participated in a six-month training as paravets at the DCA Veterinary Training Center in Mazar-i-Sharif City of Balkh Province.

USG & GIROA Coordination

- IDEA-NEW media and communication manager along with infrastructure manager and community development officer held a coordination meeting with Faryab Department of Public Works to organize a completion ceremony for Maymana-Bilchiragh Road Structures project in Pashtun Kot District of Faryab Province.
- A coordination meeting was held with organizations involved in nurseries and orchards activities in the East. IDEA-NEW, CHAMP, ICARDA, PHDP staff and the chairmen and accountants of the Nursery Grower Associations of Kunar, Laghman and Nangarhar Provinces attended the meeting during which support to the Associations from IDEA-NEW and other organizations operating in the East was detailed.

Key Problems/Constraints:

- Rains and flooding during the biweekly period, damaged equipment, roads, and other infrastructure in the Eastern Region, slowing project implementation.
- Lack of technical Afghans to repair machinery owned by the textile businesses that IDEA-NEW has been supporting resulted in the machinery being carried to Lahore, Pakistan for repair. This greatly increases the costs of the repairs and takes a considerable length of time. IDEA-NEW will look into supporting a few Afghans to get relevant training in Lahore or in India.
- IDEA-NEW Perennial Horticulture program is working with farmers in 29 districts of Kunar, Laghman and Nangarhar Provinces to rehabilitate the ADP/E orchards and establish new orchards for the farmers in the mentioned provinces with a 60 percent contribution from farmers. Plantation with farmers' contribution in spring 2010 shows a tree survival rate of 95 percent. Other organizations in the same region started work on orchards development programs and are distributing free saplings, vegetable seeds, fertilizer and tools which represents a great challenge for orchard development program, REVAMP and TIMER programs of IDEA-NEW. Furthermore, their survival rates very low due to the fact that farmers have little incentive to look after and care for the trees and other inputs.
- IDEA-NEW infrastructure unit is working in Marawara District of Kunar Province in which the security situation once again deteriorated following the last months military operation in the District. In addition, the recent heavy floods damaged the bridge constructed by PRT/Kunar and access to Marawara from Asadabad is limited to the Nowabad route, which is highly insecure.

Afghanization and Afghan First

Locally purchased materials for DAI (East and West) from July 16-31, 2010 were \$ 628,624.68. Locally purchased materials for IDEA-NEW Northeast were \$ 251,702.81 in the reporting period. ACIDI/VOCA spent a sum of \$ 68,200 in local procurement in the reporting period.

Badghis: *Abakamary, Qala-e-Naw Districts.* Biweekly activities include CCI projects and livestock management

Baghlan: *Puli-Khumri District.* Biweekly activities include CCI projects, agriculture productivity technical assistance and training programs for women

Kunar: *Khas Kunar, Nurgal Districts.* Biweekly activities include agriculture productivity technical assistance, (e.g. training on resource centers and model farms; see Annex II for details).

Laghman: *Alingar, Mehtarlam, Qarghai Districts.* Biweekly activities include a CCI project and agricultural productivity technical assistance (e.g. training on resource centers and model farms, see Annex II for details), and rural job creation for men and women.

Nangarhar: *Batikut, Behsud, Chaparhar, Jalalabad, Khogiani, Kuz Kunar, Momand Dara, Rodat, Shinwar and Surkhrod.* Biweekly activities include CCI projects, agricultural productivity technical assistance (e.g. training on resource centers and model farms, see Annex II for details), and rural job creation for men and women.

Biweekly Update: Eastern Region

Eastern region activities are implemented in the provinces of Nangarhar, Kunar, Laghman and Nooristan. The program works closely with provincial- and district-level governments and within local communities, capitalizing upon the successes of previous USAID projects in the area, which built strong relations among local stakeholders, and has given IDEA-NEW the ability to scale-up rapidly. In its second year of operations in the East, IDEA-NEW is undertaking work in 39 of the Region's 50 districts.

Job Creation

Community-Constructed Infrastructure (CCI): Irrigation, Farm to Market Roads and Micro-Hydro Power

IDEA-NEW implements community-constructed infrastructure (CCI) projects throughout the eastern region, which serve a two-fold purpose: to restore and build productive infrastructure, and inject cash into local economies in unstable and insecure areas helping to reduce communities' reliance on illegal activities including narcotics and insurgency.

During the reporting period, IDEA-NEW worked on 20 CCI projects in the eastern region, generating 15,796 person days worth \$ 90,294 in wages, and employing 1,426 people. Please also see Annex I for more detail on all CCI projects.

June 1-15, 2010: CCI Summary Chart—Eastern Region

Province	Total Approved Projects	Completed Projects	Active Projects	Stopped Projects	Male Person Days	Female Person days	Male Wages	Female Wages	Total Person Days	Total Wages	Males Worked	Females Worked
Kunar	7	4	3	0	2,540	0	14,193	0	2,540	14,193	257	-
Laghman	3	1	1	1	2,147	0	12,047	0	2,147	12,047	216	-
Nangarhar	33	13	16	2	11,109	0	64,009	0	11,109	64,009	953	-
Total	43	18	20	3	15,796	0	90,249	0	15,796	90,249	1,426	-

Ongoing CCI Photos, East: July 16-31, 2010



*Koshtal MHP project,
Achin District, Nangarhar Province
Project Progress = 32%*



*Landay Canal Intake
Pachir Wa Agam District, Nangarhar Province
Project Progress = 99%*



*Shalizar Canal Intake
Rodat District, Nangarhar Province
Project Progress: 98%*



*Marko School Boundary Wall
Shinwar District, Nangarhar Province
Project Progress = 70%*



*Abzengaine Pipe Scheme,
Hesarak District, Nangarhar Province
Project Progress = 95%*



*Salar Canal Improvement
Chowki District, Kunar Province
Project Progress = 95%*

Agricultural Productivity Job Creation:

IDEA-NEW seeks to increase agricultural incomes through increasing productivity and crop quality at the farm level, and by linking farmers with buyers and value-added opportunities. Its various technical programs, described by crop, are outlined below, with biweekly updates.

Mung bean seed multiplication and distribution:

In 2008, ADP/E together with the International Center for Agricultural Research in the Dry Areas (ICARDA did adaptive research on five types of mung bean in Eastern Region. Two new high yielding varieties Maash 2008 (NM - 94), and Mai 2008 (NM - 92) were officially released by MAIL following these trials.

At MAIL's request, IDEA-NEW ran a mung bean seed multiplication program to produce and make available more seed of both varieties of mung bean. The first phase of the project involved 150 farmers who each planted ½ Jerib plots for seed multiplication on a total of 15 ha of land. In phase two, the mung bean seed is being distributed to farmers to plant and harvest.

In the reporting period the distribution of mung bean seed, which was produced in the summer of 2009 through ICARDA / (VBSE) Village Base Seed Enterprises groups and IDEA-NEW model plots in the eastern region, was completed. A total of 87 MT has been distributed since the beginning of the program. The improved two varieties (NM 92, NM 94) of mung were distributed in various districts of Nangarhar, Kunar, Laghman and Kabul Provinces.

Regional Nursery Development Program:

The program works with private local nurseries (including women-owned nurseries established by USAID's ADP program) to improve the quality of the saplings produced and to plan the production according to the needs of the local farmers orchards and forestry establishment. Nurseries are given support to improve their production and marketing systems.

During the biweekly period, 20 nursery growers from various districts of Kuanr and Nangarhar Provinces received technical assistance.

**Summary Table:
Mung-bean seed distribution
Spring 2010**

Programs	No. Districts	No. Packages	Qty (Kg)
Voucher program for subsistence farmers (TIMER)	29	13,916	55,664
Voucher program for intercropping orchards (REVAMP)	26	1,937	7,748
Commercial Demo Farm Program	38	225	900
MAIL of Eastern Region (four provinces)		900	3,600
Commercial Demo Farm / SDPs	29	158	632
Staple/Feed mill	1	399	1,596
ICARDA / for seed multiplication			450
Staple / fresh market	18	1,868	7,472
Cooperative/Association	13	1,200	9,600
Total		20,603	87,662

Technology Innovations for Market-Led Economic Rehabilitation (TIMER) Voucher Program:

The Technology Innovations for Market-Led Economic Rehabilitation (TIMER) Program addresses the needs of subsistence farmers in their efforts to increase productivity and produce marketable surpluses by providing a package of improved seed varieties with marketable attributes, fertilizer, and technical assistance. Under USAID's ADP/E program, the project was shown to increase farmer's yields by between 60-125% and had a cost: benefit ratio of 1:4. A similar impact study was conducted in the Jan-March 2010 quarter under IDEA-NEW with similar results; see Impact Studies on page 56 below.

Crops planted in fall 2009:

Farmers involved in this program planted 1,500 hectares of vegetables (carrots, cauliflower, onion, red radish, spinach, turnip and white radish). No updates are available in the reporting period.

Crops planted in spring 2010:

During the biweekly period, a total of 621 farmers were trained during 31 field days in Chaparhar, Dih Bala, Spinghar, Kama, Khugiani, Kot and Momandara Districts of Nangarhar Province and Asadabad, Chawki, Noorgal, Khas Kunar, Narang, Watapur, Sirkani and Shigal Districts of Kunar Province, and Mehterlam, Alishang and Alingar districts of Laghaman Province. To date, 5,244 out of 8,280 farmers have been trained in resource centers / model plots across the eastern region.

Crops to be planted in fall, 2010:

Registration and voucher distribution process for fall 2010 started on July 13, 2010, with the coordination of MAIL and heads of village Shuras, in 11 districts of the region. In some districts such as Narang District of Kunar Province and Pachir wa Agam District of Nangarhar Province, community elders refused to start the program due to security reasons. During the biweekly period, 4,144 out of 15,000 farmers received vouchers. Seed packing and labeling will begin when all the seeds are delivered.

Onion Production Program:

Under the onion production program, new varieties and improvement in the production system, plus training on harvesting and curing methods are implemented in the main production areas of the region. Demonstration plots are established for training purposes as well. Farmers in the following districts are participating: Dih Bala, Rodat, Batikot, Shinwar, Kuz Kunar, Kot and Kama Districts of Nangarhar; Asad Abad, Chawkai, Narang, Shigal, Sirkani and Watapur Districts of Kunar, and Alishang, Qarghai and Mehterlahm Districts of Laghman.

In the reporting period, a total of 95 farmers were trained on modern techniques in four districts of the eastern region. The training process will continue during the harvest and post-harvest stages until late September. To date, 6,603 out of 10,500 planned farmers have been trained on onion production. For district breakdowns, please see Annex II (Farmer Training Summary).

Potato Program:

The purpose of the potato program is to promote the crop in the region as an alternative staple crop (fresh market) and to supply potatoes for a chip factory established by USAID earlier in 2009 (potato for processing); different varieties are used for each purpose. Potato prices have been very stable over the years in the local and international market and are an excellent and cheap source of carbohydrates that reduce pressure on wheat consumption. In the eastern region, potatoes can be produced in lower areas during the fall and the high areas during the spring, so it is possible to have year-round production. Currently Eastern Region produces approximately 10% of the total national production.

No updates in the reporting period.

Regional Vegetable Marketing Program (REVAMP) Voucher Program:

REVAMP helps orchard farmers to grow vegetables as an interim cash crop until their trees begin to bear fruit.

Crops planted in spring 2010:

During the reporting period, 45 farmers were trained on harvesting, grading, sorting, integrated pest management and marketing during two field days in Hesarak and Batikot Districts of Nangarhar Province. To date, 2,508 out of 3,150 farmers have been trained.

In addition, a total of 234 farmers received technical assistance on irrigation management, urea application, weeding, harvesting, sorting, grading and packing in 17 districts of the eastern region.

During the biweekly period, a total of 122 farmers were trained on lay-out, design and cultivating mung bean in orchards during eight field days in different districts of Nangarhar and Kunar Provinces. To date, 373 out of 1,200 farmers have been trained.

REVAMP voucher distribution and farmers registration has been started. To date, a total of 1,676 out of 2,000 farmers have been registered in different districts of Nangarhar, Laghman and Kunar Provinces. Voucher distribution and farmers' registration is ongoing.



Photo: Yellow maize plot supported by IDEA-NEW in Metarlam District of Laghman Province.



Photo: A farmer shows pomegranates during its harvesting in Alingar District of Laghman Province.

Yellow maize inputs distribution has been completed in the region and there is currently a focus on providing farmers technical assistance. A total of 302 farmers received technical assistance on irrigation management, urea application, weeding in 19 districts of eastern provinces under yellow maize program.

Moreover during the reporting period, a total of 171 farmers were trained on modern techniques in Pachir aw Agam, Kot, Kuz Kunar, Chaparhar, Kama Districts of Nangarhar Province, and Manugai, Narang and Asadabad Districts of Kunar Province. To date, 392 out of 900 farmers have been trained since the fall 2010 season.

Wheat Breeder Seed Cultivation:

MAIL is cultivating eleven varieties of wheat breeder seeds through its Nangarhar Valley Development Authority (NVDA) on 100 hectares of government-owned land in Farm-E-Ghaziabad of Nangarhar. The NVDA is responsible for implementing the wheat breeder seed cultivation project. NVDA is contributing more than 12 tons of breeder seeds, labor, tractors and irrigation facilities, while USAID's IDEA-NEW and the ADT team are providing fuel and nearly 27.5 (12.5 MT DAP and 15 MT Urea) tons of fertilizer, as well as oversight by internationally trained agriculturalists.

In the biweekly period, wheat seed were harvested and are now going through cleaning process. Information on the total amount of seed will be available after the cleaning process is completed.

Staple crops program—Yellow Maize

A total of 41 model plots of maize are established for Spring 2010. The size of the model plots is one jerib and a total of 8.2 Ha are serve as resource centers for farmer training during the spring and summer seasons of 2010. The main purpose of this program is to produce yellow maize for fresh market and feed mill.

No updates in the reporting period.

Orchards Program:

IDEA-New is providing technical assistance to approximately 2,000 farmers with fruit trees on approximately 1,500 hectares of land.

A total of 160 farmers were trained in six field days on modern techniques in Behsud, Kama, Bati Kot, and Hesarak Districts of Nangarhar Province. To date, 2,304 out of 2,600 farmers have been trained.

Besides the training activities, 872 fruit growers from the region were visited in 27 districts of Nanagarhar, Kunar and Laghman Provinces. Farmers were followed up on implementation of water management, irrigation system, liming, mulching, pest and disease management, and fruit harvesting activities recommended for different crops.



Photo: A view of an IDEA-NEW-supported mung bean plot in Mehterlam District of Laghman Province.

In addition, IDEA-NEW field technicians conducted a survey for establishing and rehabilitating new and old orchards for the fall season throughout the eastern region. To date, 64 hectares (320 Jeribs) of land for new orchards and 12.6 hectares (63.1 Jeribs) of land for rehabilitation has been surveyed.

Moreover, 10 interns were trained practically in perennial horticulture in the field during the reporting period.

FIELD Program:

The Forestry Innovation for Livelihood Diversification (FIELD) Program is planting forestry trees for watershed and windbreak protection as well as woodlot production. A total of 82 hectares of urban and artificial forests have been established in 26 districts of Nangarhar, Kunar and Laghman provinces in spring 2010.

A total of 186 forestry farmers received technical assistance on water management and preparing basins around the planted trees in spring 2010.

Watershed Program

The pilot watershed management program will be implemented in Noorgal district of Kunar and Pachir wa Agam District of Nangarhar Province. A draft implementation plan has been prepared, according to which community based natural resources management associations will be established. It will in the long run help establish watershed associations at the district level. A seven-member water steering committee has been formed, which will be responsible for making decisions on watershed program implementation procedures.

In the reporting period, tree species were identified for reforestation by direct seeding in Noorgal and Pacheer wa Agam.



Photo: IDEA-NEW watershed committee meets with elders in Nurgal District of Kunar Province.

Rural job creation:

IDEA-NEW's private sector development activities are aimed to assist entrepreneurs to start up new businesses and expand existing operations. IDEA-NEW helps people to create bankable business plans, delivers technical and financial management training, builds the capacity of entrepreneurs, facilitates linkages with financial resources, helps establish market linkages for program participants and provides support to business associations. Activities are designed and new projects selected based on considerations of long-term employment opportunities and domestic market product development to reduce reliance on imports. A particular focus is also given to projects that integrate women into regional value-chain development in meaningful ways.

Poultry Value Chain/Breeder Farm Development:

Support continued with the broiler breeder farm in Saracha village of Bihsud District, Nangarhar Province. It is the 38th week of these breeders since they have arrived. The farm produced 9,000 fertile eggs during the reporting period. Due to the hot weather, the production decreased further. It is the first time the breeders came through the hot season. We will consider the pad cooling system in all the breeder farms established in future in Jalalabad, Nangarhar.

Poultry Value Chain/Hatcheries' Development

The hatchery in Saroobi District of Kabul Province that has been contracted by the owner of the IDEA-NEW supported broiler breeder farm produced 23,200 day-old chicks in the reporting period. All the broiler chicks were sold to poultry farmers in Nangarhar.

Poultry Value Chain/ Feed Mill

No updates in reporting period.

Poultry Value Chain/Commercial Poultry Farms

Assistance continued with 24 layer poultry farmers recently selected in Nangarhar, Laghman and Kunar Provinces. During the reporting period, 34 bags each including 50kg of grower feed were provided to the farms. All the layers are now of four months-old and will start producing table eggs in about six weeks.

Poultry Value Chain/Women's Smallholder Poultry Farms

During the reporting period, IDEA-NEW provided book keeping training to the program participants to keep record of their poultry farm expenses and incomes. Besides, IDEA-NEW technical team linked the women poultry farms of Behsud District to shop keepers located in Jalalabad city.



Photo: A view of layer poultry farm established with IDEA-NEW support in Batikoot District of Nangarhar Province.



Photo: A woman collects eggs laid in Zarmina poultry farm in Badyabad village of Laghman Province.

Textile Value Chain/ Processing Facility:

The textile washing and pressing facility continued operation with IDEA-NEW support. During the reporting period, the facility continued serving to the textile weavers located in the rural areas. The facility is contributing much in encouraging textile weavers to expedite their production, encourage businessmen to invest in textile sector that will result in creation of new jobs for local Afghans in the rural areas where job opportunities are limited.

During the biweekly period, the facility processed following quantities of products that were woven by individual textile companies and weavers from Rodat, Batikoot, Kama and Shirzad Districts of Nangarhar Province.

Product	Quantity	Processing Description
Woolen & Nylon Shawls	456	Dyed
Cotton Cloth	1,578	Dyed
Scarves	330	Dyed

Textile Value Chain/Textile Weavers' Support:

During the biweekly period, ZRM Carpet Company expanded its operation in four districts of Nangarhar Province that includes Chaparhar, Rodat, Kama and Surkhrud Districts and as well as in Jalalabad city. It also expanded its activities to Laghman Province (Alingar District). A total of 34 persons, including nine female carpet weavers, started operations (with plans to expand to a total of 70 individuals within a month). This is a new design of carpet in which about 60% silk is used. This will be exported to Canada to satisfy an order that the company has received from a buyer in Canada. This promotes the trust of international buyers to purchase directly from Afghanistan which will contribute to the overall efforts of making direct Afghan carpet exports to international markets.

Textile Value Chain/Fiber Distribution Center:

The fiber distribution center supported by IDEA-NEW continued delivering services to textile weavers. During the reporting period, the center distributed 810 kg of fiber to the local textile weaving factories. The center is offering fiber with credit for around three months period, giving the textile weaving companies enough time to process and sell their products in the market and then pay their dues.

Livestock Value Chain/Women-Owned Dairy Processing Centers:

IDEA-NEW technically and financially supports eight women-operated "Spinghar Cheese" processing centers. Technical support provided to these processing units aims to assure clean procedures and that these centers are self-sustainable.

Total cheese marketed in the reporting period was 305.4 kg worth AFN 45,810 (\$995.8).



Photo: Female carpet weavers who found jobs through IDEA-NEW interventions in Chaparhar, Rodat, Kama and Surkhrud Districts and as well as in Jalalabad city, Nangarhar Province.



Photo: Cheese operators process cheese in Shegi cheese processing center, Koz Kunar District, Nangarhar Province.

Vegetable Value Chain/Women-Owned Greenhouses:

IDEA-NEW provides support to 22 women owned greenhouses with technical and marketing oversight.

During the reporting period, IDEA-NEW technical team was in the process of selecting green houses for different varieties of vegetables and plug seedlings for the coming season. Currently, tomato produced in Akhond village of Mehtarlam District in Laghman Province is 616 kg worth AFN 13,770 (\$ 299). Moreover, Barikab, Beniga and Lachapoor greenhouses received 149,300, 184,000 and 419,950 orders of plug seedlings respectively.

Vegetable Value Chain/Women-Owned Packing Facility:

Currently, fifteen women are employed by the facility in providing packing services for vegetables of the eastern region. In the reporting period, the facility provided its packing services to 327.25 kg of vegetables under the brand of "*Pride of the Eastern Region*". Vegetables were shipped to Kabul supermarkets.

Fruit and Nut Value Chain/Women-Owned Tree Nurseries

IDEA-NEW supports 68 women-run tree nurseries (38 in one location) that sell forest and fruit trees to private clients, NGOs and USAID projects in the eastern region.

In the reporting period, UREA and DAP of fruit and forestry nursery was provided to each individual by Nursery Grower Association in 50% beneficiary contribution. In addition, IDEA-NEW technical staff monitored and all nurseries.

Fisheries Value Chain/Women-Owned Fish Farms

In May 2010, IDEA-NEW selected 40 women to run 20 commercial fish farms for women in eastern region—ten in Nangarhar, five in Laghman and five in Kunar. Two neighboring women each share one farm.

In the reporting period, three fish ponds were monitored in the eastern region of which condition was satisfactory.

Micro-Enterprise Development/Women's Mentorship Program:

During the reporting period, IDEA-NEW technical team completed women business survey in Nangarhar, Laghman and Kunar Provinces. A total of 230 women-run businesses have now been identified in the eastern region.

Other Rural Job Creation:

- A small potato chips factory started operation with IDEA-NEW support in Dari-Noor District of Nangarhar Province. IDEA-NEW is helping the owner of the factory to train its five employees, provide packaging materials, access electricity from a local micro-hydro power plan, facilitate linkages with the potato growers who grow the appropriate variety for the potatoes for chip production, and help in the marketing.
- Dari-Noor chalk production factory and textile factory established with IDEA-NEW support continued their operation. The factories together created about 10 job opportunities for individuals.



Photo: A View of nursery supported by IDEA-NEW in Khogiani District, Nangarhar Province.



Photo: Women arrange jam bottles produced by women operators in Rohafza Company in Joi 10, Nangarhar Province.

Agricultural Sales/ Trade Corridor Market Development

IDEA-NEW facilitates agriculture-related sales in its areas of operation. These sales include those for farmers selling on local markets, national markets (primarily high-end supermarkets in Kabul) as well as export markets. It also gives farmers extension advice for higher crop prices in person, via radio shows, and a mobile-phone system that gives daily commodity prices in ten markets throughout the country and in Peshawar in Pakistan. Please see Annex III for a sales table.

Local, national and export market facilitation:

- Vegetable growers in the eastern region received technical assistance in harvest and postharvest management, and were linked to local markets. Please see the sales table in Annex III for details.
- Local traders continued supplying fresh fruit and vegetables to high value markets (supermarkets and institutional clients) in Kabul.
- Onion export started to Pakistan during this reporting period with IDEA-NEW support, a total 231,000 kg of onions were exported by Afghan traders the value of which was \$ 45,815.

Market Information System (MIS):

The Market Information System collects, analyzes and disseminates price data for 25 commodities of 11 markets. The commodities are fertilizers, fruit, vegetables, meat, and grain. The program also airs three live radio programs in the eastern region in collaboration with MAIL; three times per week in Nangarhar and once per week in Laghman and Kunar each.

- During the reporting period, 11 live Karkila Aw Maldari (agriculture and livestock) radio shows were aired from Sharq Radio (91.3 FM) in Nangarhar Province, Kunar Radio (105.2 FM) in Kunar Province, and Kawoon Ghag Radio in Laghman Province. A total of 49 listeners called the shows asking different questions about their orchard, vegetable and livestock problems, and received answers from the show's agriculture expert.
- Nine radios were distributed as prizes to farmers listening to Karkila Aw Maldari radio show in Nangarhar.



Photo: Labors load onions into a truck using the 25kg bags provided by IDEA-NEW to the onion exporters.

“We receive higher prices when we use these bags as packaging; now everybody is using them and they have a higher demand. Thanks to IDEA-NEW for introducing them,” said a trader in the wholesale market

“It was a difficult and tough job for us to load the 120kg onion bags into the truck previously but we had to do it as we had no alternative. We appreciate IDEA-NEW for making our job easier by introducing the net bags which weigh a 25 kg when packed,” said a laborer in wholesale market while loading the bags.

Building Capacity

Resource Centers / Model Farms:

IDEA-NEW maintains resource centers / model farms for training days on modern crop techniques. In Spring/Summer 2010, IDEA-NEW maintains over 250 resource centers / model farms for its various programs.

In the reporting period, training activities for spring-summer 2010 continued and a total of 998 farmers were trained in 23 districts of the eastern region. Please refer to the farmer training summary in Annex II for district breakdowns and type of training.

In addition, tool distribution for yellow maize and mung bean model plots was started in reporting period. A total of 15 out of 158 mungbean model plots beneficiaries received tools in Batikot, Mohamandara and Qarghaee Districts of the eastern region. Six out of 41 farmers of the yellow maize plots also received tools. To date, a total 21 out 199 farmers of maize and mung bean demo plots received the required tools, and the process of the distribution is ongoing in the target area.

Community Institution Capacity Building:

- EFGA (Eastern Region Fruits Growers Association) continued conducting the survey of fruits availability and problems of orchard holders in the region. This activity is funded by IDEA-NEW and the plan is that the interventions will be designed to help the orchard holders receive more income from their orchards. To date, 1,485 orchard owners have been surveyed. Around 155 new farmers in Kama District, who recently received association membership, were registered. The association collected 18,000 AFN from these members as membership fee that is a good move toward sustaining local Afghan institutions.
- NTA (Nangarhar Talc Association) collected 20,000 AFN (\$ 454) membership fees during the reporting period. To date, the association collected a total of 104,500 AFN (\$ 2,375) as membership fees. A total of 51 trucks (1,530 MTs) of talc was exported to Pakistan. IDEA-NEW is looking into opportunities to start value addition locally and to export the talc directly to other countries so as to receive increased returns for miners and members of the association. NTPA board members also held a meeting with the talc miners in Shinwar District and discussed them the possible ways of increasing operations, which will result in the increased job opportunities for local villagers.

“We need new roads to the talc deposits and we need improved equipment, this will create hundreds jobs for the villagers,” said one local miner during the meeting.

- NIA (Nangarhar Industrial Association) continued the process to elect a board for the organization. During the reporting period, elections were held in the two sub-sectors under NIA (water & ice). The manager/owner of ASMA Water Company was elected as a board member. The association also held a meeting to discuss the Industrial Park issue. NIA agreed on some terms and conditions to get the land for their members in the industrial park which they will submit to the relevant authorities.

- Spinghar Poultry Farmers Association (SPFA) hired DVM visited poultry farms in Kunar Province and delivered technical assistance. The farmers in Kunar complained about some problems and asked the support of the association. Two board members of the association will visit Kunar to discuss the problems in detail and then help design interventions. IDEA-NEW is helping SPFA gradually and is looking into ways to make it a self-sustained entity.

Taraqi Saba Program:

TARAQI SABA ToT (Training of Trainers) started on July 24th, 2010, and will continue for 15 days. The participants are from different Girl High Schools of Nangarhar, Laghman and Kunar Provinces. The ToT focuses on the elaboration of basic business plans, and trainees are expected to provide training in each high school to female students in late September 2010.

USG & GIRoA Coordination

- During the reporting period, IDEA-NEW Senior Integration Officer provided facilities for the Private Sector Development Team of IDEA-NEW and Spinghar Poultry Association board members to jointly meet with the Nangarhar Agriculture Director to discuss on key issues related to the Spinghar Poultry Association.
- Preparations undertaken for the Agriculture Extension, Planning, Budgeting, Implementation and Organization of Agriculture Projects in western and southern Afghanistan. This workshop will start on 8th of August in Herat Province for nine provincial DAILs and national MAIL staff.
- Close coordination continued with line department heads and community elders for registration and voucher distribution during the fall season of 2010. Program information was shared with the heads of the district shura so as to ensure smooth program implementation.
- IDEA-NEW agriculture team held a meeting with suppliers so as to ensure procurement of pure and good seed from reliable sources by the given deadline.
- A coordination meeting was held with organizations involved in nurseries and orchards activities in Laghman house, Jalalabad. IDEA-NEW, CHAMP, ICARDA, PHDP staff and the chairmen and accountants of the Nursery Grower Associations of Kunar, Laghman and Nangarhar Provinces attended the meeting. During meeting all items included in MOU between IDEA-NEW and the Associations were explained. All the participants appreciated the support of IDEA-NEW to the nursery growers and they suggested to continue such coordination meeting on a monthly basis.
- Meeting was organized with key members of Nursery Growers Association to develop their capacity building plan. In the meeting, English and computer subjects were selected for training.
- A watershed meeting was held in Noorgal District for Mazar Dara CDCs and Shura elders to discuss the formation of community based natural resource management associations.
- IDEA-NEW Senior Government Liaison Officer, participated in a TWG meeting in Nangarhar Province.



Photo: IDEA-NEW staff meets elders and farmers for improved implementation of TIMER Fall program in Mehterlam District of Laghman Province.



Photo: A view of group discussion and collecting information in watershed meeting in Noorgal District of Kunar Province.

Key Problems/Constraints

- Due to heavy rain, one factory of confectionary jointly supported by IDEA-NEW and ASMED was severely damaged. The building and machinery collapsed because of the flood. Currently the operation is stopped.
- Shamshad Noodle and Vermicelli Factory supported by IDEA-NEW through the Grants Program started probationary operation in the reporting period but due to heavy rains parts of the building and an oven were damaged. Owners are fixing the damage and will resume operations soon.
- Heavy rains have flooded some roads in Khogyani and Shirzad Districts and have stopped the operation of talc mines. Talc Producers and Traders Association are looking for ways to resume the work.
- Lack of technical Afghans to repair machinery owned by the textile businesses that IDEA-NEW has been supporting resulted in the machinery being carried to Lahore, Pakistan for repair. This greatly increases the costs of the repairs and takes a considerable length of time. IDEA-NEW will look into supporting a few Afghans to get relevant training in Lahore or in India.
- IDEA-NEW Perennial Horticulture program is working with farmers in 29 districts of Kunar, Laghman and Nangarhar Provinces to rehabilitate the ADP/E orchards and establish new orchards for the farmers in the mentioned provinces with a 60 percent contribution from farmers. We started plantation with farmers' contribution in spring 2010 and the tree survival rate is 95 percent. Other organizations in the same region started work on orchards development programs and are distributing free saplings, vegetable seeds, fertilizer and tools which represents a great challenge for orchard development program, REVAMP and TIMER programs of IDEA-NEW. Their survival rates very low due to the fact that farmers have little incentive to look after and care for the trees.
- Due to security reasons IDEA-NEW field technicians were not allowed to go in some targeted areas and distribute the vouchers on time, so the distribution of voucher process delayed.
- During the reporting period, the security situation and seasonal floods strongly affected overall progress of CCI projects in some areas such as Pachi Wa Agam, Chaparhar, Spinghar, Achin, Hesarak and Nazyan Districts of Nangarhar Province. The engineering team works in close coordination with community elders and Shura leaders to overcome these difficult circumstances.
- IDEA-NEW infrastructure unit is working in Marawara District of Kunar Province in which the security situation once again deteriorated following the last months military operation in the District. In addition, the recent heavy floods damaged the bridge constructed by PRT/Kunar and access to Marawara from Asadabad is limited to the Nowabad route, which is highly insecure.

Afghan First

Locally purchased materials for DAI (East and West) from July 16-31, 2010 were \$ 628,624.68.

Biweekly Update: Northeastern Region

Job Creation

Community-Constructed Infrastructure (CCI): Irrigation, Farm to Market Roads and Micro-Hydro Power

IDEA-NEW implements community-constructed infrastructure (CCI) projects that serve a two-fold purpose: to restore and build productive infrastructure, and inject cash into local economies in unstable and insecure areas helping to reduce communities' reliance on illegal activities including narcotics and insurgency.

During the reporting period, IDEA-NEW worked on 24 CCI projects in the northeastern region, generating 19,303 person days worth \$ 127,951 in wages. Please see Annex I for more detail on all CCI projects.

June 16-30, 2010: CCI Summary Chart—Northeastern Region

Province	Total Approved Projects	Completed Projects	Active Projects	Stopped Projects	Male Person Days this period	Female Person days this period	Male Wages this period	Female Wages this period	Total Person Days	Total Wages
Badakhshan	19	10	7	-	5,901	-	43,143	-	5,901	43,143
Baghlan	30	19	9	1	6,950	4,845	47,280	26,858	11,795	74,138
Takhar	9	3	6	-	1,358	249	9,297	1,373	1,607	10,670
Kunduz	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	60	32	24	1	14,209	5,094	99,720	28,231	19,303	127,951

Projects completed in the biweekly period:

Hafiz Moghol Gabion Protection Wall Project **Argo District, Badakhshan Province**

The gabion wall project will benefit 800 families residing in seven villages. The total length of completed protection wall is 350 meters, which assures the protection of agricultural land from floods.

Marketing, Accounting & Business Management Training to Gabion Weavers **Pul-e-Khumri District, Baghlan Province**

A one-month training program was completed for 324 women and 104 men who wove gabion wires into boxes to be used in the construction of protection walls. The training consisted of two phases, in the first phase the trainees were imparted essential marketing principles, and the second phase focused on basic accounting and business management skills. The project expects that trainees will form groups and negotiate with the Baghlan market to provide gabion boxes and nets on a sustained basis.

New projects started in the biweekly period:

Qazaq Baghak Road Rehabilitation **Taloqan District, Takhar Province**

The project is located in Qazaq Village of Taloqan city and work was initiated on the 24 July. The project will benefit approx. 1,250 families and involves the rehabilitation of 1.7 km of road and construction of 30 meters protection wall.

Farman Quli Irrigation Canal **Tagob District, Badakhshan Province**

Due to the flood in May 2009, this important canal's intake and structures were washed away. Through rehabilitating two intake structures, 180 meters of canal lining with stone and concrete, 30 meters erosion control walls, and constructing an aqueduct structure, this project is expected to benefit 450 families.

Yasech Road Project **Suhahda District, Badakhshan Province**

The project involves the rehabilitation of 4.8 kms of road, benefiting 1,560 families in Suhahda District. As a result of a heavy avalanche in April 2010, the sub-grade and structures of this road have been destroyed leading to the blockage of the road. The construction will clear the blockage and will also include culverts, road gravelling and retaining walls.



Photo: Elders celebrate the completion of Nowabad-e-Flood Gabion Retaining Wall Project in Burka District of Baghlan Province.



Photo: Accounting and Business Management Training, Pul-e-Khumri District, Baghlan Province

Ongoing CCI Photos Northeast: June 16-30, 2010



Photo: Hydraulic Ramp Pump installation in progress in Pul-e-Khumri District, Baghlan Province



Photo: Kat-e-Itifaq Secondary Road Rehabilitation, Pul-e-Khumri District, Baghlan Province



Photo: Sarlola Feeder Road, Khash District, Badakhshan Province



Photo: Dahbazar Gabion Protection Wall, Darium District, Badakhshan Province

Agriculture Productivity/ Job Creation

Women's Poultry Project:

Badakhshan: Refresher training has been provided for 120 women beneficiaries in eight villages of Faizabad center. The training is aimed at women beneficiaries who have participated in the poultry project. The refresher training will be conducted on a quarterly basis to follow-up and reinforce poultry-rearing skills.

Baghlan: 6,000 kgs of poultry feed was distributed to 30 beneficiaries in Khost District. Also, veterinarians working in Burka and Nahrin Districts were linked to 90 beneficiaries who have recently received pullets that require vaccination and treatment.

Takhar: Training of 60 beneficiaries on improved pullet rearing practices completed.

Beekeeping Project:

Badakhshan: 237 bee hives and 237 empty boxes have been distributed to 79 beneficiaries associated with two Beekeeping Cooperatives. The Baharistan Cooperative has 53 beneficiaries in Baharak District, and Shari Ghullan Cooperative has 26 beneficiaries in Jurm District. Each beneficiary received three bee hives and three empty boxes.

Takhar: Beekeeping training was initiated in Namak Ab District. Beneficiaries of the beekeeping project visited Kalafgan District to participate in the honey extraction process.

Orchard Establishment:

Badakhshan: Pruning tools distributed to 27 farmers who have established orchards in Baharak, Shuhada and Jurm Districts.

Baghlan: Two almond orchard establishment plots were destroyed by floods in Nahrin District.

Orchard Management Project:

Baghlan: During the reporting period, monitoring of the orchard management projects was undertaken by the USAID monitoring/auditing team in Pul-e-Khumri District.

Takhar: 90 farmers trained on irrigation, compost making, and summer pruning of orchards.

Badakhshan: Around 2,360 indirect beneficiary farmers were trained in Lead Farmer plots in vegetable cultivation, timber, orchard development, fruit tree nurseries and rice cultivation programs in Baharak, Shuhada, Warduj, Jurm, Kishem, Argo, and Teshkan Districts.



Photo: Poultry refresher training, Faizabad District, Badakhshan Province



Photo: Orchard irrigation, Burka District, Baghlan Province

Fruit Tree Nurseries

Badakhshan: Weed control and nitrification has been initiated in 32 fruit tree nurseries in Faizabad, Yaftal and Baharak Districts. 13 fruit tree nurseries are ready for budding.

Baghlan: 37 nurseries are preparing for budding with improved varieties of fruit buds in Andarab, Khost and Burka Districts.

Commercial Vegetable Cultivation

Baghlan: Ten farmers were assisted and trained on the transplantation of cauliflower from their nurseries to the main fields in eight jerib of land.

Takhar: Cauliflower project is on-going with 102 farmers trained in soil preparation, manure use, nursery plantation and watering.

Grape Trellising Project:

Badakhshan: Ten farmer participants in Baharak and Kishem Districts visited lead farmer plots for practical training in grape trellising.

Takhar: Four Agriculture staff and four progressive farmers participated in a grape trellising training held by ASAP in Kabul.

Melon Fly Control:

Baghlan: 810 farmers were provided with technical assistance on melon fly control in Baghlan-e-Markazi, Baghlan-e-Sanaty, Pul-e-Khumri, Nahrin, Burka, Dahna-e-Ghori and Dushi Districts.

Badakhshan: 263 farmers have been trained on mechanical and chemical control of melon fly in melon crops in Faizabad, Jurm, Baharak and Argo Districts. This is part of a field campaign being undertaken by MAIL line department staff.

Badakhshan: 15 rice plots weeded using the use of Mandova Weeder provided by the project.

Baghlan: Rice Cultivation by SRI Method was jointly monitored with USAID monitoring/auditing team in Pul-e-Khumri district.

Lamb and Calf Fattening Project:

Takhar Province: The lamb and calf fattening project is ongoing in Bangi District, Takhar Province. During the reporting period, the ear tagging of calves was completed for 300 calves in five villages of Bangi District.



Photo: Training of indirect beneficiary farmers on timber cultivation model plots in Argo District, Badakhshan Province



Photo: Melon fly control training, Baghlan Province

Building Capacity

- Trainings focusing on the effective control of melon flies and colorado potato beetles are ongoing in Kunduz, Takhar, Baghlan and Badakhshan Provinces through Agriculture Departments (MAIL) staff. During the reporting period 1,073 people were trained in melon fly control in Baghlan and Badakhshan Provinces.

USG and GIROA Coordination

- Representatives of IDEA-NEW in Takhar Province held a meeting and discussed with representatives of local CDCs about poultry training for 60 beneficiaries in Shawqon Tapa, Abdulbari, Masjed Naw Abad and Mula Gulbudin villages. The CDCs allocated a training room for the above-mentioned training.
- The IDEA-NEW Baghlan Community Mobilization team held a meeting with Mr. Abdul Wali, District Governors of Bano and Andarab Districts to discuss IDEA-NEW programs. Community problems were discussed and prioritized.
- A meeting was held with Baghlan-e-Jadid Mayor on the IDEA-NEW activities. His recommendations concerning the new projects were discussed.

Key Problems/Constraints

- No problems reporting during this biweekly period.

Afghan First

Locally purchased materials for IDEA-NEW Northeast were \$ 251,702.81 in the reporting period.



Photo: Rice plot under SRI method, Kishem District, Badakhshan Province



Photo: Ear tagging of calves, Baharak District, Takhar Province

Voices from the Field

Beneficiary Name: Murad Ali (a member of Baladori CDC)

Project Name: Baladori Gabion Protection Wall

From (CDC/District): Sarband-e-Baladori, Baladori CDC, Puli-Khumri District

Q1. What is the major effect brought about by this project?

Murad Ali: 900 jeribs of our cultivable land is now protected from erosion threats posed by severe flooding. Alone, we have not been able to gather the necessary financial resources for undertaking the protecting wall. Through working together with IDEA-NEW we now have a structure that gives us the assurance that our crops will survive, and our lands will not shrink in size as floods cut through the banks.

Q2. What economic benefits do you see from the construction of this project?

Murad Ali: The immediate benefit is the cash wages that we have earned on the construction of the gabion wall, which have helped me and my family meet our daily needs. Apart from that the security that the gabion wall provides to our lands, we are now able to increase our investment in high-value agricultural crops which bring us a sustainable income.

Q3. How is the quality of this project?

Murad Ali: Since we have been fully involved in the construction of the protection wall, we find it our moral duty to do a good job. If we do not do quality work the greatest sufferers will be us. The CDC undertakes this work as our own work, and as a result the quality of this project is good and will support us for a long time.



Photo: Murad Ali, a member of Baladori CDC in Puli-Khumri District of Balkh Province, is now assured of his cultivable lands from recurrent floods

Biweekly Update: North/Central Region

Job Creation

Community-Constructed Infrastructure (CCI):

Irrigation, Farm to Market Roads and Micro-Hydro Power

IDEA-NEW implements community-constructed infrastructure (CCI) projects that serve a two-fold purpose: to restore and build productive infrastructure, and inject cash into local economies in unstable and insecure areas helping to reduce communities' reliance on illegal activities including narcotics and insurgency.

During the reporting period, IDEA-NEW worked on eight CCI projects in the northern region, generating 516 person days worth \$ 3,229 in wages. Please see Annex I for more detail on all CCI projects.



Photo: Local skilled laborers work on Maymana-Bilchiragh Road.

CCI Summary Table: North/Central July 16-31, 2010

Province	Total Approved Projects	Completed Projects	Active Projects	Stopped Projects	Male Person Days this period	Female Person Days this period	Male Wages this period (AFN)	Female Wages this period
Balkh	5	3	1	0	392	0	98,000	0
Samangan	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jawzjan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sari Pul	6	1	5	0	0	0	0	0
Faryab	10	9	1	0	124	0	53,800	0
Total	24	15	7	0	516	0	151,800	0

Maymana-Bilchiragh Road Structures:

The Maymana-Bilchiragh Road Structures project was started on November 9, 2009 to improve 52km of road in Pashtun Kot and Bilchiragh Districts of Faryab Province. It will improve market access for an important agricultural area and will also improve governance and security. The project is constructing 39 culverts and 76 meters of gabion protection wall along the length of the road. The project has been designed and is directly implemented by IDEA-NEW North Central with some technical support from the Department of Public Works (DoPW) of Faryab Province.

The Maymana-Bilchiragh Road Improvement Project shows 100% progress, with all 39 culverts and 50 meters of gabion protection wall having been completed. In this reporting period, the laborers worked on site cleaning and backfilling of the gabion protection wall with cooperation from Faryab Department of Public Works (DoPW). The actual work stopped on July 25, 2010.

A total of 124 person-days employment has been created in this reporting period. From project start to date a total of 13,504 person-days employment has been created and \$ 152,831 has been spent locally on wages, material supplies, vehicle hire and house rent.

Construction of 12 Micro Hydro Power plants:

Micro Hydro Power (MHP) can provide cheap energy to remote areas. IDEA-NEW constructs MHP projects to provide electrical power to remote communities. Electricity brings significant improvements to the lives of families. In Faryab province, five MHP plants in Bilchiragh and two in Qaysar and Kohistan Districts have already been completed. Heavy floods in May 2010 washed out the locally made weirs in the Faryab projects, but community members repaired them all.

In Sari Pul Province, the construction of five MHP plants in Balkhab District has been delayed by bad weather and floods. The Remote Hydro Light (RHL) team recommended that extra materials be provided to the site for the repair of flood damage, and some additional in-kind incentives be given to the community members who have had to put in extra work. It has been agreed that IDEA-NEW MHP engineer should make a joint trip with RHL Director to Balkhab District and prepare the estimation and request for the extra materials.

Overall progress on each of the MHP projects is: Hoosh 88%, Parawshan 90%, Chaila 70%, Khamshorak 50%, and Dahna Wa Takhshar 35%.



Photo: The structures along Maymana-Bilchiragh road have been completed.



Photo: Work on Balkhab District MHPs has resumed as the flood levels in the area decreased.

Mazar Almond Market Concrete Platform:

The Mazar-e-Sharif Balkh Dry Fruits Processing Association (MBDFA) is developing a market area granted by the Mazar City municipality. IDEA-NEW is providing a concrete surface in the market on which produce can be stacked and dried in clean conditions. The market houses 158 shops. The MBDFA members (shop owners) need to process the fruits by laying them in the open and exposing them to sunlight. At present they cannot do so because the ground, which is bare earth, is dirty and unhygienic. The dry fruits that are processed in this market are grown in Balkh and its neighboring provinces. The main types of produce sold in this market are almond, pistachio, walnut, apricot and dried plums.

The Infrastructure Department team has started work together with MBDFA to smoothen the surface of the market. According to the MoU signed between IDEA-NEW and MBDFA, IDEA-NEW will construct a concrete platform on 2,425 sqm area for Mazar Almond Market. MBDFA recruited all the laborers for this project. During the biweekly period, the laborers completed cutting and filling 1,500 sqm of area and have completed the form works and boulder pavement of 830sqm.

Construction of Mardian Water Reservoir:

Many villages in the northern part of the region suffer from severe lack of water during the summer. The irrigation canals on which they rely has dried up and since the groundwater is saline, they cannot use wells. At present they rely on storing water in ponds, which is inefficient and unhygienic, as there is seepage into the sand soil and the ponds are open to animals. IDEA-NEW is evaluating the possibility of using ponds with High Density Polyethylene liners and covers as a less expensive alternative. Mardian District Centre in Jawzjan Province has been selected for the first pilot project, holding three million liters of potable water for 300 families, which will be drawn off through a hand-pump.

IDEA-NEW infrastructure team together with representative of grants section updated the drawings and BoQ for Mardian Water Reservoir Project and sent it to seven construction companies. However, the bids received contained technical errors, the process was retendered, and Mujtaba Walid Construction Company (MWCC) has now been selected as the most qualified and competitive company to implement this project.

Khulm River Gabion Protection Wall Extension:

IDEA-NEW North Central had completed construction of 975 meters length of the gabion protection wall in Khulm River basin, which saved hectares of land in recent floods this summer and proved to be very useful for farmers and orchard owners in Khulm District. Upon the request of community representative and local government IDEA-NEW decided to extend the project and strengthen 550 meters more of the riverbank.

The Khulm River Gabion Protection Extension Project protects the agricultural lands and farmers' families located on the right and left sides of Khulm River. The proposed locations to be protected are 3km upstream and 3km downstream from Khulm District Center. Based on the technical assessment conducted by IDEA-NEW engineers, the total length of the riverbank to be protected is 550 meters. The gabion protection walls will be constructed in



Photo: Laborers completed the form works of the Almond Market.



Photo: workers have started excavating the riverbank in Khulm District, Balkh Province.

six different points based on the need and vulnerability of the banks. The gabion walls will safeguard the 500 hectares of endangered agricultural lands against flooding. It will also help the whole irrigation system in Khulm River basin by providing sustainable banks to the river. The well-managed flow of water in Khulm River basin will prevent misuse of water and in turn will result in provision of more water to the needed irrigated lands.

The project is estimated create 7,148 person days of employment opportunities for the local people of 500 families of Khwaja Assad, Qala Arab Bik, Oymahoot, Tailee, and Mirhazar villages in Khulm District.

The actual work of Khulm River Gabion Protection Extension Project started on July 19, 2010, with the excavation of the foundation. During this reporting period, the team completed excavation of about 100 meters of the wall foundation. 392 person days employment to local laborers have been created and \$ 2,177 has been injected into the community in the form of labor wages. Overall project progress report is 3%.

Rural Infrastructure:

To respond to community needs and to collaborate with provincial government in implementing their prioritized projects, The IDEA-NEW North Central infrastructure team completed the design of 470 meters protection wall in Ghanomai canal in Ghanomai village of Sholgara District in Balkh Province, which was proposed by the community through the Balkh Directorate of Economy.

Agriculture Productivity and Agribusiness Job Creation

Trellising of 100 ha of vineyards:

Trellising vineyards will double the yield of grapes, both in quality and in quantity. In order that farmers can see the benefits of trellising, IDEA-NEW is setting up model plots in grape producing areas in Sari Pul, Samangan and Faryab provinces.

In addition to the five model plots previously established in Feroz Nakhchir District of Samangan Province and the seven in Faryab Province, IDEA-NEW provided trellising for MAIL's EC-funded Perennial Horticulture Development Project (PHDP) vine variety collection at Pushti Bagh, Dihdadi District of Balkh Province in the reporting, where a total of 217 trellis posts were installed. The T angles have been fixed and wiring completed. The project shows more than 100% progress and has been officially delivered to PHDP manager in Mazar.

To protect the vineyards from powdery mildew disease the agriculture team sprayed wettable sulfur in seven model plots in Shirin Tagab, Dawlatabad, Pashtun Kot and Khwaja Sabz Posh Districts of Faryab province and five model plots in Feroz Nakhchir District of Samangan Province.



Photo: The application of wettable sulfur can protect vineyards from powdery mildew disease.

Annual Crops – Resource Centres and Model Plots:

Yields of annual crops, especially wheat, are extremely low, particularly on rain fed land, and are susceptible to drought. Heavy losses occur from weeds, fungal disease and insect pests. Traditional cultivation methods apply too much seed, leading to waste and overcrowding. To introduce farmers to improved methods of crop cultivation, IDEA-NEW established twenty-five on-farm resource centers (or model plots), of which nineteen were set up and implemented by Joint Development Associates (JDA) in Balkh, Samangan, Sari Pul and Jawzjan, and six were established directly by IDEA-NEW in Faryab Province. Each model plot contains plots of wheat, oilseeds (flax, sesame, safflower or canola) and pulses (lentils or chickpeas). Farmers are shown the use of two-wheel tractors for land preparation, sowing and harvesting. Control of weeds pests and diseases is also taught.

The wheat has now been harvested and this project has now started its fourth phase, involving measuring and comparing the yields of annual crops with neighboring plots. According to IDEA-NEW supervision, on average, the visited model plots of wheat had produced 31% more compared to the yields of neighboring farms. Up until this reporting period, JDA has held seven field days for a total of 632 farmers in Khwaja Du Koh, Fayzabad Districts of Jawzjan Province, Shortepa, Kaldar, Balkh and Sholgara Districts of Balkh Province and Sari Pul center of Sari Pul Province.

Voice from the community

Mohammad Shah, who makes concrete posts for trellising vineyards in Feroz Nakhchir District of Samangan Province said, “I was a commander before. I didn’t have any skills other than carrying a gun. IDEA-NEW trained me on concrete trellis post production and provided me with platform to produce them. Now, I own a legal and legitimate business and I am actively involved in developing my community.”

Silk production project:

Household silk production is a traditional activity in the northern region, where the silk is processed and used for the manufacture of carpets and textiles. It depends on a supply of silkworm eggs which are now produced by MAIL. Eggs are distributed in boxes of 12g that should produce 8kg of raw silk. A typical household normally uses one or two boxes. In 2010 a box of eggs cost \$4 and a kg of raw silk earned \$10.75. The main obstacle to the revival of the silk industry is unavailability of silkworm eggs for sale, despite MAIL having facilities for producing them. IDEA-NEW, therefore bought 1,000 boxes of eggs from MAIL for distribution in the region. Of these, 400 have been distributed as part of a training project implemented by the women-owned Rabia Maryam Handicrafts Company (RMHC). The remaining 600 boxes were distributed to communities who claimed to have a traditional knowledge of silk production.

No updates available during the reporting period.



Photo: Mohammad Shah strengthens trellis post wires in demonstration plot in Feroz Nakhchir District of Samangan Province.

Wool Spinning wheel project:

Carpet weaving is one of the most important household industries in the Northern Provinces of Afghanistan, especially in Balkh Province. According to the Afghanistan Carpet Exporters Guild, 114,000sqm of carpets are produced in Balkh Province every year. Five kilograms of spun wool are used for every square meter of carpet on average. This means that around 570 MT of spun wool are required to cover the needs of carpet weavers every year. Almost everywhere, wool is spun by women, who find this a source of income that they can earn at home.

Rabia Maryam Handicrafts Co (RMHC), a women-owned handicrafts company, dedicated to providing technical assistance and training to women and the manufacturing of quality silk and wool products, approached IDEA-NEW in December 2009 with a proposal to train 100 women from Districts 7, 10 and Sakhi Camp community in Balkh Province (mostly returnee families from Pakistan and Iran) in the process of wool spinning utilizing spinning wheels.

During this reporting period, the trainees' spun their first wool with a tenuousness of 85 X 85.

Village Milk Processing Centers/Balkh Livestock and Dairy Union (BLDU)

Most of the dairy products are produced by households in Afghanistan. Traditionally, it is an activity carried out by women. Most of the products are consumed by the households and surplus is offered for sale in the local markets. Balkh Livestock and Dairy Union (BLDU) has over the last seven years developed a network of household dairy producers who sell surplus milk to Balkh Dairy in Dihdadi.

A program of extension training in animal breeding, feeding and health care, together with improved access to veterinary services has increased the marketable surplus and provided a boost to household incomes. In order to extend these benefits to other districts in the region, BLDU, under a sub-agreement, will set up ten more village milk processing centers where fresh milk can be processed by hand-operated equipment into cheese, butter and yogurt.

During the biweekly period, BLDU recruited project personnel, traveled to target villages for selecting locations for village milk collection and processing centers, and reviewed and improved the existing training materials such as charts, pictures, models and training manuals.

A team of BLDU technical staff initiated the process of selecting locations for milk collection and processing centers. Within ten days, 500 dairy farmers were selected from ten districts of five northern provinces.

Dairy farmers selected from five Northern provinces of Afghanistan

Location	Villages	No. of Beneficiaries
Sholgara District of Balkh Province	Baba Evaz	50
Balkh District of Balkh Province	Koshkak	50
Hazrati Sultan District of Samangan Province	Ghaznigak	50
Aybak District of Samangan Province	Jui zendan	50
Faizabad District of Jawzjan Province	Shisha Khana	50
Aqcha District of Jawzjan Province	Yangi Ariq	50
Sari Pul District of Saripul Province	Qush Tapa	50
Sayed Abad District of Saripul Province	Sayed Abad	50
Pashtun Kot District of Faryab Province	Jamshidi	50
Khwaja Sabz Posh District of Faryab Province	Deh Naw	50
Total	10 villages	500

Building Capacity

Ag-Retailing Development:

IDEA-NEW continues to support the six non-profit provincial agricultural retailers' associations, which have been established in Northern Afghanistan and have been officially registered in the Afghan Ministry of Justice. These associations will serve the farmers through 117 Ag-Retailers currently operating in the five Northern Provinces: The following activities have been accomplished during this biweekly:

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Finalizing the Laser Land Leveling Operators:

Laser Land Leveling can increase by 30% the efficiency of water use for irrigation. IDEA-NEW has been demonstrating this technique with equipment provided under an agreement with the USAID project ASAP. It is now intended to loan the equipment to Agricultural Cooperatives who are capable of offering the service to farmers for hire.

No updates during this reporting period.

Distribution of wettable sulphur:

The Ag-Development Program team has finalized the allocation strategy for the distribution of 2,000 kg wettable sulfur for six ag-retailing associations and distributed it to Balkh, Samangan, Jawzjan and Faryab ag-retailing associations.

Distributing sales day-book:

In order to comply with the M&E requirements for recording subsidized sales of in-kind granted agricultural inputs, a sales day-book has been designed and printed for agricultural retailers. Around 234 copies of sales day-books were provided for 117 agricultural retailers. During this biweekly period, the IDEA-NEW Agricultural Retailing Development program distributed 214 copies of the Sales Day Book to 107 Agricultural Retailers in Balkh, Faryab, Samangan, Jawzjan and Sari Pul.

Procurement of two-wheeled tractors:

IDEA-NEW contracted with Osiyo Hamkarlik (OH) and Barakat companies for supplying 324 two-wheeled tractors. Under the terms of the contract, the companies have to deliver the tractors by the end of August 2010. To date, OH delivered 71 units to the IDEA-NEW warehouse (106 delivered to date).

Trellis post production:

A third PO for production of 950 concrete trellis posts has been signed with Mohammad Shah, the IDEA-NEW trained post maker in Feroz Nakhchir District of Samangan Province.



Photo: IDEA-NEW loans two wheeled tractors to agricultural associations and cooperatives.

Animal Health and Production

During the biweekly period, under a two-year Strengthening Animal Health and Production project, implemented for IDEA-NEW by the Dutch Committee for Afghanistan (DCA), 18 trainees (15 male and 3 female) participated in a six-month training course to become paravets at the DCA Veterinary Training Center in Mazar-i-Sharif.

Five groups of farmers (12 from Jawzjan, nine from Faryab, 17 from Balkh, six from Samangan and three from Sari Pul) participated in a training on Small Ruminant Herd Health Package (SR-HHP). This is an extension program implemented by VFUs to improve the productivity of sheep and goats through better animal husbandry.

Under a scheme whereby VFUs will report the occurrence of animal diseases, 20 VFUs in Balkh province signed Sanitary Mandate contracts with the MAIL EU funded Animal Health Development Project.

Contracts and Grants

- Balkh Livestock Dairy Union (BLDU) started work on the village milk collection and processing centers in ten districts of five northern provinces. Milk processing equipment to be used in the Village Milk Collection/Processing Project are ready for shipment from India. We are in the process of arranging the USAID letters for Customs Duty exemption at the Karachi and Afghan border.
- A total of 324 two-wheeled tractors have been ordered and are expected to arrive by August 31, 2010. From these, 108 two-wheel Dongfeng tractors, have been received. The balance of 216 tractors are expected before the end of August 2010.
- Two BTL pond liners arrived in Kabul from USA and have cleared Kabul customs. The pond liners are to be installed on a pilot project based in Mardian village of Mardian District in Jawzjan Province for storing irrigation water. IDEA-NEW is in the bidding process to hire a subcontractor for the civil work component to install the pond liners.
- Khulm River Gabion Protection Wall project (Phase II) work started.
- Construction work on the of Khulm River Gabion Protection Wall Project (Phase II) started.
- An Indian vendor was selected for the supply of ice cream making equipment. Its beneficiary is Balkh Livestock Dairy Union (BLDU). BLDU plans to diversify their products and maximize the capacity of utilizing current milk processing equipment.

USG and GIRoA Coordination:

IDEA-NEW media and communication manager along with infrastructure manager and community development officer held a coordination meeting with Faryab Department of Public Works to organize a completion ceremony for Maymana-Bilchiragh Road Structures project in Pashtun Kot District of Faryab Province.

Key Problems/Constraints

- During the reporting period, security was unsatisfactory for IDEA-NEW's activities in Balcheragh, Qaysar, Dawalatabad, Pashtun Kot and Shirin Tagab Districts of Faryab Province, Chahar Bolak and Chimal Districts of Balkh Province and Qush Tepa District of Jawzjan Province.

Afghan First

ACDI/VOCA spent a sum of \$ 68,200 in local procurement in the reporting period.

Biweekly Update: Western Region Job Creation

Community-Constructed Infrastructure (CCI): Irrigation, Farm to Market roads and Micro-Hydro Power

IDEA-NEW implements community-constructed infrastructure (CCI) projects throughout the eastern region, which serve a two-fold purpose: to restore and build productive infrastructure, and inject cash into local economies in unstable and insecure areas helping to reduce communities' reliance on illegal activities including narcotics and insurgency.

During the reporting period, IDEA-NEW worked on 17 CCI projects in the western region, employing 176 people and generating 2,652 person days worth \$ 16,720 in wages. Please see Annex I for more detail on all CCI projects.

Summary Table: CCI Projects Western Region: July 16-31, 2010

Province	Total Approved Projects	Completed Projects	Active Projects	Stopped Projects
Badghis	20	3	17	0

Badghis Wholesale Market

Badghis Fruit and Vegetable Wholesale Market in Qala-e-Naw City of Badghis Province by Minister of MAIL, Muhammad Asif Rahimi, Governor of Badghis, Deputy Ambassador of the United States to Afghanistan, members of Badghis Provincial Council and elders was opened in a ground-breaking ceremony on July 5, 2010. With 76 stalls for wholesalers and all the necessary facilities including bathrooms and water reservoir, the market will be built on around 5300 sqm area in a year-long period.

Foundation excavation and foundation reinforcements realized during this biweekly reporting period.



Photo: A view of Khome Abbasi canal intake improvement in Muqur District of Badghis Province



Photo: A view of Zamat Canal Weir in Abkamary District of Badghis Province.

Building Capacity:

Building capacity of community institutions

Paravets and their livestock owning assistants continued de-worming livestock in two districts of Badghis Province. They treated a total number of 26,288 sheep and goats in the second half of July. The following table shows number of livestock treated the paravets in different districts of Badghis province:

No	District	No. livestock treated this period	Total no. livestock treated to date
1	Ab Kamary	0	96,916
2	Bala Murghab	0	225,777
3	Jawand	18,090	138,535
4	Moqur	0	70,349
5	Qadis	0	211,594
6	Qala-i-Naw	8,198	150,637
	Total	26,288	894,808

- The work of de-worming was monitored in Muqur, Ab Kamari and Qadis Districts. The findings were as follows:
 - A number of locations selected by the monitoring and evaluation unit of IDEA-NEW and several more locations/flocks were checked in the neighboring villages on a random basis in the presence of the paravets, the monitors and the elders of the surrounding communities.
 - Generally the paravets have started the treatment of the livestock from located close to their residencies and clinics and then moved to the other communities without any discrimination. The fee of one Afghani/livestock was reluctantly paid to the paravets in most places. The field monitors have followed the work of the livestock treatment. A few areas have not received medication, some of them because of lack of medicines and some because of the security. The areas with no severe security problems will be covered in the first half of August. Unfortunately, the areas with strict security situation such as Khairkhana of Qadis District will not be covered with this treatment.
 - An in-depth monitoring and evaluation report on the de worming of livestock was submitted to the management of IDEA-NEW last week.
- 40 community members from throughout Badghis province are being provided with vocational training by IDEA-NEW in carpentry, reinforcement, molding, shuttering and masonry.



Photo: IDEA-NEW agriculture advisor asks beneficiaries questions during monitoring the de-worming campaign in Qala-e-Naw District of Badghis Province.



Photo: IDEA-NEW agriculture advisor works with beneficiaries to monitor de-worming activities.

USG & GIRoA Coordination

- Met with representatives of AECID and USAID and the D.G of DAIL of Badghis and shared the activities that we are planning to work in Badghis in the years 2011 and 2012. They listened to our ideas, commented on them and asked questions on the programs of their interest, and expressed any concerns. Their proposed activities were strongly considered in the work plan. Director of Agriculture proposed a considerable number of projects to become part of our work plan for the years 2011 and 2012.
- The Department of Agriculture, Irrigation and Livestock of Badghis has developed a five year agriculture development program for the years 1390-1394 for the province in the local language Dari. DAIL of Badghis wants that this program should be considered in working plans of all the non-governmental organizations working in the agriculture sector of Badghis province. The program was translated from Dari into English. The translated document has been given to the director of DAIL of Badghis, AECID, USAID reps in Badghis, and the management of IDEA-NEW. Copies can be provided upon request to IDEA-NEW staff.



Photo: The Minister of Agriculture and the US Ambassador laying the foundation stone of the Wholesale market in Qala Naw, Badghis.

Key Problems/Constraints

No updates are available in the biweekly period

Afghan First

Locally purchased materials for DAI (East and West) from June 16-30, 2010 were \$ 628,624.68.

Biweekly Monitoring & Evaluation Data

IDEA-NEW seeks to measure its progress in different ways: through quantitative “outputs”, through project impact evaluation, overall program evaluation against a household baseline survey, and through qualitative “field missions” conducted throughout its areas of operation. The Approved Performance Management Plan (PMP) and related Change Reports give detailed information.

Performance Indicators

Outputs are tracked through 25 Performance Indicators. Regional implementing partners use the same forms to capture data, and it is reported into a central database. Depending on the indicator, results are reported on a biweekly, quarterly or annual frequency. There are 16 biweekly indicators, seven quarterly indicators and two annual indicators. The tables below give the results for the reporting period by partner as well as by the program as a whole, and are charted against “targets” by Fiscal Year.

Impact Evaluation

Output indicators by themselves are not a basis for rigorous performance measurement; IDEA-NEW also conducts impact evaluation for some of its largest projects. With the flexibility to conduct specific impact assessment at regular intervals, this plan serves to measure program effectiveness and give management the right information to make better-informed decisions about IDEA-NEW’s work, as well as give USAID Afghanistan a clear picture of IDEA-NEW’s outcomes and impacts over the life of its project.

The project also conducted a baseline household study in July 2009, and will follow up at intervals to assess household impacts in areas where IDEA-NEW is working. This will be done on a biennial basis, and will include those items measured in the household economic baseline. The baseline report, which gives a full economic picture of households in provinces where it was implemented, is available by request.

Field Missions

Finally, Field Missions are undertaken to provide contextual information, as well as quality assurance/quality control. On infrastructure projects, engineers assess construction quality and project progress, and laborers are asked if their wages are paid in a fair and transparent way. For non-infrastructure, overall quality, transparency and effectiveness are assessed. All field missions are conducted to inform program managers about areas of improvement. All missions also review environmental compliance with USAID, and ensure that GPS grid points for projects are captured. For irrigation and road projects, the areas irrigated and length of road are captured to ensure the highest accuracy for performance indicators. Approximately six to eight missions are conducted weekly.

Some explanations on indicators

All definitions and data collection methods for all indicators below are available at request. Some answers to common questions:

1. Full-time equivalent (FTE) jobs: These are calculated in two ways. For CCI projects, 260 labor days = 1 FTE. For agriculture projects, .25 ha under licit cultivation = 1 FTE. For enterprises, a new employee reported by an IDEA-NEW assisted business to be “full time” = 1 FTE. Existing employees at the start of IDEA-NEW intervention does not count. There is a one-month lag time for CCI wage reporting.
2. Increased sales of licit farm- and non-farm products are tracked in different ways. Farm product sales are tracked through surveys of key agricultural interventions programs involving 10,000 people or more. Non-farm products are tracked through bi-annual sales reports from assisted enterprises; only increases over the baseline are reported.
3. All data reported to USAID has “back-up” documentation, including training sign-in sheets, contracts, export documentation and enterprise forms that detail sales and employee information.

IDEA-NEW Biweekly Performance Indicator Table: July 16-31, 2010

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	Added this period		Actual to Date	IDEA-NEW LOP Target	Actual (FY 09)	FY'10 Target	FY'10 Actual	Cumulative Actual (FY09 + 10)	By Gender	
	Previous	Current							Male	Female
# of families benefiting directly from USG interventions in Afghanistan	Previous	5,017	305,412	275,000	110,719	72,022	194,693	305,412	-	-
	Current	15,513							-	-
	Total	20,530							-	-
# of KM of roads rehabilitated or built	Previous	0.0	61	500	-	220	61	61.0	-	-
	Current	0.0							-	-
	Total	0.0							-	-
# of KM of irrigation system rehabilitated or built	Previous	2.4	146	350	-	186	146	146.3	-	-
	Current	2.3							-	-
	Total	4.7							-	-
Wages (\$) paid through community constructed infrastructure projects to local community member	Previous	104,709	3,181,558	10,000,000	-	4,661,111	3,181,558	3,181,558	2,897,242	64,413
	Current	219,904							191,673	28,231
	Total	324,613							3,088,915	92,644
# of person days of labor on CCI projects by local community members	Previous	17,131	561,905	2,600,000	-	310,740	561,905	561,905	512,651	13,814
	Current	35,440							30,346	5,094
	Total	52,571							542,997	18,908
# of local community members employed on CCI projects	Previous	527	24,947	30,000	-	20,716	24,947	24,947	22,598	1,019
	Current	1,330							1,216	114
	Total	1,857							23,814	1,133
# of individuals who have received USG-supported agriculture productivity training	Previous	4,124	182,157	375,000	106,552	65,670	75,605	182,157	172,910	189
	Current	9,058							9,058	-
	Total	13,182							181,968	189
# of persondays of USG-supported agriculture productivity training	Previous	4,531	64,220	125,000	-	34,252	64,220	64,220	55,432	247
	Current	8,541							8,541	-
	Total	13,072							63,973	247
# of hectares of alternative crops targeted by USG cultivation	Previous	-	4,312	40,000	573	16,032	3,740	4,312	-	-
	Current	305							-	-
	Total	305							-	-
# of livestock under increased technology and management	Previous	63,577	531,641	500,000	-	62,500	531,641	531,641		
	Current	-								
	Total	63,577								
# of individuals receiving agricultural and livestock inputs	Previous	816	59,884	115,000	1,937	63,650	57,947	59,884	57,448	788
	Current	1,648							1,647	1
	Total	2,464							59,095	789

# of hectares under improved irrigation in USG assisted areas	Previous	142	4,232	10,000	16	4,852	4,216	4,232	-	-
	Current	293							-	-
	Total	435							-	-
# of people receiving business and vocational skills training	Previous	77	2,790	1,000	493	494	2,297	2,790	868	1,866
	Current	56							56	-
	Total	133							924	1,866
# of person days of business and vocational skills training	Previous	2,878.0	10,957.3	240,000	-	62,510	10,957	10,957.3	2,758.1	8,049.3
	Current	149.0							149	-
	Total	3,027.0							2,907.1	8,049.3
# of government line staff trained	Previous	67	776	500	31	161	745	776	722	54
	Current	-							-	-
	Total	67							722	54
# of person days of government line staff trained	Previous	201	2,457	5,000	-	1,808	2,457	2,457	2,233	224
	Current	-							-	-
	Total	201							2,233	224

have received USG-supported agricultural and livestock productivity training		1,535	55,291	375,000	100,000	11,316	50,420	43,975	55,291	13,431	2,713	4,303	396	28,514	49,357	-
	Current	5,934								1,307	2,538	1,965	124	-	5,934	-
	Total	7,469								14,738	5,251	6,268	520	28,514	55,291	-
# of persondays of USG-supported agriculture productivity training	Previous	768	16,953	125,000	50,000		12,500	16,953	16,953	6,585	1,357	2,282	198	3,564	13,986	-
	Current	2,967								654	1,269	983	62	-	2,967	-
	Total	3,735								7,239	2,626	3,265	260	3,564	16,953	-
# of hectares of alternative crops targeted by USG cultivation	Previous	-	4,211	40,000	10,000	573	9,162	3,639	4,211	1,908	785	1,183	50	-	-	-
	Current	285								201	28	56	-	-	-	
	Total	285								2,110	814	1,238	50	-	-	
# of livestock under increased technology and management	Previous	63,577	68,577	500,000	50,000	-	33,300	68,577	68,577	3,300	900	800	-	63,577	-	-
	Current	-								-	-	-	-	-		
	Total	63,577								3,300	900	800	-	63,577	-	
# of individuals receiving agricultural and livestock inputs	Previous	418	37,091	115,000	90,000	1,937	49,000	35,154	37,091	16,384	7,323	11,040	501	418	35,616	50
	Current	1,425								1,006	141	278	-	-	1,425	-
	Total	1,843								17,390	7,464	11,318	501	418	37,041	50
# of hectares under improved irrigation in USG assisted areas	Previous	142.4	970	10,000	1,666	16	2,760	954	970	797.3	-	172.7	-	-	-	-
	Current	-								-	-	-	-	-		
	Total	142.4								797.3	-	172.7	-	-	-	
# of people receiving business and vocational skills training	Previous	77	1,155	1,000	800	493	270	662	1,155	817	246	92	-	-	155	1,000
	Current	-								-	-	-	-	-		
	Total	77								817	246	92	-	-	155	1,000
# of person days of business and vocational skills training	Previous	2,778	4,556	240,000	32,000		42,000	4,556	4,556	3,919	537	100	-	-	473	4,082
	Current	-								-	-	-	-	-		
	Total	2,778								3,919	537	100	-	-	473	4,082
# of government line staff trained	Previous	67	413	500	83	-	115	413	413	413	-	-	-	-	376	37

	Current	-								-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Total	67								413	-	-	-	-	376	37
# of person days of government line staff trained	Previous	201								1,447	-	-	-	-	1,298	149
	Current	-	1,447	5,000			1,500	1,447	1,447	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Total	201								1,447	-	-	-	-	1,298	149

Mercy Corps Biweekly Performance Indicator Table

July 16-31, 2010

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	Added this period		Actual to Date	IDEA-NEW LOP Target	MC (LOP Target)	FY'09 Actual	FY'10 target	FY'10 Actual	Cumulative Actual (FY09 + 10)	By Province				By Gender	
										Bdk-shn	Baghlan	Kunduz	Takhar	M	F
# of families benefiting directly from USG interventions in Afghanistan	Previous	2,987	76,191	275,000	75,000	9,725	23,000	66,466	76,191	22,930	26,896	3,817	16,277		
	Current	6,271								1,028	265	37	4,941		
	Total	9,258								23,958	27,161	3,854	21,218		
# of KM of roads rehabilitated or built	Previous	-	29.5	500	200	-	120	29.5	29.5	8.5	21				
	Current	-								-	-				
	Total	-								8.5	21	-	-		
# of KM of irrigation system rehabilitated or built	Previous	-	5.3	350	50	-	75	5.3	5.3	1.3	3		1		
	Current	-								-	-				
	Total	-								1.3	3	-	1		
Wages (\$) paid through community constructed infrastructure projects to local community member	Previous	29,057	1,172,764	10,000,000	4,000,000	-	1,300,000	1,172,764	1,172,764	394,863	523,690	8,222	118,039	1,010,872	33,943
	Current	127,950								43,143	74,138	-	10,669	99,719	28,231
	Total	157,007								438,006	597,828	8,222	128,708	1,110,591	62,174
# of person days of labor on CCI projects by local community members	Previous	3,964	166,393	2,600,000	1,000,000	-	288,889	166,393	166,393	60,989	66,234	1,393	18,474	140,731	6,359
	Current	19,303								5,901	11,795	-	1,607	14,209	5,094
	Total	23,267								66,890	78,029	1,393	20,081	154,940	11,453
# of local community members employed on CCI projects	Previous	250	15,423	30,000	15,385	-	5,778	15,423	15,423	7,370	4,736	221	1,951	13,416	862
	Current	1,145								-	-	-	1,145	1,031	114
	Total	1,395								7,370	4,736	221	3,096	14,447	976
# of individuals who have received USG-	Previous	2,589	22,136	375,000	50,000	9,694	10,250	12,442	22,136	4,007	3,246	3,800	7,959	18,835	177

supported agricultural and livestock productivity training	Current	3,124								1,009	265	-	1,850	3,124	-
	Total	5,713								5,016	3,511	3,800	9,809	21,959	177
# of persondays of USG-supported agriculture productivity training	Previous	3,763	19,375	125,000	25,000	-	20,500	19,375	19,375	4,376	1,673	1,425	6,327	13,558	243
	Current	5,574								-	133	-	5,441	5,574	-
	Total	9,337								4,376	1,806	1,425	11,768	19,132	243
# of hectares of alternative crops targeted by USG cultivation	Previous	-	20	40,000	5,000	-	1,590	20	20	-	-	-	-		
	Current	20								-	-	-	20		
	Total	20								-	-	-	20		
# of livestock under increased technology and management	Previous	-	79,711	500,000	50,000	-	10,200	79,711	79,711	47,374	32,337	-	-		
	Current	-								-	-	-			
	Total	-								47,374	32,337	-	-	-	
# of individuals receiving agricultural and livestock inputs	Previous	398	13,040	115,000	30,000	-	8,650	13,040	13,040	9,058	3,666	-	196	12,645	275
	Current	120								-	-	-	120	120	-
	Total	518								9,058	3,666	-	316	12,765	275
# of hectares under improved irrigation in USG assisted areas	Previous	-	2,218	10,000	5,000	-	1,090	2,218	2,218	224	1,394	-	600		
	Current	-								-	-	-			
	Total	-								224	1,394	-	600	-	
# of people receiving business and vocational skills training	Previous	-	907	1,000	300	-	200	907	907	33	684	-	134	462	389
	Current	56								19	-	37	-	56	-
	Total	56								52	684	37	134	518	389
# of person days of business and vocational skills training	Previous	100	4,431	240,000	3,000	-	2,000	4,431	4,431	99	3,882	-	301	1,890	2,392
	Current	149								38	-	111	-	149	-
	Total	249								137	3,882	111	301	2,039	2,392
# of government line staff trained	Previous	-	308	500	100	31	30	277	308	242	21	17	28	291	17
	Current	-								-	-	-	-	-	

	Total	-								242	21	17	28	291	17
# of person days of government line staff trained	Previous	-	983	5,000	1,000	-	300	983	983	880	24	30	49	908	75
	Current	-								-	-	-	-	-	
	Total	-								880	24	30	49	908	75

ACDI/VOCA Biweekly Performance Indicator Table

July 16-31, 2010

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	Added this period		Actual to Date	IDEA-NEW LOP Target	ACDI/VOCA (LOP Target)	Actual (FY 09)	FY'10 Target	FY'10 Actual	Cumulative Actual (FY09 + 10)	By Province					By Gender	
										Balkh	Far-yab	Jawz-jan	Saman-gan	Sari Pul	Male	Female
# of families benefiting directly from USG intervention in Afghanistan	Previous	-	129,979	275,000	75,000	85,542	15,788	44,437	129,979	43,195	23,055	29,898	18,261	15,467		
	Current	103								103	-	-	-	-		
	Total	103								43,298	23,055	29,898	18,261	15,467		
# of KM of roads rehabilitated or built	Previous	-	-	500	125	-	60	-	-							
	Current	-								-	-	-	-			
	Total	-								-	-	-	-	-		
# of KM of irrigation system rehabilitated or built	Previous	-	1	350	25	-	22	1	1.18	1	-	-	-	-		
	Current	-								-	-	-	-			
	Total	-								1.18	-	-	-	-		
Wages (\$) paid through community constructed infrastructure projects to local community member	Previous	-	173,380	10,000,000	1,000,000	-	1,100,000	173,380	173,380	97,585	74,090	-	-	-	171,675	-
	Current	1,705								1,705	-	-	-	-	1,705	-
	Total	1,705								99,290	74,090	-	-	-	173,380	-
# of person days of labor on CCI projects by local community members	Previous	-	26,861	2,600,000	250,000	-	244,444	26,861	26,861	15,976	10,544	-	-	-	26,520	-
	Current	341								341	-	-	-	-	341	-
	Total	341								16,317	10,544	-	-	-	26,861	-
# of local community members employed on CCI projects	Previous	-	3,399	30,000	5,000	-	5,432	3,399	3,399	1,719	1,633	-	-	-	3,352	-
	Current	47								47	-	-	-	-	47	-
	Total	47								1,766	1,633	-	-	-	3,399	-
# of individuals who have received	Previous	-	104,730	375,000	225,000	85,542	5,000	19,188	104,730	28,378	14,845	29,290	17,175	15,042	104,718	12

USG-supported agricultural and livestock productivity training	Current	-								-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Total	-								28,378	14,845	29,290	17,175	15,042	104,718	12
# of persondays of USG-supported agriculture productivity training	Previous	-								7,596	3,682	7,966	4,721	3,928	27,888	4
	Current	-	27,892	125,000	56,250	-	1,252	27,892	27,892	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Total	-								7,596	3,682	7,966	4,721	3,928	27,888	4
# of hectares of alternative crops targeted by USG cultivation	Previous	-								61.71	8	6	3	2		
	Current	-	81	40,000	25,000	-	5,280	81	81.00	-	-	-	-	-		
	Total	-								61.71	8	6	3.4	2		
# of livestock under increased technology and management	Previous	-								-	330,778	-	52,575	-		
	Current	-	383,353	500,000	400,000	-	19,000	383,353	383,353	-	-	-	-	-		
	Total	-								-	330,778	-	52,575	-		
# of individuals receiving agricultural and livestock inputs	Previous	-								567	7,374	470	949	290	9,187	463
	Current	103	9,753	115,000	20,000	-	6,000	9,753	9,753	103	-	-	-	-	102	1
	Total	103								670	7,374	470	949	290	9,289	464
# of hectares under improved irrigation in USG assisted areas	Previous	-								745	1.3	2	2	1		
	Current	293.0	1,044	10,000	3,334	-	1,002	1,044	1,044	293	-	-	-	-		
	Total	293.0								1,037.9	1.3	1.8	2.0	1.0		
# of people receiving business and vocational skills training	Previous	-								257	74	131	135	131	251	477
	Current	-	728	1,000	100	-	24	728	728	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Total	-								257	74	131	135	131	251	477
# of person days of business and vocational skills training	Previous	-								564	116	428	439	423	395.0	1,575.3
	Current	-	1,970.3	240,000	2,000	-	10	1,970	1,970	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Total	-								563.9	115.6	428.1	439.3	423.4	395.0	1,575.3

# of government line staff trained	Previous	-	55	500	84	-	16	55	55	10	32	7	2	4	55	-		
	Current	-								-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Total	-								10	32	7	2	4	55	-		
# of person days of government line staff trained	Previous	-	26.6	5,000	840		8	27	27	4.0	17.4	3.0	1.0	1.3	26.6	-		
	Current	-								-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Total	-								4.0	17.4	3.0	1.0	1.3	26.6	-		

Impact Studies

IDEA-NEW *Impact Study No. 1, Melon Fly Control Training Impact Assessment, Badghis Province*, was completed in Dec 2009 and is available. Overall, the training was shown to be effective, increasing both melon yields and overall sales.

The table below shows some key results of the assessment:

**Melon Production and Sales
2009 vs. 2008**

Category	2009	2008	Increase	% Increase
Average Production Per farmer	1,211.0	315.0	896.0	284.4
Average Land Cultivated Per farmer	3.4	1.9	1.5	80.0
Average Production Per Jerib	354.1	165.8	188.3	113.6
Sample Size	125.0	125.0	0.0	0.0
Total Production for Sample	44,261.7	20,723.7	23,538.0	113.6
Total Farmers trained by IDEA-NEW/DAI	22,680.0	22,680.0	0.0	0.0
No. of possible samples	181.4	181.4	0.0	0.0
Total production (Kg) for all possible samples	8,030,842.1	3,760,105.3	4,270,736.8	113.6
Price (Afs)/Kg	7.8	11.4	(3.6)	(31.6)
Total Sale (Afs)	62,640,568.4	42,865,200.0	19,775,368.4	46.1
Total Sale (\$)	1,252,811.4	857,304.0	395,507.4	46.1

IDEA-NEW *Impact Study #2: TIMER Assessment for the Eastern Region*, was carried out by the program in the second quarter of FY'10.

The program works with approximately 15,000 farmers per season to grow high-value vegetables on ½ jerib plots that are then sold on local and regional markets. IDEA-NEW also maintains 135 demonstration farms for TIMER where thousands of participating farmers go for field days to learn about proper plot layout, planting, weeding, harvesting and other modern production techniques.

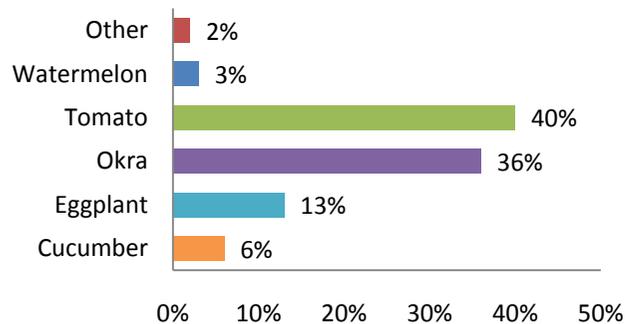
The findings of the impact study showed the program to be successful, with farmers on average producing and earning more than the previous season when they did not participate in the program.

Overall, total production increased. Average production per Jerib during the TIMER program was 1,148 Kgs. Prior to participating in TIMER, farmers noted that their average production was 499 kgs per Jerib.

Total sales of surplus vegetables also increased as a result of the TIMER program. Prior to TIMER, farmers reported selling around 188 Kgs of vegetables per Jerib. This number increased to 658 with TIMER. Incomes also increased, with average incomes of \$33 per Jerib increased to \$109 per Jerib.

Note: TIMER plots are ½ jerib in size. Per-Jerib averages at right are for comparison purposes only. For more information on the TIMER study, please see IDEA-NEW's *Impact Study #2: TIMER Assessment for the Eastern Region*.

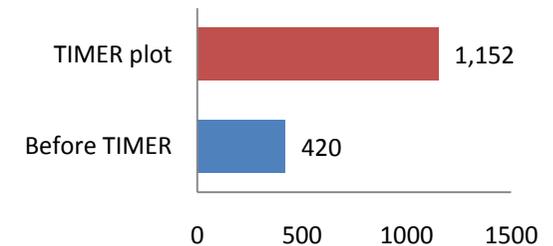
TIMER program vegetable



TIMER -- Average Per-Jerib Sales



TIMER-- Average production per Jerib (in kgs)



Annex I: CCI Project Data by Region

Eastern Region: July 16-31, 2010

	PROJECT NAME	PROJECT CODE	DISTRICT	July 01 to 15, 2010	July 16 to 31, 2010	REMARKS	Hectare irrigated (ha)	Canal length (m)	Protection wall length (m)	Road length (km)	Families benefited	Reservoir capacity (m3)
NANGARHAR PROVINCE												
1	Abezangani Pipe Scheme	CCI-080308	Hesarak	88%	95%	Active		6500	50		430	70cum
2	Khanjar Karez	CCI-080307	Hesarak	100%		Completed	50	1800	900		104	
3	Ragha Canal Improvement	CCI-080310	Hesarak	27%	29%	Active	200	8500	1913		800	
4	Kodikhil Ziarat Kaly Road	CCI-080410	Shirzad	0%		Pending/Security						
5	Kodikhil 200 KW MHP	CCI-080412	Shirzad	0%		Pending/Security						
6	Baghicha Road	CCI-080511	Khogyani	20%		Cancelled		880		281	9300	850
7	Darwazagai Canal Improvement	CCI-080512	Khogiani	100 %		Completed Nov 09	33.56	2000	255		205	
8	Nemla Manz Road	CCI-080513	Khogiani	15%		Cancelled	400		300	3000	800	
9	Loghdera Canal Intake Improvement	CCI-080514	Khogiani	100%		Completed Nov 09	61.9	2000	193		100	
10	Derga village Karez	CCI-080515	Khogyani	100%		Completed Jan 2010	300	3820	100		200	210cum
10	Toowda Chena Karez	CCI-080516	Khogyani	100%		Completed Jan 2010		1600				210Cum

12	Baghicha Karez Intake	CCI-080517	Khogyani	100%	100%	Completed March 2010	400	3030	50		300	450Cum
13	Seway Zangal Canal	CCI-080518	Khogyani	100%		Completed Jan 2010		5000	486			
14	Bibi Mahro Canal	CCI-080611	Chaparhar	96%	99%	Active	160	4000	258		600	
15	Kandi Bagh & Hafizan Canal Intake	CCI-o8o612	Chaparhar	65%	68%	Active	1200	14000	1020		1500	
16	Landi Pachir Canal Intake Improvement	CCI-080706	Pachir Wa Agam	100%		Completed Dec 2009	94.15		325+26 m Weir		700	
17	Landa Khil Canal Intake	CCI-080707	Pachir wa Agam	96%	98%	Active	120	12000	300		2000	
18	Landay Canal intake	CCI-080708	Pachir wa Agam	99%	99%	Active	200	6000	300		450	
19	Yaghiband MHP	CCI-080807	Dehballa	100%		Completed Jan 2010	8.16	3500	725		250	
20	Shpola canal Intake improvement	CCI-080808	Dehballa	35%	52%	Active	300	3500	515		1200	
21	Shalizar Canal Improvement	CCI-080905	Rodat	94%	98%	Active	360	100			300	
22	Terkhay Kariz Improvement	CCI-081106	Nazian	0%		Duplicate						
23	Qasi and Gograni Karez Intake	CCI-081309	Shinwar	100%		Completed Dec 2009	184.85	5000	410		820	
24	Landi Basswal girls school boundary wall & toilet	CCI-081405	Momandar a	6%	15%	Active			300		800	
24	Lalpur Guldag Road Repair	CCI-081504	Lalpur	100%		Completed				12 Km		
25	Qala Shahi School boundary construction	CCI-082005	Dare Nur	8%	13%	Active	3.056			140	500	
26	Sarachie Ali Khan School boundary wall implementation	CCI-082105	Behsud	14%	24%	Active	5.643		140		1500	
27	Trili Girls & Boys School Boundary Wall	CCI-082307	Achin	100%		Completed			300 m			
28	Makrana Canal Intake	CCI-082308	Achin	100%		Completed April 2010	120	3000	295		200	
29	Mamand Olas Canal	CCI-082309	Achin	35%	44%	Active	360		369		1000	

30	Mamand Tangi Village Bridge	CCI-082310	Achin	59%	62%	Active		2400		120	600 RCC	
31	Marko School Boundary Wall	CCI-081310	Shinwari	62%	70%	Active		900			800	
32	Baghcha Karez	CCI-081312	Shinwari	77%	90%	Active	80	330				
33	Koshtal MHP	CCI-082311	Achin	30%	32%	Active					350	
KUNAR PROVINCE												
34	Salar canal improvemet	CCI-100101	Asadabad	93%	95%	Active	3500	24000	3400		8500	
35	Marawara Kariz improvement	CCI-100201	Marawara	8%	12%	Active	400	2000	400		3600	
36	KCC Coble Stone Road Improvement	CCI-100701	Shegal	100%		Completed	50		250	0.750	200	
37	Warsak Dag Canal Intake Improvement	CCI-101207	Narang	100%		Completed Dec 2009	14.3		140+48 m Weir		1660	
38	Qazi Banda Canal Improvement	CCI-101310	Chowkay	100%		Completed Oct 2009	16.07		75		427	
39	Chawki Loi Canal	CCI-101311	Chowkay	100%		Completed	3000	11000	824		700	
40	Garigal Canal Intake Improvement	CCI-101312	Chowkay	50%	58%	Active						
LAGHMAN PROVINCE												
41	Sawati Road imp	CCI-090225	Qarghai	100%		Completed	500		638	10,000	800	
42	Shamangal Nelawat canal improvement	CCI-090127	Mehterlam	48%		Stopped due to increased water	600	8000	414		1500	
43	Nahri Karim Canal Improvement	CCI-090226	Qarghai	25%	28%	Active	2400	14000	200		4250	
NOORISTAN PROVINCE												
44	Malil Mashfa Road	CCI-300805	Nurgram	100%		Completed	400		341	3350	1400	

Northeastern Region: July 16-31, 2010

#	PROJECT NAME	PROJECT CODE	DISTRICT	Cum. Progress July 1- 15	Cum. Progress July 16- 31	REMARKS	Hectares irrigated (ha)	Canal Length (M)	Wall Length (M)	Road Length (Km)	Fam. Benefited	Reservoir Capacity (m3)
BADAKHSHAN PROVINCE												
1	Malangab Canal Intake Construction	MC-IDEA-NE-BD-E-001-09	Baharak	N/A	N/A	Handed Over	250	400	N/A	N/A	730	N/A
2	Furmuragh Canal Rehabilitation	MC-IDEA-NE-BD-E-002-09	Baharak	N/A	N/A	Handed Over	140	100	N/A	N/A	310	N/A
3	Nawai Jurm Canal Rehabilitation	MC-IDEA-NE-BD-E-003-09	Jurm	N/A	N/A	Handed Over	110	300	N/A	N/A	1150	N/A
4	Pestakhor Canal Rehabilitation	MC-IDEA-NE-BD-E-005-09	Argo	N/A	N/A	Handed Over	210	200	N/A	N/A	1050	N/A
5	Brokan Canal Rehabilitation	MC-IDEA-NE-BD-E-004-09	Yaftal	N/A	N/A	Handed Over	150	250	180	N/A	330	N/A
6	Dashti Qurugh Protection Wall	MC-IDEA-NE-BD-E-006-09	Faizabad	N/A	N/A	Handed Over	N/A	N/A	200	N/A	1040	N/A
7	Chashmah e Qalandar Gabion Protection Wall	MC-IDEA-NE-BD-E-008-09	Darayem	N/A	N/A	Handed Over	N/A	N/A	100	N/A	1330	N/A
8	Hafiz Mughul Gabion Protection Wall	MC-IDEA-NE-BD-E-0012-010	Argo	N/A	N/A	Completed	N/A	N/A	350	N/A	800	N/A
9	Wajinj Sakha Road	MC-IDEA-NE-BD-E-010-010	Baharak	N/A	N/A	Handed Over	N/A	N/A	N/A	3.701	1050	N/A
10	Kooch e Hisar Road	MC-IDEA-NE-BD-E-0011-010	Baharak	N/A	N/A	Handed Over	N/A	N/A	N/A	4.828	980	N/A
11	Balooch Gabion Protection Wall	MC-IDEA-NE-BD-E-0013-010	Kishem	90%	90%	Ongoing	N/A	N/A	400	N/A	1340	N/A
12	Khustak Gabion Protection Wall	MC-IDEA-NE-BD-E-014-010	Jurm	40%	40%	Ongoing	N/A	N/A	360	N/A	530	N/A

13	Sarlola Feeder Road	MC-IDEA-NE-BD-E-09-010	Khash	85%	90%	Ongoing	N/A	N/A	N/A	2	570	N/A
14	Dahbazar Gabion Protection Wall	MC-IDEA-NE-BD-E-015-010	Daryim	66%	75%	Ongoing	N/A	N/A	400	N/A	700	N/A
15	Andosha Aqueduct and Wash-Culvert Construction	MC-IDEA-NE-BD-E-017-010	Jurm	20%	30%	Ongoing	320	N/A	N/A	N/A	730	N/A
16	Farman Qului Canal Construction	MC-IDEA-NE-BD-E-018-10	Tagab	0%	3%	Ongoing	200	2000	N/A	N/A	450	N/A
17	Yasech Road Rehabilitation	MC-IDEA-NE-BD-E-019-10	Suhahda	0%	3%	Ongoing	N/A	N/A	N/A	4.8	1560	N/A

BAGHLAN PROVINCE

1	Flood Canal Rehabilitation	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-001-09	Burka	N/A	N/A	Completed	1367	2000	1332	N/A	1669	N/A
2	Kajnow Aqueduct Construction	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-003-09	Khost	N/A	N/A	Canceled	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	330	N/A
3	Larwan Reservoir and Piping	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-004-09	Khost	N/A	N/A	Completed	6.9	N/A	N/A	N/A	120	207
4	Charbagh Aqueduct Construction	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-002-09	Khost	N/A	N/A	Completed	20	7	N/A	N/A	183	N/A
5	Dawabi Road Rehabilitation	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-005-09	Khost	N/A	N/A	Completed	N/A	N/A	630	3	815	N/A
6	Furghanbul Road Rehabilitation	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-006-09	Khost	N/A	N/A	Completed	N/A	N/A	500	1	303	N/A
7	Gawargan Spillway Construction	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-007-09	Puli-Khumri	N/A	N/A	Completed	7000	24	24	N/A	12500	N/A
8	Women Gabion Weaving Training	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-018-09	Puli-Khumri	N/A	N/A	Completed	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	124	N/A
9	Women Gabion Weaving Training	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-023-010	Puli-Khumri	N/A	N/A	Completed	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	90	N/A
10	Gabion Weaving Training (for Handicapped) & Business Management	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-024-010	Puli-Khumri	70%	100%	Completed	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	208	N/A

	Training											
11	Bughawi Gabion Protection wall Construction	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-014-010	Puli-Khumri	N/A	N/A	Completed	N/A	N/A	1300	N/A	210	N/A
12	Shamarq Gabion Protection Wall Construction	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-016-09	Puli-Khumri	N/A	N/A	Completed	N/A	N/A	900	N/A	120	N/A
13	Baladori Gabion Protection Wall Construction	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-015-09	Puli-Khumri	N/A	N/A	Completed	N/A	N/A	1400	N/A	900	N/A
14	Karte-etifaq Gabion Protection Wall Construction	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-017-09	Puli-Khumri	N/A	N/A	Completed	N/A	N/A	800	N/A	180	N/A
15	Sayadi Bala Gabion Protection wall Construction	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-010-010	Puli-Khumri	N/A	N/A	Completed	N/A	N/A	750	N/A	117	N/A
16	Kart-e-Itfaq Road Rehabilitation	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-020-010	Puli-Khumri	62%	70%	Ongoing	N/A	N/A	800	10	1560	N/A
17	Nowabad-e-Flood Gabion Protection Wall Construction	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-008-010	Burka	N/A	N/A	Completed	N/A	N/A	1400	N/A	1127	N/A
18	Dahla Gabion Protection Wall Construction	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-09-010	Nahrin	N/A	N/A	Completed	N/A	N/A	750	N/A	94	N/A
19	Germaba Gabion Protection Wall Construction	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-013-010	Khost	N/A	N/A	Completed	N/A	N/A	1300	N/A	170	N/A
20	Puzayishan Hydraulic Ram Pump Installation	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-019-10	Puli-Khumri	65%	75%	Ongoing	100	N/A	30	N/A	70	24
21	Bughawi Gabion Protection Wall (Extension)	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-026-10	Puli-Khumri	N/A	N/A	Completed	N/A	N/A	750	N/A	400	N/A
22	Dasht-e-flood secondary Road Rehabilitation	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-022-10	Burka	65%	70%	Ongoing	N/A	N/A	N/A	8	1050	N/A
23	Now Abad-e-Flood secondary Road Rehabilitation	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-021-10	Burka	65%	70%	Ongoing	N/A	N/A	N/A	3	1200	N/A

24	Dahla Aqueduct Construction	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-011-10	Nahrin	50%	70%	Ongoing	150	20	N/A	N/A	94	N/A
25	Dar-e-Walian Piping & River Diversion	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-025-10	Burka	N/A	N/A	Completed	20	100	100	N/A	60	N/A
26	Aabqul Gabion Protection Wall	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-032-10	Baghlan-e-Markazi	70%	95%	Ongoing	15000	160	160	N/A	4666	N/A
27	Tangi Murch Aqueduct	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-027-10	Burka	15%	35%	Ongoing	300	18	18	N/A	1920	N/A
28	Markaz i Burka Protection Wall	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-028-10	Burka	25%	80%	Ongoing	24	10	N/A	40	240	N/A
29	Markaz i Burka Secondary Road Rehabilitation	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-029-10	Burka	0%	15%	Ongoing	N/A	N/A	N/A	3.5	400	N/A
TAKHAR PROVINCE												
1	Khoja Aroq Canals Wash-Culvert Rehabilitation	MC-IDEA-NE-TK-E-001-09	Taloqan	N/A	N/A	Completed	350	132	150	N/A	4200	N/A
2	Taloqan River Bank Gabion Dykes Construction	MC-IDEA-NE-TK-E-002-09	Taloqan	N/A	N/A	Completed	200	N/A	195	N/A	1400	N/A
3	Yakatal Canal Wash-Culvert	MC-IDEA-NE-TK-E-003-	Taloqan	N/A	N/A	Completed	210	43	120	N/A	2700	N/A

4	Khaja Hafiz Protection Dyke	MC-IDEA-NE-TK-E-005-10	Yangi Qala	85%	95%	Ongoing	1500	N/A	440	N/A	2500	N/A
5	Nuqra Chashma Canal Intake	MC-IDEA-NE-TK-E-004-10	Kalafgan	50%	60%	Ongoing	210	N/A	260	N/A	300	N/A
6	Khaja Mukhtar Canal Intake	MC-IDEA-NE-TK-E-006-10	Taloqan	50%	68%	Ongoing	2000	305	260	N/A	2000	N/A
7	Ganjelibagh Gabion Protection Wall	MC-IDEA-NE-TK-E-007/10	Taloqan	1%	5%	On going	300	N/A	300	N/A	150	N/A
8	Gazan Road and Bridge Construction	MC-IDEA-NE-TK-E-008/10	Chah Aab	0%	1%	On going	3000	N/A	9.2	N/A	2200	N/A
9	Qazaq and Baghak Road and Bridge Construction	MC-IDEA-NE-TK-E-009/10	Taloqan	0%	0.5%	On going	126	N/A	30	1.7	1250	N/A

KUNDUZ PROVINCE

1	Boen Gabion Protection Dike	MC-IDEA-NE-UND-E-001-10	Khanabad	25%	30%	Ongoing	2000	0	450	N/A	550	N/A
2	Mula Karim siphon and retaining wall	MC-IDEA-NE-UND-E-002/10	Khan Abad	4%	27%	On going	100	45	700	N/A	360	N/A

Northern Region July 16-31, 2010

	PROJECT NAME	PROJECT CODE	DISTRICT	July 01-15, 2010	July 16-31, 2010	REMARKS	Hectares irrigated (ha)	Protection wall length (m)	Road length (km)	Families benefited
	SARI PUL									
1	Micro-hydropower (MHP),Chaila village, Balkhab, Sari Pul	MHP8200.5/1	Balkhab	70%	70%	13KW				150
2	Micro-hydropower (MHP),Hoosh village, Balkhab, Sari Pul	MHP8200.5/2	Balkhab	88%	88%	40KW				180
3	Micro-hydropower (MHP),Khamshorak village, Balkhab, Sari Pul	MHP8200.5/3	Balkhab	50%	50%	10.4KW				70
4	Micro-hydropower (MHP),Parawshan village, Balkhab, Sari Pul	MHP8200.5/4	Balkhab	90%	90%	24KW				130
5	Micro-hydropower (MHP), Dahna Wa Takhsar village, Balkhab, Sari Pul	MHP8200.5/5	Balkhab	35%	35%	21KW				380
	FARYAB									
6	Micro-hydropower (MHP),Badi village, Qaysar, Faryab	MHP8200.5/11	Qaysar	100%	100%	3.5KW				60
7	Micro-hydropower (MHP),Gerd-e-Qala village, Kohistan	MHP8200.5/12	Kohistan	100%	100%	5KW				80
8	Micro-hydropower (MHP),Keen Qul village, Bilchiragh	MHP8200.5/6	Bilchiragh	100%	100%	11KW				200
9	Micro-hydropower (MHP), Anjeerak village, Bilchiragh	MHP8200.5/7	Bilchiragh	100%	100%	12.5KW				180
10	Micro-hydropower (MHP), Khush Gozar village, Bilchiragh	MHP8200.5/8	Bilchiragh	100%	100%	14.1KW				180
11	Micro-hydropower (MHP), Mirzayee #1 village, Bilchiragh	MHP8200.5/9	Bilchiragh	100%	100%	10.2KW				180
12	Micro-hydropower (MHP), Mirzayee #2 village, Bilchiragh	MHP8200.5/10	Bilchiragh	100%	100%	11.6KW				180
13	CCI Road Rehab, Maymana/Bilchiragh	CCI-18-06-FA04	Pashtun Kot and	98%	100%			76m	52 km	50000

			Bilchiragh							
	BALKH									
14	CFW Khulm/Tela Gabion Protection Wall	CFW16 14 BL01	Khulm	100%	100%		9600	975m		12000
15	CFW Khulm/Do Darak Retaining Wall	CFW 200102	Khulm	100%	100%		9600	100m		12000
16	Warehouse Road Improvement		Mazar-e- Sharif	100%	100%				0.7km	450
17	Mazar Almond Market PCC Platform	BL007	D1 Mazar	5%	20%	158 Shops				
18	CFW Khulm River Gabion protection Extension	BL003	Khulm	0%	3%		500	550m		500

Western Region: July 16-31, 2010

	PROJECT NAME	PROJECT CODE	DISTRICT	Progress % cumulative July 1-15	Progress % cumulative July 16-31	REMARKS	Hectares irrigated (ha)	Canal length (m)	Wall length (m)	Road length (km)	Families benefited	Reservoir capacity (m3)
1	DehZangy Payan	CCI 190201	Abkamary	100	100	Complete	90	2500	235		300	
2	Dehzangy Bala	CCI 190202	Abkamarty	100	100	Complete	240	6000	160		600	
3	Dehzenger	CCI 190203	Abkamary	100	100	Complete	50	3500	155		200	
4	Zaemat Canal Improvement	CCI 190207	Abkamary	55	65	Ongoing	120	7000	380/65		200	
5	Gudol Canal Protection	CCI 190205	Abkamary	92	94	ongoing	180	3700	250		700	
6	Pahlawan Canal Protection	CCI 190206	Abkamary	92	94	Ongoing	160	3500	300		500	
7	Kham e Abbasi Canal Improvement	CCI 190709	Muqur	45	70	Ongoing	100	3200	150		300	
8	Tagab e Ismail Canal improvement	CCI 190108	Qala e Now	50	75	Ongoing	120	4200	320		800	
9	Echka Canal improvement	CCi 190716	Muqur	15	18	Ongoing	40	5500	235		470	
10	Karkeyha MHP (7KW)	CCI 190311	Qades	18	27	Ongoing Ongoing					80	
11	Sarasyab MHP (4KW)	CCI 190310	Qades	18	25	Ongoing					60	
12	Haje Abdulla MHP (3KW)	CCI 190312	Qades	18	30	Ongoing					80	
13	Deh Breenge MHP (10KW)	CCI 190321	Qades	18	30	Ongoing					180	
14	Agha MHP (3KW)	CCI 190120	Qala E ow	18	27	Ongoing					110	
15	Talabe Beland MHP (4KW)	CCI 190118	Qala E Now	18	25	Ongoing					130	

16	Kondalam MHP (4KW)	CCI 190114	Qala E Now	19	20	Ongoing					50	
17	Amala MHP (4KW)	CCI 190113		18	25	Ongoing					80	
18	Arbab Mohammed Canal	CCI 190119	Qala E Now	8	8	Ongoing	250	3500	150		80	
19	Tangy canal Intake Improvement	CCI 190717	Muqur	8	8	Ongoing	700	12000	400		2500	
20	Badghis W/S Market	CCI 190104	Qala E Now	4	7	Ongoing						

Annex II: Farmer training Summary Eastern Region, July 1-15, 2010

Nº	Province	Districts	Staple Crops				CDF	TIMER	Orchard Dev. Prog	FIELD Program ^{10/}	Nursery Dev Prog ^{11/}		Nº Farmers		
			Mung bean ^{1/}	Onion ^{2/}	Tomatoes ^{4/}	Yellow Mize ^{5/}	Vegetables ^{6/}	Vegetables ^{7/}			Male	Females	Male	Female	Total
1	Nangarhar	Achin					43								43
2	Nangarhar	Batikot					22		37						59
3	Nangarhar	Bedsood							46						46
4	Nangarhar	Chaparhar	17			13	22	24	41						117
5	Nangarhar	Dari nor	12				74		21						107
6	Nangarhar	Dihbala					65	42							107
8	Nangarhar	Ghanikhil	19				21		27						67
9	Nangarhar	Goshta	15				46		55						116
10	Nangarhar	Hissarak			38		20		49						107
11	Nangarhar	Kama	33			18		37	132						220
12	Nangarhar	Khogyani		15			74	53	16						158
13	Nangarhar	Kot				18	44	42	77						181
14	Nangarhar	Kuz Kunar	57			41	24		41						163
16	Nangarhar	Momandara					44	19	39						102
17	Nangarhar	Nazian					43								43
18	Nangarhar	Pachir Wa Agam	16			29	44								89
19	Nangarhar	Rodat					40		32						72
20	Nangarhar	Sherzad							16						16
21	Nangarhar	Spinghar					27	19							46
22	Nangarhar	Surkhrod					18		45						63
		Sub-total	169	15	38	119	671	236	674	0	0	0	0	0	1,922
23	Kunar	Asad Abad	24	21				19	51		30				145
24	Kunar	Asmar				13			45						58
25	Kunar	Chawky					28	39			4				71
26	Kunar	Dangan							20						20
27	Kunar	Khas Kunar					36	49	75		3				163
28	Kunar	Manogai				13			18						31
29	Kunar	Marawara					37								37
30	Kunar	Narang	22			18	23	47	29		5				144
32	Kunar	Noorgal					69	20							89
33	Kunar	Serkaney					41	20	20						81
34	Kunar	Shegal						43	40						83
35	Kunar	Watapur		22			39	24							85
		Sub-total	46	43	0	44	273	261	298	0	42	0	0	0	1,007
36	Laghman	Alingar					114	47	13						174
37	Laghman	Alishang						50							50
38	Laghman	Dawlat shat					67								67
39	Laghman	Mehtarlam		19				27	15						61
40	Laghman	Qarghaee					66		32						98
		Sub-total	0	19	0	0	247	124	60	0	0	0	0	0	450
	Total		215	77	38	163	1,191	621	1,032	0	42	0	0	0	3,379

Annex III: Biweekly Sales Data—Eastern Region

July 16-31, 2010: Biweekly Sales Table

Products	Local Market		High Value Market		Export Market		Total weight & Value	
	Kg	\$	K	\$	Kg	\$	Kg	\$
Vegetables	108,500	18,990	309	460	2310,00	45,815	339,809	65,265
Fruits	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Herbs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cheese	305.4	916.2	0	0	0	0	305.4	916.2
Masroor Foods	0	2,500	0	0	0	0	0	2,500
Textile	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chicks Hatched	0	9,428	0	0	0	0	0	9,428
Packaging Cartoons	0	1,785	0	0	0	0	0	1,785
Total	108,805.4	33,619.2	309	460	231,000	45,815	340,114.4	79,894.2
Sales directly facilitated by the project since 15 th to 31 st July 2010							79,894.20	

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Products	Local Market		High Value Market		Export Market		Total Weight & Value	
	Kg	\$	Kg	\$	Kg	\$	Kg	\$
Vegetables	2,117,600	466,657	27,760	36,292	6,487,000	1,660,849	8,632,360.00	2,142,494.00
Fruits	187,386	55,108	6,530	16,461	0	0	193,916.00	71,569.00
Herbs	709	200	0	0	0	0	709.00	200.00
Cheese	7,129.30	21,654.60	0	0	0	0	7,129.30	21,654.60
Masroor Foods	0	35,231	0	912	0	0	0.00	36,143.00
Textile	0	15,323.80	0	0	0	0	0.00	15,323.80
Snacks	0	20,620	0	4,391.90	0	0	0.00	25,011.90
Chicks Hatched	0	76,949	0	0	0	0	0.00	76,949.00
Cartoons Riaz	0	8,780	0	0	0	0	0.00	8,780.00
Total	2,469,824.30	700,522.19	34,630	58,451.35	6,487,000	1,660,849	8,991,454.30	2,419,823.30

Annex IV: Non-CCI Project List (separate attachment)

See separate attachment.

Annex V: IDEA-NEW Biweekly Grants Update

During reporting period, the grants section received a concept from the PSD section of IDEA-NEW for the Kaayenat Henna Processing and Talcum Powder Factory situated in Qarghaie District of Laghman Province. The concept was presented to the grants evaluation committee members and they recommended that it be forwarded to the Project Director for concept approval.

Also, the technical and cost evaluation was completed for Sadam Textile Weaving Company located in Kama District of Nangarhar Province. Evaluation committee members recommended the application for grants stage. After the EMS approval, grants section will send an agreement for final approval to the Project Director.

July 16-31, 2010 Grants Table

Name of Grantee/ Concept	District/ Province	Concept Approved by Evaluation Committee	Concept Approved by Project Director	# of Awards	Grant Status	Start Date	Type	Estimated Grant Amount (USD)	Duration	Deliverables
Riaz Packaging Factory	Surkhroad/ Nangrarhar	No Concept	No Concept	1	Approved	01 April, 2010	In- Kind	\$15,000	2.5 months	Increased number of printed labels for boxes
Amiri & Brother's Carpentry Workshop	Kabul Taimani Watt	No Concept	No Concept	1	Approved	14 Dec, 2009	In- Kind	\$11,200	2 Months	Registration with AISA and renovation of workshop
Rohafza Jam and Pickle company/ Rohafza	10 Jalalabad City/Nangar har province	Approved	Approved	1	Approved	11-Feb, 2010	In- Kind	\$8,829	2 months	Increased production and sales of Jam and Pickles

Support to the Local hatcheries/ Haji Shams ul Haq	Surkhroad, Nangarhar and Surobi, Kabul	Approved	Approved	3	Approved	6-Mar-10	In-Kind	\$10,000	5 months	Hiring of ten employees each and ensure good bio-security measures
Vermicelli& Noodles Factory/ Shamshad	District and village TBD soon (Nangarhar province)	Approved	Approved	1	Approved	20 Mar, 2010	In-Kind	\$23,308	4 months	1) Aisa Registration 2) Hiring of Additional 15 Staff members 3) Increased production and sales of Vermicelli and Noodles
Wasim Chair Manufacturing Factory	Jalalabad City, Nangrarhar Province	Approved	Approved	1	Approved	20 Feb, 2010	In-Kind	\$5,000	3 months	Registration with AISA. Hiring of 7 employees and increase the production and sale of plastic furniture.
Omer Farooq Food Company	Jalalabad City, Nangrarhar Province	Approved	Approved	1	Approved	01 Apr, 2010	In-Kind	\$45,000	5 months	Hiring of 60 employees and local purchase of raw materials, to increase local cake and pastry manufacturing
Baryalaic bicycle Factory	Surkhroad District, Nangarhar Province	Approved	Approved	1	Approved	1-Jul-10	In-Kind	\$23,000	4months	1)Hiring of 20 Employee 2) Increase the production and sale of Bicycles 3) local procurements
Marble and Granite Processing/ Lajbar Marble	Shirzad District, Nangarhar	Approved	Approved	1	Approved	1-Jul-10	In-Kind	\$60,000	6months	1) Aisa Registration 2) Hiring of Additional 28 Staff members 3) Grantee Should purchase new 250 KW generator 4) Increased production of marble and granite

Marble and Granite Processing/ Arian Marble	Eastern Region, Nangrarhar Province, Surkhroad district	Approved	Approved	1	Approved	1-Jul-10	In-Kind	\$60,000	6months	1) Aisa Registration 2) Hiring of Additional 15 Staff members 3) Increased production of marble and granite.
Textile Weaving Businesses	Nangrarhar, Shirzad District	Approved	Approved	25	On Hold By PSD	TBD	In-Kind	\$0.00	3 months	TBD
Nangrarhar Juice Production Factory	Nangrarhar Province, Surkhroad district	Approved	Approved	1	On Hold By PSD	TBD	In-Kind and FOG	\$0.00	5 months	TBD
Fruits Pulp Centers for Fruit Growers Assn.	Nangrarhar & Kunar, Exact location TBD	Approved	Approved	2	On Hold By PSD	TBD	In-Kind	\$0.00	5 months	TBD
Sisters' bakery	Surkhroad District, Nangrarhar Province	Approved	Pending	1	Pending Approval	TBD	In-Kind	\$0.00	5 months	TBD

Boiler Breeder Farm/ Hedayat Barakat Broiler Breeder Farm	Eastern Region and Kabul	Approved	Approved	1	Approved	01 July, 2010	In-Kind	\$52,174	6months	<p>1) Construction of building for 6150 day old Broiler Breeder , Purchasing of automatic Drinker and Feeder</p> <p>2) Grantee should order the Broiler Breeder chicks as soon the grants is approved</p> <p>3) 50 % of Grant value will be given back to IDEA-NEW in form of Days old Chicks</p>
Happy Afghanistan Sports/Muhammad Katoor	Zone no 4, Jalalabad, Nangarhar	Approved	Approved	1	Approved	01 Aug, 2010	In-Kind	\$7,000.00	4 months	<p>1)Increase production</p> <p>2)Construction of building and Hiring 8 new staff member</p> <p>3)Aisa Registration</p>
Drinking Water Supply	Shinwar District, Nangarhar Province	Approved	Approved	6	Approved	20 May 2010	In-Kind	\$11,550	2months	Unskilled Labor will be the Community Contribution
Barkakokhiel Pipe scheme & Sanitation Project	Surkhroad, Nangarhar	Approved	Pending	1	Pending Approval	TBD	In-Kind	\$0.00	2months	Unskilled Labor will be the Community Contribution
Gulayee Village Aqueduct project	Ghanikhil, Nangarhar	Approved	Approved	1	Approved		In-Kind	\$8,706.00	2months	Unskilled Labor will be the Community Contribution

Tatang Gravelling Road	Surkhroad, Nangarhar	Approved	Pending	1	Pending	TBD	In-Kind	\$0.00	5months	Unskilled Labor will be the Community Contribution
Fruit Dehydration	Batikot Nangarhar, Qarghai, Laghman	Pending More Info	Pending	2	Send back to PSD for more info	TBD	In-Kind	\$0.00	5months	TBD
Army Uniform Sewing Project	Nangarhar	Approved	Approved	1	Approved	01 July, 2010	FOG	\$52,200	6 months	<p>Work Plan</p> <p>CVs of key project staff</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Monthly reports</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Signed daily attendance sheets for training activities</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Photos</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Testing for training activities</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Signed acknowledgement letter for completion of the project by the relevant government dept and</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final Report</p>
Ajmal Rahmani Dry Fruit Processing and Packing Company	Jalalabad City, Nangarhar Province	Approved	Approved	1	Under Review	TBD	In-Kind	\$0.00	4 months	TBD

Pure Afghan Dry Fruit Processing Company	Asadabad District, Kunar Province	Approved	Approved	1	Under Review	TBD	In-Kind	\$0.00	4 Months	TBD
Peanuts & Pine nuts Processing	1) Nangarhar Province Jalalabad district	Approved	Approved	1	RFA closing date extended to 15 June 2010	TBD	In-Kind	\$0.00	4 months	TBD
English, Computer and Management training to Women and school youth girls	1) Nangarhar, Laghman and Kunar Province	Approved	Approved	1	RFA closed on 15 June 2010. 4 applicant applies for RFA	TBD	FOG	\$0.00	6 months	TBD
Small Joinery Businesses/ Watan Dost	Nangarhar Province Achin district	Approved	Approved	1	Approved	01 July, 2010	In-Kind	\$9,800	2 months	1) Aisa Registration 2) Hiring of 6 Employees and provide training 3) Increase production of Door, Window and cupboard
Textile Weaving	Nangarhar Province, Kama and Achin district	Approved	Approved	2	Application Pending with Grantee	TBD	In-Kind	\$0.00	3 Months	TBD
Waheed Soap Factory	Nangarhar Province Behsud district	Approved	Approved	1	Approved	01 Aug, 2010	In-Kind	\$30,000.00	3 Months	1)Construction of building to accommodate new machinery

										2) Hiring of 13 New staff members 3) Purchased Raw Materials and increase the production and improve quality 4) Purchased Cartons form Riaz Packages Factory
Cotton Processing	Nangarhar Province Achin district	Approved	Approved	1	Application Pending with grantee	TBD	In-Kind	\$0.00	3 Months	TBD
Ali Zada Green House	Nangarhar Province Surkhroad district	Approved	Approved	1	Cost and Technical evaluation done.	TBD	In-Kind	\$0.00	4 Months	TBD
Marble and Granite Processing Kunar/ Pasad Marble	Kunar District, Asadabad city	Approved	Approved	1	RFA closed on 13 June 2010.	TBD	In-Kind	\$0.00	6 Months	TBD
Marble and Granite Processing Kunar/ Stone A One	Kunar Province Asadabad city	Approved	Approved	1	RFA Closed on 13 June 2010.	TBD	In-Kind	\$0.00	6 Months	TBD
Bibi Aisha Carpet Producer Association	Nangarhar Province Surkhroad district, Faizabad	Approved	Approved	1	On Hold By IDEA-NEW	TBD	In-Kind	\$0.00	6 Months	TBD

	Village									
Akhund Village Canal protection wall project	Akhund Village, Kama District, Nangarhar Province	Approved	Approved	1	Pending with Applicant	TBD	In-Kind	\$0.00	40 Days	TBD
Dago Village Canal Protection wall project	Dago Village Chaparhar District, Nangarhar Province	Approved	Approved	1	Application pending with Applicant	TBD	In-Kind	\$0.00	2 Months	TBD
Mohammad Haroon Ibrahimi Walnuts Processing company	Kunar Province. Asadabad district	Approved	Approved	1	Not Approved	TBD	In-Kind	\$0.00	4 Months	Note: Applicant applied for the walnuts grants through RFA and was not approved by Regional Director
Maiwand Taqab Walnuts Processing and Packing Company	Nangarhar District, Jalalabad city	Approved	Approved	1	Not Approved	TBD	In-Kind	\$0.00	4 Months	Note: Applicant applied for the walnuts grants through RFA and was not approved by Regional Director
(AWARD)	Mehterlam/ Laghman	No Concept	No Concept	1	Not approved	TBD	Fixed Obl	\$0.00	10 months	Increase the capacity of Afghan women.
Layer Poultry Farms		Approved	Approved	25	Not Approved	TBD	In-Kind	\$0.00	6 Months	TBD
Marble and Granite Processing/ National Marble	Surkhroad District, Nangarhar	Approved	Approved	1	Not approved	TBD	In-Kind	\$0.00		TBD

Omaid Khalid Poultry Services	Behsud District, Nangarhar	Approved	Approved	1	Not approved	TBD	In-Kind	\$0.00		TBD
Small Joinery Businesses/ Toti Gul	Nangarhar Province Achin district	Approved	Approved	1	Cancelled	01 July, 2010	In-Kind	\$9,800	2 months	1) Aisa Registration 2) Hiring of 5 Employees and provide training 3) Increase production of Door, Window and cupboard
Balkh Livestock Development Union (BLDU)	Balkh District, Balkh Province Sholgara District, Balkh Province Hazrati Sultan Dsistrict, Samangan Province, Aybak Dsitric, Samangan Province Qush Tipa District, Saripul Province Sayed Abad District, Saripul Province	March 22/10	June 10/10	1	Awarded	July 1/10	Cost reimbursement	\$168,420	2 years	Training of staff Installation/commission equipment Training of members in improved housing, nutrition, and care of cows Average daily milk yields exceed 4 liters 100 Nos improved cross-breed female calves Sale of produce to BLDU in Year 1 >\$28,500 Sale of produce to BLDU in Year 2 >\$42,700

	Aqcha District, Jawzjan Province, Faizabad District, Jawzjan Province Khwaja Sabz Posh District, Faryab Province, Pashtun Kot District, Faryab Province									
Community of Mardian Village, Jawzjan	Mardian, Jawzjan Province	May15/10	June 10/10	1	Awarded	July 15/10	In-kind	\$65,000	3 months	Install the 2 Nos water storage pondliners
Khulm Community	Khulm District, Balkh Province	May 4/10	May 10/10	1	Awarded	July 15/10	In-kind	\$99,000	3 months	Construction of a gabion wall having a length of 550 meters in the Khulm River basis under the Project Phase 2.
Balkh Livestock Development Union (BLDU)	Mazar-e-Sharif, Balkh Province	June 10/10	Jul 15/10	1	Approval under process	August 1/10	In-kind	\$34,000	1 month	Supply of Ice Cream producing equipment to BLDU for use/return Product diversification by adding ice cream to BLDU's current production line

Annex VI: Cooperative Agreement Information

Project: Incentives Driving Economic Alternatives for the North, East and West (IDEA-NEW)

Start Date: March 2, 2009

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