



## **SINDH IRRIGATION & DRAINAGE AUTHORITY**

# **MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT**

## **MAY 2009**

### **SINDH ON FARM WATER MANAGEMENT PROJECT CR-3905-PK**

- 1- Improvement of Irrigation Facilities
- 2- Social Mobilization Group-Social Development Cell
- 3- Social Mobilization Group-Communication
- 4- Financial Management Support Group

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## **A. Introduction**

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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 May 2009.

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## B. Achievements During the Month

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### 1- Training & Capacity Building

#### A- Basic Trainings

During the month of **May 2009**, **Four basic training events** organized by SMG, so for SMG has successfully consumed 59 basic training units and 752 BoM members of 141 newly formed FOs (74 formed under SOFWMP & 67 NDP) of GFCAWB and LBCAWB have been trained.

The details of basic trainings organized during the month are as follows:

Date	Venue	No. of Partic.	No. of FOs	Names of FOs	Topics Covered
14/05/2009	Office of Chairman GFCAWB, Ghotki	27	06	Mahro Minor, Bago Daho Minor, Mubarakpur Minor, Thath Minor, Jari Wah New Minor and Kundho Minor	Organizational Management, Abiana Assessment & Collection, Financial Management and Project Awareness and Demand Promotion
15/05/2009	Office of Chairman GFCAWB, Ghotki	27	06	Mahro Minor, Bago Daho Minor, Mubarakpur Minor, Thath Minor, Jari Wah New Minor and Kundho Minor	Conflict Management, Channel Operation & Maintenance and Irrigation & Drainage
29/05/2009	BRDS Hall, Badin	36	07	Bulhri Distry, Khanoth Minor, Ali Wah Large Minor, Naseer Ex-Naseer Minor, Naseer Ex-Sultani Minor, Shadi Wah Large Minor and Matli Distry	Organizational Management, Abiana Assessment & Collection, Financial Management and Project Awareness and Demand Promotion
30/05/2009	BRDS Hall, Badin	36	07	Bulhri Distry, Khanoth Minor, Ali Wah Large Minor, Naseer Ex-Naseer Minor, Naseer Ex-Sultani Minor, Shadi Wah Large Minor and Matli Distry	Conflict Management, Channel Operation & Maintenance and Irrigation & Drainage

## **B- Specialized Trainings**

During the month of **May 2009 no specialized training** organized by SMG staff. So far SMG has organized 57 specialized training units training 841 staff members and 1288 farmer members from 309 FOs of NCAWB, LBCAWB and GFCAWB.

## **C- Refresher Trainings**

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

**02** Sanghar, **02** Choondko, **01** Kot Ghulam Mohammed, **01** Tando M. Khan, **01** Umerkot, Badin **01** and **01** Ghotki **229 members of 10 FOs** participated in these trainings. So for SMG has organized 519 events, training 9,282 farmer members of 630 FOs of NCAWB, LBCAWB and GFCAWB. The details of the Refresher Trainings held in the month of May 2009 are as follows:

#	Date	FO	Pax	Topic	Field Team
1	7/5/2009	Duthro-I Minor	27	FO Election Regulations 2004 & SWMO-2002	Sanghar
2	9/5/2009	Sonan Minor	21	Organizational Management and Abiana Assessment & Collection	Ghotki
3	13/05/2009	Taj Minor	14	Organizational Management and Financial Management	Choondko
4	18/05/2009	Gaja Minor	17	SWMO-2002 and FO Election Regulations 2004	TMK
5	19/05/2009	Heran Distry	23	IDMTA	Sanghar
6	19/05/2009	Ahmed Raju Distry	43	Conflict Management	Badin
7	20/05/2009	Bhurgri Feeder	22	FO Election Regulations 2004	KGM
8	20/05/2009	Ashabo Minor	20	Channel Operation & Maintenance	Umerkot
9	26/05/2009	Gendahu Minor	22	Record Keeping and Organizational Management	Choondko
10	29/05/2009	Hingorno Minor	20	Organizational Management and Abiana Assessment & Collection	Mirpurkhas

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## **C. Supportive Activities**

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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 **2,259** 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 14 new women farmers in the command of FO Bilalani Minor.

### **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, no new women farmers facilitated in getting membership in WCA by the SMG.

### **1.3- Formation of Women Farmers' Groups**

The SMG staff has formed 18 women groups at Sanghar, Mirpurkhas, Ghotki, Kot Ghulam Mohammed and Choondko, 10 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 245 memberships. During the month, no new women farmers' group formed by any of the SMG field teams.

### **1.4 -Capacity Building of Women Farmers**

During the month, no capacity building event for the women farmers organized by SMG.

### **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. Parveen Leghari	V. Chairman	FO Duthro-I Minor	NCAWB
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. Khadija Chandio	BoM Member	FO Santoor Minor	NCAWB
Ms. Soomal Rind	BoM Member	FO Bagi Minor	NCAWB

During the month, Mst. Parveen Leghari of Duthro-I Minor elected as Vice Chairman of FO Duthro-I Minor in the re-election of FO for 3<sup>rd</sup> tenure held on 09/05/2009.

**ii) Assistance in Re-Election**

As of today, out of **271** re-elections, the re-elections of **209** FOs have been completed by the efforts of SMG staff. The SMG-SDC team has achieved the **76%** of the target of re-election. During the month, 04 FO re-elections conducted by Field Team KGM, Sanghar and Ghotki. Field Team KGM held re-election of FO Potho Minor on 08/05/2009. Field Team Sanghar held re-election of FO Duthro-I Minor on 09/05/2009. Field Team Ghotki held re-election of FO Gohram Minor on 17/05/2009 and Sonan Minor on 20/05/2009.

**Overall Re-Elections Position Upto May 2009**

<b>S#</b>	<b>AWB</b>	<b>Target</b>	<b>Completed</b>	<b>Remaining</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
1	NCAWB	192	164	28	85%
2	LBCAWB	47	16	31	34%
3	GFCAWB	24	24	00	100%
4	Outside AWB	10	06	04	60%
<b>Total</b>		<b>271</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>77%</b>

**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, KGM and Sanghar took efforts and held meetings with FO BoM members for collection of Abiana. FO Gurki Minor, Hingorno Minor, Lal Khan Distry, Chowtiary Distry, Heran Distry, Duthro-I Minor, Sadhno-II Minor, Potho Minor and Baqar Distry of NCAWB deposited Rs.818,209 in the account of NCAWB as AWB share for different cropping seasons. Field Team Ghotki Jari Wah Minor of GFCAWB deposited Rs.15,000 in the account of NCAWB as AWB share for different cropping seasons.

**v) Assistance in Conflict Resolution**

During the month, none of the field teams reported internal conflict any of the FOs.

**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. SMG is providing support to PIAC and M & E consultants on day to day basis in implementation of rehabilitation works and environmental monitoring.

## **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 FOs in preparation of bills for rehabilitation works carried out and preparation of bills under CBC.

During the month, the Director NCAWB held a meeting with the representatives of FOs under rehabilitation works, consultants, contractors and AWB officials on 07/05/2009. SMG staff in the command of NCAWB mobilized the FO representatives under rehabilitation works to participate fully in the event and share the progress status and issues with the Project Manager/Director NCAWB. Mr. Nazeer A. Memon SDS/DGMT participated in the meeting from the SIDA. The FO representatives shared their progress and issues with the AWB officials and consultants. According to the FO representatives, most of the rehabilitation works are about to complete. It was discussed in the meeting that FO representatives will boost up rehabilitation works under CBC and complete within time frame.

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### **D. Monthly Meetings**

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During the month, the progress and review meeting of Field Team Incharges of SMG held at Directorate of NCAWB on 07/05/2009. Mr. Nazeer A. Memon SDS/DGMT chaired the meeting and Mr. Mustafa Ujjan GL SMG conducted the proceedings of the meeting. FTIs presented progress of SOFWMP activities for the month of April 2009. Also the forum decided targets for each team for the month of May 2009. The FTIs also presented their issues and problems in implementation of activities of SOFWMP.

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### **F. Problems/Issues**

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The field staff of SMG is facing different issues during the execution of SOFWMP activities such as 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. SMG staff did not receive reimbursement of operational expenses (POL & Office) and TA/DAs since last nine months. Therefore, they are facing difficulties in execution of field activities.

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### **G. Conclusion**

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During the month, SMG staff focused more on refresher & basic trainings and conduct of FO re-elections. SMG staff held re-election of 04 FOs in the command of NCAWB and GFCAWB, also they held 10 refresher and 04 basic

training events for newly formed FOs of LBCAWB and GFCAWB. As a huge number of FOs have to go through re-election process for 3rd tenure in the command of NCAWB so more and more efforts are being taken by the staff members in this regard. The activities of SMG staff are suffering badly due to non reimbursement of POL, Office and TA/DA expenses to SMG staff since last 12 months. The earlier reimbursement of expenses and bills will boost the activities of SMG. Therefore, the higher SIDA management is requested to take notice of the issue and take efforts for earlier resolution.

## Annex-1

**Trainings Delivery Status up to May 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	81	73	154	815	0	815	100	63	37	BoM members of newly formed FOs of GFCAWB and LBCAWB trained in these events
2	Specialized Trainings	309	0	309	1288	841	2,129	100	57	43	SMG, WMOs, PIAC & M & E Consultants staff and Farmers trained in these events
3	Refresher Trainings	630	0	630	9,282	0	9,282	200	519	-	The Refresher courses being conducted by Social Mobilization Officers of SMG-SDC
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,003</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>1,040</b>	<b>11,093</b>	<b>841</b>	<b>11,934</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>639</b>	<b>80</b>	

## Pictorial View of Activities

