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Photo: A view of crops supported by IDEA-NEW in Ghani Khail District of Nangarhar Province.



Photo: IDEA-NEW field technician treats seedling roots with fungicide in Kama District of Nangarhar Province.

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Acronyms

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

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 Province; Home-based poultry business owner, Argo District, Badakhshan Province; CCI laborer, Abkamary District, Badghis Province



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 USD 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 production farms that are used as training grounds, where farmers are trained 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 USD 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, talc miners, beekeepers, women's handicrafts and others.

USG and GIROA Coordination:

- A Livestock De-worming 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 de-wormed in 14 of Faryab's Districts. A similar program in Badghis has already de-wormed 350,000 livestock in 2010.
- 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 2010 in which all 34 Provincial Directorates participated. The program kicked off a national Agriculture Extension Program for the country, and has been followed up by regional level Agriculture Extension and the Planning, Budgeting, Implementation and Organization of Agriculture Projects that have been held across 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 USD 5.3 million from Afghan vendors since June 2009.

Biweekly Highlights

October 1 – 15, 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 (GIROA) capacity to respond to the needs of its citizens.

Job Creation/ Community-Constructed Infrastructure (CCI):

During the reporting period, IDEA-NEW worked on 62 community-constructed infrastructure (CCI) projects throughout its areas of operation. In the reporting period, it paid USD 227,055 in wages and generated 11,728 person days.

To date, the project has paid USD 4.04 million in wages and created 683,095 person-days for more than 25,803 persons, representing 2,627 full-time equivalent (FTE) jobs.

A total of 64 projects were active: 11 CCI projects were active in the eastern region, 17 in the northeast, 16 in north/central and 18 in the west.

The following CCI projects finished in the reporting period:

- The Dehbazar Gabion Protection Project in Darayim District of Badakhshan Province was completed during the reporting period. The local *shura* prioritized flood control for this area and sought IDEA-NEW's help in creating a 150m protection wall. The new retaining wall protects 200 hectares of land that is home to 700 families and a girls' school.
- The Hydraulic Ram Pump Installation Project in Puli Khumri District of Baghlan Province was handed over to the Agriculture Department and local *shura*. Through this project 100 hectares of planted orchards are currently being irrigated. The pump works by forcing water from a low-lying stream up the side of a hill to the reservoir. The hillsides have been recently reforested and are fed by the water from the reservoirs.
- The Khaja Mukhtar Canal Intake in Taloqan District of Takhar Province was completed during the reporting period. The lining of the canal will help improve water flow and help it to last longer than a mud-walled canal. The project also includes a stone masonry canal intake with two gates to control the flow of water. The project serves about 2,000 families on 2,000 hectares of land.

New CCI projects started in the biweekly period:

- The Daga Canal Intake Improvement project started work on October 02, 2010. IDEA-NEW will construct an intake which will provide sufficient water for three canals at the same time irrigating over 1,200 jeribs of land belonging to the farms of approximately 345 families in three Ghani Khail District villages. The project will rehabilitate a 90-meter long Stone Masonry and RCC intake structure with a total length of 365 m canal protection walls/intake wing walls and two regulator gates.

Job Creation/ Agriculture Productivity and Agribusiness

- During the reporting period, 9,055 different varieties of citrus bud woods were provided to the nursery growers from PHDP citrus stock nurseries.

- The Perennial Horticulture Program also facilitated the participation of six members from Kunar, Laghman and Nangarhar Nursery Grower Associations at the Ag-Fair held in Badam Bagh, Kabul.
- During the reporting period, a total of 757 farmers were trained during 38 field days in different districts of Nangarhar (535) and Laghman (222) Provinces under the TIMER Voucher Program.
- During the reporting period, a total of 199 farmers received technical assistance on water management and basin preparation around the planted trees in various districts of the eastern region for their forestry plots planted in spring 2010.
- The broiler breeder farm located in Behsud District produced 7,950 fertile eggs during the reporting period and they were moved to the hatchery in Sarobi to produce day old broiler chicks.
- In *Badakhshan* Province, the fruit tree nursery establishment project is ongoing, and grafting (i.e. budding) of saplings continues. The grafting process was completed for 29 fruit tree nurseries in Baharak, Yaftal and Faizabad districts. A total of 112,711 local fruit tree root stock saplings were grafted with buds of improved and high yielding varieties.
- During the reporting period the third round of balanced feed distribution was completed in Bangi and Baharak districts of Takhar Province, covering 1,000 animals belonging to 200 families. Staff weighed 500 calves and the average gain was 19.5 kg.
- The system of rice intensification (SRI) harvest was completed in 42 SRI sowing rice plots in Kishem District of Badakhshan Province at last week. In 2009, the average amount of rice produced on a half jerib using traditional methods was 539kg, but the average amount produced on a half jerib using the SRI was 2,200kg this year. The project had 50 beneficiaries, who commented that SRI is indeed more labor intensive but produces vastly higher yields.

Job Creation/Rural Job Creation

- During the reporting period, the facility provided its packing services to 374.6 kg of vegetables and 49.5 kg fresh fruits worth USD 294.21 under the brand of "Pride of the Eastern Region,"
- Approximately, 8,000 plastic bags of Morphan saplings and 6,000 plastic bags of pine saplings were cultivated under the fruit and nuts value chain
- Shamshad Noodle and Vermicelli Factory continued its operations producing four metric tons of vermicelli during the reporting period. The factory successfully entered the local market and has the capacity to produce 1.5 mts per day. This project has created 10 local employment opportunities.
- Eighty-nine (89) carpets of various sizes have been weaved by ZRM Carpet Weaving Company to be shipped to a buyer in Canada
- Support was extended to six manufacturing businesses (textile, confectionary, handicraft, packhouse, fruit jam and snacks) to participate in the Ag-Fair in Kabul in early October. The six exhibitors had total sales of USD 1,739.56. They were also visited by several buyers, which may lead to longer business relationships.
- IDEA-NEW also facilitated the export of 10 mt of pomegranates to India worth USD 10,294. This was the first shipment of pomegranates from Nangarhar Province to Indian markets by local traders.
- The IDEA-NEW Agriculture development team finalized and signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Samangan Agricultural Retailers for the vineyard trellising.
- During the reporting period, IDEA-NEW held four field days for a total of 290 farmers, two field days of irrigated demonstration plots and two of rain fed demonstration plots, in Pashtun Kot and Almar districts of Faryab Province.

Building Capacity

- IDEA-NEW continued to support the Nangarhar Talc Producers and Traders Association (NTPTA). During the reporting period, NTPTA exported 4,710 mt of talc to Pakistan and generated USD 1,706.5.
- English Computer and Management Training for female youth and professional women will be provided in Kunar, Laghman and Nangarhar provinces. The training will be based in Directorate of Women Affairs in Laghman and Kunar provinces. During the reporting period, pre-test preparation was conducted in each provincial DoWA.
- During the reporting period in Badakhshan, 60 farmers have been trained in Kishem and Jurm districts for four hours in each location on Community Mobilization techniques and projects selection criteria for the upcoming Agriculture, Livestock and Infrastructure projects. An additional 17 CDC representatives received training for agriculture programs in Tagob District.
- The fourth monthly coordination meeting with the board of directors of six Agricultural Retailing Associations of Balkh, Samangan, Jawzjan, Sari Pul and Faryab provinces was held for the month of October. The objective of the meetings was to determine how the associations will use their working capital funds created from sales and renting of the in-kind grant items they received from IDEA-NEW.

USG & GIROA Coordination

- IDEA-NEW Agriculture Project Integration Senior Officer participated in Laghman and Nangarhar Provinces TWG meetings.
- Introducing letter of CoP delivered to Minister and deputies of ministers and proceeded NVDA contract with MAIL too.
- As a result of close coordination with MAIL, FAO, NVDA, foundation seed (FS) has been threshed and samples of the six different varieties will be transferred to NAIL lab for certification.
- On October 4th, the IDEA NEW met with RC North to discuss IDEA-NEW cooperation on CERP projects. IDEA-NEW has identified four infrastructure projects which it believes could be supported by CERP. IDEA-NEW has offered the services of its engineering and infrastructure department to provide plans and Bill of Quantities (BoQs) for CERP submissions.

Key Problems/Constraints:

- During the reporting period, all infrastructure activities have been stopped in Kunar Province. Currently IDEA-NEW senior team is evaluating the situation and the ground realities after the incident of September 26(abduction of staffs).
- During the reporting period, security condition of Hesarak District is still not normal. All engineers are instructed to coordinate activities very closely with community elders.

Afghanization and Afghan First

Locally purchased materials for the Eastern and Western regions for the reporting period were USD 436,630.11. Locally purchased materials for IDEA-NEW Northeast were USD 69,991.03 and USD 176,500 in the North/Central regions.

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 on the successes of previous USAID projects in the area, which built strong relations among local stakeholders, and have 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 to 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 11 CCI projects in the eastern region, generating 3,816 person days worth USD 22,888 in wages, and employing 493 people. Due to the abduction of IDEA-NEW staff during the last reporting period, all CCI projects continue to be suspended. Please also see Annex I for more detail on all CCI projects.

October 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	5	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Laghman	3	1	1	1	1,223	0	6,700	0	1,223	6,700	151	0
Nangarhar	35	20	10	5	2,593	0	16,188	0	2,593	16,188	342	0
Nooristan	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	46	27	11	8	3,816	0	22,888	0	3,816	22,888	493	0

Projects started during the reporting period:**CCI-081313, Daga Canal Intake Improvement Project, Ghani Khail District, Nangarhar Province**

The Daga Canal Intake Improvement project started work on October 02, 2010. The project is located in the transitional zone of Ghani Khail District in Nangarhar Province. The irrigation system is fed from three existing intakes locally constructed along the Nazian Wash. Damaged by regular floods; the intakes are depilated and are in need of repair. IDEA-NEW will construct an intake which will provide sufficient water for three canals at the same time irrigating over 1,200 jeribs of land belonging to the farms of approximately 345 families in three Ghani Khail District villages. The main crops grown in this irrigation system are wheat, corn, cotton and seasonal vegetables. The project will rehabilitate a 90-meter long Stone Masonry and RCC intake structure with a total length of 365 m canal protection walls/intake wing walls and two regulator gates. The canal and agricultural lands will be protected by the canal protection walls and intake's wing walls.



Photo: Project site of the Daga Canal Intake Improvement Project.

Ongoing CCI Photos, East: October 1-15, 2010



*Koshtal MHP project,
Achin District, Nangarhar Province
Project Progress = 60%*



*Garigal canal intake improvement
Chowki District, Kunar Province
Project Progress = 75%*



*Nahri Karim Canal improvement project
Qarghayiee District, Laghman Province
Project Progress: 53%*



*Saracha Ali Khan Girls school project
Behsud District, Nangarhar Province
Project Progress = 68%*



*Marko School Boundary Wall
Shinwar District, Nangarhar Province
Project Progress = 90%*



*Ragha Canal improvement,
Hesarak District, Nangarhar Province
Project Progress = 45%*

Agricultural Productivity Job Creation

IDEA-NEW seeks to increase agricultural incomes by 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 the 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 mung bean varieties. The first phase of the project involved 150 farmers who each planted half-jerib plots for seed multiplication on a total of 15 hectares of land. In phase two, the mung bean seed is being distributed to farmers to plant and harvest.

No updates in the reporting period.

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 production according to the needs of the local orchard farmers and the forestry establishment. Nurseries are given support to improve their production and marketing systems.

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The Perennial Horticulture Program also facilitated the participation of six members from Kunar, Laghman and Nangarhar Nursery Grower Associations at the Ag-Fair held in Badam Bagh, Kabul.

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 January-March 2010 quarter under IDEA-NEW with similar results; see Impact Studies on page 50 below.



Photo: China cabbage, cauliflower, broccoli and lettuce after harvesting stage in Khogiani old CPF of Nangarhar Province.

Crops planted in spring 2010:

No updates in the reporting period.

Crops to be planted in fall 2010:

During the reporting period, 300 farmers were registered in Achin District of Nangarhar Province for voucher distribution.

The distribution process for the fall season 2010 was completed during the reporting period, though some remote districts like Hesarak were canceled due to worse security conditions as were a few districts that were be reallocated at the request MAIL and community heads of Kunar Province.

During the reporting period, a total of 757 farmers were trained during 38 field days in different districts of Nangarhar (535) and Laghman (222) Provinces. To date, 1,909 out of 5,625 farmers have been trained on different Lead Production Farms (LPFs) and Small Demonstration Farms (SDF). In addition, the selection of Small Production Farms (SPFs) was completed, for a total of 125, with five SPFs selected during the reporting period.

Finally, 219 packages have been distributed to registered farmers. To date, 11,726 out of 15,000 farmers have received the inputs for TIMER fall, 2010.

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. Lead farmer plots are being used for training purposes. 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.

No updates in the reporting period.



Photo: IDEA-NEW field technicians register farmers for distributing sprayer pump, budding knife and sign board in MAIL office of Nangarhar Province.

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 higher areas during the spring, so it is possible to have year-round production. Currently, the eastern region accounts for 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 summer and fall 2010:

During reporting period, a total of 187 farmers were trained during nine field days on nursery establishment, land layout, sowing and irrigation in Behsood, Shirzad, Kama and Ghani Khil Districts of Nangarhar Province. To date, 278 out of 2,100 have been trained so far. Additionally, 171 farmers were trained during seven field days on harvest and post harvest activities under the mung bean program. To date, 1,053 farmers out of 1,200 have been trained.

In addition, a total of 47 farmers were trained during two field days on harvest and post harvest activities under yellow maize program. To date, 564 farmers out of 900 have received trainings. Also, a total of 106 yellow maize plots were randomly checked and 106 farmers received technical assistance on irrigation management and harvesting activities in 19 districts in the eastern region under yellow maize program.

Wheat Breeder Seed Cultivation:

MAIL is cultivating 11 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 seeds, labor, tractors, irrigation facilities, and more than 12 tons of breeder, while IDEA-NEW and the ADT team are providing fuel and nearly 27.5 (12.5 MT of DAP and 15 MT of area) tons of fertilizer, as well as oversight by internationally-trained agriculturalists.

During the reporting period, NVDA provided 13.75 mt of unclean foundation seeds to the cleaning point located in Nangarhar Province's Shisham Bagh Research Station. The threshing process was completed and samples from six varieties were taken to the MAIL lab for certification. These seeds can be distributed to the seed grower associations.



Photo: A view of crops supported by IDEA-NEW in Ghani Khail District of Nangarhar Province.



Photo: IDEA-NEW field technician checks yellow maize at a harvested stage in Kama District of Nangarhar Province.

Staple Crops Program—Yellow Maize

A total of 41 lead farmer plots of maize were established in spring 2010. The size of the lead farmer plots was one jerib and a total of 8.2 hectares were served as training grounds for farmers during the spring and summer seasons of 2010. The main purpose of this program is to produce yellow maize for the fresh market and feed mill.

During the reporting period, 63 farmers were trained during three field days on yellow maize plots. To date, 572 out of 1,200 farmers have received training on soil preparation, layout, seeding, fertilizer application, pest management, and harvest and post harvest activities.

Orchard Program:

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

During the reporting period, 225 out of 432 farmers collected their vouchers – IDEA-NEW contributes 45% -- for saplings. Saplings and tree seedlings distribution and planting are planned for the end of October because the selected land recently harvested its maize and cotton. In addition, 511 fruit growers from the region were monitored. For the upcoming spring 2011 planting, 34 jeribs of land were selected for new orchard establishment and another 1.1 jeribs for rehabilitation. To date, a total of 52 jeribs of land was selected for spring 2011 planting season.

FIELD Program:

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

During the reporting period, a total of 199 farmers received technical assistance on water management and basin preparation around the planted trees in various districts of the eastern region for their forestry plots planted in spring 2010.

Watershed Program

The National Watershed Management Program is being piloted in Noorgal District of Kunar Province and Pachir wa Agam District of Nangarhar Province. A draft implementation plan has been prepared, according to which community-based natural resources management associations are being established. A seven-member water steering committee has been formed, which will be responsible for making decisions on watershed program implementation procedures. Activities are currently being planned out with community members and include reforestation, gabions, rangeland management, irrigation channel rehabilitation, and others.

During the reporting period, concept note was drafted for seed collection from natural forest trees in water shed area, forest nurseries establishment to produce forest trees and forestry trees planting on riparian areas in Pacheeru Agam District of Nangarhar Province and Noorgal District Kunar Province.



Photo: Yellow maize supported by IDEA-NEW is ready for harvest in Alingar District of Laghman Province.

Rural Job Creation:

IDEA-NEW's private sector development activities are aimed at assisting 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 in order to reduce reliance on imports. Particular focus is also given to projects that integrate women into regional value-chain development in meaningful ways.

Poultry Value Chain/Breeder Farm Development:

During the reporting period, IDEA-NEW distributed 2,000 day old broiler chicks and 55 bags of feed free of cost to each of the two new poultry farmers in Behsud District of Nangrahar Province and Meterlam District of Laghman Province. These farmers were selected through a process in which the village *Shuras* and Directorate of Agriculture were involved and then trained by IDEA-NEW in poultry farming.

Construction of a new breeder farm in Beshud District of Nangrahar Province has been completed. A total of 6,000 broiler breeder chicks will arrive in third week of October, 2010.

Poultry Value Chain/Hatcheries' Development

The broiler breeder farm located in Behsud District produced 7,950 fertile eggs during the reporting period and they were moved to the hatchery in Sarobi to produce day old broiler chicks. Current daily production is 650 eggs and will hopefully increase as the breeders are very healthy.

Poultry Value Chain/Commercial Poultry Farms

Support continued with 24 commercial layer farms directly established with IDEA-NEW support in the eastern region. The prime objective of this program is to create jobs, promote the viable poultry sub-sector and supply table eggs to the local market. These farms which have started laying eggs a month ago have produced 38,584 table eggs and each egg was sold at USD 0.10/egg in local market which generated a total of USD 3,835.39 to poultry farmers.

Poultry Value Chain/Women's Smallholder Poultry Farms

During the reporting period, distribution of special feed for layer chicken was completed for all except the five poultry farms in Kunar Province. In addition, a total of 21,555 eggs were produced worth USD 2,355.77. The program has been extended to establish 50 women-owned poultry farms in the eastern region. The selection of the women farmers continued during the reporting period with a total of 25 farmers selected so far.



Photo: A woman poultry owner feeds layer farm chickens in Khogyani District, Nangrahar Province.

Textile Value Chain/ Processing Facility:

The textile washing and pressing facility continued operations with IDEA-NEW support. During the reporting period, the facility continued serving textile weavers located in rural areas. The services provided by this facility greatly encourage textile weavers to expedite their production, and also encourage businessmen to invest in the textile sector. This results in the creation of new jobs for local Afghans in rural areas where job opportunities are limited.

During the reporting period, the facility washed and pressed the following quantities of products, which were woven by individual textile companies and weavers from Rodat and Behsud Districts of Nangarhar Province.

Product	Quantity	Processing Description
Women shawls	440	Pressed
Cotton Cloth	94 m	Pressed
Scarves	420	Pressed & dyed

Textile Value Chain/Textile Weavers' Support:

Textile weavers in Rodat District of Nangarhar Province continued producing different textiles for the local market. IDEA-NEW will support these weavers in mechanizing their businesses by providing power looms to replace manual looms which are very labor-intensive and limit the quantity and quality of textiles produced.

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 900 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 ensure clean procedures and promote the self-sustainability of operations.

Total cheese marketed during the reporting period was 248 kg worth USD 829.60.



Photo: IDEA-NEW field technician practically trains farmers on transplanting seedlings in Kama 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, drip irrigation system installations are still in the process in fourteen greenhouse growing cucumbers. Additionally, around 18,520 Ruby Perfection cabbage and 43,740 Stone Head cabbage were cultivated in Tamirat greenhouse located in Behsood District of Nangarhar Province.

Vegetable Value Chain/Women-Owned Packing Facility:

Currently, 15 women are employed by the packing facility, providing packing services for vegetables of the eastern region.

During the reporting period, the facility provided its packing services to 374.6 kg of vegetables and 49.5 kg fresh fruits worth USD 294.21 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.

During the reporting period, nursery operators categorized pomegranate saplings in the individual women nurseries for new plantation in Samarkhail village of Behsud District of Nangarhar Province and Dandono village in Asadabad District of Kunar Province. GME technical staff randomly monitored the Khogyani Women Nursery. In addition, insecticide was applied to protect pomegranates from fall season diseases. Finally, Morphan and Pine seeds were cultivated in the Samarkhail Nursery. Approximately, 8,000 plastic bags of Morphan saplings and 6,000 plastic bags of pine saplings were cultivated. Overall the condition was noted satisfactory.

Fisheries Value Chain/Women-Owned Fish Farms

In May 2010, IDEA-NEW selected 40 women to run 20 commercial fish farms for women in the eastern region - 10 in Nangarhar, five in Laghman and five in Kunar. Two neighboring women each share one farm.

No updates for this reporting period.

Micro-Enterprise Development/Women's Mentorship Program:

During the reporting period, Rohafza Company market increased and jams and pickles worth USD 1,106.34 were marketed.



Photo: Women operators package fresh red radish in Surkhrod Packhouse Facility for Kabul Super Markets in Surkhrod District, Nangarhar Province.



Photo: Oranges and Pines put in plastic bags in Samarkhail farms of Behsud District, Nangarhar Province.

Other Rural Job Creation:

- Shamshad Noodle and Vermicelli Factory continued its operations. During this reporting period, the factory produced four metric tons of vermicelli and has successfully entered the local market. This factory was recently established with direct support from IDEA-NEW in Jalalabad, Nangarhar Province. The factory has the capacity to produce 1.5 mts per day and has created 10 local employment opportunities. **“I appreciate IDEA-NEW’s assistance. Having a business of my own where I can make living and can help others to secure jobs was my dream. This dream came true because of IDEA-NEW support. This not only supports me but also the people who work in factory, the transporters who carry our product to the market and the packaging suppliers who will be selling the packaging materials to me directly benefit from this facility. I appreciate IDEA-NEW for its continuous support of my and other businesses,”** said Ghulam Dastagir, a co-owner of Shamshad Noodles and Vermicelli factory.
- A total of 89 carpets of various sizes have been woven in ZRM Carpet Weaving Company. **“This is completely a new design for the carpet weavers we have been engaged. This design is difficult, unique and ordered by a buyer in Canada. Thanks to IDEA-NEW for all its support. Without IDEA-NEW we wouldn’t have been able to secure and supply the order for the Canadian buyer. In this way we can win the trust of international buyers and be successful in the carpet sub-sector,”** Said Zarawar Khan, the owner of ZRM Carpet Company.
- Support was extended to six manufacturing businesses (textile, confectionary, handicraft, packhouse, fruit jam and snacks). Visitors visited their booths during the Kabul Ag-Fair on 7th, 8th and 9th of October and liked their products. The six exhibitors had total sales of USD 1,739.56. They were also visited by several buyers, which may lead to longer business relationships.
- During reported period, vegetable bed preparation for 40 plots was implemented in Batikot and Behsood Districts of Nangarhar Province. Each individual woman cultivated different vegetable crops such as spinach, red radish, and lettuce.



Photo: Visitors look at the textile products produced by various factories located in Nangarhar Province at Ag- Fair held in Badam Bagh, Kabul.

Agricultural Sales/ Trade Corridor Market Development

IDEA-NEW facilitates agriculture-related sales in its areas of operation for local markets, national markets (primarily high-end supermarkets in Kabul) and export markets. It also gives farmers extension advice aimed at generating higher crop prices via in-person consultations, radio shows, and a mobile-phone system that gives daily commodity prices in 11 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.
- IDEA-NEW facilitated the export of 1,431,000 kg of onions to Pakistan worth USD 354,910. The traders from the eastern region who exported with IDEA-NEW's assistance received relatively high returns due to the new packaging of net bags provided by IDEA-NEW. **"Customers like it both in national and international markets because they can easily see the quality of the products. The ones we were using before did not have this characteristic and we thank IDEA-NEW for this initiative", said Stana Gul, Vice President of Nangarhar Fruits and Vegetables Wholesalers Association.**
- IDEA-NEW also facilitated the export of 10 mt of pomegranates to India worth USD 10,294. This was the first shipment of pomegranates from Nangarhar Province to Indian markets by local traders. IDEA-NEW facilitated the market linkages and information through a market facilitator. "This is the first time that we experienced exporting pomegranates to India from Nangarhar. Our main market for export has been Pakistan. Though we faced certain challenges in this first shipment, there are always lessons to be learned in any activity. We wouldn't have been able to do it without IDEA-NEW's support," said Mujeeburahman a trader from Nangarhar who participated in this export to India.

Market Information System (MIS):

The Malomat ("information" in Dari and Pashtu) Market Information System collects, analyzes and disseminates price data for 25 commodities in 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, eight live Karkila Aw Maldari (agriculture and livestock) radio shows were aired on Sharq Radio (91.3 FM) in Nangarhar Province and Kawoon Ghag Radio in Laghman Province. A total of 33 listeners called the shows asking different questions about their orchard, vegetable and livestock problems, and received answers from the show's agriculture expert.



Photo: Farmers graft the citrus seedlings in Meterlam District of Laghman Province.

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.

During the reporting period, training activities for fall and winter season continued and a total of 479 farmers were trained on modern techniques in various districts of the eastern region. To date 1,251 farmers out of 6,075 have been trained in fall season 2010 in four provinces of the eastern region. Please refer to the farmer training summary in Annex II for district breakdowns and type of training.

Finally, IDEA-NEW has completed transferring chemical fertilizers (DAP& Urea) to all CPFs in 16 eastern district.

Community Institution Capacity Building:

- IDEA-NEW continued to support the NTPTA (Nangarhar Talc Producers and Traders Association). During the reporting period, NTPTA exported 4,710 mt of talc to Pakistan and generated USD 1,706.5. The association also registered 26 new members in Shinwar District of Nangarhar Province.
- IDEA-NEW continued to support with Eastern Region Fruit Grower Association (ERFGA) during the reporting period. The orchard survey has been completed. ERFGA is now working on the final report and recommendations for further development of orchards in eastern region.
- During the reporting period, IDEA-NEW continued technical support to Spinghar Poultry Farmers Association (SPFA). The association distributed 315 membership cards and received USD 51.91 in membership fees. In addition, the association sold 200 bags of feed with a five percent discount from local market that earned USD 209.85 net profit to SPFA. The veterinarian of the SPFA also visited 10 member poultry farms and provided the farmers necessary information related to lighting system, bio-security, vaccination, farm management and etc.
- English Computer and Management Training for female youth and professional women will be provided in Kunar, Laghman and Nangarhar provinces. The training will be based in Directorate of Women Affairs in Laghman and Kunar provinces. During the reporting period, pre-test preparation was conducted in each provincial DoWA.



Photo: IDEA-NEW field technician treats seedling roots with fungicide in Kama District of Nangarhar Province.

Taraqi Saba Program:

Pre-testing of the remaining schools, Bibi Aisha, Alaiee and Amerkhail High Schools, located in Nangarhar Province was held during the reporting period.

USG & GIRoA Coordination

- During the reporting period, a meeting was held with a number of supermarkets --Afghan Spinners, Metro, Best, Blue and Finest in Kabul. The purpose of meeting inform supermarkets about Surkhroad Packhouse facility and the services they provide.
- The Surkhroad Packhouse market manager participated in food safety training which was arranged by ASMED in Kabul.
- A meeting held with the owner of poultry Feed Mill in Saroobi District, Kabul province. The purpose of the meeting was to facilitate contracts between the IDEA-NEW supported yellow maize growers and the owner of the feed mill. Farmers' representatives from Saroobi District also participated in the meeting. The owner of the feed mill stated that he is ready to purchase whatever quantities of the yellow maize grown by the farmers. The maize will be harvested in the next three weeks and contracts between farmers groups and the owner of the feed mill is likely to be signed in the next two weeks. This new feed mill is a collaborative project of ASMED and IDEA-NEW and will hopefully start operation in early 2011.
- IDEA-NEW Agriculture Project Integration Senior Officer participated in Laghman and Nangarhar Provinces TWG meetings.
- Introducing letter of CoP delivered to Minister and deputies of ministers and proceeded NVDA contract with MAIL too.
- As a result of close coordination with MAIL, FAO, NVDA, foundation seed (FS) has been threshed and samples of the six different varieties will be transferred to NAIL lab for certification.



Photo: A view of Laghman technical working group meeting held in Laghman Province.

Key Problems/Constraints

- During the reporting period, all infrastructure activities have been stopped in Kunar Province. Currently IDEA-NEW senior team is evaluating the situation and the ground realities after the incident of September 26(abduction of staffs).
- During the reporting period, security condition of Hesarak District is still not normal. All engineers are instructed to coordinate activities very closely with community elders.

Afghan First

Locally purchased materials for DAI (East and West) from October 1-15, 2010 were USD 436,630.11.

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 to 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 15 active CCI projects in the northeastern region, employing 872 workers generating 3,572 person days and disbursing \$53,434.87 in wages. Please see Annex I for more detail on all CCI projects.

October 1-15, 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	12	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Baghlan	32	26	5	1	1,405	0	10,990.05	0	1,405	10,990.05
Takhar	9	4	5	0	824	0	5,868.00	0	824	5,868.00
Kunduz	2	0	2	0	1,343	0	8,750.28	0	1,343	8,750.28
Total	62	42	17	3	3,572	0	25,608.33	0	3,572	25,608.33

Projects started during the quarterly period:

Eraghak Aqueduct Construction Project, Khost District, Baghlan Province

The construction of this 6 meter aqueduct is designed to water 70 hectares and benefit 190 families.

Projects completed during the quarterly period:

Dehbazar Gabion Protection Project, Darayim District, Badakhshan Province

This 150m gabion retaining wall was completed during the reporting period. In May 2009, local farmers suffered as 200 hectares of agriculture land was flooded. The local *shura* prioritized flood control for this area and sought IDEA-NEW's help in creating a protection wall. The new retaining wall protects 200 hectares of land that is home to 700 families and a girls' school.

Hydraulic Ram Pump Installation Project, Puli Khumri District, Baghlan Province

During the reporting period, this project was handed over to the Agriculture Department and local *shura*. Our activities in this project included: installing two ram pumps, constructing two reservoirs, repairing one reservoir, and laying 4500m of piping. Through this project 100 hectares of planted orchards are currently being irrigated. The pump works by forcing water from a low-lying stream up the side of a hill to the reservoir. The hillsides have been recently reforested and are fed by the water from the reservoirs.

Khaja Mukhtar Canal Intake, Taloqan District, Takhar Province

The canal intake construction includes 240m of lined canal backstopped by a 220m retaining wall. The lining of the canal helps improve water flow and helps it to last longer than a mud-walled canal. The project also includes a stone masonry canal intake with two gates to control the flow of water. The project serves about 2,000 families on 2,000 hectares of land.



Photo: The Hydraulic Ram Pump in Puli Khumri, Baghlan Province.



Photo: Khaja Mukhtar canal in Taloqan, Takhar

Ongoing CCI Photos, Northeast: October 1 - 15, 2010



Photo: Compressing the Dashti Floom Road in Puli Khumri, Baghlan Province



Photo: Ghunew Road in Warduj District, Badakhshan Province



Photo: Qazak Bagak Road and Bridge Rehabilitation, Taloqan city, Takhar Province



Photo: Yasech Road in Shuhada district, Badakhshan Province

Agriculture Productivity/ Job Creation

Women's Poultry Project:

Badakhshan: To date, 180 women beneficiaries have been trained on poultry rearing practices in 12 targeted villages in Faizabad and Argo districts. The training covers poultry care, hygiene, feeding and disease control practices. During this reporting period, the women purchased their final batch of 120kgs each of feed through the voucher program.

Takhar: During the reporting period, pullet distribution for 240 women beneficiaries in 16 villages of Kalafgan and Taloqan districts was completed; in each village 15 women beneficiaries received 40 chickens each.

Beekeeping Project:

Takhar: During the reporting period, trainers visited the 25 beneficiaries in Kalafghan District to provide information bee health and feeding, disinfections and preventing disease. Some beehives bee hives were repaired, and overall the project is going well.

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Silk and Wool Spinning Training:

The silk and wool spinning training is ongoing in Baghlan-e-Jadid for 30 women participants. Women are learning to spin wool and silk from silk cocoons grown under the project.

Fruit Tree Nursery Project:

Badakhshan: The fruit tree nursery establishment project is ongoing, and grafting (i.e. budding) of saplings continues. The grafting process was completed for 29 fruit tree nurseries in Baharak, Yaftal and Faizabad districts. A total of 112,711 local fruit tree root stock saplings were grafted with buds of improved and high yielding varieties. Below is # of grafted in each district:

1. Baharak
 - Apricot=17008
 - Almond=12114
 - Pear=14166
 - Apple=23815



Photo: Boy checking the honey machine in Namak Ab, Takhar Province



Photo: Onion Harvesting in Badakhshan Province

2. Faizabad

- Apricot=12601
- Almond=9008
- Pear=4787
- Apple=6849

3. Yaftal

- Apricot=5089
- Almond=5570
- Pear=739
- Apple=965

Baghlan: During the reporting period, 55 farmers were trained on grafting and 18,054 trees were grafted in Bano and Deh Salah districts.

Pistachio Orchard Project:

Takhar : The pistachio trees are doing well, except for one plot that a shepherd broke into and used as grazing land for his animals, destroying about half of that farmer's crop. The shepherd was apprehended and turned over to the government.

Orchard Management Project:

Takhar: The orchard management project is on going. During the reporting period 34 farmers were trained on irrigation techniques and maintaining the soil in the basins.

Orchard Establishment Project:

Baghlan: During the reporting period, agriculture staff monitored the new orchards and provided technical advice as needed to beneficiaries.

Commercial Vegetable Cultivation

Badakhshan: The harvest were completed in 30 commercial vegetable production plots in Baharak, Argo, Darayem, Teshkan, Khash, Tagob, Shuhada, and Warduj districts. Data of the different plots will be reported in the next report.



Photo: Cauliflower bundled up to protect the witness of the vegetable so it looks clean and sells well at the market in Banigi District, Takhar Province.



Photo: Farmer in Kalafghan Takhar province set up Green house tunnel for commercial vegetable

Takhar: The commercial vegetable project is ongoing in Kalafghan and Takhar. During the reporting period farmer began constructing plastic tunnels that will serve as greenhouses for cauliflower, cucumber, cabbage and tomato. The tunnels will be covered with plastic sheeting to create a warm environment that extends the growing season, allowing farmers to sell these traditionally fall-harvest vegetables in winter and fetch a strong price at the market.

Baghlan: Agriculture staff monitored the cauliflower plantation project and 36 farmers were trained on post-harvesting in Deh Salah, Bano and Pul-e-Khumri districts.

System of Rice Intensification:

Badakhshan: The SRI harvest was completed in 42 SRI sowing rice plots in Kishem district at last week. In 2009, the average amount of rice produced on a half jerib using traditional methods was 539kg, but the average amount produced on a half jerib using the SRI was 2200kg this year. The project had 50 beneficiaries, who commented that SRI is indeed more labor intensive but produces vastly higher yields.

Strawberry Runners Project:

Baghlan: During the reporting period, agriculture staff monitored the strawberry plots and provided technical advice as needed to beneficiaries.

Lamb and Calf Fattening Project:

Takhar: During the reporting period the third round of balanced feed distribution was completed in Bangi and Baharak districts, covering 1,000 animals belonging to 200 families. Calf fattening is in progress in both districts. Staff weighed 500 calves and the average gain was 19.5 kg.

Baghlan: In Nahrin and Burka districts, 26,550 kg per district of lamb fattening balance feed was distributed through the IDEA-NEW voucher system. Paravets have raised the awareness of livestock owners about the importance of de-worming, vaccination, good feeding and hygiene.



Photo: Feed distribution for lamb fattening in Nahrin, Baghlan Province

Building Capacity

- During the reporting period in Badakhshan, 60 farmers have been trained in Kishem and Jurm districts for four hours in each location on Community Mobilization techniques and projects selection criteria for the upcoming Agriculture, Livestock and Infrastructure projects. An additional 17 CDC representatives received training for agriculture programs in Tagob District.
- In Baghlan Province, CDC leaders in Puli Khumri, Dushi, Burka, Nahrin, Baghlani Jadid and Khost received community mobilization trainings in their respective locations.
- IDEA-NEW staff from Takhar Province attended the monthly UNAMA meeting to discuss project activities, future plans and reporting.

Key Problems/Constraints

Badakhshan: The site camp for the Zardew Canal project was attacked by unknown gunmen during the night. No staff were injured. IDEA-NEW met with local police, the district governor and the local community, and the community reiterated a commitment to ensure the security of IDEA-NEW staff in the area. The project was closed for ten days but work resumed on October 14th and the site camp was moved to a new location nearby.

Afghan First

Locally purchased materials for IDEA-NEW Northeast were \$69,991.03 in the reporting period.

Voices From the Field

Beneficiary Name: Abdul Khaliq

Project Name: Commercial Vegetable Project

From (CDC/District): Langar Village, Darayim District, Badakhshan

“This year all the other farmers who cultivated onion on their land had a terrible harvest and lost about 50% of their crop, but our crops are fine and I happy with them and I will obtain a strong harvest from my onions as well. I also got the tomato seeds on time and I am sure that I will receive 3,500kg. I am very happy with the harvest this year overall because I am good mason as well, but after this training I will be a good farmer too because I know how to get good benefits from our land also.”

--Under the commercial vegetable program in Badakhshan, farmers received seeds and technical training in bed layout, irrigation, pest control and harvesting practices.



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 to 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, there were 16 active CCI projects in the north/central region, generating 529 person days worth USD 149,750 in wages. Please see Annex I for more detail on all CCI projects.

October 1 - 15, 2010: CCI Summary Chart—North/Central 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 (AFN)	Female Wages this period
Balkh	5	3	2	0	529	0	149,750	0
Samangan	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jawzjan	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Sari Pul	6	1	5	0	0	0	0	0
Faryab	18	10	8	0	0	0	0	0
Total	32	16	16	0	529	0	149,750	0

Construction of 20 Micro Hydro Power Plants:

IDEA-NEW constructs MHP projects to provide electrical power to remote communities, which significantly improves families' lives by supporting production of handicrafts and enabling children to study at night.

In Balkhab District of Sari Pul Province, the construction work of five MHP plants has resumed and the subcontractor, RHL, together with the communities are trying to complete these projects before the upcoming winter season. These projects have been delayed due to bad weather, floods, Ramadan/Eid, the recent elections and insecurity in the area. During this reporting period, the community worked smoothly on the projects for Khamshorak, Chaila and Dahna Wa Takhsar. The IDEA-NEW MHP engineer reported on the overall progress of this project as follows:

Hoosh 88%, Parawshan 95%, Chaila 88%, Khamshorak 68% and Dahna Wa Takhsar 70%.

IDEA-NEW had previously signed a sub-grant with the International Assistance Mission (IAM) to provide the electrical equipment for the construction of eight MHP projects in Qaysar and Kohistan districts of Faryab province. However, the deteriorating security situation in those districts has obliged IAM to withdraw from them. IDEA-NEW has therefore signed a modification to the agreement to allow the same number of installations to be made in Pashtun Kot district. These MHPs will produce 75.4 KW power eight communities of Pashtun Kot district and will serve 1,250 households. The status of the eight MHPs is as follows:

The MHP engineer of IDEA NEW and the engineers of IAM conducted five joint site visits in Faryab Province during this reporting period. They were Hazara Qala MHP, Nawabad Beqlarsai MHP, Kata Qala Shora-e-Bazar MHP, Kata Qala Shora-e-Madrassa MHP and Kata Qala Haji Basir MHP Ibrahimabad Micro Hydro Power, Qalai Niasbeq-Payan and Qalai Niasbeq-Bala. The overall progress of these projects is 17%.

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 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 worked together with MBDFA to prepare the surface of the market. In accordance with the signed MoU, with MBDFA, IDEA-NEW constructed a concrete platform of 2,425 sqm area for Mazar Almond Market, with MBDFA recruiting all the manpower for this project. IDEA-NEW team supervised the concrete casting of more than 2,508 sqm during this reporting period. The project is 100% complete. It is planned that a closing ceremony is being organized for early November and the project will be handed over to Mazar Municipality.



Photo: Laborers excavating canal for Qala Niasbeq-Payan MHP in Pashtun Kot District, Faryab Province



Photo: Mazar almond market concrete platform project was completed in Balkh Province.

Construction of Mardian Water Reservoir

The irrigation canals that many villages in the north rely on have dried up and since groundwater is saline, they cannot use wells. At present, they rely on storing water in ponds, which is both inefficient, as there is seepage into the sandy soil, and unhygienic, as the ponds are open to animals. Mardian District Centre in Jawzjan has been selected for the first pilot project to evaluate the use of High Density Polyethylene liners and covers as an alternative during the summer months, holding three million liters of clean potable water for 300 families, who will draw it off through a hand-pump. The project will also create temporary employment for local laborers in the area.

The construction work of Mardian Water Pond continued during the reporting period. During the reporting period, the infrastructure team has been constructing the settlement basin and filtration pit and as well as continued with the excavation of the pond. The project has closely been supervised by the infrastructure engineers and the overall progress is 25% to date.

Khulm River Gabion Protection Wall Extension

IDEA-NEW completed construction of a 975 meter-long gabion protection wall in the 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. At the request of community representatives and the local government, IDEA-NEW decided to extend the project and strengthen 550 meters more of the riverbank. The gabion walls will protect 500 hectares of endangered agricultural lands against flooding. It will also help the irrigation system in the Khulm River basin by providing stable river banks and improving water management.

Work on the Khulm River Gabion Protection Extension Project began on July 19, 2010 with excavation of the foundations and weaving of gabion baskets. During the reporting period, the infrastructure team was working on the excavation of the foundation, supplying stone and filling the gabion boxes. The infrastructure team managed to complete the filling and placing of 30 gabion boxes of 100x100x200 cm. Under this project, 529 person days of employment were created for skilled and unskilled laborers during this biweekly period. The project has been closely and continuously supervised by the Infrastructure engineers from the beginning. The overall progress of this project is 18% to date.



Photo: Mardian Water Reservoir Filtration Pit stone masonry work was completed



Photo: Laborers working on the Khulm River Gabion Protection Wall

Agriculture Productivity and Agribusiness Job Creation

Trellising of 100 Hectares of Vineyards

Trellising vineyards will double the yield of grapes, both in quality and in quantity. In order for farmers to see the benefits of trellising, IDEA-NEW is supporting the establishment of lead farmer plots in grape-producing areas in Faryab, Samangan and Faryab Provinces.

The IDEA-NEW Agriculture development team finalized and signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Samangan Agricultural Retailers for the vineyard trellising. The Agriculture Retailing shop has been asked to conduct assessments of the vineyards and estimate the required quantities of materials and provide the owner of the vineyard with a quotation. If the owner accepts the quotation, IDEA-NEW will be informed and they will arrange to deliver the specified number of concrete posts. The vineyard owner will pay 50 Afs directly to the post maker, for every undamaged post delivered. The Agricultural Retailing shop will sell the other materials such as wire and cross-pieces at a price specified by IDEA-NEW and receive a fee for every jerib trellised to an acceptable standard. A leaflet in Dari explaining the scheme has been finalized and will be given to farmers through Agricultural Retailing shop.

Also, the manufacturing of 750 trellis posts is still going on smoothly by the vendor, Ghulam Sakhi in Maymana center of Faryab province. The quality control the trellis posts has been conducted during post manufacturing works with the contractor in Maymana center of Faryab province regularly.

Perennial Crops: Pomegranate Pest Control Using Pheromone Traps

Pomegranate, a major crop in Afghanistan, often suffers heavy losses from the larva of the Carob Moth. An analogue of the female pheromone has been synthesised by a Californian company (ISCATech) and formulated as a mating disruptant. IDEA-NEW treated 60 ha of orchards in Khulm District in May.

During the reporting period, the agriculture team completed evaluating the trial. A sample of 10 orchards that is 11.8 hectares was selected from the 60 hectares of treated orchards and another sample of 10 orchards that is 11.6 hectares was selected from untreated orchards for the purpose of comparison. The data collection of the 20 sample pomegranate orchards was completed during this reporting period and based on the data analysis results, the treated pomegranate orchards had 46% higher yield as compared to the untreated orchards in Khulm District of Balkh Province.

Annual Crops: Vegetable Marketing Survey

The region and, in particular, Balkh province produces large quantities of vegetable. However, they are only sold on the local market, as poor sorting, packaging and marketing prevent their being exported to the Gulf and other high-value markets, or even sold to suppliers of the international forces in Afghanistan. Consequently, there are seasonal gluts on the market and prices are low. IDEA-NEW is developing a program to raise standards to conform with internationally-accepted Good Agricultural Practices (GAPs), which would open up access to these higher-value markets.

During the reporting period, IDEA-NEW held four field days for a total of 290 farmers, two field days of irrigated demonstration plots and two of rain fed demonstration plots, in Pashtun Kot and Almar districts of Faryab Province. The 27 demonstration plots that were initially planned to be held by IDEA NEW and its implementing partner, JDA, were all completed during this biweekly period.

Mushroom production training project:

IDEA NEW is planning to implement a mushroom production training project in Balkh Province through a sub-contract with one of the businesswomen, Engineer Maliha, in the next few months. Several meetings were held during the reporting period and the potential implementing partner was asked to come back to IDEA NEW with a written proposal about this project. The progress of activities regarding this project will be reported in the next biweekly report.

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

BLDU has, over the last seven years, developed a network of household dairy producers who sell surplus milk for processing by the 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 additional village milk processing centers where fresh milk can be processed by hand-operated equipment into cheese, butter and yogurt

During this reporting period, the Infrastructure team, in coordination with the BLDU representatives, started the technical site assessment of 10 selected milk processing centers in order to plan their upgrades. It is planned that the 10 Milk collection centers will be upgraded by paving their concrete floor, plastering their walls, ceiling and sewerage system, installation of fly screen and construction of a small septic tank. The team has prepared the planning and preparation of budget sheet for nine centers and has sent them for approval. Only the milk collection center in Ghaznigag village of Samangan needs to be reselected.



Photo: IDEA-NEW field day with farmers in Pashun Kot, Faryab Province.

Building Capacity

Agribusiness Development and training

IDEA-NEW continues to support the six non-profit provincial agricultural retailers' associations, which have been established in Northern Afghanistan and were officially registered in the Afghan Ministry of Justice. These associations will serve the farmers through 109 Ag-Retailing shops currently operating in the five Northern provinces. The following activities have been accomplished during this biweekly reporting period:

Pesticide Dealer Training:

Following after the last biweekly activities, as part of the Pesticide Dealer Training program, a three-week Training of Trainers (ToT) course of trainers for the Pesticide Dealer Basic Training was completed on Oct 7th. The participants are IDEA-NEW staff from all regions and MAIL staff from Kabul PPQD and from the provincial DAIL offices. After completing the training course, they will now train the pesticide retailers in pest management and safe pesticide sale and use. Following the ToT, the first of three courses was held for 15 retailers from Balkh Province, with trainers from MAIL, Kabul, and IDEA-NEW East and North East. The main objective of this training was to improve standards in pesticide retail sector. IDEA-NEW North Central plans to equip Retailers with basic knowledge required to anyone transporting, storing, selling and providing advice on pesticide use. This will be achieved through training courses which will also have the objective of changing retailer attitudes and practices.

Laser Land Leveling Activity

IDEA NEW signed five MOUs with five Ag-cooperatives from Balkh, Jawzjan, Sari Pul and Faryab provinces for laser land levelers that have been provided by USAID, ASAP funded project. In connection with that, a training program took place for five Ag-Cooperatives tractor operator on Laser Land Leveler in order to ensure that we can conveniently utilize them in various field operation of LLL machine.

Coordination Meetings with Agricultural Retailing Associations

The fourth monthly coordination meeting with the board of directors of six Agricultural Retailing Associations of Balkh, Samangan, Jawzjan, Sari Pul and Faryab provinces was held for the month of October. The objective of the meetings was to determine how the associations will use their working capital funds created from sales and renting of the in-kind grant items they received from IDEA-NEW. The minutes of the meeting was circulated to the relevant people.



Photo: Pesticide Dealer Training Program

Contracts and Grants

- Awaiting USAID/AO approval for the 2-Year Farmer Training on Improved Agronomy and Small Scale Mechanization project. ACDI VOCA signed a Letter of Authorization with the subgrantee for a value, not to exceed \$65,000 adequate to finance the first month of work so that the subgrantee could commence work pending USAID approval.
- Milk processing equipment to be used in the Village Milk Collection/Processing Project is in Peshawar, Pakistan and would be shipped shortly when the border congestion eases.
- Procurement of the ice cream making equipment from an Indian vendor was approved. The beneficiary is Balkh Livestock Dairy Union (BLDU). Once the milk processing equipment are received in Mazar, the import of this item would be processed.
- Awaiting ACDI VOCA approval for the procurement of 2,200 Felco 611 pruning saws.
- Awaiting ACDI VOCA approval for the procurement of 2,500 Felco 5 pruning shears.
- Awaiting ACDI VOCA approval for the procurement of 10,000 kg of wettable sulphur
- Awaiting ACDI VOCA approval for awarding a subcontract to a Mazar based Afghan women owned company for the training of 500 women in five provinces on Wool Spinning using spinning wheels.

USG and GIRoA Coordination

On October 4th, the IDEA NEW north central regional manager, Mr. Andrew Harvey and his Grants & Finance Manager, Mr. Sunil Perera had a meeting at RC North with Capt. V. Hoang, (Civil Affairs Team Leader) Randall Robinson (USAID Development Adviser), Carson Coleman (USAID Agricultural Adviser) and Stephen Smith (USAID FPO Faryab PRT) to discuss IDEA-NEW cooperation on CERP projects. IDEA-NEW has identified four infrastructure projects which it believes could be supported by CERP. IDEA-NEW has offered the services of its engineering and infrastructure department to provide plans and Bill of Quantities (BoQs) for CERP submissions.

Key Problems/Constraints

There is continued insecurity in Qaysar, Ghormach and Dawlatabad districts of Faryab Province and Chimtal and Chahar Bolak districts of Balkh Province.

Afghan First

During the reporting period a sum of USD 176,500 in local procurement and a total of USD 180,900 in Afghanistan during the reporting period.

Biweekly Update: Western Region

Job Creation

IDEA-NEW implements community-constructed infrastructure (CCI) projects throughout the western region, which serve a two-fold purpose: to restore and build productive infrastructure, and to 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 continued working on 18 CCI projects (nine MHP projects, eight irrigation systems and one wholesale market project) in Badghis and 394 male worked which generated 3,811 person days worth USD 28,809 wages. Please see Annex I for more detail on all CCI projects.

Summary Table: CCI Projects Western Region: October 1-15, 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	Female Wages this period	Total Person Days	Total Wages	Total person worked
Badghis	26	3	18	5	3,811	0	28,809	0	3,811	28,809	394
Total	26	3	18	5	3,811	0	28,809	0	3,811	28,809	394

Project Started in the Reporting Period:

CCI- 190115, Zergunba Canal, Qala-e-Now, Badghis Province

IDEA-NEW will construct an eight meter aqueduct and 181 meter protection wall, improving the current irrigation system supplying 221 jeribs of land for 200 families in three villages in Qala-e-Now. This will not only increase agricultural production but will also boost licit crop production.

Building Capacity:

No updates in the reporting period

USG & GIRoA Coordination

There are no updates for the reporting period.

Key Problems/Constraints

There are no updates for the reporting period.

Afghan First

Locally purchased materials for DAI (East and West) from October 1-15, 2010 were USD 436, 630.11.



Photo: Skilled and unskilled laborers engaged on filling the gabion box in Qalai Now District, Badghis Province.



Photo: A view of Micro Hydro Power built with IDEA-NEW assistance in Qades District of Badghis Province.

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: October 1 - 15, 2010

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	Added this period		IDEA-NEW Total to Date	IDEA-NEW LOP Target		IDEA-NEW Targets By Fiscal Year				IDEA-NEW Achievements By Fiscal Year			By Gender	
	Previous Period			LOP Targets	LOP Additions	FY'09	FY'10	FY'11	FY'12	FY'09	FY'10	FY'11	Male	Female
Number of families benefiting directly from USG interventions in Afghanistan	Previous Period	45,404	393,450	275,000	275,000	20,216	72,022	177,486	132,831	110,719	277,295	5,436	306,193	3,682
	Current Period	26,741											5,028	408
	Total of Two periods	72,145											311,221	4,090
# of KM of roads rehabilitated or built	Previous Period	1	75	500	400	-	220	58	39	-	62	13	-	-
	Current Period	13											-	-
	Total of Two periods	14											-	-
# of KM of irrigation system rehabilitated or built	Previous Period	1	154	350	350	-	186	231	184	-	153	1	-	-
	Current Period	1											-	-
	Total of Two periods	2											-	-
Wages (\$) paid through community constructed infrastructure projects to local community member	Previous Period	161,673	3,904,033	10,000,000	10,000,000	-	4,661,111	2,972,306	2,233,112	-	3,824,389	79,645	3,725,027	99,362
	Current Period	116,713											79,645	-
	Total of Two periods	241,318											3,804,672	99,362
# of person days of labor on CCI projects by local community members	Previous Period	24,709	682,618	2,600,000	2,500,000	-	310,740	534,994	407,344	-	671,367	11,251	651,243	20,124
	Current Period	18,717											11,251	-
	Total of Two periods	35,960											662,494	20,124
# of local community members employed on CCI projects	Previous Period	132	26,414	30,000	35,090	-	20,716	7,991	6,327	-	25,935	479	24,802	1,133
	Current Period	600											479	-
	Total of Two periods	611											25,281	1,133
# of individuals who have received USG-supported agriculture productivity training	Previous Period	17,398	232,526	375,000	375,000	10,902	65,670	71,308	65,520	106,552	121,153	4,821	227,262	443
	Current Period	20,496											4,803	18
	Total of Two periods	22,219											232,065	461

# of person days of USG-supported agriculture productivity training	Previous Period	8,634	94,492	125,000	131,250	-	34,252	75,293	72,399	-	88,203	6,290	87,281	922
	Current Period	14,127											5,926	14
	Total of Two periods	14,923											93,206	935
# of hectares of alternative crops targeted by USG cultivation	Previous Period	1,616	5,904	40,000	40,000	3,257	16,032	13,774	12,940	573	5,308	23	-	-
	Current Period	1,441											-	-
	Total of Two periods	1,639											-	-
# of livestock under increased technology and management	Previous Period	34,788	583,598	500,000	500,000	73,200	62,500	534,556	529,670	-	583,598	-		
	Current Period	-												
	Total of Two periods	34,788												
Number of individuals receiving agricultural and livestock inputs	Previous Period	14,381	78,897	115,000	140,000	15,829	63,650	71,136	60,598	1,937	76,367	593	77,119	1,185
	Current Period	13,544											203	390
	Total of Two periods	14,974											77,322	1,575
# of hectares under improved irrigation in USG assisted areas	Previous Period	119	4,721	10,000	10,000	980	4,852	11,824	9,013	16	4,705	-	-	-
	Current Period	-											-	-
	Total of Two periods	119											-	-
# of people receiving business and vocational skills training	Previous Period	113	3,045	1,000	1,200	36	494	4,940	3,848	493	2,530	22	1,023	2,000
	Current Period	22											22	-
	Total of Two periods	135											1,045	2,000
# of person days of business and vocational skills training	Previous Period	2,963	23,918	240,000	37,000	-	62,510	19,633	15,593	-	23,835	83	5,587	18,247
	Current Period	83											83	-
	Total of Two periods	3,046											5,670	18,247
# of government line staff trained	Previous Period	5	843	500	267	8	161	1,072	619	31	812	-	789	54
	Current Period	-											-	-
	Total of Two periods	5											789	54
# of person days of government line staff trained	Previous Period	4	2,646	5,000	1,840	-	1,808	8,178	4,232	-	2,646	-	2,422	224
	Current Period	-											-	-

Mercy Corps Biweekly Performance Indicator Table: October 1 - 15, 2010

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	Added this period		MC Total to Date	LOP Targets		MC Targets By Fiscal Year				MC Achievements By Fiscal Year			MC Achievements By Province				By Gender	
	Previous Period	Current Period		MC	IDEA-NEW	FY'09	FY'10	FY'11	FY'12	FY'09	FY'10	FY'11	Bdk-shan	Baghlan	Kunduz	Takhar	Male	Female
Number of families benefiting directly from USG interventions in Afghanistan	Previous Period	11,886	93,581	75,000	275,000	500	23,000	119,896	79,931	9,725	81,090	2,766	27,881	29,554	3,854	24,390	47,345	1,505
	Current Period	7,902											1,262	293	-	6,347	2,361	405
	Total of Two periods	19,788											29,143	29,847	3,854	30,737	49,706	1,910
# of KM of roads rehabilitated or built	Previous Period	1	42	200	500	-	120	46.4	31.0	-	31	12	9	22	-	-	-	-
	Current Period	12											-	1	-	11	-	-
	Total of Two periods	13											9	23	-	11	-	-
# of KM of irrigation system rehabilitated or built	Previous Period	-	5	50	350	-	75	151.2	100.8	-	5	-	1	3	-	1	-	-
	Current Period	-											-	-	-	-	-	-
	Total of Two periods	-											1	3	-	1	-	-
Wages (\$) paid through community constructed infrastructure projects to local community member	Previous Period	72,908	1,488,365	4,000,000	10,000,000	-	1,300,000	1,754,012	1,169,341	-	1,462,758	25,608	533,072	709,364	21,632	198,689	1,393,866	68,892
	Current Period	25,608											-	10,990	8,750	5,868	25,608	-
	Total of Two periods	98,516											533,072	720,354	30,382	204,557	1,419,474	68,892
# of person days of labor on CCI projects by local community members	Previous Period	9,616	214,145	1,000,000	2,600,000	-	288,889	292,335	194,890	-	210,573	3,572	83,277	94,310	2,746	30,240	197,904	12,669
	Current Period	3,572											-	1,405	1,343	824	3,572	-
	Total of Two periods	13,188											83,277	95,715	4,089	31,064	201,476	12,669
# of local community members employed on CCI projects	Previous Period	-	15,423	15,385	30,000	-	5,778	2,210	1,473	-	15,423	-	7,370	4,736	221	3,096	14,447	976
	Current Period	-											-	-	-	-	-	-
	Total of Two periods	-											7,370	4,736	221	3,096	14,447	976
# of individuals who have received USG-supported agricultural and livestock productivity training	Previous Period	911	34,563	50,000	375,000	202	10,250	17,365	11,576	9,694	22,696	2,173	8,554	5,608	3,800	14,428	31,962	428
	Current Period	2,173											1,059	293	-	821	2,158	15
	Total of Two periods	3,084											9,613	5,901	3,800	15,249	34,120	443
# of persondays of USG-supported agriculture productivity training	Previous Period	406	26,983	25,000	125,000	-	20,500	8,682	5,788	-	25,595	1,388	5,075	3,258	1,425	15,837	24,724	871
	Current Period	1,388											530	147	-	711	1,382	6
	Total of Two periods	1,794											5,605	3,405	1,425	16,548	26,106	877
# of hectares of alternative crops targeted by USG cultivation	Previous Period	18	96	5,000	40,000	350	1,590	2,501	1,667	-	73	23	34	-	-	39	-	-
	Current Period	23											-	-	-	23	-	-
	Total of Two periods	41											34	-	-	62	-	-
# of livestock under increased technology and management	Previous Period	34,700	114,711	50,000	500,000	66,200	10,200	30,556	20,370	-	114,711	-	59,374	40,737	-	14,600	-	-
	Current Period	-											-	-	-	-	-	-
	Total of Two periods	34,700											59,374	40,737	-	14,600	-	-
Number of individuals receiving agricultural and livestock inputs	Previous Period	1,430	15,838	30,000	115,000	60	8,650	31,612	21,074	-	15,245	593	9,443	3,962	-	1,840	14,574	671
	Current Period	593											203	-	390	203	390	
	Total of Two periods	2,023											9,646	3,962	-	2,230	14,777	1,061
# of hectares under improved irrigation in USG assisted areas	Previous Period	-	2,509	5,000	10,000	480	1,090	7,592	5,061	-	2,509	-	251	1,394	-	864	-	-
	Current Period	-											-	-	-	-	-	-
	Total of Two periods	-											251	1,394	-	864	-	-
# of people receiving business and vocational skills training	Previous Period	-	907	300	1,000	-	200	2,865	1,910	-	907	-	52	684	37	134	518	389
	Current Period	-											-	-	-	-	-	-
	Total of Two periods	-											52	684	37	134	518	389
# of person days of business and vocational skills training	Previous Period	-	4,431	3,000	240,000	-	2,000	1,433	955	-	4,431	-	137	3,882	111	301	2,039	2,392
	Current Period	-											-	-	-	-	-	-
	Total of Two periods	-											137	3,882	111	301	2,039	2,392
# of government line staff trained	Previous Period	-	308	100	500	-	30	457	304	31	277	-	242	21	17	28	291	17
	Current Period	-											-	-	-	-	-	-
	Total of Two periods	-											242	21	17	28	291	17
# of person days of government line staff trained	Previous Period	-	983	1,000	5,000	-	300	228	152	-	983	-	880	24	30	49	908	75
	Current Period	-											-	-	-	-	-	-
	Total of Two periods	-											880	24	30	49	908	75

ACDI/VOCA Biweekly Performance Indicator Table: October 1 - 15, 2010

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	Added this period		ACDI/VOCA Total to Date	LOP Targets		ACDI/VOCA Targets By Fiscal Year				ACDI/VOCA Achievements By Fiscal Year			ACDI/VOCA Achievements By Province					By Gender	
	Previous Period	Current Period		ACDI/VOCA	IDEA-NEW	FY'09	FY'10	FY'11	FY'12	FY'09	FY'10	FY'11	Balkh	Faryab	Jawzjan	Samangan	SariPul	Male	Female
Number of families benefiting directly from USG intervention in Afghanistan	Previous Period	2,298	142,567	75,000	275,000	3,947	15,788	19,790	15,100	85,542	55,056	1,969	46,648	25,189	31,089	19,335	16,155	122,647	1,056
	Current Period	4,151											2,789	786	124	370	82	1,966	3
	Total of Two periods	6,449											49,437	25,975	31,213	19,705	16,237	124,613	1,059
# of KM of roads rehabilitated or built	Previous Period	-	1	125	500	-	60	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Current Period	1											1	-	-	-	-	-	
	Total of Two periods	1											1	-	-	-	-	-	-
# of KM of irrigation system rehabilitated or built	Previous Period	-	1	25	350	-	22	4	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Current Period	-											-	-	-	-	-		
	Total of Two periods	-											-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wages (\$) paid through community constructed infrastructure projects to local community member	Previous Period	-	192,347	1,000,000	10,000,000	-	1,100,000	30,000	10,000	-	190,007	2,340	99,290	90,717	-	-	-	190,007	-
	Current Period	2,340											2,340	-	-	-	-	2,340	-
	Total of Two periods	2,340											101,630	90,717	-	-	-	-	192,347
# of person days of labor on CCI projects by local community members	Previous Period	-	29,510	250,000	2,600,000	-	244,444	5,000	1,700	-	29,458	52	16,317	13,141	-	-	-	29,458	-
	Current Period	52											52	-	-	-	-	52	-
	Total of Two periods	52											16,369	13,141	-	-	-	-	29,510
# of local community members employed on CCI projects	Previous Period	-	4,276	5,000	30,000	-	5,432	500	170	-	3,808	468	1,844	1,964	-	-	-	3,808	-
	Current Period	468											468	-	-	-	-	468	-
	Total of Two periods	468											2,312	1,964	-	-	-	-	4,276
# of individuals who have received USG-supported agricultural and livestock productivity training	Previous Period	111	112,080	225,000	375,000	2,500	5,000	7,500	7,500	85,542	24,591	1,947	30,490	16,112	30,076	18,057	15,398	110,118	15
	Current Period	1,947											597	781	121	368	80	1,944	3
	Total of Two periods	2,058											31,087	16,893	30,197	18,425	15,478	112,062	18
# of persondays of USG-supported agriculture productivity training	Previous Period	40	35,260	56,250	125,000	-	1,252	55,000	55,000	-	30,709	4,551	8,886	4,173	8,436	5,102	4,111	30,658	51
	Current Period	4,551											1,150	2,397	337	533	134	4,544	8
	Total of Two periods	4,591											10,036	6,570	8,773	5,635	4,245	35,202	58
# of hectares of alternative crops targeted by USG cultivation	Previous Period	180	81	25,000	40,000	1,250	5,280	7,062	7,062	-	81	-	62	8	6	3	2	-	-
	Current Period	-											-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Total of Two periods	180											62	8	6	3	2	-	-
# of livestock under increased technology and management	Previous Period	88	400,310	400,000	500,000	4,500	19,000	500,000	500,000	-	400,310	-	1,504	339,493	241	58,989	83	-	-
	Current Period	-											-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Total of Two periods	88											1,504	339,493	241	58,989	83	-	-
Number of individuals receiving agricultural and livestock inputs	Previous Period	-	12,682	20,000	115,000	-	6,000	5,000	5,000	-	12,682	-	1,807	8,240	874	1,140	621	12,218	464
	Current Period	-											-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Total of Two periods	-											1,807	8,240	874	1,140	621	-	12,218
# of hectares under improved irrigation in USG assisted areas	Previous Period	-	1,044	3,334	10,000	-	1,002	584	-	-	1,044	-	1,038	1	2	2	1	-	-
	Current Period	-											-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Total of Two periods	-											1,038	1	2	2	1	-	-
# of people receiving business and vocational skills training	Previous Period	-	850	100	1,000	6	24	1,375	1,375	-	828	22	357	74	131	135	131	251	577
	Current Period	22											10	5	3	2	2	22	-
	Total of Two periods	22											367	79	134	137	133	273	577
# of person days of business and vocational skills training	Previous Period	-	11,953	2,000	240,000	-	10	-	-	-	11,870	83	10,464	116	428	439	423	395	11,475
	Current Period	83											38	19	11	8	8	83	-
	Total of Two periods	83											10,501	134	439	447	431	478	11,475
# of government line staff trained	Previous Period	5	60	84	500	8	16	15	5	-	60	-	11	33	8	3	5	60	-
	Current Period	-											-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Total of Two periods	5											11	33	8	3	5	60	-
# of person days of government line staff trained	Previous Period	4	30	840	5,000	-	8	150	50	-	30	-	5	18	4	2	2	30.4	-
	Current Period	-											-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Total of Two periods	4											5	18	4	2	2	30.4	-

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.

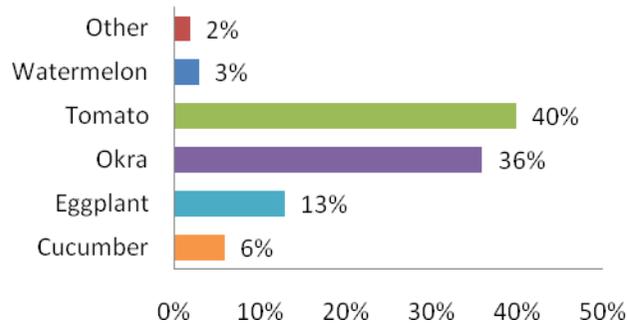
The findings of the impact study showed the program to be successful, with farmers on average producing and earning more than the previous season when they did not participate in the program.

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 USD 33 per Jerib increased to USD 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*.

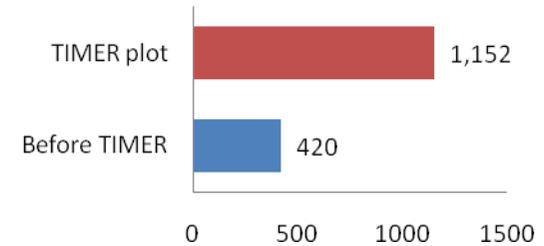
TIMER program vegetable



TIMER -- Average Per-Jerib Sales



TIMER-- Average production per Jerib (in kgs)



Annex I: CCI Project Data by Region

Eastern Region: October 1-15, 2010

	PROJECT NAME	PROJECT CODE	DISTRICT	September 16 to 31, 2010	October 01 to 15, 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	100%		Completed		6500	50		430	
2	Khanjar Karez	CCI-080307	Hesarak	100%		Completed	50	1800	900		104	
3	Ragha Canal Improvement	CCI-080310	Hesarak	42%	45%	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
11	Toowda Chena Karez	CCI-080516	Khogyani	100%		Completed Jan 2010		1600				210Cum
12	Baghicha Karez Intake	CCI-080517	Khogyani	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	100%		Completed	160	4000	258		600	
15	Kandi Bagh & Hafizan Canal Intake	CCI-080612	Chaparhar	76%	80%	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	100%		Completed	120	12000	300		2000	
18	Landay Canal intake	CCI-080708	Pachir wa Agam	100%		Completed	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	80%	83%	Active	300	3500	515		1200	
21	Shalizar Canal Improvement	CCI-080905	Rodat	100%		Completed Aug 2010	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	55%	70%	Active			300		800	
25	Lalpur Guldag Road Repair	CCI-081504	Lalpur	100%		Completed				12 Km		
26	Qala Shahi School boundary construction	CCI-082005	Dare Nur	100%		Completed	3.056			140	500	
27	Sarachie Ali Khan School boundary wall implementation	CCI-082105	Behsud	50%	68%	Active	5.643		140		1500	
28	Trili Girls & Boys School Boundary Wall	CCI-082307	Achin	100%		Completed			300 m			
29	Makrana Canal Intake	CCI-082308	Achin	100%		Completed April 2010	120	3000	295		200	
30	Mamand Olas Canal	CCI-082309	Achin	68%	70%	Active	360		369		1000	
31	Mamand Tangi Village Bridge	CCI-082310	Achin	76%	78%	Active		2400		120	600 RCC	
32	Marko School Boundary Wall	CCI-081310	Shinwari	86%	90%	Active		900			800	

33	Baghcha Karez	CCI-081312	Shinwari	100%		Completed	80	330				
34	Daga canal intake improvement project	CCI-081313	Shinwar	0%	7%	Started in this BW	240	4000	365		345	
35	Koshtal MHP	CCI-082311	Achin	50%	60%	Active					350	
KUNAR PROVINCE												
36	Salar canal improvemet	CCI-100101	Asadabad	100%		Completed	3500	24000	3400		8500	
37	Marawara Kariz improvement	CCI-100201	Marawara	45%		Stopped due to Sep 26 incident	400	2000	400		3600	
38	KCC Coble Stone Road Improvement	CCI-100701	Shegal	100%		Completed	50		250	0.750	200	
39	Warsak Dag Canal Intake Improvement	CCI-101207	Narang	100%		Completed Dec 2009	14.3		140+48 m Weir		1660	
40	Qazi Banda Canal Improvement	CCI-101310	Chowkay	100%		Completed Oct 2009	16.07		75		427	
41	Chawki Loi Canal	CCI-101311	Chowkay	100%		Completed	3000	11000	824		700	
42	Garigal Canal Intake Improvement	CCI-101312	Chowkay	75%		Stopped due to Sep 26 incident						
LAGHMAN PROVINCE												
43	Sawati Road imp	CCI-090225	Qarghai	100%		Completed	500		638	10,000	800	
44	Shamangal Nelawat canal improvement	CCI-090127	Mehterlam	48%		Stopped due to increased water	600	8000	414		1500	
45	Nahri Karim Canal Improvement	CCI-090226	Qarghai	50%	53%	Active	2400	14000	200		4250	
NOORISTAN PROVINCE												
46	Malil Mashfa Road	CCI-300805	Nurgram	100%		Completed	400		341	3350	1400	

Northeastern Region: October 1-15, 2010

#	PROJECT NAME	PROJECT CODE	DISTRICT	Cum. Progress Sept 15-30	Cum. Progress Oct 1-15	REMARKS	Target Hectares Irrigated (ha)	Target Canal Length (M)	Target Wall Length (M)	Target Road Length (Km)	Target Fam. Benefited	Target 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%	Stopped	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%	Stopped	N/A	N/A	360	N/A	530	N/A
13	Sarlola Feeder Road	MC-IDEA-NE-BD-E-09-010	Khash	100%	100%	Completed	N/A	N/A	N/A	2	570	N/A

14	Dahbazar Gabion Protection Wall	MC-IDEA-NE-BD-E-015-010	Daryim	95%	100%	Completed	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	75%	95%	Ongoing	320	N/A	N/A	N/A	730	N/A
16	Farman Qului Canal Construction	MC-IDEA-NE-BD-E-018-10	Tagab	18%	25%	Ongoing	200	2000	N/A	N/A	450	N/A
17	Yasech Road Rehabilitation	MC-IDEA-NE-BD-E-019-10	Suhahda	27%	45%	Ongoing	N/A	N/A	N/A	4.8	1560	N/A
18	Zardew Main Canal Rehabilitation	MC-IDEA-NE-BD-E-020-10	Shuhada	20%	25%	Ongoing	N/A	Active	2,200	13,000	N/A	N/A
19	Ghunew Road Rehabilitation	MC-IDEA-NE-BD-E-016-010	Warduj	20%	40%	Ongoing	N/A	Active	N/A	N/A	N/A	5000

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 Training	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-024-010	Puli-Khumri	70%	100%	Completed	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	208	N/A
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	87%	96%	Ongoing	N/A	N/A	800	10	1560	N/A
17	Nowabad-e-Flool 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	93%	100%	Completed	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-flool secondary Road Rehabilitation	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-022-10	Burka	90%	96%	Ongoing	N/A	N/A	N/A	8	1050	N/A
23	Now Abad-e-Flool secondary Road Rehabilitation	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-021-10	Burka	100%	100%	Completed	N/A	N/A	N/A	3	1200	N/A

24	Dahla Aqueduct Construction	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-011-10	Nahrin	100%	100%	Completed	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	100%	100%	Completed	15000	160	160	N/A	4666	N/A
27	Tangi Murch Aqueduct	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-027-10	Burka	100%	100%	Completed	300	18	18	N/A	1920	N/A
28	Markaz i Burka Protection Wall	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-028-10	Burka	100%	100%	Completed	24	10	N/A	40	240	N/A
29	Markaz i Burka Secondary Road Rehabilitation	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-029-10	Burka	50%	60%	Ongoing	N/A	N/A	N/A	3.5	400	N/A
30	Arbab Noor Mohammad Intake construction	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-012-10	Burka	45%	50%	Ongoing	180	18	N/A	N/A	366	N/A
31	Tangi Murch Protection Wall Construction Project	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-028-10	Burka	100%	100%	Completed	24	10	N/A	40	240	N/A
32	Eraghak Aqueduct Construction Project	MC-IDEA-NE-BG-E-031-10	Khost	0%	5%	Ongoing	N/A	6	N/A	N/A	190	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	96%	99%	Ongoing	1500	N/A	440	N/A	2500	N/A
5	Nuqra Chashma Canal Intake	MC-IDEA-NE-TK-E-004-10	Kalafgan	95%	95%	Ongoing	210	N/A	260	N/A	300	N/A
6	Khaja Mukhtar Canal Intake	MC-IDEA-NE-TK-E-006-10	Taloqan	96%	100%	Complete	2000	305	260	N/A	2000	N/A
7	Ganjlibagh Gabion Protection Wall	MC-IDEA-NE-TK-E-007/10	Taloqan	15%	22%	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	15%	18%	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	12%	17%	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	41%	41%	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	37%	37%	On going	100	45	700	N/A	360	N/A

**The listed hectares, canal length, wall length, road length, reservoir size and families benefitted represent target numbers for the end of the project. The cumulative progress column represents the percentage of progress achieved towards these targets.*

North/Central Region: October 1 - 15, 2010

	PROJECT NAME	PROJECT CODE	DISTRICT	Sep 16-30, 2010	Oct 01-15, 2010	REMARKS	Hectares irrigated (ha)	Protection wall length (m)	Road length (km)	Families benefitted
	SARI PUL									
1	Micro-hydropower (MHP),Chaila village, Balkhab, Sari Pul	MHP8200.5 /1	Balkhab	83%	88%	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	68%	68%	10.4KW				70
4	Micro-hydropower (MHP),Parawshan village, Balkhab, Sari Pul	MHP8200.5 /4	Balkhab	95%	95%	24KW				130
5	Micro-hydropower (MHP), Dahna Wa Takhsar village, Balkhab, Sari Pul	MHP8200.5 /5	Balkhab	65%	70%	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 Bilchiragh	100 %	100%			76m	52 km	50000
14	Ibrahimabad Micro Hydro Power	8200.5/20	Pashtun Kot	5%	17%	4.4KW				
15	Qalai Niasbeq-Payan MHP	8200.5/19	Pashtun Kot	5%	17%	4.6KW				
16	Qalai Niasbeq-Bala MHP	8200.5/18	Pashtun Kot	5%	17%	10.8KW				
17	Hazara Qala MHP	8200.5/17	Pashtun Kot	15%	17%	11.9KW				
18	Nawabad Beqlarsai MHP	8200.5/16	Pashtun Kot	15%	17%	6.2KW				
19	Kata Qala Shora-e-Bazar MHP	8200.5/15	Pashtun Kot	15%	17%	14KW				
20	Kata Qala Shora-e-Madrasa MHP	8200.5/14	Pashtun Kot	15%	17%	16KW				
21	Kata Qala Haji Basir Micro Hyrdro Power	8200.5/13	Pashtun Kot	15%	17%	7.5KW				
	BALKH									
22	CFW Khulm/Tela Gabion Protection Wall	CFW16 14 BL01	Khulm	100 %	100%		9600	975m		12000
23	CFW Khulm/Do Darak Retaining Wall	CFW 200102	Khulm	100 %	100%		9600	100m		12000
24	Warehouse Road Improvement		Mazar-e-Sharif	100 %	100%				0.7km	450
25	Mazar Almond Market PCC Platform	BL007	D1 Mazar	100 %	100%	158 Shops				
26	CFW Khulm River Gabion protection Extension	BL003	Khulm	15%	18%		500	550m		500
	Jawzjan									
27	Construction of Mardian Water Reservoir	JW001	Mardian	20%	25%	3000000 liter				300 Families

Western Region: October 1-15, 2010

	PROJECT NAME	PROJECT CODE	DISTRICT	Progress % cumulative August 31, 2010	Progress % cumulative September 15, 2010	REMARKS	Hectares irrigated (ha)	Canal length (m)	Protection 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	72	80	Ongoing	120	7000	380/65		200	
5	Gudol Canal Protection	CCI 190205	Abkamary	98	98	Ongoing, but currently stopped	180	3700	250		700	
6	Pahlawan Canal Protection	CCI 190206	Abkamary	98	98	Ongoing, but currently stopped	160	3500	300		500	
7	Kham e Abbasi Canal Improvement	CCI 190709	Muqur	94	94	Ongoing	100	3200	150		300	
8	Tagab e Ismail Canal improvement	CCI 190108	Qala e Now	90	90	Ongoing	120	4200	320		800	
9	Echka Canal improvement	CCI 190716	Muqur	65	70	Ongoing	40	5500	235		470	
10	Karkeyha MHP (7KW)	CCI 190311	Qades	60	70	Ongoing					80	
11	Sarasyab MHP (4KW)	CCI 190310	Qades	65	70	Ongoing					60	
12	Haje Abdulla MHP (3KW)	CCI 190312	Qades	60	70	Ongoing					80	
13	Deh Breenge (MHP (10KW)	CCI 190321	Qades	60	70	Ongoing					180	

14	Agha MHP (3KW)	CCI 190120	Qala E ow	55	65	Ongoing					110	
15	Talabe Beland MHP (4KW)	CCI 190118	Qala E Now	55	65	Ongoing					130	
16	Kondalam MHP (4KW)	CCI 190114	Qala E Now	60	70	Ongoing					50	
17	Amala MHP (4KW)	CCI 190113	Tagab e Esmail	60	70	Ongoing					80	
18	Arbab Mohammed Canal	CCI 190119	Qala E Now	8	8	Ongoing, but currently stopped due to community problem	250	3500	150		80	
19	Tangy canal Intake improvement	CCI 190717	Muqur	10	10	Ongoing, but currently stopped due to security	700	12000	400		2500	
20	Badghis W/S Market	CCI 190104	Qala E Now	15	18	Ongoing						
21	Construction skill Training	CCI 190127	Qal E Now	35	37	Ongoing						
22	Qulmali Canal improvement	CCI 190224	Abkamary	10	20	Ongoing	400	5500	372		380	
23	Zergunbad MHP	CCI 190122	Loman	35	45	Ongoing						
24	Kondalam Canal	CCI 1902	Tagab e esmail	8	20	Ongoing	450	4500	148		300	
25	Fersetan Canal	CCI 190126	Abkamary	6	20	Ongoing	320	4300	300		300	
26	Zer Gunbad Canal Improvement	CCI 190115	Qala-e-Naw	0	7	Ongoing						

Annex II: Farmer Training Summary Eastern Region, October 1-15, 2010

Nº	Province	Districts	Staple Crops			CDF	TIMER	REVAMP	Orchard Dev Prog ^{9/}	FIELD Program ^{10/}	Nursery Dev Prog ^{11/}		Nº Farmers		
			Mung bean ^{1/}	Onion ^{2/}	Yellow Mize ^{5/}	Vegetables ^{6/}	Vegetables ^{7/}	Vegetables ^{8/}			Male	Females	Male	Female	Total
1	Nangarhar	Achin					0								0
2	Nangarhar	Batikot				23	0		21						44
3	Nangarhar	Bedsood				21	23		1	20					65
4	Nangarhar	Chaparhar				21	0		84	24					129
5	Nangarhar	Dari noor	19				0	16	16						51
8	Nangarhar	Ghanikhil					81	35	12						128
9	Nangarhar	Goshta					47		38						85
10	Nangarhar	Hissarak					0		5						5
11	Nangarhar	Kama	20			61	81		40	16					218
12	Nangarhar	Khogyani		33			84		44	14					175
13	Nangarhar	Kot			20		46		62						128
14	Nangarhar	Kuz Kunar	66			87	29	19	28						229
16	Nangarhar	Momandara			27	22	65								114
17	Nangarhar	Nazian					0								0
18	Nangarhar	Pachir Wa Agam				22	0	18	53	69					162
19	Nangarhar	Rodat					47	25	14	20					106
20	Nangarhar	Sherzad					0		9						9
21	Nangarhar	Spinghar					32								32
22	Nangarhar	Surkhrod	46			20	0	74	20						160
		Sub-total	151	33	47	277	535	187	447	163	0	0	0	0	1,840
36	Laghman	Alingar				45	23		20	4					92
37	Laghman	Alishang				65	25								90
38	Laghman	Dawlat shat					0								0
39	Laghman	Mehtarlam				72	100		32	9					213
40	Laghman	Qarghaee			23		74		12	23					132
		Sub-total	0	0	23	182	222	0	64	36	0	0	0	0	527
41	Nooristan	Noorgram				20	0								20
		Sub-total	0	0		20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
43	Kabul	Surobi													
			0	0	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40
	Total		151	33	110	479	757	187	511	199	0	0	0	0	2,427

Annex III: Biweekly Sales Data-Eastern Region

October 1-15, 2010: Biweekly Sales Table

Products	Local Market		High Value Market		Export Market		Total weight & Value	
	Kg	\$	K	\$	Kg	\$	Kg	\$
Vegetables	62,500	14,880	228	360	1,431,000	354,910	1,493,728	370,150
Fruits	0	0	0	0	10,000	10,294	10,000	10,294
Herbs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cheese	248.9	746.7	0	0	0	0	248.9	746.7
Masroor Foods	0	960	0	0	0	0	0	960
Textile	0	1,295	0	0	0	0	0	1,295
Snacks/chips	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Day old chickens	0	1,071	0	0	0	0	0	1,071
Packaging Cartoons	0	1,742	0	0	0	0	0	1,742
Table Eggs	0	3,674	0	0	0	0	0	3,674
Total	62,749	24,369	228	360	1,441,000	365,204	1,503,977	389,933
Sales directly facilitated by the project since 1 st Sep till 15 th Oct 2010							389,933	

July 1, 2009 - October 15, 2010

Products	Local Market		High Value Market		Export Market		Total Weight & Value	
	Kg	\$	Kg	\$	Kg	\$	Kg	\$
Vegetables	2,712,600	566,037	29,765	39,206	12,281,000	2,991,612	15,023,365	3,596,855
Fruits	187,386	55,108	6,530	16,461	10,000	10,294	203,916	81,863
Herbs	709	200	0	0	0	0	709	200
Cheese	8,667.90	26,270.40	0	0	0	0	8,667.90	26,270
Masroor Foods	0	53,496	0	56,352	0	0	0	109,848
Textile	0	22,606.30	0	0	0	0	0	22,606
Snacks	0	20,620	0	4,391.90	0	0	0	25,012
Day old chickens	0	94,885	0	0	0	0	0	94,885
Cartoons Riaz	0	16,351	0	0	0	0	0	16,351
Table Eggs	0	4,503	0	0	0	0	0	4,503
Total	2,909,362.90	860,076.70	36,295	116,411.35	12,291,000	3,001,906	15,236,657.90	3,978,394

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

See separate attachment

Annex V: IDEA-NEW Biweekly Grants Update

October 1-15, 2010: Eastern Region Grants

During reporting period, the following grants concepts have been recommended by evaluation committee members and forwarded to the Project Director for approval.

- 1) Maidanak Village Canal Protection Wall Project worth \$ 27,481.00 located in Spinghar District of Nangarhar Province.
- 2) Gawe Shoulgara Village Canal Rehabilitation Project with a total amount of \$ 26,535.00 Located Achin District of Nangarhar Province.
- 3) Broiler Breeder Farm with a total value of \$ 80,000.00 located in Mihterlam/Qarghaye District of Laghman Province.
- 4) Javed Afghan Agro Machinery Manufacturing Factory total worth of \$ 95,000.00 and located in Jalalabad City of Nangarhar Province.
- 5) Embroidery and Tailoring Center worths \$3,750.00 satuted in Majboorabad Area of Jalalabad City of Nangarhar Province.

Also, technical and cost evaluation of Ihsanullah and Rahmatullah off-season Vegetable Production Greenhouses was completed and recommended by committee members .Technical section has been asked to create EMS thereafter grants section will send a final agreement to Project Director approval.

Furthermore, RFA's for Carpet Weaving and Textile Weaving closed during reporting period. All application will be submitted to Evaluation Committee members in next biweekly period.

October 1-15, 2010 Grants Table

See separate table attached

Annex VI: Cooperative Agreement Information

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

Start Date: March 2, 2009

End Date: March 1, 2014

Cooperative Agreement Number: 306-A-00-09-00508

AOTR/USAID Program Manager: Mohammad Aslam Amiri 0700-066-583

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