Project Proposal on Establishment of Child Friendly Spaces for Flood Affected Children of Gwadar

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Organizational Profile:

Balochistan Boy Scouts Association is an autonomous, not-for-profit, volunteer and social reformatory organization Affiliated with World Scout Bureau through Pakistan Boy Scouts Association wide Registration Act 1860 (XXI of 1860) and working in the urban/ rural areas of Balochistan. BBSA geographical exists in 30 districts of Balochistan, with 75000 scout volunteers and at other hand at district level the district scout commissioners, district scout secretaries and district organizers are exist and leading the overall management regarding training of new comers and supports BBSA projects. The scouting is started in Balochistan has its roots since 1920 before independence.

BBSA also collaborates with Provincial Government and International Organizations like UNICEF and WHO to design and implement projects for the betterment of society. The programmatic areas of work are as under:

- 1. Education
- 2. Child Protection and Empowerment of Adolescents
- 3. Women Empowerment
- 4. Livelihood Improvement
- 5. Skill Development
- 6. Disaster Risk Reduction/Emergency Response
- 7. Research, Monitoring and Evaluation

BBSA (Baluchistan Boys Scout Association), since its inception been involved in promoting character building of youth and sensitize communities about their fundamental rights. BBSA has a team of over seventy thousand motivated scouts who actively participate in social, ethnic and raising awareness activities. Boys scout participated in the campaign of Polio with an intention to eliminate it and build healthy community who can become an active contributor of the society. Whereas it was highly appreciated at all spheres of life and by World Health Organization (WHO) as well. Since 2000, UN agencies recognized the potential of BBSA and worked with collaboration of UNICEF on a Unique project titled "Brothers join Meena". The project aimed to create awareness among the general public about importance of education with a focus on girls. The project had adopted a provisional component to promote health and hygiene in 2003. BBSA belief that prior to deliver the project to achieve objectives, community needs to be sensitized about the issue, which ease them to mainstream any issue into development.

In 2003, BBSA started working on another successful project "Empowerment of Adolescents". The project was to develop the capacity of in school adolescent boys (13-19) in Quetta district through Life Skills Based Education so they protect themselves from exploitation and HIV/AIDS and lead healthy lifestyle and act as change of agents. Through this project more than 10,000 adolescent boys in schools were imparted with life skills based education. Currently BBSA is working on a project "Positive Disciplining" aims at reducing Corporal punishment (CP) in schools in Quetta as a first step to eliminating CP in schools.

1. What Changes (outcomes) are you seeking to bring about?

Expected Benefits

- 80 % (of those children enrolled in Child Friendly Spaces) overcome from trauma, provide psychosocial support, medical aid and recreational activities.
- 40% of the labor children, enrolled in the LCCs, are withdrawn from their work and enrolled in the schools and 60 % are made literate on NFE standards.
- 80 % of the flood affected children have internalized the basic concepts of Rights of Labor Children & Child Protection, Convention on the Rights of Children (CRC), importance of health and hygiene and fatal diseases, enrolled and attend the center regularly.
- 60 % members of Child Care Committees are not only extending their support to the Children's Councils but also have improved their environment situation and made it child protected and friendly.
- 1000 children are aware on all forms of child abuse, exploitation, violence and negligence issues and will have the skills to protect themselves through advocacy efforts.
- 5000 adults/parents, Primary Care Givers and Community Group are sensitized towards child rights and protection.
- **300** children and **200** adolescents will be provided recreational, extra curriculum activities, learning and structured activities in Child Friendly Spaces.

2. Why did you decide to work on this?

Conceptualization of Problem:

When children are not supported in emergency context, they are less likely to become productive and responsible members of their communities. If support is not available for these children, the resulting psychological and social tension puts strain on the fabric of society, hampering peace and development.

Mental health and psychological well-being are rights of all affected populations, these rights have been enshrined in international law – for instance, the Convention on the Rights of the Child includes the right to development for children everywhere.

The IASC guidelines take into account all aspects of a child's well-being – including the impact of health, education, protection and social services – and aim to ensure that a broad group of diverse actors can work using one coordinated approach. And experts note that the implications of not taking into account mental health and psychosocial well-being can be severe, getting in the way of larger humanitarian efforts in emergencies. In these situations children needs psychological support, recreational activities, non formal education and nutrition to overcome children from trauma.

Background of the Problem and Justification:

Tropical cyclone Phet caused losses worth Rs 6-7 billion in Gwadar as torrential rains in the area were recorded at 370 millimeters, the highest in its history. The fishermen community suffered the most, as their fishing boats were destroyed due to the poor planning of the fish

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harbor and the local administration, sources told Daily Times on Monday. Torrential rains brought Gwadar's economy of fishing to a standstill for the last four days. According to the Gwadar's initial damage assessment, the port city suffered estimated losses Rs 6 to 7 billion, an official said. About 1,500 to 2,000 houses were damaged due to the heavy downpour causing shortage of medical supplies and assistance, the official pointed out. The cyclone flooded over 100 adjoining villages of Gwadar and affected people have been shifted to the safer places, the official added. The entire Makran coastline, especially residents of Gwadar were facing acute shortage of food items, as only one store opened on Monday to provide grocery items. The city of Pasni faced the situation and was waiting for the government's relief assistance, sources said. There were also reports that black-marketing of petrol and diesel was under way in these areas and the commodities had reached unaffordable prices, officials said. The Makran Coastal Highway (MCH) was damaged at two different locations on the Gwadar-Pasni and THE Gwadar-Karachi routes disconnecting the road link between Jewani and more than 50 other villages. staff report The storm has already started to create havoc in Baluchistan, which saw 133 millimeters of rainfall during the last 24 hours and flooding in some areas, the department reported on Saturday. Authorities are evacuating people to safe areas and Army, Frontier Constabulary and Navy have been put on high alert.

It has been raining intermittently in the coastal areas of Balochistan, including Gwadar since Friday morning. In Balochistan, though the efforts were made little late as compared to Sindh, people have been evacuated from some coastal areas. In Gwadar some evacuations have been made today afternoon by the district government Gwadar and Pakistan Navy in Jiwani. Some 5000 people of villages Demi Zir, Mulla Bund Warh (3 to 4 feet water house are inundated water), Kohbun Warh, Gulf Usmania Warh have been moved to three places namely RCDC-Gwadar, Boys College Gwadar and Port Building. Further, some 2000 people have migrated to their relatives to the safe places in the outskirts of Gwadar.

In Tehsil Jiwani 200 households moved to safer places to middles school Rasani Bazzar, Girls School Razsani Bazzar, Primary School Shehzada Bazzar, Welfare Office Jiawani and Naval base Jiwani. Five fishers' men also reported missing as moving to their houses beside these 100 boats of fisher men wracked. The situation become terrible as protection barrier wracked close Shehzada Bazzar where this sources was also providing drinkable water. Mud houses collapsed due to flash flood water and spill over of protection bund. Coast Guard Pasni (Tehsil Pasni) announced the inhabitants of Babbarshoor union council to be shifted to Pak Public School. Kallag union council is affected by heavy rain water. Some houses of Babbarshoor and Kallag are badly affected by heavy rain¹.

Despite heavy rains in the areas around Merani Dam, the rivers are flowing normally as major rainfall has been recorded in downstream of Merani dam. There are chances for high inflow in the dam on Sunday only if rains become heavier. So far, no significant water flow in any of the rivers has been witnessed in the Kech and rivers flowing to Merani dam. However, there is flood like situation in the Nullaha and streams in district Gwadar. According to fresh updates road access to Turbat and Gwadar is not clear for travel. According to above mentioned situation children and women are badly affected by flood. In this situation Child Friendly Spaces can improve children's psychosocial well-being by strengthening and nurturing children's cognitive, emotional, and social development. They can strengthen children's internal and external support systems by offering socializing and structured play activities with peers.

¹ Population welfare office Pasni

In this regard Balochistan Boy Scouts Association planned to establish three child friendly spaces for affected children at three union councils of Gwadar namely Gwadar Central City, Surbandar and Pasni. The assessment report is attached with this proposal

Experience and Strengths of the Organization:

Balochistan Boy Scouts Association has a strong partnership with the Government of Balochistan .The Government of Balochistan is also financially supporting the BBSA. The grant in aid is utilized for the scouting activities throughout the province and also meets the expenses of the office. BBSA has also established a mechanism for generating Revenue .The revenue is generated from the fund raising components like Scout Shops, member ship of scouting and there are various multipurpose Halls which are utilized for holding workshops seminars, conferences and for functions and exhibitions. There are more than a dozen accommodation room's .These all revenue generating activities contributed for the sustainability of BBSA.

For the future, BBSA is planning for the establishment reproductive health center (RHC to accommodate the deprived and poor communities of the province so to contribute in minimizing the maternal and infant mortality rates . The infrastructure for RHC is at the finishing stage and for its equipments and other expenses we are looking for financial support from potential donors. Establishment of RHC would contribute in the sustainability of the project and at large BBSA.

The impact of Balochistan Boy Scouts in the social development could be measured from the data mentioned below. The impact supports the intervention of Balochistan Boy Scouts in the education sector as it is playing its vital role in the enrolment of the children's with especial focus on girls, (the most vulnerable group) there are more than 31,000 children's enrolled at the primary education level across the province. Similarly in the health sector, the areas of concerned were immunization and in this component around 16,895 children's have been immunized in accordance to WHO guidelines. Hygiene and Sanitation component was also targeted, and in these activity almost 12,796 houses hold latrines have been constructed in various parts of the province, which had its impact in managing the street garbage and human excreta in the open air and with the outcome of healthy communities. The impact study shows that the communities have gained sense of awareness, education, better healthy life and good environment. Keeping the need base of the communities, it is proposed to support these deprived communities in extending good health care services, in the shape of , health care awareness and services on reproductive health care in its various components. The men will be involved and sensitized through counseling to understand the issues of women especially related to Reproductive Health Care.

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3. Who do you hope will work with you, to achieve these changes?

Approach/ strategy

To achieve the above-mentioned objectives following activities following strategy would be adopted

- Mobilization of Target Group to be enrolled in CFSs for protective services.
- Establish Child Friendly Spaces with the participation of Target Groups and other stakeholders.
- Formation of Children's Councils and Child Rights Councils (comprising of parents, PCGs and General Community Members) for ensuring children/community involvement in protection services.
- Provision of preventive (education/literacy, awareness raising on CRC and Child Protection, Health & Hygiene, Fatal Diseases and CSA) and protection (Skill Development, Children's Councils and re-enrollment in the schools) services to Target Groups within the CPCs, while awareness raising to children and adolescents within the vicinity of the CPC.
- Provision of life skills based education, psychosocial support, psycho-counseling, recreational facilities to vulnerable children and adolescents within the CPCs and in the respective vicinities while awareness and required items (condoms) to those children who are less interested in the giving up of Commercial Sex.
- Developing coordination mechanism with education and health department for smooth referral.

Participation of women, men and communities in future and ongoing activities:

BBSA will implement the project in close coordination with the relevant government agencies, concerned PTAs and other development partners. BBSA will utilize its professional staff, male and female, to mobilize and sensitize the community, teachers and conduct teachers and PTAs training

Innovative means to enhance the participation of marginalized populations are under development. Full participation of women, children, and persons with disabilities, minority populations and full communities will be integral to the success of this project. Central rights provided by the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child are the rights for children to participate in decisions regarding their own lives.

The social organizers will hold community meetings arranged and advertised through community mobilizers to discuss project plans, solicit women's, children's and community involvement, and build support for this project. Community resources will be identified and mobilized such as identifying peer women trainers from villages within the community.

Novel ways to include children's participation in peer training are in development, using models from other mother and child projects. Children will be invited to attend the community meetings to solicit their active participation in project planning. They will also be asked to provide their opinion as part of the project evaluation and future planning.

4. What are the main things you plan to do?

Objectives of the Project:

- 1. To offer children opportunities to develop, learn, play, and build/strengthen resiliency in emergency.
- 2. To identify and find ways to respond to particular threats to all children and/or specific groups of children, such as those with particular vulnerabilities, after the emergency in Gwadar.

Project Duration:

6 months (from the approval date)

Cost/Budget is attached with this Proposal:

Fund Requested in Pakistani Rupees

Total Amount requested from CAFOD	Rs. 1,617,000
Partners Contribution	Rs. 828,000
Total:	Rs. 2,445,000

Focus of the project:

The proposed intervention would be categorized into tasks and sub-tasks that holistically address the Child Protection issues and aims at achieving the desired objectives. The target group for the project includes the flood affected Children of three union councils of Gwadar namely Gwadar central, Pasni and Surbandar.

Approach of the project:

Project is focused on raising awareness of flood affected children, community members and Primary Care Givers, highlighting the Child protection. Entire strategy would be participatory approaches by ensuring true participation of targeted children, key stakeholders and Primary Care Giver (PCG) to tackle the Child Protection issues in emergency context including their survival, development, protection and participation in those decisions that affect their life.

Broader areas/activity:

- Establishment of 3 child friendly spaces at three union councils Gwadar Central, Pasni and Surbandar.
- Enrolling affected children at CFS to receive literacy, psychological counseling, and Life Skill Based Education, health and Recreational services.
- Awareness raising and strengthening the knowledge base of flood affected children on Child Protection issues, CRC, Health & Hygiene, and HIV/AIDS etc.

- Formation and strengthening of Children's Councils so they could express their "Voice & choice"², exhibit their collective strength and identity to be noticed in those decision which may affect them.
- Formation and strengthening of Child Care Committees (comprising of employers, PCGs and or those adults who are working in the same vicinity etc) so they could play their role as support mechanism for flood affected children and ensure protective environment in the emergency situation.
- Training of teacher cum Facilitators on Joyful Learning, Child to Child learning approach, Child friendly teaching techniques to enable the children to be active subject of the learning process.

5. How will you know what effect you have had- what has changed (or not)?

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Annex 1

Budget:

			Cost			
		No of	per Unit			BBSA
Budget Item	Item description	Units	/ person	(PKRs)	CAFOD	Contribution

. Project Costs	1.	Establishment of 1 Ch	ild Prote	ction Prome	oter Teams		
	Coordinator		06	40000	240,000	240,000	
	Para Medical staff		06	20,000	1,20,000	1,20,000	
	3 Child Protection Promoter Team staff		18	20,000	3,60,000	3,60,000	
	Office Boy & Watchmen for PCPs		12	10,000	120,000	120,000	
	1 vehicles for field work (rent and POL)		06	70,000	4,20,000	4,20,000	
		3 days trainings for Child Protection Promoter Teams			7,000	7,000	
		Food, refreshment Rs 200x10 Participantsx3 Days	30	200	6,000		
		Stationary (Rs 100x10 Participants)	10	100	1,000		
	Support to vulnerable children (budget to be used for critical protection issues where other sources are not found) (per CPC)		1	20,000	20,000	20,000	
	Formation and functioning of Children's Councils & Child Rights Councils (registers for record keeping, stationary, refreshment, handouts)(per CPC)		10	500	5,000	5,000	
	Rent and premises	utilities of CPCs	06	30,000	1,80,000	1,80,000	
	Sub-total	1.			1,472,000	1,472,000	

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	2.	Supplies						
	Furniture & children's	Fixture for staff and classes	1	50,000	50,000	50,000		
	Digital Cameras Recreational supplies / material for Child Protection Centers Skill Development instrument and material Reading & Writing material			15,000	15,000	15000		
				15,000 40,000 25,000		15,000		
			1			40,000		
			1			25,000		
	Sub-total	2.		- - -	145,000	145,000		
Project Support Costs								
70313	Office Ren	tal	06	60,000	360,000		360,000	
	Office utilities, stationary		06	10,000	60,000		60,000	
	1 Compute	er Data Operator	06	20,000	120,000		120,000	
	Finance Assistance (60%) Office Assistant (25%) Admin/logistician 25% Sub-total 3		06	24,000	132,000		132,000	
			06	10,000	60,000		60,000	
			06	16,000	96,000		96,000	
					828,000	0	828,000	

Grand Total 2,445,000 1,617,000 828,000