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Social Mobilization Group (Social Development Cell) SOFWM Project
Quantitative Monthly Activity Report – Month of June 2008

S #	Activities	Targets	Achievements		%age
			During Reporting Period	Total to Date	
1	Trainings				
a	Basic (for New FOs)	100 FOs	00	65	65%
b	Specialized	100	02	49	49%
c	Refresher	200	20	399	200%
2	Registration of FOs	100	01	67	67%
3	IDMT of Newly Formed FOs	100	00	49	49%
4	Gender Mainstreaming/ Women Group Formation	Un-Limited	02	17	-
5	Conflict Resolution	00	01	17	100%
6	Support to Consultants in Walk Through Surveys	100	00	96	96%
7	FO Re-elections	205	02	187	91%
Additional Activities as Agreed MTR Mission					
8	FO-FO Exposure Visits	50	03	06	12%
9	AWB to AWB Tours	15	00	00	0%
10	SIDA to Other PIDA Tours	06	00	00	0%
11	FO Assemblies at Sub-Division Level	50	05	12	24%
12	International Study Tours	Not Given	00	01	-

A. Introduction

The World Bank funded Sindh On Farm Water Management (SOFWM) project has focused the issues of agriculture and irrigation sectors in Sindh province of Pakistan by initiating a multi-pronged strategy, the important components of this project are:

- (i) Social Mobilization and Capacity Building
- (ii) High Pay Off Improvement of Irrigation Facilities
- (iii) Productivity Enhancement Program
- (iv) Monitoring and Evaluation
- (v) Project Management Support

1- Social Mobilization Group

Social Mobilization Group (SMG) working under the Social Development Cell SIDA has focused the targets of building the capacity of at least 100 new and old FOs to the extent that they are managing their organizations effectively and operating and maintaining their water distribution system in an equitable and sustainable manner. The above goal is approached through a dedicated team of professionals operating from seven filed stations in Nara, Left Bank and Ghotki Feeder canal Area Water Board. The activity report presents the progress of the SMG-SDC for the month of June 2008.

B. Achievements During the Month

1- Training & Capacity Building

A- Basic Trainings

During the month of **June 2008**, **no basic training Event** could be organized by SMG SO for SMG has successfully consumed 39 basic training units and 540 BoM members of 96 newly formed FOs (65 formed under SOFWMP & 31 NDP) of GFCAWB and LBCAWB have been trained. The details of the basic training held during the month are as follows:

B- Specialized Trainings

During the month of **June 2008 two** specialized trainings organized by SMG staff. So far SMG has organized 49 specialized training events training 731 staff members and 1087 farmer members from 227 FOs of NCAWB, LBCAWB and GFCAWB. The details of the specialized trainings held in the month of May are as follows:

SMG-SDC organized one days specialized training on “Contract Management” on 16/06/2008 at Sakhi Jan Mohammed Club, Tando Jan Mohammed Town, District Mirpurkhas. 16 staff members of SMG, PIAC and AWB participated in the training, also 33 farmers from 08 FOs (Khatian Minor, Chatto Minor, Chach Minor, Bagi Minor, KGM Minor, Tando Minor, Silore Feeder and Dajhero Minor) under rehabilitation works participated in the training. Mr. Ghulam Mustafa Ujjan GL SMG, Mr. Kishanchand Environment Specialist M&E Consultants and Mr. Lakho Senior Design Engineer PIAC delivered sessions in the training. Mr. M. Hashim Leghari MD SIDA, Mr. Ghulam Mustafa Dahri Director NCAWB, Mr. Nazeer A. Memon SDS/DGMT SIDA and Mr. Ishtiaq Memon Executive Engineer Jamrao Canal also participated in certificate distribution ceremony of the training. MD SIDA discussed the issues faced by the FOs in the execution of rehabilitation works. MD SIDA, Director NCAWB and SDS/DGMT also did speeches and assured the FO representatives to resolve the real issues.

SMG-SDC organized one day specialized training on “Position and Role of Women in Irrigation Management” at Village Ahmed Khan Khoso near Jhudo Town, District Mirpurkhas on 24/06/2008. 30 women farmers of 02 Women Groups in the command of FO Bagi Minor participated in the training, also 06 women officers of SMG and PIAC also participated in the event. Ms. Shaheen Khan Gender Specialist PIAC, Miss Zaib-un-Nisa Jatoi and Miss Qamar-un-Nisa Jatoi delivered sessions in the training. At the end of the training, these resource persons delivered certificates to the participants of the training.

C- Refresher Trainings

During the reporting month SMG-SDC organized **Twenty Refresher Training** events at following field stations:

06 Sanghar, **02** Mirpurkhas, **02** Umerkot, **02** Choondko, **02** Kot Ghulam Mohammed, **02** Ghotki, **02** Tando M. Khan and **01** Badin **409 members of 20 FOs** participated in

these trainings. So far SMG has organized 399 events, training 6,607 farmer members of 508 FOs of NCAWB, LBCAWB and GFCAWB. The details of the Refresher Trainings held in the month of June 2008 are as follows:

#	Date	FO	Pax	Topic	Field Team
1	3/6/2008	Bhurgri Distry	20	Organizational Management, Channel O/M and Abiana Assessment & Collection	Mirpurkhas
2	4/6/2008	Taj Minor	21	Organizational Management, Financial Management and Abiana Assessment & Collection	Choondko
3	5/6/2008	Gaja Hassan Ali Minor	17	SWMO-2002 and Communication Skills	Tando M. Khan
4	5/6/2008	Ashabo Minor	22	Abiana Assessment & Collection, Conflict Management and Channel O/M	Umerkot
5	12/6/2008	Silore Minor	19	Abiana Assessment & Collection, IDMT Agreement and Channel O/M	KGM
6	12/6/2008	Laiwari Minor	26	Organizational Management and Financial Management	Choondko
7	14/6/2008	Tail Minor	20	IDMT Agreement, Conflict Management & Precision Lazer Land Levelling	Sanghar
8	14/6/2008	Dodo Minor	29	Organizational Management and Channel O/M and Abiana	Tando M. Khan
9	16/6/2008	Nara Minor	28	Organizational Management and Abiana Assessment & Collection	Ghotki
10	18/6/2008	Tibbi Minor	18	Organizational Management and Abiana Assessment & Collection	Ghotki
11	19/06/2008	Sarki Minor	17	Abiana Assessment & Collection & Precision Lazer Land Levelling	Sanghar
12	19/6/2008	Dada Minor	36	Organizational Management and Abiana Assessment & Collection	Badin
13	19/6/2008	Ghundan Minor	10	IDMT Agreement, Abiana Assessment & Collection & Precision Lazer Land Levelling	Sanghar
14	20/6/2008	Sadhno-II Minor	15	Channel O/M, IDMT Agreement and Conflict Management	Sanghar
15	20/6/2008	Bitoor Minor	10	IDMT Agreement, Abiana Assessment & Collection & Precision Lazer Land Levelling	Sanghar
16	20/6/2008	Potho Minor	14	Financial Management and Channel O/M	KGM
17	20/6/2008	Kandiaro Minor	28	Abiana Assessment & Collection, Conflict Management and Channel O/M	Umerkot
18	23/6/2008	Dhaliyar Minor	20	IDMT Agreement & Organizational management	Sanghar
19	26/06/2008	Daulatpur Minor	20	Financial Management, Abiana Assessment & Collection and Conflict Management	Mirpurkhas
20	27/6/2008	Chatto Minor	19	Organizational Management and Abiana Assessment & Collection	Ghotki

C. Supportive Activities

The SMG-SDC undertakes different supportive activities along with the training events to support the Farmers Organization (FOs) for their capacity building and on support and networking. The details of the supportive activities carried out during the month are as follows:

i) Gender Mainstreaming / Women Group Formation

1.1- Women Farmers' Identification

The Social Mobilization Group staff has identified **2,065** women farmers so far in the command area of FO managed Minors/Distributaries at NCAWB, LBCAWB and GFCAWB. The SMG staff stationed at different Field Stations compiles these lists and report updates to Project Office on monthly basis. During the reporting month, Field Team KGM identified 83 new women farmers in the command of FO Barrar Minor, Tando Minor, Khatian Minor, Budhani Minor, Chachh Minor, Dalery Distry and Bhurgri Feeder.

1.2 - Membership of Women Farmers in WCAs

So far **921** women farmers have taken membership in WCAs of different FOs in the command of NCAWB, LBCAWB and GFCAWB. During the month, Field Team KGM facilitated 07 new woman farmers of FO Bhan Minor in getting membership in WCA.

1.3- Formation of Women Farmers' Groups

The SMG staff has formed 17 women groups at Sanghar, Mirpurkhas, Ghotki, Kot Ghulam Mohammed and Choondko, 09 of them are in the jurisdiction of Field Team Sanghar, 05 in KGM, 01 in Mirpurkhas, 01 Choondko, and 01 in Ghotki. All these women groups have 215 memberships. Field Team Sanghar formed a women farmers' group in the command of FO Santoor Minor on 27/6/2008, the group has membership of 10 women farmers. The members selected Ms. Khadija Chandio as Chairperson of the women farmers' group. Also Field Team KGM formed a women farmers' group in the command of FO Bhan Minor during the month, the group has membership of 12 women farmers.

1.4 -Capacity Building of Women Farmers

During the month, SMG-SDC organized one day training of members of two women farmers group in the command of FO Bagi Minor on "Position and Role of Women in Irrigation Management" at Village Ahmed Khan Khoso near Jhudo Town, District Mirpurkhas on 24/06/2008.

1.5-Participation in FO:

The SMG through social mobilization process is encouraging women farmers to come forward and become member of General Body and Board of Management of FO. Capacity building programs of women groups formed is already initiated. It is a great

success of SMG that following women farmers have been inducted in Farmers Organizations (FOs) as:

Ms. Sumera Bibi	GB Member	FO Saifal Minor	NCAWB
Ms. Pathani Kosh	GB Member	FO Gohram Minor	GFCAWB
Ms. Zareena	BoM Member	FO Rawitiani Minor	NCAWB
Ms. Parveen Leghari	BoM Member	FO Duthro Minor	NCAWB
Ms. Khadija Chandio	BoM Member	FO Santoor Minor	NCAWB

During the month, the Field Team Sanghar took efforts for induction of women farmer in the Board of Management, it successfully inducted Ms. Khadija Chandio in the Board of Management of FO Santoor Minor, Ms. Khadija Chandio is Chairperson of women farmers' group of FO Santoor Minor.

ii) Assistance in Re-Election

As of today, out of **203** re-elections, the re-elections of **187** FOs have been completed by the efforts of SMG staff. The SMG-SDC team has achieved the **91%** of the target of re-election. During the month, Field Team Ghotki took efforts and held re-election of FO Jado Minor of GFCAWB on 11/06/2008, also Field Team Badin took efforts and held re-election of FO Defence Minor of LBCAWB on 26/6/2008.

Overall Re-Elections Position Upto June 2008

S#	AWB	Target	Completed	Remaining	Percentage
1	NCAWB	162	152	10	94%
2	LBCAWB	20	15	05	75%
3	GFCAWB	14	14	00	100%
4	Outside AWB	09	06	03	67%
Total		205	187	18	91%

iv) Support to FOs in Abiana Assessment & Collection

During the reporting month, all the Field Teams of SMG mobilized FOs for depositing of Abiana (water charges) to AWB. Field Team Mirpurkhas, Sanghar and Ghotki took efforts and held meetings with FO BoM members for collection of Abiana. FO Kahu Veesro Minor, Daulatpur Minor, Chahu Minor, Mir Minor, Chowtiary Distry, Heran Distry and Thaheem Minor of NCAWB deposited Rs.212,000 in the account of NCAWB as AWB share for different cropping seasons. Also FO Hussaini Minor of GFCAWB deposited Rs.10,000 as 60% share of AWB in the account of GFCAWB.

v) Assistance in Conflict Resolution

During the month, Field Team Sanghar reported the internal conflict of FO Sadrat-II Distry. It is reported by the Field Team that the channels is under rehabilitation/improvement work and contract is NCB. The BoM members were not

satisfied with the earth work carried by the contractor but in between the FO Chairman signed the bills of contractor for payment. Due to that, the BoM members did complain to Taluka Naib-Nazim Sanghar who is also the farmer of Sadrat-II Distry, Anti-Corruption Establishment Sanghar and other authorities for poor quality work carried by the contractor. The GB members initiated no confidence move against FO Chairman. Field Team Sanghar held meeting of GB members to resolve the conflict on 18/06/2008 at Chak-46. The GB members took following decisions to resolve the matter:

The bill will be discussed in GB meeting for justification before signing by FO BoM. The BoM members will jointly sign the bill.

The Taluka Naib-Nazim and BoM members will visit the channel every week to review the rehabilitation works.

GB meeting will be called fortnightly and all the financial and Abiana record would be provided in the meeting.

vi) Support to Consultants of SOFWM-Project

During the month, the members of Field Teams at NCAWB, LBCAWB and GFCAWB facilitated FOs in coordination with PIA Consultants for on going rehabilitation/ improvement works of Minors/Distributaries under Phase-II & III under SOFWMP in providing technical support in execution, billing and record keeping.

vii) Support to FOs in Rehabilitation/Improvement Works under CBC

SMG staff in the command of NCAWB, GFCAWB and LBCAWB provided support to FOs in execution of rehabilitation works in year 2 and 3 of rehabilitation works under SOFWMP. SMG staff provided support to FO Dangan Distry, Kahu Minor, Kahu Veesro Minor, Shah Bux Minor, Hathongo Minor, Simni Minor, Saido Minor, Duthro Minor, Mahi Minor, Kunro, Puran Feeder, Sanhro Distry, Bareji Distry, Manik Wah, Mehrab Minor, Wangi Minor, Bhaneri Minor, Chatto Minor, Dub-I Minor, Khumbra Minor, Tail Minor and Kunro Minor at NCAWB, GFCAWB & LBCAWB in preparation of first milestone bill under CBC of rehabilitation works.

viii) FO-FO Exposure Visit:

So far SMG has organized 06 FO-FO Exposure visits in the command of NCAWB and GFCAWB. During the month, SMG organized three events, the details of these events are as follows:

#	Date	Name of Host FO	Name of Sub-Division & AWB	No. of Visiting FOs	No. of Visitors					Name of Visiting FOs
					FOs	AWB	SIDA	PIAC	Total	
1	18/06/08	Simni Minor	Nara Lift of NCAWB	6	14	0	2	0	16	Hyderi Minor, Kunro Minor, Bitoor Minor, Liary Minor, Ghundan Minor & Duthro-I Minor

2	18/06/08	Simni Minor	Nara Lift of NCAWB	4	13	1	3	0	17	RD-115 Minor, RD-186 Minor, RD-159 Minor & RD-203 Minor
3	25/06/08	Khumbra Minor	Daharki of GFCAWB	6	21	0	4	0	25	Qadirpur-II Minor, Jari Wah Minor, Nara Minor, Dingro Minor, Chatto Minor & Bakro Minor

Group Leader and Coordinator Project Office participated in all these events. The Host FOs gave briefing to the visitors about organization & financial aspects and rehabilitation works carried out on the channel. Also the hosts took the visitors on the rehabilitation works' site for review of rehabilitation works carried out. Also the visitors gave brief presentation of performance of their FOs.

ix) FO Assemblies at Sub-Division Level:

SMG has organized 12 FO Assemblies at Sub-Division level in the command of GFCAWB, LBCAWB and NCAWB. During the month, the SMG staff organized 05 FO Assembly events, the details of the events are as follows:

#	Date	Name of Sub-Division & AWB	Venue	No. of FOs	No. of Participants					Name of FOs Participated
					FOs	AWB	SIDA	PIAC	Total	
1	20/6/08	Gaja of LBCAWB	AEN Office Sub-Division Gaja, Tando M. Khan	7	39	5	5	1	50	Gaja Minor, Jamarki Minor, Dodo Minor, Gaja H. Ali Minor, Khiriari Minor, Shorki Minor & Kunmb Minor
2	24/6/08	Ghotki & Mahesro of GFCAWB	Directorate of GFCAWB, Ghotki	7	27	2	5	0	34	Qadirpur-I Minor, Nara Minor, Dingro Minor, Jari Minor, Mehro Link Minor, Bago Wah Minor & Qadirpur-II Minor
3	27/6/08	Jhole of NCAWB	AEN Office Sub-Division Jhole, Jhole Town	7	41	4	5	1	51	Bitoor Minor, Kunro Minor, Bijar Minor, Duthro-I Minor, Duthro-II Minor, Thaheem Minor & Tail Minor
4	28/6/08	Mirpurkhas of NCAWB	Citizen Gymkhana Hall, Mirpurkhas	7	21	4	6	1	32	Belharo Distry, Kahu Minor, Kahu Veero Minor, Sanhro Distry, Bareji Distry, Chahu Minor & Daulatpur Minor

5	28/6/08	Badin of LBCAWB	AEN Office Sub- Division Badin	6	34	2	4	0	40	Morahdi Minor, Jakheji Minor, Bhaneri Minor, Sher Wah Small, C-Point Minor & Kazia Wah Minor
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The aim of organizing these assemblies was to gather the FO representatives of concerned sub-division and AWB staff to discuss and share the day to day issues and problems of FOs related to AWB for solution. All these FO Assemblies were chaired by the concerned Assistant Executive Engineer (AEN) sub-division, also Group Leader and Coordinator Project Office participated in these events. These events remained very fruitful in taking joint efforts of FOs and AWB officials for resolution of FOs issues and problems in implementation of irrigation reforms.

D. Monthly Meetings

During the month, SMG held monthly SMG staff progress and review meeting at Training Cell, SIDA, Hyderabad on 07/06/2008. Mr. M. Hashim Leghari MD SIDA chaired the meeting, also Mr. Nazeer A. Memon SDS/DGMT participated in the meeting. The staff presented progress of their field teams for the month of May 2008. MD SIDA also gave opportunity to all the staff members to present progress and issues of SMG. The staff members presented progress and issues faced by SMG staff members. The MD SIDA assured the staff members that all the issues/problems raised by the staff members would be taken up on priority for solution. He also addressed the staff members and mobilized them to work hard for success of the project and their professional growth.

SMG also held monthly FTI progress and review meeting at Social Development Cell, SIDA Hyderabad on June 30, 2008. Mr. Nazeer A. Memon chaired the meeting and Mr. Mustafa Ujjan conducted the proceedings of the meeting. All the FTIs, Gender Specialist PIAC and Training Specialist PIAC participated in the meeting. The agenda of the meeting was to discuss the status of follow up actions of agreed actions by MTR mission and critical review of these activities.

F. Problems/Issues

The field staff of SMG is facing different issues during the execution of SOFWMP activities such timely non-reimbursement of expenses and TA/DA. SIDA authorities provided four wheel vehicles to SMG staff members in the month of March 2006, the condition of tyres of these vehicles is very poor and need to be replaced with new ones. Also the vehicles need general repair and maintenance on urgent basis.

G. Conclusion

During the month, the field team took efforts for capacity building of Farmers' Organizations (FOs) in the command of three AWBs. Although, it is very difficult to work in the field during hot summer days. But still the staff took efforts for organizing specialized and refresher training event. Also the SMG staff held FO assemblies and

FO-FO exposure visits, which are being considered very fruitful by the farmers. FO assemblies at the sub-division level were very valuable to resolve the issues/problems of FOs with AWB staff at the sub-division level. But it requires follow up of the agreed actions decided in these assemblies by the FO representatives and SMG staff for implementation of these decisions.

Annex-1

Trainings Delivery Status up to June 2008

S #	Title of Trainings	No. of FOs			No. of Participants			Units			Remarks
		SOFWM	NDP	Total	Farmer	Staff	Total	Approved	Consumed	Balance	
1	Basic Trainings	65	31	96	540	0	540	100	39	61	BoM members of newly formed FOs of GFCAWB and LBCAWB trained in these events
2	Specialized Trainings	227	0	227	1087	731	1818	100	53	47	SMG, WMOs, PIAC & M & E Consultants staff and Farmers trained in these events
3	Refresher Trainings	508	0	508	6,607	0	6,607	200	399	-	The Refresher courses being conducted by Social Mobilization Officers of SMG-SDC
Total		800	31	831	8,234	731	8,965	400	491	108	