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Congrats

We warmly congratulate Mr. Shehzad Sultan, a hard working employee of KK for being promoted as Quality Assurance coordinator .Hope he will put in more efforts to excel in future.



Process Mapping A Useful Analytical Tool for The Managers

Ms. Hilda and Ms. Alison visited Khwendu Kor in the month of April, 09.

Ms Alison Leaver, a member of FROK though on a private visit to Pakistan, so graciously arranged two workshops on "Process Mapping" for the benefit of PCU and regional management staff on 24/4/09 and 28/4/09.

The purpose was to enable the managers to assess a process for gap identification and for value addition at community level. Group work on the Process of Kk's 'Annual Report' was undertaken as a practical example.



Dir's strategy in Insecure situation.

On April 7th, a special meeting was held in PCU Peshawar in which the situation of Dir where KK is working since last 11-12 years, was discussed. This meeting was attended by Mrs. Maryam Bibi (CE), Mr. Khalid Usman (D P), Mrs. Mussarat Syed (HRM), Mr. Ibrash Pasha (RM Dir), Mr. Jamshed Khan (PF Dir), Mr. Syed Abdul Hakim (CF SO), Mr. Zahid Hussain RFAO, Mr. Shafiq-UI-Islam (Coord S O), Mr. M. Shehzad Sultan (I. A), Hamayun Khan (RMM).



Mr. Ibrash Pasha and other team members shared about law and order situation at Dir in detail that the armed Taliban were patrolling freely in the Bazaar and other places both in Dir lower and Upper. He further shared incidents for last one week at Dir. The SSP and Ex-Nazim were killed during the kidnapping attempt of Bank Manager. The Bank manager is still in the custody of Taliban and demanding for ransom.

Some other officials of NGO working in the area for food support program in Government Primary schools were kidnaped along with vehicles and a container full of food. Although the officials were regularly paying Rs. 800,000/- on monthly basis for safe working in the area. Now Taliban demand for huge ransom for their release.

Few days ago a councilor was going to his village in his own vehicle and Taliban attempted to kidnap him but the councilor was also armed and 7 militants

were arrested by local people after heavy firing. Soon a Jirga of Taliban came from Swat and released them with pledge that it was just a misunderstanding. Local people are frightened of Taliban.

Recently the video tap of a girl tortured by Taliban shown on media has made the situation more critical and Taliban made NGOs responsible for this action. In daily News paper "Mashriq" on April 8th, it was reported that Taliban have targeted 10 women heads of NGOs for suicide bombing.

The team also shared that Tehsil Nazim Taimargara was kidnapped on 6th April by unknown people and his official vehicle was snatched.

There is possibility of military operation in the area as the moment of army troops is increasing day by day.

Caroline Pym's visit To RPU Peshawar:

Ms. Caroline Pym visited along with Mrs. Maryam Bibi and other PCU Staff members to RPU Peshawar on 1st April, 2009. She is one of the KK's donors and a part of the J.A Clark Trust. During her stay, she met staff at RPU Peshawar, Youth Forum members Peshtakhara and two MO members from Khyber Agency. She met nine WLC Bridge Kaley learners of Khyber Agency. Apart from this, she also visited schools in Mardan along with the Education Coordinator and CF Education. She was very much impressed after meeting the women from FATA who shared their experiences and knowledge with her. She appreciated KK staff's activities in this critical situation especially in FATA. She was very impressed by the Micro Enterprise sector when saw the products of Mazri (a shrub) made by the poor community women. Ms. Caroline assured for their help as much as possible.

Strategy for working at Dir Region

1. KK can continue the activities through clusters with the help of local community activists. We have various schools in five clusters and can negotiate with local activists to continue the activities.
2. Clusters can enable KK to continue the program with the help of local community and cluster monitors from the said areas. The cluster monitors can be female and male both whatever is appropriate.
3. The office will be shifted to District Mardan on temporary basis. The activities will be facilitated from Mardan through cluster approach.

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