



CRL social grants contributes to mitigate early marriage

One of the activities in the Afghanistan Community Resilience and Livelihoods project is to provide social grants for vulnerable people who can not participate in cash for work activities. With this, we have the story of -----, a recent beneficiary of the social grant.

----- lives in Chora District of Uruzgan Province, she is a widow who lost her husband nine years ago due to cancer and since then she is relying on food provided by her neighbors and other people in the village, which is never sufficient for her family of thirteen people.

----- says, "I was unable to provide food for my family and there was no one to help me; even the villagers are tired of providing me food everyday. I thought recently of selling one of my young daughters to an elderly person to get money and buy food for my family. At this time one of my neighbors told me about the UNOPS-CRL project that provides support. I was able to receive the social grant of 12,000 AFN from this project and with this I can support my family. I am so grateful for this project and I wish they will continue supporting me and other vulnerable people who have no other hope to survive".

With tears in her eyes she said that "Thank you so much for the help you did to me. I don't have to consider to sell my daughter to anyone. But please continue supporting me and people like me. You know that our country is in a very bad situation and there are so many people who need this kind of support."