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Message from the Secretary Local Council Board

Asalam o Alay Kum

I am delighted to share the second volume of Newsletter of WatSan Cell with an aim to provide you with a regular update on some of the most important activities in Water, Sanitation and Hygiene sector across the province under the umbrella of Local Council Board, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. I am confident that the newsletter in hand is a commendable job done by the WatSan Cell team published with the financial support of IRC Peshawar and no doubt is a purposeful task. It is a matter of pride for me that WatSan Cell is not only publishing such newsletter but also very active on social media by promoting the messages of clean environment for general public. It is a matter of satisfaction that the activities initiated by the WatSan Cell in collaboration with UNICEF and other sector partners are on fast track and making persistence efforts to achieve the desired goals. I am thankful to all government functionaries who extended full support to provide best services in WASH sector on top priority and supported WatSan cell activities at provincial as well as district level. I am also extending my heartiest commendations to the 'Local Government Family' for their untiring and dedicated efforts in achieving the assigned goals to promote the Open Defecation Free (ODF) environment in their jurisdiction. We will appreciate constructive feedback and suggestions from the TMA's sector partners to further improve our performance and outreach. Thanks



Khizar Hayat Khan
Secretary Local Council Board

One Day Orientation on Sanitation Up Scaling in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

One day orientation for the members of Provincial Steering, District Coordination committees and districts administration on sanitation up scaling approaches was organized on 27th July 2016 in Peshawar. The event was inaugurated by Secretary Local Government & Rural Development Department and attended by more than one hundred professionals from government and non-governmental organizations. Senior Minister Mr. Annayat Ullah Khan graced the event as the Chief Guest. He extended his full support for sanitation up scaling across the province and stress on more and more on the improvement of sanitation services. The senior minister talked about the resources and authority delegated by the current government to the local governance system with clean water and appropriate sanitation as of the core mandates. He termed this as an opportunity which can contribute to sanitation up scaling in the province. The minister also called for better planning and effective coordination to optimize the limited resources and ensure accountability and transparency. Mr. Francois Kampundu Chief of Field Office UNICEF also spoke to the forum and thanked to all the stakeholders for joint efforts against the challenges in sanitation and to make free the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa from open defecation. He appreciated the efforts of WatSan Cell and shown deep interest in the activities initiated by the cell and the sector partners



Regional Trainings on Emergency Preparedness and Response Planning

Five Regional trainings with the support of UNICEF and ACF were organized in Swat, Mardan, Dir Upper, Abbottabad and DI Khan to train the technical staff of 58 vulnerable TMA's on Emergency Preparedness and Response Planning. 86 officials of 45 TMA's were trained including 3 Tehsil Municipal Officer, 13 TOI's/ATOI's, 38 Sub Engineers, and 32 technical staff. The participants of the trainings found the training material and methodology very interesting and effective.



Commemoration of Global Hand Washing Day across the Province

WatSan Cell, LG & RDD in collaboration with WASH Cluster KP/FATA and UNILIVER Pakistan Ltd commemorated the 9th Global Hand washing week from 14th to 20th October 2016 to promote hand washing with soap across the province. Different activities were carried out with theme for this year "make hand washing a habit" in different parts of the province. Secretary Local Council Board Mr. Khizar Hayat Khan has shown deep interest in the activities and directed all Tehsil/Town Municipal Officers to commemorate the day with zeal and interest in their jurisdiction. 5040 soap provided by Lifebuoy Pakistan (Uniliver Ltd) were distributed among school children in consultation with Director Elementary and Secondary Education Peshawar.



Capacity Building of Government Officials on Sanitation Up Scaling

Sixty (60) Master trainers were trained on sanitation Up-Scaling for Malakand and Mardan division with the support of Plan Pakistan whose services were further utilised to impart the same training to elected local councillors in a phased manner. Training Material were developed in collaboration with sector partners and disseminated to the elected councilors in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. District Nazim in Swat and Assistant Commissioner in Mardan honor the occasions as Chief Guest. They enlightened the importance of sanitation and stress to extend the activities in the interest of community.



Story of Change

Story of change in Dabba Hujra Shalbandai of District Buner reveals that Bibi Nazira don't remember to clean her house once in a week and never bother her kids on defecation all over the place at home. In the results of hygiene sessions which changed her life and she volunteered herself to deliver the message to other houses. She proudly narrates her story to everywhere and to everyone.

Angarghoon Water Supply Scheme

Unicef provided Rs. **23,566,460/-** to TMA Chitral for the rehabilitation of Angarghoon water supply scheme will benefit 60, 000 population of Chitral city and adjacent villages. The scheme is the only source of safe drinking water of the area which was affected during 2015 floods, and which is near to rehabilitation.

1847 elected councilors were oriented on sanitation upscaling in Malakand Division

UNICEF has planned to train the 54 staff of Water & Sanitation Services Peshawar on PATS through its implementing partner Sabawoon.

Database on Total Sanitation has been developed with the support of International Rescue Committee and soon will be available on line

196 Local Government Representatives including 56 females were oriented on Guidelines for declaration of open Defecation Free villages / neighbourhood in Mardan and Swabi by Plan Pakistan

IRC developed EH Plan for 20 schools will benefit 5927 school children and 139 Teachers in Mardan, Nowshera and Peshawar

WatSan cell Developed Training Manual for the ODF verification Committees

TMA Hassanzai in District Tor Ghar adopting the Pakistan Approach Total Sanitation (PATS) constructing 64 Latrines in their jurisdiction

57 Newly recruited staff of Local Council Board oriented on Sanitation Up scaling and information Management with the support of Unicef and Plan Pakistan

Garrah Esa Khan located at the distance of 40 Km from DI Khan main city on Draban Road needs attention in water and sanitation service delivery

District	Number of declared ODF villages
Buner	115
Bannu	40
Dir Upper	55
Mardan	102
Nowshera	20
Peshawar	25
Shangla	49
Swabi	51
	457

Major Future Focus Areas

1. Signing of MOU with Academia
2. Trainings of Verification Committees
3. Development of Sanitation Road Map for Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
4. Arrangement of Sanitation Festival to commemorate World Toilet Day
5. Capacity Building Training of Master Trainers in DI Khan and Bannu Division
6. Preparation of Sector Strategic Review
7. Launching of Total Sanitation Database



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