



Monthly Status Update – July 2017 Combatting Human Trafficking in Afghanistan

Highlights

IOM Afghanistan:

- Afghan NGOs who attended regional NGO forum in Dushanbe in June under the CTIP project have formed a first national network for the country. First meeting of National NGOs Network to combat trafficking in Afghanistan was held at OFRD office on 23rd July 2017 to discuss the following:
 - Reviewing ToR drafted by IOM for National NGOs network
 - Developing Communication Strategy for National NGOs Network
 - Establishing National NGOs Network's secretariat



National NGOs Network held at FRD office Kabul
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Key decisions made during the National NGOs Network meeting:

- ToR for National NGOs Network, which is drafted by IOM reviewed agreed to be shared share with other members for their inputs/comments.
- IOM CTIP team to develop ToR for upcoming Governments forum in Kabul and share with national NGOs Network members for their review and inputs/comments.
- Salam Watandar's representative has been tasked to develop the first draft communication strategy for network and share with national NGOs Network members for their review and inputs/comments.
- The national NGOs Network members agreed that the Organization of Fast and Relief and Development (FRD) will be chairing the National NGOs Network for the first two years then elections will take place to elect new chair and new secretariat.
- It was agreed that the National NGOs Network will be based in Kabul with limited membership with 10 to 15 NGOs/civil society organizations who are directly responding trafficking issue in Afghanistan. At later stage the network could be expanded to the relevant provinces.

External Meeting:

- CTIP team organized a meeting with JSSP, to discuss technical capacity building of TIP commission to set up data base in the selected provinces.
- CTIP team organized an introductory meeting with Samuel Hall research team and discussed general overview on TIP National Research including ToRs, role and responsibilities of IOM, Samuel Hall, and Research Associate etc.
- CTIP team organized a meeting with Radio television Afghanistan (RTA), Pajhwok Afghan News (PAN) and Salam Watandar (SW) to discuss possible future partnership on raising awareness on TIP through electronic and print media

Planned Activities for next month:

- TIP high commission will issue official introductory letter for Samuel Hall to start field research,
- Samuel Hall will present their work plan, methodology to TIP high commission's technical meeting.
- IOM CTIP unit will arrange the first National TIP Research advisory committee meeting.