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ALP/E: First business skills training for 32 Agri-input suppliers under TARAQI:
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ALP/E General Information

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ALP/E'S MISSION STATEMENT

The overall objective of ALP/E is to accelerate broad-based, sustainable regional economic development in the Eastern Region, providing the population with licit livelihood options, and contributing to the elimination of poppy production as an economic element. This will be accomplished by working with the public and private sectors to increase the competitiveness and diversity of regional agricultural and non-agricultural sub-sectors; improving access to markets, inputs and business services; consolidating the presence of supportive public and productive infrastructure; building public and private sector capacity to function in a competitive and transparent economy; and addressing the needs of populations that are heavily reliant on the poppy economy.



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Highlights of ALP/E activities and achievements during this reporting period are as follows:

- **The Agribusiness Unit** designed and launched its training program for agri-input dealers. The program, titled TARAQI (“Development” in Pashto, pronounced as written; implies action, improvement, and growth) or Training for **A**fghanistan **R**egional **A**gricultural **Q**uality **I**nputs, incorporates a series of innovations including training in appropriate business skills, a youth business training program, study tours and a mentoring program led by successful businessmen. Twenty five input dealers participated in the Business Skills Program in June.
- Follow-up and technical supervision continued on the Eastern Region Orchard Development Program. IF hope extension workers focused on water management techniques, particularly in anticipation of the summer conditions. Water channels continued to be rehabilitated in all districts, and 65% of farmers have completed water channels while the remaining farmers are waiting for intercrop seed. In the coming season more attention will be paid to farmer selection and follow-up to improve survival rates (currently being re-assessed.)
- Following the official launch of the Fruit Marketing Program, 12 field technicians were trained and deployed to provide technical assistance in the field to rehabilitate existing fruit orchards, increase productivity and the farm-gate quality of fruits and nuts. The program also incorporates an aggressive strategy aimed to facilitate the formation of village-level marketing groups as a mechanism to reduce transaction costs, increase farmers’ bargaining power and reduce other market inefficiencies. Arrangements between farmer groups and fruit wholesalers are underway to facilitate the sale of fresh fruit beginning in September 2006.
- **The Infrastructure Unit** started rehabilitating the Jalalabad Wholesale Fruit and Vegetable Market under the cash for work (CFW) program. Rehabilitation work includes paving of the earth parking area, renovation of sanitary facilities, a water well and water distribution system, and rebuilding the 114 shops with a higher ceiling for the unloading areas as requested by the Wholesalers Association and the Municipality of Jalalabad.
- Seven **CFW** projects were completed and work continued on 45 ongoing projects in Laghman, Nangarhar, and Kunar provinces. The daily employment rate was 5,968 workers per day, and 15,246 individual laborers have been employed from June 2005 through June 15th, 2006. Total employment days were recorded as 61,229 and the cumulative total reached 674,292 employment days from June 2005 through June 15th, 2006.
 - **Nangarhar Province:** Thirty-one cash for work projects are currently being implemented- with a cumulative total of 262,439 employment days generated in the province to date.
 - **Laghman Province:** Nine CFW projects are currently being implemented- with a cumulative total of 364,465 employment days generated in the province to date.
 - **Kunar Province:** Five CFW projects in Kunar are currently being implemented- while one is suspended- a cumulative total of 47,388 employment days generated in the province to date.
- **The Private Sector Development Unit (PSD)** continued supporting the Business Development Center (BDC.) The BDC team conducted a needs assessment survey of the business community in Nangarhar province. The BDC also continued its marketing campaign among businessmen, import and export companies, manufacturers, traders, and business associations.
- The BDC Director facilitated a meeting of ice factory owners with the Mayor of Jalalabad City. Recently, Jalalabad increased the charges (taxes) levied on ice. Subsequently the Mayor agreed to remove the tax, as well as allowing businessmen to sell ice at market prices. The BDC’s plans to be involved in other policy issues.
- **The Gender & MicroEnterprise Development Unit** continued supporting 132 SHGs in Nangarhar, Kunar and Laghman. Vocational training for all but 10 of these SHGs has been completed; in Kunar training slowed due to security. Business Training is complete in Nangarhar and the Business Training of Trainers (ToT) began in Laghman, which will allow the SHGs to begin the next phase of the program – the business training. This ToT is conducted by Master Trainers who are on the staff of Relief International.
- The women-owned nurseries in Behsud and Surkh Rod, Nangarhar received the second phase of their training. The two nurseries in Laghman will receive their training in the next reporting period. The nursery in NagraK received a visit from Donna Wright, the USAID cross-cutting issues advisor.

SECTOR ACTIVITIES

A brief description of the activities and achievements of the technical sectors follows.

I. AGRIBUSINESS



ALP/E: An ERODP beneficiary from Laghman (left) posing questions to ALP/E's Senior Horticulture Manager and Technical Advisor.

Eastern Region Orchard Development Program (ERODP)

During the reporting period, IF Hope staff focused training in water management techniques. Following the wheat harvest, water channels are being built in all districts. ALP/E, in collaboration with IF Hope distributed 30,000 kilograms of certified mungbean seed, in addition to seeds of fodder crops and summer vegetables. The seeds allow beneficiaries of the ERODP program to intercrop, thereby encouraging irrigation and management of the young orchards, plus generating additional farm income until the fruit and nut trees reach their productive stage.

In early 2006 the survival rate of all the trees distributed was measured. A re-survey of the trees to assess mid-summer survival rates is underway, to help design program improvements for the next season's tree distribution.

In areas where farmers are facing a water shortage, various techniques for judicious use of irrigation water have been advised. Technical guidance in other areas such as chemical spray, fertilizer application, micronutrients application and weeding was also provided. In some orchards in Ghani Khel gummosis was observed and proper treatment of fungicides with insecticides was advised to protect the plants.

A parallel initiative, the Fruit Marketing Program, aimed to rehabilitate the existing fruit and nut orchards, increase productivity, farm-gate quality and improve marketing systems has surveyed 940 farms in preparation for the coming harvest in September 2006. So far, a partial crop forecast (10 of 12 districts) reports 1,540 metric tons of fruit, which will be marketed with assistance from ALP/E. This is lower than normal due to weather conditions at bloom time. The twelve field technicians leading this program continue their in-service training to ensure the provision of technical assistance of the highest standard.

ALP/E's value chain approach incorporates interventions in support of the different actors that participate in the agricultural supply chains, in order to increase output and maximize efficiency. One such intervention has been the rehabilitation of the Jalalabad Wholesale Market, a structure built during the Taliban era that was clearly posing risks from structural and hygienic standpoints, while also constraining the expansion of wholesaler's trade capacity. ALP/E's Agribusiness and Infrastructure units are jointly coordinating the rehabilitation of the market structure, which constitutes one of several activities in support of fruit and vegetable wholesale markets in Jalalabad. Other activities ongoing and planned include support to the Wholesalers Association in institutional development, food safety, grading, packaging and facilitation of market linkages with buyers in Afghanistan and abroad.



Jalalabad Wholesale Market during the rainy season



Re-building the foundation...

ALP/E: District wide seed distribution of intercrop seed from the ERODP (kg)

District	Okra/kg	Mung Bean/kg	Moth Bean/kg	Clover/kg	Gourds	Tomatoes	Egg plant
Bati Kot	366.1	2953.9	125.4	0.0	13.6	0.4	0.0
Ghani Khel	181.3	1998.9	806.6	12.7	14.5	2.3	0.0
Rodat	0.0	3345.2	181.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Chaparhar	39.4	1733.6	85.1	16.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
Khewa	133.9	3061.4	18.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Kama	241.7	3446.2	19.8	28.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Behsud	405.5	2819.3	85.4	0.0	38.5	0.0	0.0
Surkh Rud	307.0	1820.1	293.9	176.7	56.8	1.5	2.3
Mehtarlam	130.6	1446.5	9.0	437.7	0.0	0.0	0.0
Qarghaie	0.0	2640.7	41.8	29.4	0.0	0.0	0.0
Khogyani	77.2	4694.8	77.5	69.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
	1,882.7	29,960.7	1,744.2	769.8	123.3	4.1	2.3

Agricultural Trade Fair

Renovation of the site for the Agricultural Trade Fair is well underway. The response of individuals and organizations has been overwhelming. The 72 booths initially planned have been reserved and the additional demand required building an additional 25 booths. Promotional materials were distributed, and radio advertisements will begin on June 10.

The event aims to promote the Eastern Region's agricultural production, including fruit, vegetables and livestock, facilitate the interaction among the different actors in the supply chains, and catalyze the establishment of market linkages with wholesalers and retailers from the main regional markets. The format of the event will encourage and enable private sector actors to identify business opportunities, especially in agro-industry. Representatives from a broad range of actors including researchers, input suppliers, individual farmers and farmer organizations, district-level produce assemblers, fruit and vegetable wholesalers, processors, and exporters are all expected to participate in the fair. Visitors will have the opportunity to observe and learn about the latest agricultural technologies, fresh and processed commodities produced in the region, and establish market contacts.



Arrangements for the Agricultural Trade Fair

AGRIBUSINESS									
#	Project Name	Location	Province	% Complete		Implementer	Activity Start Date	Activity Completion Date	Comments
				Design	Implementation				
1	NVDA Olive Pruning	Behsud	Nangarhar	100	100	ALP/E	2/21/2006	3/13/2006	Completed
2	Eastern Region Orchards Development Program	ALP districts	Nangarhar/Laghman	100	30	IF Hope	7/05/2005	2/16/2009	Ongoing
3	Farmers Training (TOT)	ALP districts	Nangarhar/Laghman/Kunar	100	100	ALP/E	1/28/2006	2/9/2006	Completed
4	Traders (Assemblers) Training	ALP districts	Nangarhar/Laghman/Kunar	100	100	ALP/E	2/20/2006	2/23/2006	Completed
5	Wholesalers training	ALP districts	Nangarhar/Laghman/Kunar	100	100	ALP/E	2/11/2006	2/12/2006	Completed
6	Influenza Training(TOT)	ALP districts	Nangarhar/Laghman/Kunar	100	100	ALP/E	3/27/2006	3/28/2006	Completed
7	Radio Program-Farmers Interview	ALP districts	Nangarhar/Laghman/Kunar	100	50	ALP/E	2/12/2006	6/30/2006	Ongoing
8	Establishment of Vegetable Wholesalers Association	Jalalabad	Nangarhar	100	100	ALP/E	2/16/2006	3/12/2006	Completed
9	Orchard Survey	ALP districts	Nangarhar/Laghman	100	100	ALP/E	4/3/2006	4/18/2006	Completed
10	Vegetable Seed and Fertilizer distribution	ALP districts	Nangarhar/Laghman/Kunar	100	100	ALP/E	2/23/2006	3/21/2006	Completed
11	Packaging distribution	ALP districts	Nangarhar/Laghman/Kunar	100	70	ALP/E	4/14/2006	6/30/2006	Ongoing
12	Smallholder Livestock Management Program	Village based Self Help Groups	Nangarhar, Laghman, Kunar	100	10	ALP/E	5/1/2005	5/1/2007	Ongoing
13	Training for Commercial Nursery Owners	Behsud, Asadabad, Mehtarlam	Nangarhar, Laghman	100	20	ALP/E	5/1/2006	12/30/2006	Ongoing
14	Training for Female Nursery Owners	Behsud, Surkh Rod, Qarghayi	Nangarhar, Laghman	100	30	ALP/E with RI	4/1/2006	12/30/2006	Ongoing
15	Forest Incentives for Livelihoods Diversification (FleLD)	TBD	Nangarhar, Laghman, Kunar	80	5	ALP/E	5/1/2006	12/30/2007	Ongoing

2. INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT

The Infrastructure section completed the following activities during the reporting period:

- **Kama Main Road:** This project has already been approved by USAID. Tender documents are being prepared and will be competitively bid to facilitate starting the construction work in August 2006.
- **Kama Irrigation System:** An overall program plan for studies, surveys, designs, and construction was prepared. The time constraints to the implementation of the Kama Irrigation System by ALP/E was discussed in a meeting held on June 7 with the Nangarhar Technical Working Group (TWG) and a further meeting with the Director of Irrigation was planned to discuss the project in greater detail.
- **Mashina Road:** This project has already been approved by USAID. Tender documents are being prepared and tendering will take place soon to start work in July/August 2006.
- **Qasam Abad Road Design:** Design with site plan, longitudinal profile and cross section has been completed and preparation of the tendering documents is underway. The first 2km of the road has been planned for DBST and the remaining 6km will be gravel paved.
- **Abuzai Bridge:** Search for a suitable company is ongoing to carry out the geotechnical investigation to confirm the site condition of the proposed project.
- **Sherzad to Hisarak Road Design:** Plotting of survey results of Sherzad to Hisarak is continuing.
- **Rodat Road:** Design, plotting of X-sections and long-section of 12.3km length of Rodat road has been completed. Field checks of the proposed works have been planned for next week.
- **Engineering Survey Team:** The work on Shamshapur Cobblestone Road continued as the sub grade level was improved, and work continued on the Darunta Bypass Cobblestone part two. The survey of Goshta to Lal Pur road was started on June 12, and progress so far is up to 13+500 km.
- **CTTC Training:** A third group of Tradesmen completed their training at the CTTC and another group of students was sent to the latest training course starting June 14. Also a group of 12 Junior Engineers started a 2-week training course for Site Engineers on June 3.



ALP/E: Participants in CTTC training

- **Agricultural Fair:** The Infrastructure Section assisted the Agribusiness Section in preparing the showground, by renovating the concrete floor of a large warehouse at Hada Farm, constructing booths for about 80 exhibitors, preparing livestock pens, and providing toilets and a water supply for the event on June 21-22.
- **Wholesale Vegetable Market:** The design drawings for rehabilitation of the Jalalabad Wholesale Market were approved by the City Planning Department, and work started under the CFW program. Re-design of the foundation and beams of the vegetable market in Jalalabad have been completed.
- **Nangarhar Road Inventory:** The team is operating from their office in the Public Works Department and completed the inventory of roads in Kama and Goshta districts, tracking the data with the help of GPS units. The inventory will continue in Lal Pur district.

- **Spin Ghar Irrigation Inventory Survey:** The Engineering team completed the Spin Ghar Irrigation Survey in 10 districts and 12 valleys of Spin Ghar in Nangarhar province. The data collected will be used for the final report of the Spin Ghar Water Resource Feasibility Study. The information was collected at three selected locations in the upper, middle and lower reaches on river valley sites in each of the 12 Districts of the Spin Ghar Region. The information gathering has been structured around three targeted questionnaires covering water use, water management and flooding. The inventory report will be completed by the end of July 2006.
- **AWP-2 PIP:** The Annual Work Plan (AWP-2) program for PIP was made during this period, and sent to the ALP/E COP for his review. Additional work continued on the first draft list of potential cobblestone road projects to be possibly added to the AWP-2 program.
- **Nangarhar TWG meeting:** A Technical Working Group meeting was held on June 7, 2006 at the ALP/E office where discussions revolved around the overall progress made since the start of the AWP-1 program. In addition, constraints to implementing additional projects and new activities under the next AWP program were addressed. The meeting was attended by the following participants:
 - Director of Public Works
 - Director of MRRD
 - Director of Irrigation
 - Director of Agriculture
 - All ALP/E Senior Engineers.

Productive Infrastructure Projects (PIP)									
#	Project Name	Location	Province	% Complete		Implementer	Activity Start Date	Activity Completion Date	Comments
				Design	Implementation				
1	Darunta by-pass Road-19km	Qarghai	Laghman	100%	Ongoing	DAI	February 2006	December 2006	Work carried-out under CFW
2	Shamshapur Road-11km	Surkhrud	Nangarha	100%	Ongoing	DAI	February 2006	December 2006	Work carried-out under CFW
3	Wazir Tatang Causeway	Surkhrud	Nangarha	100%	0%	DAI	August 2006	November 2006	Work to be tendered
4	Wholesale Market	Jalalabad City	Nangarha	100%	Ongoing	DAI	June 2006		Work carried-out under CFW
5	Kama DBST Road -14.6km	Kama	Nangarha	100%	0%	TBD	August 2006	April 2007	Project approved by USAID and awaiting contract documentation
6	Mashina Road Improvement-7km	Qarghai	Laghman	100%	0%	TBD	July 2006	November 2006	Project approved by USAID and awaiting contract documentation
7	Abuzai Bridge	Mehtarlam	Laghman	90 %	0%	DAI	September 2006	September 2007	Awaiting Site Investigations and preparation of Technical Feasibility Report
8	Qasam Abad Road-8 km	Behsud	Nangarha	95%	0%	DAI	August 2006	March 2007	Design completed, Technical Feasibility study Report preparation is in progress.
9	Rodat Road-12.3km	Rodat	Nangarha	50%	0%	DAI	August 2006	March 2007	X-Sections have been done the other work in progress

Cash for work Projects (CFW):

- Seven CFW projects were completed during this period, and work continued on 45 ongoing projects in Laghman, Nangarhar, and Kunar provinces. The daily employment rate was 5,968 workers per day, and 15,246

individual laborers have been employed from June 2005 through June 15th, 2006. Total employment days were recorded as 61,229 and the cumulative total reached 674,292 employment days from June 2005 through June 15th, 2006.

SUMMARY OF CFW PROJECTS BY PROVINCE

SN	Province	Active	Completed
1	Nangarhar	31	8
2	Laghman	9	14
3	Kunar	5	3
Total		45	25

- i. **Laghman Province:** Under the supervision of ALP/E, Relief International (RI) continued to work on seven CFW projects during the reporting period in Laghman. The daily laborers rate in Laghman reached 1,179 workers per day, with a cumulative total of 7,284 individual laborers employed from June 2005 through June 15, 2006. Employment days during the reporting period were 10,299 and the cumulative total reached 364,465 through June 15, 2006. Four new projects were approved and will begin during the next reporting period, while five new projects are under preparation for USAID approval. Work continued by DAI on the second 4km length of the Darunta by-pass Cobblestone road project in Qarghai District. ALP/E also started an emergency canal repair project in Qarghai on June 12.

ALP/E Cash For Work Projects : Laghman

#	Project Name	Project Code	Location	Province	% Complete		Implementer	Activity Start Date	Activity Completion Date	Comments
					Design	Implementation				
1	Darunta Bypass Cobblestone Road, First Reach	CFW-090204	Qarghai	Laghman	100%	100%	DAI	1-Feb-06	27-Apr-06	Completed
2	Darunta Bypass Cobblestone Road, Second Reach	CFW-090209	Qarghai	Laghman	100%	38%	DAI	13-May-06	25-Aug-06	Ongoing
3	Farman Khil & Jui Daman Canals	CFW-090212	Qarghai	Laghman	100%	8%	DAI	12-Jun-06	10-Jul-06	Ongoing
4	Deh-Zairat Protection wall	CFW-090101	M htarlam	Laghman	100%	100%	RI	28-Sep-06	15-Mar-06	Completed
5	Karaho Protection wall	CFW-090102	M htarlam	Laghman	100%	100%	RI		28-Feb-06	Completed
6	Tergari Protection wall	CFW-090103	M htarlam	Laghman	100%	100%	RI	20-Oct-05	30-Mar-06	Completed
7	Mulayan Protection wall	CFW-090104	M htarlam	Laghman	100%	98%	RI	28-Dec-05		Ongoing
8	Shamangal Canal Reconstruction	CFW-090105	M htarlam	Laghman	100%	86%	RI	15-Feb-06		Ongoing
9	Hayadarkhani Canal Reconstruction	CFW-090106	M htarlam	Laghman	100%	100%	RI	6-Sep-06	9-Jun-06	Completed
10	Pacha Joie Canal	CFW-090107	M htarlam	Laghman	100%	0%	RI	TBD		Pending due to irrigation season
11	Dopai and Langalam Protection wall	CFW-090201	Qarghai	Laghman	100%	100%	RI	24-Nov-05	30-Mar-06	Completed
12	Char Bagh Canal reconstruction	CFW-090202	Qarghai	Laghman	100%	68%	RI	23-Feb-06		Ongoing
13	Kalakot and Longalam Canal reconstruction	CFW-090203	Qarghai	Laghman	100%	63%	RI	16-Feb-06	TBD	Ongoing
14	Shamshirabad Flood Protection	CFW-090205	Qarghai	Laghman	100%	94%	RI	8-Mar-06	TBD	Ongoing
15	Kakas Canal Rehabilitation	CFW-090207	Qarghai	Laghman	100%	0%	RI	TBD	TBD	Pending due to irrigation season
16	Kanda Canal Rehabilitation	CFW-090208	Qarghai	Laghman	100%	25%	RI	26-Apr-06	TBD	Ongoing

ALP/E Cash For Work Projects : Laghman

#	Project Name	Project Code	Location	Province	% Complete		Implementer	Activity Start Date	Activity Completion Date	Comments
					Design	Implementation				
					17	Khoja Khil Sofla Canal Rehabilitation				
18	Ghundai Nazar Khil Protection	CFW-090302	Alingar	Laghman	100%	100%	RI	19-Dec-05	7-Jun-06	Completed
19	Qasaba Protection wall	CFW-090303	Alingar	Laghman	100%	100%	RI	10-Dec-05	15-Apr-06	Completed
20	Bara Kandy and Kuza Kandy Canal Rehabilitation	CFW-090304	Alingar	Laghman	100%	8%	RI	TBD	TBD	Ongoing
21	Nolo Protection wall	CFW-090701	Alishang	Laghman	100%	100%	RI	5-Sep-05	5-Dec-05	Completed
22	Jamshidabad Protection wall	CFW-090702	Alishang	Laghman	100%	100%	RI	20-Jun-05	31-Aug-05	Completed
23	Jamshidabad Protection wall Additional work	CFW-090702a	Alishang	Laghman	100%	100%	RI	25-Oct-05	27-Jan-06	Completed
24	Mustafa Kalay Protection Wall	CFW-090703	Alishang	Laghman	100%	100%	RI	31-Jun-05	31-Aug-05	Completed
25	Akhund Sahib Protection Wall	CFW-090704	Alishang	Laghman	100%	100%	RI	25-July-05	27-Dec-05	Completed

ii. **Kunar Province:** Work continued on five CFW projects in Kunar province, and 3 projects were completed during the reporting period. Following the security assessment of the area, it was determined that work could continue on the suspended Dewagal Road in Chawkay District the first week of June. To date, 1,135 people have been employed with a cumulative total of 47,388 employment days through June 15, 2006.

ALP/E Cash For Work Projects : Kunar

#	Project Name	Project Code	Location	Province	% Complete		Implementer	Activity start Date	Activity Completion Date	Comments
					Design	Implementation				
					1	Dandono Kotgi Canal Intake				
2	Bar Narang Road Improvement	CFW-101203	Narang	Kunar	100%	52%	DAI	16-Apr-06	25-Jul-06	Ongoing
3	Sharalo-Badil Road Improvement	CFW-101204	Narang	Kunar	100%	48%	DAI	16-Apr-06	25-Jul-06	Ongoing
4	Seend Wala Chawkay Intake	CFW-101301	Chawkay	Kunar	100%	0%	DAI	TBD	TBD	Pending due to water level in Kunar River
5	Dewagal Road Improvement	CFW-101303	Chawkay	Kunar	100%	12%	DAI	16-Apr-06	25-Jul-06	Ongoing
6	Zarmandai Flood Protection	CFW-101304	Chawkay	Kunar	100%	0%	DAI	TBD	TBD	Approved 16 June 2006
7	Nurgal Seend Wala Intake	CFW-101401	Nurgal	Kunar	100%	0%	DAI	TBD	TBD	Pending due to water level in Kunar River
8	Seend Wala Canal Rehabilitation	CFW-101402	Nurgal	Kunar	100%	100%	DAI	20-Feb-06	12-Jun-06	Completed
9	Nurgal-Aret Road	CFW-101403	Nurgal	Kunar	100%	0%	DAI	17-Jun-06	25-Oct-06	Ongoing
10	Daag Canal Repair	CFW-101501	Khas Kunar	Kunar	100%	100%	DAI	21-Feb-06	12-Jun-06	Completed
11	Tanar Road Rehabilitation	CFW-101502	Khas Kunar	Kunar	100%	100%	DAI	21-Feb-06	12-Jun-06	Completed
12	Khas Kunar Middle Road	CFW-101504	Khas Kunar	Kunar	100%	5%	DAI	12-Jun-06	25-Sep-06	Ongoing

iii. Nangarhar Province: During the reporting period, work started on five new projects, bringing the total to 31 CFW projects in progress in Nangarhar. The daily laborers employed during this period were 3,766 workers per day with a cumulative total of 6,837 workers per day. Total labor days were 40,281 while total employment days reached 262,439 through June 15, 2006. Two new projects already approved by USAID could not be implemented due to security reasons in Torghar District.

An inauguration ceremony for the first 3km of Shamshapur cobblestone road was held on May 17. The District Governor, Directors from the Department of Irrigation, RRD, Public Works Department, community elders, and Shura members participated in the ceremony. The local community elders, director of PW and RRD and the district governor appreciated the completed work and requested that ALP/E complete the entire road. The Infrastructure Manager explained the technical and financial aspects of the project and informed the audience about upcoming projects. At the end of the ceremony the Shura representatives presented a letter of appreciation to the Site Engineers and the ALP/E Infrastructure Manager.

Meanwhile work continued on the second 4km section of Shamshapur cobblestone road. On Friday, June 9 the ALP/E COP and Infrastructure Managers were interviewed by a USAID journalist from Kabul who was making a film about cobblestone roads in Afghanistan. On Sunday, June 11 filming was made at the Shamshapur site.

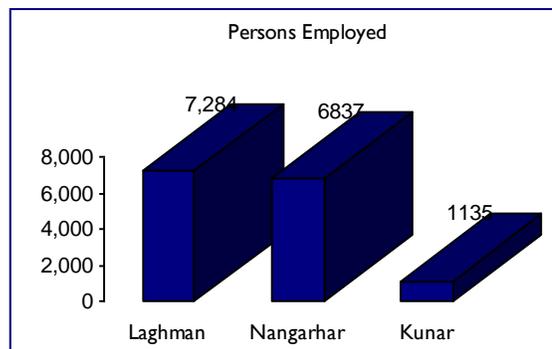
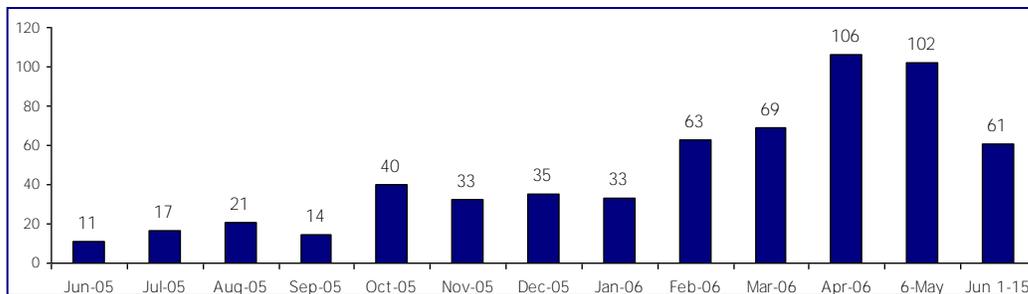


Shura members proudly showing one of the five flood protection gabion walls completed on at Girdi Ghous, Momandara District.

ALP/E Cash For Work Projects: Nangarhar

#	Project Name	Project Code	District	Province	% Complete		Implementer	Activity Start Date	Activity Completion Date	Comments
					Design	Implementation				
1	Jalalabad City Main Drain	CFW-080101	Jalalabad	Nangarhar	100%	100%	DAI	5-Mar-06	29-Mar-06	Completed
2	Jalalabad City Road side Drains	CFW-080102	Jalalabad	Nangarhar	100%	99%	DAI	5-Mar-06	20-Jun-06	Ongoing
3	Wholesale Market Rehabilitation	CFW-080103	Jalalabad	Nangarhar	100%	6%	DAI	5-Jun-06	5-Oct-06	Ongoing
4	Shamshapur Cobble Stone Road Pilot	CFW-080201	Surkhrud	Nangarhar	100%	100%	DAI	31-Jan-06	10-May-06	Completed
5	Kakrak Road Improvement	CFW-080202	Surkhrud	Nangarhar	100%	15%	DAI	29-May-06	29-Aug-06	Ongoing
6	Tatang Nawab Jabar Canal Rehabilitation	CFW-080203	Surkhrud	Nangarhar	100%	16%	DAI	6-Jun-06	6-Sep-06	Ongoing
7	Sarband and Jalawanano Canal Intakes Construction	CFW-080204	Surkhrud	Nangarhar	100%	15%	DAI	6-Jun-06	6-Sep-06	Ongoing
8	Shamshapoor-Daronta Road Improvement	CFW-080205	Surkhrud	Nangarhar	100%	35%	DAI	8-May-06	8-Aug-06	Ongoing
9	Shamshapur Cobble Stone Road second reach	CFW-080206	Surkhrud	Nangarhar	100%	30%	DAI	14-May-06	14-Sep-06	Ongoing
10	Mana Road Rehabilitation	CFW-080301	Hisarak	Nangarhar	100%	91%	DAI	12-Mar-06	30-Jun-06	Ongoing
11	Shana Zawara Road Rehabilitation	CFW-080302	Hisarak	Nangarhar	100%	83%	DAI	12-Mar-06	30-Jun-06	Ongoing
12	Gandomak Road Rehabilitation	CFW-080401	Sherzad	Nangarhar	100%	91%	DAI	13-Mar-06	30-Jun-06	Ongoing
13	Toto Road Rehabilitation	CFW-080402	Sherzad	Nangarhar	100%	93%	DAI	12-Mar-06	30-Jun-06	Ongoing
14	Ashpan Flood Protection	CFW-080403	Sherzad	Nangarhar	100%	99%	DAI	20-Mar-06	30-Jun-06	Ongoing
15	Petlaw Road Rehabilitation	CFW-080405	Sherzad	Nangarhar	100%	2%	DAI	8-Jun-06	8-Sep-06	Ongoing
16	Khwaran Road Rehabilitation	CFW-080501	Khogyani	Nangarhar	100%	72%	DAI	12-Mar-06	30-Jun-06	Ongoing
17	Kailagho Road Rehabilitation	CFW-080502	Khogyani	Nangarhar	100%	72%	DAI	12-Mar-06	30-Jun-06	Ongoing
18	Khwaza Khil & Malam Khil Road	CFW-080506	Khogyani	Nangarhar	100%	4%	DAI	7-Jun-06	10-Aug-06	Ongoing
19	Nemla Flood Protection	CFW-080507	Khogyani	Nangarhar	100%	0%	DAI	TBD		Approved 16 June 2006
20	Dawlat Zai Canal Intake	CFW-080601	Chaparhar	Nangarhar	100%	35%	DAI	6-May-06	6-Aug-06	Ongoing
21	Garatak & Chardahi Canal Intakes	CFW-080602	Chaparhar	Nangarhar	100%	45%	DAI	6-May-06	6-Aug-06	Ongoing
22	Garatak Flood Protection Wall	CFW-080603	Chaparhar	Nangarhar	100%	10%	DAI	30-May-06	10-Sep-06	Ongoing
23	Chardahi Flood Protection Wall	CFW-080604	Chaparhar	Nangarhar	100%	10%	DAI	30-May-06	10-Sep-06	Ongoing
24	Sholana Flood Protection Wall	CFW-080605	Chaparhar	Nangarhar	100%	14%	DAI	30-May-06	10-Sep-06	Ongoing
25	Pekha Flood Protection wall	CFW-081002	Achin	Nangarhar	100%	98%	DAI	22-Dec-05	10-Sep-06	Ongoing
26	Mahsil & Qasaba Kaley Irrigation Reservoir and Erosion Protection	CFW-081201	Dur Baba	Nangarhar	100%	80%	DAI	16-Apr-06	25-Jun-06	Ongoing
27	Sasobi Irrigation Reservoir & Flood Protection Wall	CFW-081202	Dur Baba	Nangarhar	100%	90%	DAI	16-Apr-06	25-Jun-06	Ongoing
28	Torlala Kaley Irrigation Reservoir & Flood Protection	CFW-081203	Dur Baba	Nangarhar	100%	0%	DAI	TBD		Approved 16 June 2006
29	Zakhil Irrigation Canal	CFW-081301	Shimwa	Nangarhar	100%	0%	DAI	TBD		Approved 16 June 2006
30	Zara Sultankhil Protection Wall	CFW-081402	Momandara	Nangarhar	100%	100%	DAI	21-Mar-06	28-May-06	Completed

31	Girdi Ghous Protection Wall	CFW-081403	Momandara	Nangarhar	100%	70%	DAI	4-Apr-06	25-Jun-06	Ongoing
32	Guldag Flood Protection Wall	CFW-081502	Lal Pur	Nangarhar	100%	100%	DAI	4-Apr-06	8-Jun-06	Completed
33	Kuz & Bar Bela F. Protection Wall I	CFW-081601	Goshta	Nangarhar	100%	99%	DAI	11-Dec-05	15-Jun-06	Ongoing
34	Kuz & Bar Bela F. Protection Wall II	CFW-081602	Goshta	Nangarhar	100%	100%	DAI	20-Dec-05	25-Mar-06	Completed
35	Kuz & Bar Bela F. Protection Wall III	CFW-081603	Goshta	Nangarhar	100%	100%	DAI	20-Dec-05	15-Jun-06	Completed
36	Bodiali & Soraj Irrigation Rehabilitation of Reservoirs	CFW-081902	Kuz Kunar	Nangarhar	100%	35%	DAI	25-Apr-06	25-Jun-06	Ongoing
37	Abdyian Road Rehabilitation	CFW-082201	Behsud	Nangarhar	100%	90%	DAI	12-Mar-06	30-Jun-06	Ongoing
38	Binigah Flood Protection Wall	CFW-082202	Behsud	Nangarhar	100%	80%	DAI	19-Mar-06	25-Jun-06	Ongoing
39	Sammarkhil Erosion Protection	CFW-082203	Behsud	Nangarhar	100%	100%	DAI	19-Mar-06	29-Apr-06	Completed
40	Spin Jumat Embankment	CFW-082204	Behsud	Nangarhar	100%	50%	DAI	25-Apr-06	25-Jul-06	Ongoing
41	Maidanak Road	CFW-082301	Spinghar	Nangarhar	100%	100%	DAI		13-Apr-06	Completed
42	Girdi Nawagai Road	CFW-082305	Spinghar	Nangarhar	100%	5%	DAI	13-Jun-06	25-Sep-06	Ongoing
43	Shangina Yousaf Khas Canal Rehabilitation	CFW-082401	Tor Ghar	Nangarhar	100%	0%	DAI			Project suspended due to security problems
44	Gachawy Mirano Road Improvement	CFW-082402	Tor Ghar	Nangarhar	100%	0%	DAI			Project suspended due to security problems



Monthly Employment Days (in 1,000s) in CFW Projects since June 2005

3. PRIVATE SECTOR DEVELOPMENT

Principal activities of the **Private Sector Development** technical unit during the reporting period:

- During the reporting period, the PSD team worked on improving existing business plans for six businesses that ALP/E is looking to support. The team in collaboration with investors updated and translated all information related to the product, marketing, management, and finance. Also, per USAID's request, due diligence was done for all investors, photos of proposed premises for factories were taken, land issues were investigated, and plans for raw materials sourcing were further developed. These six initial businesses could have a positive effect on the overall economy of the Eastern Region of Afghanistan. They have the potential to provide employment for hundreds of citizens and would create a market for farmers' raw materials. The six businesses are:

S.No	Proposed Business	Total Cost (start-up)	Owner Contribution	External Contribution required	Employees	Market Creation
1	Flour mill	\$1,833,999	\$1,255,999	\$578,000	Potential for an initial 325 jobs (direct)	Markets to farmers for approximately 10,000MT of wheat/year.
2	Flour mill	\$1,617,999	\$1,167,999	\$450,000	Potential for an initial 350 jobs (direct).	Markets to farmers for approximately 10,000MT/year.
3	Edible oil	\$453,100	\$268,100	\$185,000	Potential for an initial 80 jobs (direct)	Markets for farmers approximately 1100MT cotton seed/year.
4	Carpet Cutting and Washing	\$178,000	\$80,000	\$98,000	Potential for an initial 60 jobs (direct).	Will cut and wash approximately 26,000 M ² carpets and will provide direct market for 26,000M ² carpets/year
5	SAFI Apparel Corporation	\$2,866,000	\$880,000 OPIC= \$1,406,000	\$580,000	Potential for an initial 250 jobs (year I) rising to 2,500 in year 5.	
6	Dairy Plant	\$383,000	\$83,000	\$300,000	Potential for an initial 80 jobs (direct).	Market for milk for 10,000lt/day

- The PSD unit held a meeting in Kabul with AFC (Afghanistan Finance Company), CNFA (Citizen Network for Foreign Affairs), GIA (Grain Industries Alliance), and flour investors to discuss the possible collaboration in providing a package of support to the establishment of flour mills in Nangarhar. The issues regarding flour milling in the Eastern Region was discussed, and AFC and CNFA requested the business plans of the flour mills.
- Efforts were made to assist ARCC (Afghan Rug Carpet Corporation) to participate in a carpet contest held in Kabul. The carpet design contest was organized by OTF in Kabul and will bring together international dealers and local suppliers.
- In conjunction with the Agriculture Trade Show, seven agriculture processing companies and eight local associations and business support organization in Jalalabad City were assisted in printing promotional materials such as business cards, posters, banners, in an effort to encourage them to participate in the event.
- Also, during the reporting period the PSD unit met with five USAID Officials to discuss investment promotion activities, and held discussion with AFC to discuss the (official) opening of their office at the BDC.

Business Development Center Activities

- The BDC team conducted a needs assessment survey of the business community in Nangarhar province. The survey was conducted to gain a better understanding about the needs of the business community in the Eastern Region and at the same time to market the BDC among businessmen, import and export companies, manufacturers, traders, and business associations. The BDC team will submit the final version of the report by June 30, 2006.
- The BDC Director facilitated a meeting of ice factory owners with the Mayor of Jalalabad City. Recently, Jalalabad increased the charges (taxes) levied on ice factory owners. The issue was discussed and subsequently the Mayor agreed to remove the tax, as well as allowing the businessmen the right to sell their ice at market prices. ALP/E considers this action as being a success in dealing with a local policy issue, and is looking forward to the BDC's future involvement in other local and national policy issues.
- The BDC also held investor meetings with several businesses including the skilled society, tailors association, electricians, and manufacturers. The groups proposed that as members of the local community, the equipment provided by the National Solidarity Program (NSP) for rural community development projects should be purchased through the BDC. The Rural Rehabilitation and Development Department of Nangarhar has planned to provide 45 power generators to different villages of Nangarhar province, and the BDC will facilitate these transactions in order to promote the future sustainability of the center.
- A joint meeting of the BDC and its partner organizations (AISA, AFC and AWBA) with the labor union of Nangarhar also occurred. Through this meeting information, services and assistance available at the Center were explained and the labor union committed their cooperation to work with the BDC.
- AISA and AFC, collaborating partners with the BDC, have achieved the following during the reporting period:

- Thirty-nine business applications were referred to AFC to provide financial assistance and machinery leases during the last two months
- Three forms were completed by manufacturers to apply for land in the industrial park supported by AISA through their regional office based at the BDC
- Two business licenses were renewed by AISA during the last two weeks
- A total of eight firms have registered with AISA during the last two weeks, they plan to invest \$605,000 in the Eastern Region and may potentially employ 163 people. The eight newly registered businesses include: 1) Kangal ice and ice cream factory, 2) Saleem Khaliqi construction company, 3) Shamshad Miwand edible oil factory, 4) Hamid Wadood building and road construction company, 5) Afghan engineering group builders company, 6) Karim Zada building company, 7) Kishwar construction companies, and 8) Hakim Baig construction company.



Products from the Eastern Region private sector that will be displayed at the Agricultural Trade Fair

ALP/E Private Sector Development Projects

#	Project Name	District	Province	% Complete		Implementer	Activity Start Date	Activity Completion Date	Comments
				Design	Implementation				
1	Business Development Center	Jalalabad	Nangarhar	100	100	DAI	4/4/2006	2/7/2009	Established
1.1	Board of Directors for BDC	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100	100	DAI	4/15/2006	5/15/2006	Formation completed
1.2	Business Advisory Committee for BDC	Jalalabad	Nangarhar	100	100	DAI	02/14/2006	02/14/2006	Formation completed and their efforts are in progress.
1.3	Start Actual Operations of Business Development Center	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100	On-going	DAI	04/04/2006	Ongoing	The operations of delivering services is in progress
1.4	MIS (Market Information System)	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100		DAI	05/01/06	In planning	The PSD is developed a proposal and planning for a role for BDC.
2	Sub sector Studies								
2.1	Ed ble Oil	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100	100	DAI	12/20/2005	12/31/2005	Completed
2.2	Technical Machinery	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100	100	DAI	6/1/2006	7/1/2006	Completed
2.3	Carpet	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100	100	DAI	11/3/2005	11/15/2005	Completed
2.4	Marble	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100	100	DAI	10/11/2005	10/20/2005	Completed
2.5	Feas bility Study for Flour Mills	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100	100	GIA/DAI	12/15/2005	11/30/2005	Completed
2.6	Tomato value chain analysis	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100	100	DAI	8/2/2005	8/20/2005	Completed
2.7	Dry fruits and Nuts	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100	100	RoP/DAI	11/15/2005	11/30/2005	Completed
2.8	Dairy	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100		LoL/DAI	01/20/2006	02/10/2005	The study was conducted by Land o' Lakes and ALP/E.
2.9	Poultry	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100	100	DAI	02/15/2006	02/27/2005	Conducted by ALP/E AgBiz with assistance from PSD
2.10	Ice	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100		DAI	06/12/2005	07/05/2005	Completed
2.11	Handicraft	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100		DAI	11/01/2005	12/01/2005	Completed
3	Supporting Women's Handicrafts in ER	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	40		DAI	TBD	TBD	Recruiting STTA to study design issues of handicraft.
4	Policy Report (survey)	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100		DAI	11/05/2006	In planning	Potential policy reform activities.

ALP/E Private Sector Development Projects

#	Project Name	District	Province	% Complete		Implementer	Activity Start Date	Activity Completion Date	Comments
				Design	Implementation				
5	Investment Promotion Strategy	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100		DAI	04/20/2005	On going	Investment promotion activities are 1) general, 2) sector specific
5.1	Investment Promotion Event	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100		DAI	04/05/2006	04/05/2006	Completed one-day event
5.2	Investment promotion for flour milling	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100		DAI	05/01/2005	On going	On going effort pending securing of resources
5.3	Investment promotion for tomato processing	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100		DAI	09/01/2005	On going	On going effort pending securing of resources
5.4	Investment promotion for carpet cutting and washing facility	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100		DAI	10/01/2005	On going	On going effort pending securing of resources
5.5	Investment promotion for garment manufacturing	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100		DAI	11/01/2005	On going	On going effort pending securing of resources
5.6	Investment promotion for packaging factory	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100		DAI	01/01/2006	On going	On going effort pending securing of resources
5.7	Investment promotion for edible oil factory upgrading	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100		DAI	10/01/2005	On going	On going effort pending securing of resources
5.9	Investment promotion for vegetable dehydrates factory	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100		DAI	04/01/2006	On going	On going effort pending securing of resources
5.10	Investment promotion for milk processing	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	75		DAI	11/01/05	On-going	On going effort pending securing of resources
5.11	International Wheat/Wheat products Seminar in India	India	India	100	100	DAI	03/04/2006	04/11/2006	Completed
5.12	International Investment Conference and Exhibition in Kabul	Kabul	Kabul	100	100	DAI	05/09/2006	05/12/2006	Completed
6	Training and Internship Program with Nangarhar University	Jalalabad	Nangarhar	100	100	DAI	ongoing	Ongoing	Formal agreement expected by end of May 2006
7	Regional Representative for CNFA (operating under an MOU)	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100		DAI	08/01/2005	On going	CNFA is implementing the AADP program and ALP/E is representing CNFA in the ER. Plus technical assistance after CNFA funds the applicants.
8	Support the capacity building of Nangarhar Industrial Assn (NIA).	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100		DAI	04/05/2005	On going	Working to support their sub-groups with T/A and investment promotion activities
9	Support to Afghanistan Investment Support Agency (AISA).	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100		DAI	01/01/2006	On going	Support the BDC office with ER investment promotion
10	Support to Afghanistan Women's Business Association (AWBA).	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100		DAI	01/01/2006	On going	Supporting their Jalalabad office
11	Support to Afghanistan Finance Company (AFC).	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100		DAI	01/01/2006	On going	Support with establishment of office at the BDC, and with referrals for leasing/funding
12	Industrial Trade Show	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100		DAI	08/25/2005	08/26/2005	Completed. Preliminary planning for next Show to be held in October 2006
13	Collaboration with Afghan International Chamber of Commerce (AICC).	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	100		DAI	07/18/2005	In planning	Planning to seek ways for collaboration between AICC and BDC (ALP/E)
14	Internet Cafes with Afghan Telecoms/PRT	Nangarhar	Nangarhar			DAI	02/01/06	In planning	Working with private sector on the District Comm. Network (DCN) program.
15	Hygiene Program for food processors in the Eastern Region	Nangarhar	Nangarhar	50		DAI	04/01/06	In planning	SOW prepared for 3 part hygiene effort: 1) assessment, 2) awareness, 3) training to targeted sub sectors

4. GENDER AND MICRO-ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT

- **Highlight:** Donna Wright, USAID's cross-cutting issues advisor, visited Jalalabad to see some of the ALP/E gender activities. In addition to meeting with Donna and USAID ALP/E CTO Brian Bacon at the PRT to brief them on ALP/E activities, the GME Unit arranged for her to meet with others who are working on gender activities, and to visit one of ALP/E's nursery project sites in Nagrak, Nangarhar. Ms. Wright spent an hour discussing the project with the women working on the nurseries, and was impressed with the commitment and enthusiasm of all the participants. The women at the nursery explained that they are planning to expand their nurseries; however the time involved in carrying water for the nurseries was prohibitive. The women suggested that the project support them in obtaining water pumps, which both Ms. Wright and the GME coordinator agreed was a good idea and worth pursuing. Additionally, the GME Technical Unit discussed the potential new activities that ALP/E could support with a \$1million gender earmark. These included expanding the poultry, small-holder livestock, and nursery projects while also considering new activities with DOWA and savings groups.
- **The Micro-Enterprise Program:** The Micro-Enterprise Program continued this week with 132 SHGs that are currently working in the three provinces. Vocational training for all but 10 of these SHGs has been completed; Vocational Training for the remaining 10 SHGs in Kunar continues, and the Business Training of Trainers (ToT) began this period in Laghman for 30 trainers, which will allow the SHGs to begin the next phase of the program – the business training. This ToT is conducted by Master Trainers from Relief International.
- **Women-Owned Nurseries:** The women-owned nurseries in Behsud and Surkh Rod, Nangarhar received the second phase of their training. The two nurseries in Laghman will receive their training in the next reporting period. The GME Coordinator visited two of the nursery sites, both of which had their seeds planted, and are beginning to see some growth and sprouting. All of the women were very excited about the project, and the income-generating opportunity it provides them, earning the respect of their families. The women organized themselves so that they could complete both their household chores, and the tasks for the nursery. They were also able to identify additional needs, such as shade, tools and a water pump that would facilitate their work and allow them to expand their nurseries, which they are eager to do.
- **Women's Private Sector Initiative:** The purchase order for the Afghan Women's Business Association (AWBA) to establish a branch in Jalalabad as part of the Business Development Center (BDC) was finalized and signed. This will allow the AWBA to effectively establish operations at the BDC, working with the GME Coordinator and the PSD unit, to reach out to current and potential women entrepreneurs at all levels, offering another layer of service beyond the micro-enterprise program.

The GME Coordinator continued to work with Kaweyan Business Development Services to finalize the scope of work for a survey they will conduct on women in business in the Eastern Region. The survey will focus on constraints to women in business, and will feed into the AWBA activities, and potential work with the DoWA. The Purchase Order will be signed during the next reporting period, and work will begin shortly thereafter.

- **Mainstreaming Gender:** The GME Unit is collaborating very closely with the M&E Unit, the Agribusiness Unit, and the Infrastructure Unit to ensure that gender is included wherever possible. In the past weeks ALP/E female staff assisted the M&E Unit in conducting their baseline survey and increasing their access to women. The women are very involved in the planning for the up-coming Agricultural Fair, and have identified women participants for the fair, in addition to taking on additional responsibilities. The female staff continues to work with the Infrastructure Unit to identify women to provide food services to the laborers; and to assist the engineers in resolving any problems with the women.

GENDER AND MICRO-ENTERPRISES

#	Project Name	Location	Province	% Complete		Implementer	Activity Start Date	Activity Completion Date	Comments
				Design	Implementation				
1	Training Of Trainers	ER	ER	100	100	ALP/E	2/01/2006	2/28/2006	Completed
2	Establishment of Self Help Groups	Laghman	Laghman	100	100	RI	3/15/2006	3/31/2006	Completed
3	Establishment of Self Help Groups	Kunar	Kunar	100	100	RI	3/15/2006	3/31/2006	Completed



ALP/E: A woman manages nursery plants as part of ALP/E nursery project

5. COORDINATION WITH THE GOVERNMENT

- During the reporting period ALP/E met with Governor Gul Sherzai of Nangarhar to introduce the new liaison officer, Said Noor Sadadat and discuss ongoing activities, including the upcoming Agriculture Trade Fair, privatization of agricultural land, the establishment of a textile factory and cash for work implementation. ALP-E later met with the Mayor of Jalalabad to provide further information regarding the potential textile factory and traveled with the Mayor to Samarkhail to visit one potential site.
- ALP/E also participated in meetings with a delegation from Nuristan and UNAMA to discuss the possibility of expanding some activities into Nuristan. A meeting with RRD in Nuristan is scheduled for June 24 in order to begin planning for potential cobblestone road rehabilitation in the province.
- The Technical Working Group (TWG) from Kunar met in the ALP/E offices where they thanked ALP/E for the continued assistance and requested an expansion of the ongoing projects in Kunar.

III. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

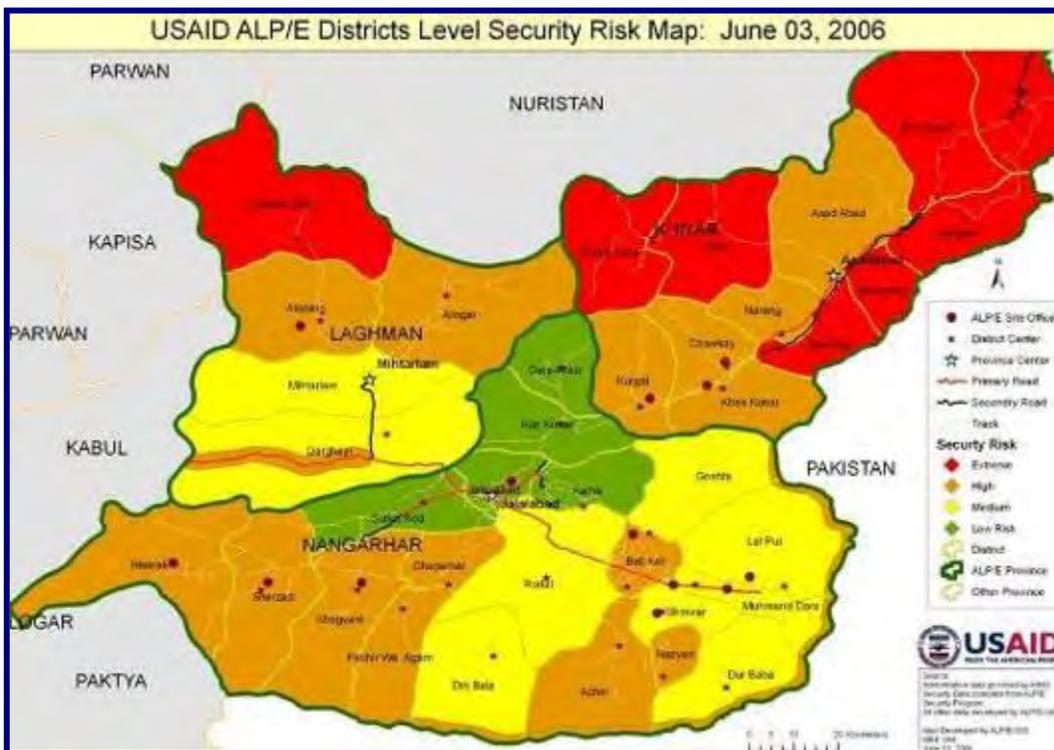
I. SECURITY

The security situation in the Eastern Region throughout the reporting period has been relatively calm. The Chief of Police in Laghman and Kunar provinces were replaced, while the Nangarhar Chief of Police remained in his position. The AGEs/Insurgents are resuming their activities due to the warm season and their incidents are

significantly increasing throughout the region. Renegade warlord Hekmatyar has vowed to fight under Al-Qaida leadership in Afghanistan. After the riots and burning of some international organizations' offices in Kabul there was increased concern for aid workers over the ability of the GoA to maintain law and order. Recent events indicate that AGEs may widen their scope of activities and development workers are a legitimate target. However, ALP/E has not received any concrete intelligence reports indicating that the aid workers are specific targets in the Eastern Region. ALP/E has been implementing a low profile strategy that prohibits expatriate staff from going to High and Extremely High Risk areas.

Operation Mountain Lion has had an impact on insurgents' movements and activities in the region. AGE's were pushed back to their safe havens. However, some analysts predict that the insurgents will enhance their attacks and activities in the Eastern Region as well. There are unconfirmed reports of Taliban movements in Southern Khogyani District, particularly in the Wazir area during the past week. The CFV site engineer was advised to avoid the Wazir area. **It is reported from a reliable source that AGE are encouraging people to conduct attacks and are announcing financial ransoms for attacks or abductions completed.** Any abduction would be for financial gain and the alleged kidnappers are targeting international females.

The situation in Alishang, Alingar and Doulat Shah Districts of Laghman Province are uncertain with the reported movement of insurgents related to the latest incidents. Though, the situation is calm in Mihtarlam and Qarghai districts of Laghman Province. However, the status in Kunar Province is uncertain with a reported increase in the insurgent infiltration and activities. The ALP/E operations are currently running smoothly in Narang, Nurgal, Khas Kunar and Choukai districts of Kunar province.



collection, downloading information, and cleaning field GPS data from the GPS units. A two days practical training was also provided to 12 agribusiness technicians for the market survey.



ALP/E: Participants in GPS training for Agribusiness Marketing Survey

Short term Technical Assistance

No	Name	Title	Activity	Status
1	Gary Baltzer	Activity Manager -APMS	Implementation of APMS Program	Ongoing (Current contract ends July 31 st 2006)
2	Danilo Benavides	Technical Advisor (Perennial Horticulture)	Identifying Production Centers for 6 target crops	Ongoing (Ends July 29 th , 2006)
3	Lourdes Martinez	Marketing Advisor	Market chain analysis (Fruit)	Ended July 8 th , 2006
4	Anne Williams	Business Advisor	Working with Input Suppliers association	Ongoing (Ends July 20 th , 2006)
5	Jan Van Akker	Alt. Energy Advisor	Exploring energy sources for businesses	Ongoing (Ends August, 2006)

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Annex-I: ALP/E Performance Data

Indicator	Unit of Measure	Added Bi-weekly)	Total (Life of Project)	Target (FY 06)	Target (FY 07)	Target (FY 08)	By Province (Life of Project)			By Gender (Life of Project)	
							Nangarhar	Laghman	Kunar	Male	Female
Kms. of irrigation and drainage canals and karezes	Km	1,339	140	TBD	TBD	TBD	99.5	26.5	13.5	NA	NA
Kms. of rural roads repaired in poppy regions	Km	25.5	154	TBD	TBD	TBD	112	6	35.5	NA	NA
# of hectares of improved irrigation as a result of ALP infrastructure	Km	2,117	55,423	TBD	TBD	TBD	22,687	29,336	3,400	NA	NA
\$ paid in cash for work (CFW) in AL programs	USD	245,698	2,651,947	TBD	TBD	TBD	1,019,881	1,446,408	185,658	2,541,176	110,771
# of labor days for CFW in AL programs	#	61,229	674,292	TBD	TBD	TBD	262,439	364,465	47,388	646,507	27,785
# of Afghans paid through CFW salaries	#	5,968	15,246	TBD	TBD	TBD	6,837	7,284	1,125	14,684	562
# Afghans trained in business skills	#	770	2,112	4000	0	0	1,342	470	300	0	2,112
# of farmers receiving seed and fertilizer	#	0	92,956	0	0	0	52,956	25,000	15,000	92,956	0
# of farmers trained in agricultural practices in targeted poppy provinces under ALP	#	0	80,106	0	0	0	54,794	25,312	0	80,106	0

Data Source: ALP/E Program only

Annex-II: Summary Table of APMS Activities

District/Province	Beneficiary Selection		Fertilizer Distributed		Seed Distributed in Kgs				
	No of Farmers Supported	Land supported in Hectares	Urea in MT	DAP in MT	Tomato	Okra	Eggplant	Cucumber	Watermelon
Khogyani	3,958	475	118.75	59.38	475	7,125	475	0	0
Sherzad	3,958	475	118.75	59.38	475	7,125	475	0	0
Hisarak	3,958	475	118.75	59.38	475	7,125	475	0	0
Pachir Wa Agam	3,958	475	118.75	59.38	475	7,125	475	0	0
Behsud	3,958	475	118.75	59.38	475	7,125	475	0	0
Surkh Rod	3,958	475	118.75	59.38	475	7,125	475	0	0
Kama	3,958	475	118.75	59.38	475	7,125	475	0	0
Rodat	4,750	475	118.75	59.38	475	7,125	475	0	0
Kuz Kunar	4,750	475	118.75	59.38	475	7,125	475	0	0
Shinwar	4,750	475	118.75	59.38	475	7,125	475	0	0
Bati Lot	6,250	775	193.75	96.88	475	7,125	475	0	750
Chaparhar	4,750	475	118.75	59.38	475	7,125	475	0	0
Nangarhar Sub-total	52,956	6,000	1,500	750	5,700	85,500	5,700	0	750
Qarghai	12,500	1,250	312.50	156.25	350	7,500	0	500	375
Mehtarlam	12,500	1,250	312.50	156.25	350	7,500	0	500	375
Laghman Sub-total	25,000	2,500	625.00	312.50	700	15,000	0	1,000	750
Asad Abad	2,500	250	62.50	31.25	100	1,249	66.66	0	0
Khas Kunar	2,500	250	62.50	31.25	100	1,249	66.66	0	0
Chawkay	2,500	250	62.50	31.25	100	1,249	66.66	0	0
Narang	2,500	250	62.50	31.25	100	1,249	66.66	0	0
Nurgal	2,500	250	62.50	31.25	100	1,249	66.66	0	0
Sirkanay	2,500	250	62.50	31.25	100	1,249	66.66	0	0
Kunar Sub-total	15,000	1,500	375.00	187.5	600	7,494	399.96	0	0
Grand-Total	92,956	10,000	2,500	1,250	7,000	107,994	6,100	1,000	1,500

Annex –III: Person Employed, Employment Days, and Wages Paid on ALP/E CFW Projects through June, 2005

Province	District	Project-Name	Project Number	Person Employed			Employed Person days			Wages Paid		
				Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Kunar	Chawkay	Dewagal Road Repair	CFW101303	166	14	180	2410	175	2585	\$9,640.00	\$700.00	\$10,340.00
Kunar	Khas Kunar	Khas Kunar Middle Road Rehabilitation	CFW101504	47	4	51	181	16	197	\$724.00	\$64.00	\$788.00
Kunar	Khas Kunar	Shankar Canal Repair	CFW101501	235	17	252	10773	801	11574	\$41,436.00	\$3,204.00	\$44,640.00
Kunar	Khas Kunar	Tanar Road Rehabilitation	CFW101502	84	6	90	4682	328	5010	\$17,886.00	\$1,312.00	\$19,198.00
Kunar	Narang	Bar Narang Road Improvement	CFW101203	216	16	232	9765	794	10559	\$39,060.00	\$3,176.00	\$42,236.00
Kunar	Narang	Sharalo Badil Road Rehabilitation	CFW101204	193	14	207	7862	626	8488	\$31,448.00	\$2,504.00	\$33,952.00
Kunar	Nurgal	Seenda Wala Canal Rehabilitation	CFW101402	105	8	113	8436	539	8975	\$32,348.00	\$2,156.00	\$34,504.00
Kunar Province Total				1046	79	1125	44109	3279	47388	\$172,542.00	\$13,116.00	\$185,658.00
Laghman	Alingar	Bar and Kuza Kandy Canal Rehabilitation	CFW090304	46	2	48	806	36	842	\$2,724.00	\$144.00	\$2,868.00
Laghman	Alingar	Ghundai Nazar Khil Protection Wall	CFW090302	211	8	219	19327	2651	21978	\$71,823.00	\$9,762.00	\$81,585.00
Laghman	Alingar	Khoja Khil Sofla Canal Rehabilitation	CFW090301	1329	38	1367	11100	408	11508	\$52,597.00	\$1,596.00	\$54,193.00
Laghman	Alingar	Qasaba Protection Wall	CFW090303	201	7	208	15437	2405	17842	\$59,090.00	\$10,061.00	\$69,151.00
Laghman	Alishing	Akhund Sahib Protection Wall	CFW090704	360	9	369	24352	482	24834	\$95,600.00	\$1,928.00	\$97,528.00
Laghman	Alishing	Jamshidabad Additional Work	CFW090702B	186	5	191	12636	324	12960	\$49,228.00	\$1,296.00	\$50,524.00
Laghman	Alishing	Jamshidabad Protection Wall	CFW090702A	450	4	454	21566	164	21730	\$75,883.00	\$656.00	\$76,539.00
Laghman	Alishing	Mustafa Kalay Protection Wall	CFW090703	500	18	518	17082	565	17647	\$60,917.00	\$2,260.00	\$63,177.00
Laghman	Alishing	Nolo Protection Wall	CFW090701	399	7	406	24345	381	24726	\$90,552.00	\$1,524.00	\$92,076.00
Laghman	Mhtarlam	Deh Zairat Protection Wall	CFW090101	525	10	535	37920	693	38613	\$143,053.00	\$2,773.00	\$145,826.00
Laghman	Mhtarlam	Hayadarkhani Canal Rehabilitation	CFW090106	219	4	223	5390	173	5563	\$22,922.00	\$692.00	\$23,614.00
Laghman	Mhtarlam	Karaho Protection Wall	CFW090102	209	4	213	13744	155	13899	\$115,181.00	\$1,557.00	\$116,738.00
Laghman	Mhtarlam	Mulayano Kalay Protection Wall	CFW090104	369	12	381	27892	933	28825	\$102,319.00	\$3,600.00	\$105,919.00
Laghman	Mhtarlam	Shamangal Canal Rehabilitation	CFW090105	168	7	175	11740	460	12200	\$46,122.00	\$1,810.00	\$47,932.00
Laghman	Mhtarlam	Terkaray Protection Wall	CFW090103	331	8	339	28043	665	28708	\$109,403.00	\$2,644.00	\$112,047.00
Laghman	Qarghayi	Char Bagh Canal Rehabilitation	CFW090202	133	5	138	7755	308	8063	\$29,284.00	\$1,216.00	\$30,500.00
Laghman	Qarghayi	Daronata Road Repair (Darunta Bypass)	CFW090204	226	2	228	11346	86	11432	\$42,404.00	\$344.00	\$42,748.00
Laghman	Qarghayi	Darunta Bypass Cobble Stone Road Second Reach	CFW090209	213	2	215	4132	68	4200	\$16,528.00	\$272.00	\$16,800.00

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				Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Laghman	Qarghayi	Dopi and Longalam Protection Wall	CFW090201	301	13	314	21544	823	22367	\$78,287.00	\$3,124.00	\$81,411.00
Laghman	Qarghayi	Farman Khil and Jue Daman Canal	CFW090212	69	0	69	227	0	227	\$908.00	\$0.00	\$908.00
Laghman	Qarghayi	Kalakot Canal Rehabilitation	CFW090203	159	6	165	10197	338	10535	\$36,505.00	\$1,308.00	\$37,813.00
Laghman	Qarghayi	Kanda Canal Rehabilitation	CFW090208	80	3	83	2593	91	2684	\$10,173.00	\$364.00	\$10,537.00
Laghman	Qarghayi	Shamshirabad Flood Protection Wall	CFW090205	412	14	426	22142	940	23082	\$82,678.00	\$3,296.00	\$85,974.00
Laghman Province Total				7096	188	7284	351316	13149	364465	\$1,394,181.00	\$52,227.00	\$1,446,408.00
Nangarhar	Achin	Pekha Protection Wall & Groynes	CFW081002	461	0	461	27957	0	27957	\$103,352.00	\$0.00	\$103,352.00
Nangarhar	Behsud	Abdyan Road Rehabilitation	CFW082101	185	0	185	7388	0	7388	\$28,577.00	\$0.00	\$28,577.00
Nangarhar	Behsud	Binigah Flood Protection Wall	CFW082102	78	6	84	3274	140	3414	\$12,937.00	\$560.00	\$13,497.00
Nangarhar	Behsud	Sammarkhil Flood Protection Wall	CFW082103	207	17	224	6312	561	6873	\$24,863.00	\$2,244.00	\$27,107.00
Nangarhar	Behsud	Spin Jumat Embankmentt	CFW082104	51	4	55	1405	95	1500	\$5,620.00	\$380.00	\$6,000.00
Nangarhar	Chaparhar	Chardahi Flood Protection Wall	CFW080604	79	6	85	1006	84	1090	\$4,024.00	\$336.00	\$4,360.00
Nangarhar	Chaparhar	Daulat Zai Intake	CFW080601	133	10	143	3399	279	3678	\$13,596.00	\$1,116.00	\$14,712.00
Nangarhar	Chaparhar	Garatic and Chardahi Canal Intakes	CFW080602	135	11	146	3402	250	3652	\$13,608.00	\$1,000.00	\$14,608.00
Nangarhar	Chaparhar	Garatic Flood Protection Wall	CFW080603	72	6	78	955	82	1037	\$3,820.00	\$328.00	\$4,148.00
Nangarhar	Chaparhar	Sholana Protection Wall	CFW080605	108	8	116	1335	112	1447	\$5,340.00	\$448.00	\$5,788.00
Nangarhar	Dur Baba	Mahsil and Qasaba Kalay Irrigation Reservoir and Erosion Protection	CFW081201	188	2	190	5931	8	5939	\$23,724.00	\$32.00	\$23,756.00
Nangarhar	Dur Baba	Sasobi Irrigation Reservoir and Flood Protection Wall	CFW081202	176	8	184	7574	24	7598	\$30,296.00	\$96.00	\$30,392.00
Nangarhar	Goshta	Bar & Kuz Bela Protection wall	CFW081601	244	18	262	12740	1113	13853	\$48,341.00	\$4,452.00	\$52,793.00
Nangarhar	Goshta	Bar Bila Flood Protection wall	CFW081602	90	8	98	2549	197	2746	\$15,735.50	\$788.00	\$16,523.50
Nangarhar	Goshta	Bila Flood Protection wall(D kes)	CFW081603	89	6	95	5301	382	5683	\$19,811.00	\$1,528.00	\$21,339.00
Nangarhar	Hisarak	Hesarak Road Repair	CFW080301	288	26	314	19557	1774	21331	\$77,056.00	\$7,096.00	\$84,152.00
Nangarhar	Hisarak	Shana Zawara Road Repair	CFW080302	116	10	126	7413	562	7975	\$29,244.00	\$2,248.00	\$31,492.00
Nangarhar	Jalalabad	Jalalabad city Side ditches Cleaning	CFW080101	63	0	63	2622	0	2622	\$9,362.50	\$0.00	\$9,362.50
Nangarhar	Jalalabad	Jalalabad city Side ditches Rehabilitation	CFW080102	540	0	540	22174	0	22174	\$82,199.50	\$0.00	\$82,199.50
Nangarhar	Jalalabad	Whole Saler Market Rehabilitation	CFW080103	80	0	80	608	0	608	\$2,432.00	\$0.00	\$2,432.00
Nangarhar	Khogyani	Kalagho Road Rehabilitation	CFW080502	144	13	157	7973	681	8654	\$31,471.00	\$2,724.00	\$34,195.00
Nangarhar	Khogyani	Khawaran Road Rehabilitation	CFW080501	146	14	160	8100	651	8751	\$31,868.00	\$2,604.00	\$34,472.00

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				Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Nangarhar	Khogyani	Khawaza khil and Malam Khil Road	CFW080506	31	2	33	218	14	232	\$872.00	\$56.00	\$928.00
Nangarhar	Kuz Kunar	Bodiali and soraj Irrigation Rehabilitation	CFW081902	128	9	137	4564	361	4925	\$18,256.00	\$1,444.00	\$19,700.00
Nangarhar	Lal Pur	Guldag Flood Protection Wall	CFW081502	163	13	176	3094	199	3293	\$12,376.00	\$796.00	\$13,172.00
Nangarhar	Muhmand Dara	Girdi Ghos Protection Wall	CFW081403	82	3	85	2185	85	2270	\$8,740.00	\$340.00	\$9,080.00
Nangarhar	Muhmand Dara	Zara Sultankhil Protection Wall	CFW081402	67	0	67	2466	0	2466	\$9,728.00	\$0.00	\$9,728.00
Nangarhar	Sherzad	Ashpan Protection Wall	CFW080403	203	18	221	10764	971	11735	\$42,629.00	\$3,884.00	\$46,513.00
Nangarhar	Sherzad	Gandomak Road Repair	CFW080401	180	16	196	10020	858	10878	\$39,852.00	\$3,432.00	\$43,284.00
Nangarhar	Sherzad	Patlaw Road Rehabilitation	CFW080405	46	4	50	386	32	418	\$1,472.00	\$128.00	\$1,600.00
Nangarhar	Sherzad	Toto Road Rehabilitation	CFW080402	129	8	137	8213	577	8790	\$32,380.00	\$2,308.00	\$34,688.00
Nangarhar	Spin Ghar	Girdi Nawagai Road Repair	CFW082305	121	9	130	342	26	368	\$1,368.00	\$104.00	\$1,472.00
Nangarhar	Spin Ghar	Maidanak Road Rehabilitation	CFW082301	465	0	465	16857	0	16857	\$61,271.00	\$0.00	\$61,271.00
Nangarhar	Surkh Rod	Kakrak Road Improvement	CFW080202	125	10	135	1784	134	1918	\$7,136.00	\$536.00	\$7,672.00
Nangarhar	Surkh Rod	Sarband and Jalawanano Canal Intake Construction	CFW080204	60	0	60	442	0	442	\$1,768.00	\$0.00	\$1,768.00
Nangarhar	Surkh Rod	Shamshapur Cobble Stone Road (Part2)	CFW080206	347	13	360	6270	253	6523	\$25,080.00	\$1,012.00	\$26,092.00
Nangarhar	Surkh Rod	Shamshapur Darunta Road Improvement	CFW080205	252	1	253	5088	1	5089	\$20,352.00	\$4.00	\$20,356.00
Nangarhar	Surkh Rod	Shamshapur Road Construction	CFW080201	393	16	409	18773	851	19624	\$71,332.00	\$3,404.00	\$74,736.00
Nangarhar	Surkh Rod	Tatang Nawab Jabar Canal Rehabilitation	CFW080203	77	0	77	641	0	641	\$2,564.00	\$0.00	\$2,564.00
ALP/E Nangarhar Province Total				6,542	295	6,837	251,082	11,357	262,439	\$974,453	\$45,428	\$1,019,881
Grand Total ALP/E CFW				14,684	562	15,246	646,507	27,785	674,292	254,1176	110,771	\$2,651,947
AINP Nangarhar Province Total						134,000			2,967,708			\$9,842,363
TOTAL CFW Eastern Region						149,246			3,642,000			\$12,494,310