



## Monthly Status Update – December 2017 Combatting Human Trafficking in Afghanistan

### Highlights

#### IOM Afghanistan:

- Organized a half day consultation workshop with TIP technical committee members on development of the National Referral Mechanism for victims of trafficking in persons in Afghanistan.
- TIP in crisis group has been formed and being introduced with relevant clusters including the government.
- TIP national research is completed; the first draft report was shared with advisory team (USAID, State Department, TIP Commission and IOM) and regional office for their review and comments.
- Organized a half day workshop to discuss TIP training manual among TIP commission members. Purpose of the workshop was to get endorsement from the commission



#### IOM Partner:

##### 1. Hagar International:

- Organized four awareness raising trainings for at risk communities for trafficking in Kabul province. The purpose of the awareness raising training was to enable the participants to understand the risks and vulnerability of human trafficking.
- Organized five capacity building trainings for Government officials, Lecturers and Ullamas in Kabul and Nangarhar provinces. The aim of the training was to enable the participants to understand the nexus of trafficking with migration and smuggling and start referring VoTs to the relevant services providers. Both, awareness raising and capacity building trainings in Kabul and Nangarhar were attended by 228 participants including 64 females. The participants were representatives of National Directorate of Security, Ministry of Interior, Ministry of Defense, Ullamas and Community elders.
- Conducted one coalition meeting in Nangarhar province to discuss the role and responsibilities of central and provincial TIP commissions regarding TIP issues. The meeting was attended by 23 participants including 2 females, coming from National Directorate of Security, Department of Justice, Department of Women Affairs, Department of Education, Department of Human Rights, Appeal court, Representative of Foreign Affairs, Department of Culture and Information, Department of Public Health, Governor Office, Department of Refugees and Repatriation, Radio Television Afghanistan and Afghanistan Independent Human Rights Commission.

##### 2. Salam Watandar:

- Broadcasted 10 episodes of TIP drama (From village to town) 5 episodes in Dari and 5 episodes in Pashto languages. The drama episodes had key messages focusing on irregular migrant's vulnerability to human trafficking and risks associated with irregular migration. Bad Dadan and Badal are cultural forms of trafficking and it must be stopped.
- Produced and broadcasted the following 3 radio feature stories in both national languages, Dari/Pashto:
  - Children are forced to work in bath-houses and bakeries in Kunduz province.
  - Female Journalists are exploited by a number of Media Organization in Ghazni province.
  - Children are forced to work in Taqcha Khana salt mine in Takhar province.

<https://salamwatandar.com/english/Article.aspx?a=36421>
- Produced and broadcasted the following 6 radio segment themes in both national languages, Dari/Pashto, through its 86 partner radio stations all over Afghanistan:

- Contemporary Form of Slavery in Afghanistan.
  - Brick-Kiln Owner in Badakhshan Recruit Children for Forced Labor Through False promises
  - Female Journalists are exploited by Media Organization in Ghazni province.
  - Children are forced to work in in Coal Mines of Baghlan province.
  - A woman is forced by her husband to work in people houses in Logar province.
  - Sexual exploitation of women by their husbands in Baghlan Province.
- Conducted a 5-day capacity building training (Round two) for 36 Kabul based and provincial reporters (26 male, 10 female) on “ethical reporting on TIP in Afghanistan”. The purpose of the training was to build capacity of Afghan journalists to understand the nexus of trafficking with migration and smuggling, role of NGOs, including media organizations and Afghan Government on TIP, identify and report cases of trafficking.



Capacity building training held for journalists in Kabul  
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### 3. Pajhwok Afghan News:

- Conducted a 5-day capacity building training for 19 Kabul based and provincial journalists (17 male, 2 female) on Reporting Human Trafficking in Afghanistan. The purpose of the training was to build capacity of Afghan journalists to understand the nexus of trafficking with migration and smuggling, role of NGOs, including media organizations and Afghan Government on TIP, identify and report cases of trafficking.
- Produced and published 2 TIP feature stories. A) “Have seen nothing but pain, violence and slavery”. B) “Many bonded child laborers work in Takhar salt mine”, on its website in English, Dari and Pashto languages. <https://goo.gl/bQMD1i> / <https://goo.gl/garyzb>
- Produced and published 15 TIP messages on social media (Facebook/Twitter) in English, Dari and Pashto languages.

### 4. OFRD:

- Conducted one community based intervention events in Parwan province. The purpose of the event was to carry out a wide-scale community based information and awareness raising campaign in target province through organizing community based Intervention events for community representatives, local government and non-government stakeholders and socio-cultural and religious leaders. The event has gathered 173 participants (101 male and 72 female).
- Distributed the following information, education, communication (IEC), materials on the risks and vulnerability of human trafficking:
  - 35,425 leaflets,
  - 27,725 Stickers,
  - 18,075 Cartoon Magazines,
  - 27,725 Poster
  - 6,125 CTIP Pen
- Organized the following sports tournaments/league with the aim of raising awareness on the risks and vulnerability of human trafficking in Afghanistan:
  - One men futsal league-CTIP Cup in Kabul province, broadcasted live from Lemar TV. <https://www.facebook.com/affofficial/>
  - Two men volleyball tournaments-CTIP Cup in Nangarhar and Parwan provinces. <https://www.facebook.com/PixelProductionAfg/>
  - One women volleyball tournament-CTIP Cup in Kabul province. The tournaments/league gathered various teams coming from Kabul, Nangarhar and Parwan provinces competing for the CTIP volleyball tournaments and futsal league medal. [www.twitter.com/theaffofficial](http://www.twitter.com/theaffofficial)
- Produced one TV round table (60 minutes) to discuss various dimensions of TIP and services available in Afghanistan and 30 minutes Radio talks designed on culturally sensitive information covering diverse forms of human trafficking and ranges of services required and available in Afghanistan. The TV round table and radio talks were broadcasted through national Radio Television of Afghanistan (RTA).

[https://www.facebook.com/kabul.futsal/?hc\\_ref=ARTqnUiyviKa3Cu510dHCM3gaJhXtw4FkVLs6U7du5nelkTgs2VWGAOkk6VTvMF6g&fref=nf](https://www.facebook.com/kabul.futsal/?hc_ref=ARTqnUiyviKa3Cu510dHCM3gaJhXtw4FkVLs6U7du5nelkTgs2VWGAOkk6VTvMF6g&fref=nf)

**Planned Activities for the month of January 2018:**

- CTIP team will follow with TIP commission secretariat to get the TIP training manual signed off by the minister.
- Pajhwok Afghan News: publish 2 feature stories on its website and 4 TIP short messages on social media, (Facebook/Twitter).
- Salam Watandar: produce and broadcast 4 episodes of drama (From Village to Town), 3 radio feature stories and 6 radio segments on TIP awareness raising in both national languages Dari and Pashto.
- Conduct baseline survey to measure shift in knowledge among TIP drama audience.
- Hagar: Conduct three coalition meetings in Kabul, Nimroz and Badakhshan provinces.
- Four capacity building training for Lecturers and Ullamas in Nimroz and Badakhshan provinces.
- Four awareness raising training for at risk communities in Badakhshan province.
- Two capacity building training for care providers in Nimroz province.
- Three capacity building training for Government officials in Badakhshan province.
- FRD: Organize community based intervention events in Khost, Laghman and Paktia provinces.
- Conduct 2nd ANCTIP (Opening Ceremony) preparation meeting in Kabul.
- Organize a volleyball tournament - CTIP Cup in Khost province.
- Organize a cricket tournament - CTIP Cup in Khost province.
- Broadcast a TV round table (60 minutes) to discuss various dimensions of TIP and services available in Afghanistan and 30 minutes Radio talks designed on culturally sensitive information on TIP through local Radio Television Afghanistan in Nangarhar province.