

NEWARBI PROJECT UPDATE

FDW17093PK - RVO

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OVERVIEW

- General Updates
- Floods + Response
- Activities WP₂
- Activities WP₃
- Activities WP₄
- COVID-19 response



GENERAL UPDATES

- Flooding of July/August
 - Visit of Frank
- Focus on work in the field
- Carrying out Mid-Term Review
- Last activities Covid-19
- Progress Report 2 in preparation
 - Remaining financials



OUTLOOK (JUNE 2022)

- WP₂
 - Construction Lower Narri (finalized by March 2023)
 - Preparing tender bottlenecks Upper Narri
 - Coordination meeting of JMC/Farmers network, with SIDA.
 - Walk through of system, mapping distribution arrangement
 - Video Reporting
- WP₃
 - Value chain assessment, focus on organic guar
 - Construction of Drinking Water ponds
 - Continued introduction of seeds + evaluating results current harvest
 - Exchange with Universities + Project to Project
 - More Deep Hand pump (Two)
 - Demonstration of Milk Churner by providing to women.



OUTLOOK (JUNE 2022)

- WP₄
 - Additional Practical Notes + Printing
 - Continue Social Investment Package
- COVID-19 Response
 - Finalization of all project activities + reporting
- Project Management
 - Monitoring and Evaluation, incl. Mid-term Evaluation
 - Preparing RVO visit
 - Progress Report
 - Change request, budget & planning (following MTR)

GENERAL

- Started off as promising flood-season
 - Large but manageable floods, large area irrigated
- Preparing major infrastructure tender, Balochistan (planned for December onwards)
- Continuation of working through Farmer Networks
- Additional Practical Notes + Photobook



SINDH - FLOODS

- Epicentre of the floods in Sindh
- Response by RDF (own initiative)
 - Humanitarian Response (tents, food items, WASH, temporary schools)
- Response from project
 - Livestock vaccinations increased, to avoid diseases to spread
 - Provision of seeds for planting, using, moisture
 - Communication through Farmer Networks

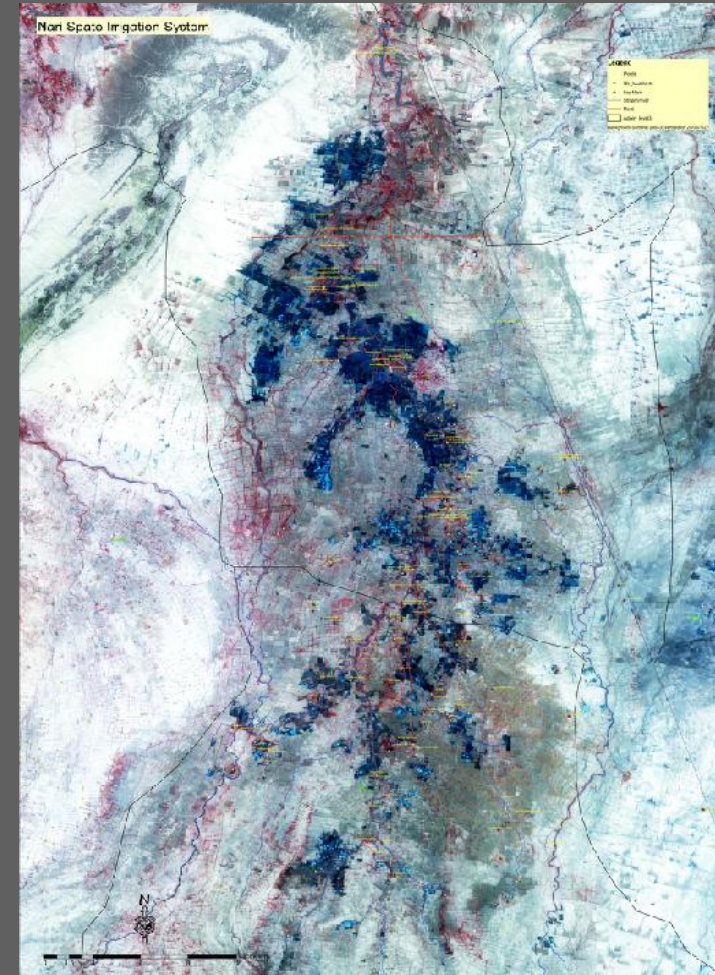


BALUCHISTAN - FLOODS

- Humanitarian Response, together with Tareqee Foundation
- Assessment of the damages, households + infrastructure
- Plan 'Salvaging the rabi crop in the spate irrigated areas of Pakistan' developed
 - Planting large area for the Rabi-season (150.000 ha Balochistan only, 90.000 Punjab, 80.000 DI Khan)
 - 'Quick' income for the households
 - Using the additional moisture
 - Input needed in the form of seeds
 - Budget range – 7.0M USD

OTHER

- In touch with Netherlands Embassy in Islamabad and DRR-team, to prepare
- Plan (Building Back Better) has been shared with many organisations
 - Talks with ADB, EU, WorldBank, UNDP, WFP, etc.
- Communication, several blogs and clips, using the contacts from the project.
- Made good use of the visit of Frank for networking and launching the idea
- Developed a map of Bhag Narri (extended system), for easy identification of the impact area



IMPLICATIONS PROJECT

- A lot of attention for better water management
- Retention of Water – Spate Irrigation
- Future in run-off irrigation, as groundwater is depleting
- Existing plan (from the project) used, wish to increase to whole Bhag Narri system (Building Back Better)
- Many new contacts, input for WP₄ (up-scaling)
- Potential to extend the approach, in time?

MID-TERM REVIEW

- Abraham Mehari in Pakistan from 14 – 25 September
- One week for Balochistan
- One week for Sindh

COVID-19 RESPONSE

Finalized (as of July)

- New reservoirs constructed
- Existing reservoirs enlarged and rehabilitated
- Improvements at hospital implemented
- COVID-kits for educational institutions procured + top-up from Oxfam (5000 bars of soap)

Remaining:

- Shallow wells + pump (contractor is ready)
- Distribution of COVID-kits (schools closed early)
- Challenge is accessibility of the areas!

