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We have seen much in terms of disasters, we have experienced more in terms of interventions, still, there is long way to go to best achieve target of all-inclusive disaster response for older persons and persons with disabilities. 2016 brings forecasts of early and rapid monsoons, at this point of time, Ageing and Disability Task Force wishes to touch every affected life in better way, we aim to help all of you (humanitarian responders) to draw and furbish ageing and disability inclusive emergency services

Happy Reading

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ADTF at a glance

Ageing and Disability Task Force is working since day one to streamline ageing and disability in emergencies through technical input and capacity building of humanitarian organization throughout the country. During the last decade Pakistan has faced immense natural disaster in the form of flash flood, avalanche, droughts and earthquake, causing huge lose both in the form of lives and properties. The most effectees during these natural calamities are older people and people with disabilities. ADTF will continue to play its role in raising awareness and to provide technical support to the organization working for humanitarian to include old people and people with disabilities as their priorities in their future projects during emergency situations.

ADTF Secretariat Transfers to CHEF International

ADTF secretariat was previously hosted by HelpAge International from January 2013 to December 2015. As we mentioned in our previous newsletter that ADTF was shifting to CHEF International office Islamabad. ADTF secretariat has been shifted on 1st January 2016 to CHEF International and we are carrying out official activities in support of CHEF International.

Coordinators Workshop Emergency Response Preparedness (ERP)

United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) organized a workshop on preparedness on 28th April 2016 in Islamabad. It was a full day workshop. The objectives behind this workshop were to strengthen understanding of the Emergency Response Preparedness planning process for any future Disaster and Emergency situation. Ageing and Disability Task Force (ADTF) with the collaboration of Helpage International and UNOCHA gave presentation on Gender and Diversity Preparedness. ADTF gave Recommendations to overcome issues faced by vulnerable group's especially older people and people with disabilities during any emergency situation. Friendly Early Warning System (EWS) should be provided to these groups so that the can communicate among themselves during any emergency situation. It emphasizes to organize mock drill including persons with disabilities and other vulnerable groups. Theoretical and practical training on disability inclusive Early Warning System (knowledge and skills) should be provided for relief workers, volunteers, family members, Community Based Organization (CBOs), Disable people organization (DPO)s/ Older people associations (OPAs).



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DRR forum- Pakistan organized one day consultative workshop with NDMA on National Disaster Risk Management implementation Plan 2016-2030

Civil society organization on Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) forum- Pakistan organized one day consultative workshop with National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) on National Disaster Risk Management implementation Plan 2016-2030 at a local hotel here in Islamabad on 6th June 2016. Chairman NDMA and Dy. Director Response and member DRR participated. Presentation on National Disaster Risk Management Plan (NDRMP) was delivered by Major Imran Deputy Director Response. NGOs and CSOs agreed to provide representation to DRR forum in the NDRMP implementation plan 2016-2030, and agreed to provide space for the suggestions and recommendations of the forum members in the implementation plan. Suggestions were given by ADTF for the inclusion of older people and people with disabilities to NDMA management plan. ADTF coordinator also emphasized on importance of including ageing and disability in all the planning. NDMA acknowledged the contribution of ADTF in fire and safety standards, guidelines for including vulnerable groups and chairman's key messages on international days of persons with disabilities.

Members Activities

LCDDP in collaboration with Pakistani Hoslamand Khawateen Network (PHKN-Haripur KPK) organized two months vocational training for women with disabilities.

The mass migration from rural areas to urban areas within country and outside the country is a common phenomenon around the world as well as in Pakistan. In Pakistan, due to the lack of employment opportunities in rural areas, our skilled and unskilled youth is forced to migrate for work to nearby urban areas or big cities. Persons with disabilities (male and females) though the part of the society but could not leave the town to earn their livelihood because of the accessibility issue and multiple reasons.

With the aim of providing marketable vocational training to rural women with disabilities, LCDDP with in collaboration with Pakistani Hoslamand Khawateen Network (PHKN-Haripur KPK) organized two months vocational training for women with disabilities.

At the completion of the training course, a certificate Distribution Ceremony is organized at Haripur in collaboration with Pakistani Hoslamand Khawateen Network (PHKN). The course participants were given certificates. The beneficiaries will be linked with the market and manufacturing units to earn their living.



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Handicap International celebrate International world hearing day & Assessment camp

World Hearing Day is an annual advocacy event, the day aims to raise awareness and promote ear and hearing care across the world. Handicap International through its partner organization PFF and volunteer organization Danishkadah (Working for empowerment of person with disability with ultimate goal to develop an inclusive, barrier free and right based society for all) organized an event in the IDRR project under the awareness activity at Village Qadir Dino Bohiriyo UC Kar Malick, district Sujawal, where around 320 persons (105 men, 86 women and 129 children participated). Participants gained knowledge on prevention and early intervention, which may prevent many cases of hearing loss, and early intervention, will enable children with hearing loss to live full and active life specially access to education. Hearing test was done for 47 numbers of people and assessment team helped in identifying the hearing loss.



Handicap International Conducted Inclusive Community Assessment

During the inclusive community assessment under the project of Inclusive disaster risk reduction, all persons above 5 years of age were asked what they thought needed to be done to increase the resilience and inclusiveness of their village. A special role was given to the children in the villages. Inclusive sport (mostly cricket) and art activities were organized. The adult children participated in focus group discussions and participated in story telling activities. The main aim was to ensure that children had fun, children with and without disabilities interacted and they were able to say what they would do to make their community a nicer place for everybody.

Moreover, community members were trained as enumerators for the inclusive community assessment. In order to enhance their knowledge on inclusion, they visited several DPOs and disability related NGOs, who adjusts motorbikes and rickshaws for the person with disability and an organization whose building is an example of accessibility in Karachi.

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Handicap International conducted Inclusive Community Skills Management Trainings for Community activists in UC kar Malik- District Sujawal

Under the project of Inclusive disaster risk reduction, as part of capacity building of communities activists under the activity of Cos (community organization) strengthening, four trainings on Inclusive Community Skills Management Training were organized where 80 community members and activists of community organizations working on IDRR project participated. The trainings focused on basic concepts, record keeping, disability models, inclusion and practices of inclusive social mobilization.



World Health Day, 2016

Older People Associations in Punjab, Sindh and KPK observed World Health Day. This Year's theme was Diabetes. Older people campaigned for age friendly health facilities especially for diagnosis and management of Diabetes. Older people arranged walks, met government officials and wrote letter to policy makers. Awareness raising IEC material was also distributed amongst communities.



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Responding to the evolving and long term TDPs emergencies in federally administered tribal areas and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (RELIEF).

HelpAge International is implementing a 4 years project titled Responding to the evolving and long term Temporary dislocate person (TDPs) emergencies in federally administered tribal areas and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (RELIEF). The objective is to support RELIEF partners in ensuring inclusion of older people and persons with disabilities across all relief activities including WASH, Protection, Livelihoods and others in Kohat, Bannu and Peshawar. This is partnership with International Rescue Committee (IRC) and Acted. Current updates are as under:

- Conditional cash grants disbursed by the partners. Ensured inclusion of older people and persons with disabilities. A total 203 males and 272 females (older and with disabilities) benefited from the grant.
- 126 persons with disabilities received assistive devices distributed by HelpAge.
- Inclusion of 54 % Host and 46 % TDPs out of which 69% are males while 31 % are females was ensured in the RELIEF activities.
- Similarly, inclusion of 116 older people was ensured in RELIEF activities
- Introduction to Communications training was organized by RELIEF communications working group for field staff of HelpAge and Acted.
- Consultative workshop organized to develop beneficiary selection criteria with respect to inclusion of the most vulnerable people.
- Assessment and monitoring tools for Protection, Livelihood and WASH have been adopted to collect sex, age and disability disaggregated data were developed
- Developed inclusive monitoring and reporting mechanism which reflect the sex, age and disability disaggregated data and help to improve inclusive practices
- 3 Trainings organized for Protection, Livelihoods & WASH staff on technical guidelines for inclusion of the most vulnerable in accessing services, Age and disability inclusion minimum standards, 68 (17 female 51 Male) Staff have been trained from IRC, ACTED, HRDSF, Prepared, TKF and ADTF
- 2 Trainings have been organized to form Emergency response team ERT and oriented on ALERT Model, scenarios were identified and MPAs developed. 35 staff of the partners participated in this training.
- 3 Consultative workshops to transform social protection center's into age friendly, 40 staff of 6 (2 Peshawar, 2 Kohat and 2 Bannu) SPCs have been trained.

Empowering Older People to improve Lives

It is funded by British Lottery Fund (BLF)/Age International is being implemented in Shikarpur and Jacobabad district of Sindh province with advocacy activities at the federal and provincial level.

Current updates are:

- Project Mid Term review was organized in April 2016.
- Micro Credit Distributions have been completed for 99 Older People in Shikarpur.
- Refresher Trainings on Community Based Advocacy for 200 older men and women were organized
- Older men and Women in Shikarpur and Jacobabad observed world Health Day 2016 on April 7.

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- Older people arranged walks, meeting government officials and wrote letters to relevant government representatives for age friendly health services and facilities to manage Diabetes.
- Follow up with beneficiaries who receive of Kitchen Gardening and poultry inputs.

Ageing and Disability Capacity Building Program (ADCAP)

Funded by Department for International Development (DFID) Start Fund Network, Objective is to build capacity of HelpAge and its partners (Islamic Relief, Concern and others) in making humanitarian response inclusive of older people and persons with disabilities. Current updates include:

- Training of 15 staff members from RAPID and Concern on age and disability inclusion in humanitarian response.
- Training of 21 staff members from Islamic Relief Staff on age and disability inclusion in humanitarian response.
- Review of Rapid fund need assessment tools and making age and disability inclusive.

Building Disaster resilience; improve livelihood and health condition of disaster affected population of Muzaffargarh District of Punjab Pakistan Funded by HelpAge Germany/German Foreign Ministry (AA).

Updates are as under:

- Distribution of unconditional cash grants to 62 (Female 39, Male 23) and conditional cash grants to 106 (63 Female, 43) beneficiaries has been completed.
- Livelihood Trainings to 56 males and 59 females have been completed. The trainings include components on Livestock, Enterprise Management and Skill Enhancement.
- Community Based Disaster Risk Management (CBDRM) trainings for 60 males and 60 females have been completed
- Mock drill exercises in 34 villages have been completed. This has been done in collaboration with Rescue 1122.
- 6 community support groups were trained to review and upgrade their early warning system.
- 3 community support groups were equipped with emergency kits.
- Assistive devices were distributed to 110 male and 81 female beneficiaries.
- 14 safer place were identified to build safer places for flood prone communities
- Community support group had advocacy meetings with government representatives.
- Community Management Skill Training has been completed for 27 male and 20 female community members.
- Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) session in 12 schools has been completed

Addressing the immediate lifesaving needs of the most vulnerable Temporarily Displaced People(TDP)groups including Older People, People with Disability (PWDS), women and children in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP) and the Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA), Pakistan: Funded by HelpAge Germany/German Foreign Ministry (AA)

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HelpAge International has recently launched this project in district Bannu, Overall Objective of the project is to address the immediate lifesaving needs of people affected by conflict in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KPK) and Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA), Pakistan.

Dangerous Demographics: Pakistan forgotten elderly population.

HelpAge International is doing a research study with the support of British Council. The objective is a research study with a focus on Demographic Change, socio-economic situation of older people, Government policies and Programs and an overview of current situation of older people through analysis of data collected through a survey.

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ADTF was initially formed under the umbrella of “UN PROTECTION CLUSTER”.

It has eleven registered (11) member organizations.



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