



Monthly Status Update – June 2017 Combatting Human Trafficking in Afghanistan

Highlights

IOM Afghanistan:

- Conducted first regional NGOs forum on counter trafficking in Dushanbe, Tajikistan on 22nd – 23rd June. Purpose of the regional forum was to bring relevant NGOs of South and Central Asia together to promote cross-border and regional cooperation to respond human trafficking. The Forum invited more than 35 participants (18 females, and 17 males) representing over 30 counter trafficking NGOs from Afghanistan, Pakistan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan. Representatives of Afghan and Tajik government officials coordinating counter trafficking responses are also invited to establish linkages between NGOs and government initiatives.
- Started revising the project and budget.



Key decisions made during the regional NGOs forum:

Setting up national network of Afghan NGOs and linking them into regional NGOs across the border to learn/share best practices and also to strengthen cross border coordination. Forum outcome document is being prepared with action points/findings and will be shared with Government forum to be held in Kabul latter this year.

IOM Partner: Organization of Fast Relief and Development

- Conducted 11 community based interventions events in Balkh, Kandahar, Helmand, Nuristan and Kabul provinces. The purpose of the event was to carry out a wide-scale community based information and awareness raising campaign in target locations through organize community based Intervention events for community representatives, local government and non-government stakeholders and socio-cultural and religious leaders. These events have gathered 359 participants including 90 females.
- Distributed 25,000 leaflets, 25,000 Stickers and 2500 Cartoon Magazines to raise awareness on the risks and vulnerability of human trafficking in Afghanistan.

External Meeting:

- CTIP team organized a a series of review and planning meetings with current IPs and also potential NGOs for possible networking and future activities.
- CTIP Program Manager, National Project Officer and Sen. Program Assistant attended USAID meeting to discuss issues related M&E plan of CTIP project.
- CTIP Program Manager, National Project Officer and Sen. Program Assistant and Project Assistant attended regional NGOs forum in Dushanbe.

Planned Activities for next month:

- Initiate implementation of NGOs forum decision.
- Start revising project and budget for next phase.
- Clear all the pending of previous year and help IPs to plan for next stage.
- Start national Research on TIP in collaboration with TIP commission.