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### Drawing Competition in all KK Schools and Govt. Schools in Dir



KK Regional Office Dir held an event of drawing competition on 30th, March, 2010. About 40 students from KK schools including few boys students participated in this Drawing Competition arranged under the project, **“Girls back to School”** funded by UNDP. The purpose of the competition was to analyze the impact of the conflict, violence and military operation on the children of the area. The students wrote stories on different themes, they also drew some pictures as well. Dr. Salim, Psychologist District Head Quarter Hospital Timergara analyzed the drawings and stories and elaborated that about more than 85.7% children are affected from the violence and conflict in the area.

This event contributed in KK experience of understanding and to judge the psychological health of the children in the schools and the issues can be addressed in the teachers training and during the normal school visits through psycho social counseling. The students expressed their views and thoughts openly and drew the images of the schools, Pakistani flag, helicopters and fighter jets which they observe in day to day life. The psychologist commented that children are very much desperate for the education and are concerned for the well being of their schools infrastructure in the area.

Commenting on the students stories written on different pictures, the psychologist elaborated that the children have expressed most about that time when they were IDPs. Most interestingly a picture of footpath seller was presented to children but the goods he is selling were erased from the picture. The children commented and shared their perception that this is a poor man, he don't have any relatives and his house was destroyed in the war, some told this is a terrorist wearing turban, some told this man is holding radio in his hand and listening to FM radio. This whole activity was filmed by Ms. Farah Durrani (BBC Representative) and Ms. Maryam Bibi Chief Executive KK.

Under the **“Girls back to School”** Project, KK team celebrated the result ceremonies at eight Government Girl schools. Students prepared short programs at schools. Students presented versus from Holy Quran, Naat and poems, then the results were announced.

KK distributed prizes among the position holder students. It is worth mentioning here that in Dir many school specially girl schools were destroyed during and before military operation in the area. KK is supporting 10 schools which were damaged or their teaching materials were stolen away during the conflict period.



Global Action Week Celebrated in village Sardar Kalay, FATA Jamrod. CF education Nasim explained that Global Action week is celebrated every year between 20th to 30th April to highlight the education all over the world. People from all spheres of life make a contribution in different forms to make the general public aware of education importance and to make it accessible to the poorest communities. EDO Education and children from Zeb Community Based Girl Primary School (CBGPS) participated in the event as well. Children displayed some role plays and presented speeches about global action week ,education importance and education for all in Pakistan.

A speech delivered by a student from Zeb community based girls primary school, highlighted the importance of education. She further said that girls education should be paid more attention by the government as there are very few girls schools in the rural areas. And if there are schools they are not functional, thus our girls are suffering and lagging behind in the developmental field. Women education should be focused more by the government, as female comprises of 60 % population of the country. . Ms. Sidra also talked about education “that education socializes a person”. If the mother is educated she can have educated generation, if a girl is educated she can confidently face any kind of problems in her life.

Program was ended by Ms. Roohi (Regional Manager)with thanks, to all the people who participated in the program. She presented gift the children who participated in the event.

Community women and girls from other community learning centres in Jamrud also participated and shared their views regarding education and its importance in their lives.

Global action Action was also celebrated in Asian Model school under the( Open Minds Project) in Peshawar. Children from other schools also participated. Speeches, role play, and talk shows were presented by children. MNA Ms. Nafeesa made a promise that she will take demands of children in provincial assembly and government will make possible efforts to make the education accessible for all especially for girls. Vote of thanks was paid by school principal ,and from project staff to the children who actively participated and to the team of Open Minds who organized such important event in their school.

### 2 Public Forum in Janakor FR Peshawar:

Public Forum was organized by CC/ACC NA-47 that held in Govt. Guest House Janakor FR Peshawar on April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010. 80 members attended the public forum in which malaks, elders, religious leaders, political leaders, businessmen, etc were included. The Chief Guest in the forum was Assistant Election Commissioner Mohammad Irshad Khan.

The purpose of the forum was to bring awareness in the community regarding political and electoral violence, FAFEN and CRG roles and responsibilities in the area. The forum also discussed and highlighted the Public opinion towards FAFEN and Khwendo Kor, basic issues of the area and their possible solutions, strategies to improve the Democratic Governance Program in the area, visits to the concerned departments for solving their issues and to upgrade and build up linkages between Public and Elected representatives. The forum members raised questions regarding voter registration policies, which were explained by area coordinator FAFEN. Forum members appreciated KK work in bringing up such issues and making government people accountable of their roles and responsibilities and awaring the general public regarding their rights.



## Cluster Discussion Meeting With Community organization

Meeting held with the community members of Nullah in District Manshera for the orientation regarding the project "Violence Against Women" its objectives and role of community facilitation centres.

Community Facilitation Centers has been established for community women especially Gender Based Violence survivors and their access to information and resources for support and rehabilitation. GBV survivors in the target UCs are getting information, medical and legal support and family counseling service through CFC. CFC Facilitators help community members to strengthen relationships, and promote collaboration and partnerships and enhance the community knowledge of women rights in Islamic perspectives.

The community groups also shared their experiences regarding inheritance and consent in marriages issues in their community. Moulana explained all Women rights in the light of Quranic verses and participant appreciated and committed to follow the saying of Holy prophet (peace be upon him) regarding the fulfillment of women rights.

It was discussed that community groups will ensure and support the right based activities at village level and linked up GBV survivors with CFC centers. Community organization main responsibility will be to conduct Regular meeting, cluster meetings and discussion sessions and counseling with Gender Based survivors.

The community organization decided to conduct monthly meetings and discussion sessions about right especially inheritance and consent marriages and GBV issues, and will ensure participation in Monthly meeting and linkages with community for awareness.

### Case study:

The NCA project "Women Rights in Inheritance & Consent in Marriages" the male community facilitator of CFC Kurmang has come to know through male member of Gender Based Organization about the Survivor case. The member of the GBO shared the family matter with community facilitator & asks him to have a meeting with the survivor, the community facilitator Mr. Muhammad. Nazir from community Facilitation Centre of village Kurmang U/C Battal has approached & had consultation meeting with the survivor Shamim w/o (late) Zergon Shah & probed the survivor story in her own words & facilitated the survivor for proper guideline & legal support through NCA established Community Facilitation Centre Kurmang, District Manshera.

Mrs. Shamim w/o Zergon Shah (Late) married 16 years ago & living in village Farid Abad u/c Battal. She belonged to Gujar family of Alai. Mrs. Shamim has three daughters aged 13, 11 & 08 years old. She said, my husband died 07 years before & left Rs. 50,000/- in cash as an account in National Bank Battal. The opened account was on the name of (Late) Zergon Shah. While after death of my husband, I claimed the amount from National Bank of u/c Battal but my Father in law seized that bank account of his dead son & took stay order on it & asked to the bank not to pay her, the remaining balance amount in bank account not even to the grand daughters.

At the time of our marriage ceremony (Shamim & Late Zergon Shah) both parties (In-laws of the Bride & Bridegroom) agreed to pay the Dower Rs. 12000/- in cash, which was received by my (Bridegroom) father. But after the death of my husband, my father (Shamim Bibi) had announced that he is going to manage & award the 05 Marla's plot to me & for the well being of my 03 daughters to build the house. During the period of earthquake in Hazara division the ERRA had paid check of Rs. 1, 50,000/- & I (survivor Shamim) had build-up house.

Now my father-in-law also claimed for that constructed house, Rs. 50,000/- cash account in national bank Battal & custody of his 03 daughter-in-laws.

Community facilitator Mr. Nazir (CF) looked after the case and actively consulted with both parties. After involving the community and relevant persons, he was able to pursue and give Ms. Shamim her rights.

### **Filming on the success of Khwendo Kor**

Chief Executive of Khwendo Kor Ms. Maryam Bibi, Farah Durrani, Regional Manager Dir. Ibrasha Pasha along with KK team visited the Community Based Girl School Saif Abad, the school activities were filmed and the students actively participated in the activities and presented poems and other learning activities in front of the visiting team. Ms. Farah Durrani and Ms. Maryam Bibi visited to Maidan and filmed in village Chinar Kot and also visited Private School "Hira" and met the elders of the area and Leaders of Jamat-I-Islami there, they also visited the two recently burnt girls primary school in the area. The film will be telecasted on BBC to make aware the general public regarding the hurdles in girls education in the area.



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