

Afghanistan Community Resilience and Livelihoods Project (ACRLP)



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LIST OF ACRONYMS

ACBAR Agency Coordinating Body for Afghan Relief

ARTF Afghanistan Reconstruction Trust Fund

CDC Community Development Council

CfW Cash for work

CRLP Community Resilience and Livelihoods Project

CTG Committed to Good - Humanitarian Enablers

DFA De Facto Authorities

ECA Entry Criteria for Access

ESF Environmental and Social Framework

ESMF Environmental and Social Management Framework

GA Gozar Assembly

FM Financial Management

FP Facilitating Partner

LIW Labour Intensive Works

MoEc Ministry of Economy

MoF Ministry of Finance

MRRD Ministry of Rural Rehabilitation and Development

PIU Project Implementation Unit

POM Project Operations Manual

RFP Request for Proposals

RFQ Request for Quotations

PRRD Provincial Rural Rehabilitation and Development

TPMA Third Party Monitoring Agent

ToR Terms of Reference

UNOPS United Nations Office for Project Services

WB World Bank



PROJECT INFORMATION

The original project Grant Agreement was signed between UNOPS and the World Bank on 4 May 2022, for a duration of 24 months, ending on 30 April 2024. Amendment No.1 to the Grant Agreement was signed on 6 June 2023. The Closing date was extended to 31 August 2024 in Amendment No.1.

Official Project Title	Afghanistan Community Resilience and Livelihood (CRL) Project						
UNOPS Project ID	23455-001	Donor	The World Bank				
Start Date	4 May 2022	End Date	31 August 2024				
ARTF Project Financing	USD 265 million	Grant Budget	USD 200 million				
Total funds received	USD 200 million	Fund balance	USD 0.00				

3.1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1 Key Achievements

This Quarterly Report (Q2 2023) provides progress updates for the period of 1 April to 30 June 2023.

Overall achievements:

- A total of 6.5 million labor days (6.16M C1 and 0.37M C2) were generated through implementation of 3,315 rural and urban subprojects in 21 provinces and 8 cities.
- The Mid-Term Review took place from 22 March to 3 April 2023. All the action points have been completed.
- In Q2 2023, two quarterly review missions were conducted by the WB on 15-18 May and 18-26 June.
- The Project restructuring papers were finalized, the "Grant Agreement" amendment was signed on 6 June 2023.
- The Urban Assessment Grant Agreement was concluded and signed with the World Bank on 2 March 2023.
 - The Services Contract with ATR was signed on 23 June 2023. The Focus Group Discussion (FGD) and Citizens' Perception Survey have been initiated and completed for Kabul, Mazar and Bamyan;
- External stakeholder engagement continued with the DFA at national and provincial level;
- The CRL web page is up and running and is being updated on a regular basis;
- A total of 135 grievances were received during Q2 2023. The grievances were carefully reviewed, processed, addressed and appropriate feedback was provided. The number of cumulative grievances received is 442. No major issues were reported;
- During Q2 2023, 129 Works Quality Assurance visits were conducted under C2. No major works quality related issue were reported;
- TPMA carried out 10 site visits from the C2 Project sites in Kabul, Jalalabad and Kunduz. Two key issues/deviations were reported. The deviations were fixed/rectified and reported back to the TPMA on time.
- For C1, TPMA carried out ECA assessment verification via phone. The project is expecting the ECA verification report from TPMA in Q3 2023.

Component 1 - Rural Area

• The Services Contract for Lot # 5 was signed with CDDO on 21 June 2023. The FP completed the recruitment of their key and non key staff.



- The ToT training was delivered to CDDO on 22-26 June 2023. The FP received the letter of introduction from the Ministry of Rural Rehabilitation and Development and the Ministry of Economy on 24 June 2023.
- The FP also initiated mobilization to the field.
- During Q2 23, the CFW activities for the 2,066 sub-projects were in progress and 404 sub-projects were completed.
- The ECA assessment and CDC reactivation of 3,564 CDCs were completed. All CDCs met the ECA 1 and ECA 2:
- As planned, the MoU for Lot 6 was signed between the MRRD and FP (DACAAR).
- The MoUs for Lot 5 is in the process which will be signed between MRRD and CDDO in mid-Q3 23.
- During the reporting period (April June 2023), US\$18 million was disbursed to the community and 6,121,274 labors days were created.

Component 2 - Urban Area

- A total of 554 subprojects community consultations have been completed¹.
 - Q2 2023 (April June) 133 community consultations were completed.
- A total of 547 subprojects scoping have been completed
 - Q2 2023 (April June) 150 sub-project scopings were completed.
- A total of 313 sub-projects' design and design review have been completed.
 - Q2 2023 (April June) 99 sub-project designs were completed.
- A total of 195 sub-projects' contracts have been signed;
 - o Q2 2023 (April June) 77 work contracts were signed.
- As of June 2023, the construction activities of 63 LiW were completed and handed over to the community.
 - o Q2 2023 (April June) 37 sub-projects were handed over to the community.;
- A total of 19 sub-projects were closed during Q2 2023
- A total of 27,877 households directly benefited through implementation of the LIWs in 8 cities;
 - Q2 2023 (April June) 13,762 households directly benefited, out of which 8.6% were females.
- A total of 2,443 IDPs directly benefited from the implementation of LIWs in 8 cities.
 - Q2 2023 (April June) 402 IDPs directly benefited from the implementation of LIWs activities
- A total of 714,828 labor days were generated through the implementation of LIWs in 8 cities.
 - o Q2 2023 (April June) 375,734 labor days were generated.;
- At the end of June 2023, a total of US\$ 7.7M contractors' invoices were processed, out of which 53.7% of the amount was paid to the laborers.
 - o Q2 2023 (April June) US\$4.7 million wages were paid to the laborers;
- The design and design review of 11 sub projects per week is in progress;

Component 3

- During the reporting period (April June), the Social Grant profiling was completed for 2,307 communities in rural areas and 6 in urban areas.
- The cash distribution was completed for 2,561 HHs in the urban areas.
- The food package distribution was completed for 6,715 HHs in the rural areas.
- Cash and food package distributions have been completed for 9,276 HHs in both rural and urban areas.

1.2 De Facto Authorities

During the reporting period, the engagement continued with DFA line Ministries, Kabul Municipality, MoEc, Provincial Municipalities and Provincial Directors of MRRD. Very good working relationships were maintained between the UNOPS-CRLP project team and DFA at central and field level and Project implementation continued smoothly without any major issues.

¹ The total number is from inception until end of June 2023



• Kabul Municipality (KM):

 Several Regular bi-weekly joint UNOPS and KM coordination meetings were held. The implementation of LiW works in Kabul under C2, the food and cash distribution under C3, the duplication of CRL projects with other agencies, and community related issues were discussed.

• Ministry of Rural Rehabilitation and Development (MRRD):

- During the reporting period, several coordination meetings were held with the Minister of MRRD and Technical Team.
- o In the Rural Area, 20 coordination meetings were conducted with MRRD, Provincial Governors, PRRD and Directors of Economy. The key discussion points included, improve coordination with the DFA, acceleration of processing the documents in PRRD.
- The DFA appreciated the CRL Project activities in the rural and urban areas. As discussed, the DFA relevant Directorates at the provincial level promised their full support and would process the CRL Project documents (mainly the list of sub-projects) on time.
- DFA also provided their feedback and stated that CRLP is the only project which the community and people are very happy with and the DFA has not received any complaint from the community.
- The MoUs for Lot no 5 are under process with MRRD and will be signed in mid-Q3 2023;

Municipalities

• TPMA was introduced to eight municipalities by UNOPS and the TPMA started with physical monitoring in all eight cities.

Ministry of Economy (MoEc)

Regular monthly meetings were held between KM, UNOPS and MoEc. Coordination and cooperation for smooth implementation were discussed during the meetings. The Director of Economy for Kabul requested KM and UNOPS to share with them the sub-projects' documents such as the BoQ, contract, drawings, and the contractors' business license. However, it was explained to KM and the Director of Economy that per the signed contract with the contractor, UNOPS is unable to share the requested documents with the MInistry of Economy.

1.3 Main issues

- TPMA lack of access to the field for C1 is still persisting, which is critical for direct verification of ECAs, beneficiary selection, labor payments for CfW and social grant distribution, in order to ensure compliance with the POM.
- TPMA conducted ECA verification remotely and collected the data via phone. The phone survey/assessment includes significant errors which require direct verification on the site. The TPMA proposal for direct verification is under review and will be finalized before the end of July 2023;



2. PROGRESS ON COMPONENT 1: RURAL

2.1 Facilitating Partners

Regular and ad hoc coordination meetings were held with all FPs. The project progress, plan, issues, contract amendment, ES requirements, contract amendment, disbursement and expenditure issues were discussed.

- Contract amendments for Lot 1-4 and 6 were concluded and signed with FPs, following signing of UNOPS Grant Agreement Amendment No.1;
- The FPs improved data entry and uploading of the expenditure document on the MIS system;

The Services Contract for Lot 5 was concluded and signed with CDDO on 21 June 2023. The FP completed the recruitment of their key and non key staff, and the ToT training was conducted on 22 - 26 June 2023.

• CDDO received the letter of introduction from MRRD and MoE. The MoUs for Lot 5 are under process and expected to be signed between CDDO and MRRD by mid Q3 23;

For Lot 6 - DACAAR, the inception report was reviewed and approved, key and non key staff are trained and the actual implementation has commenced.

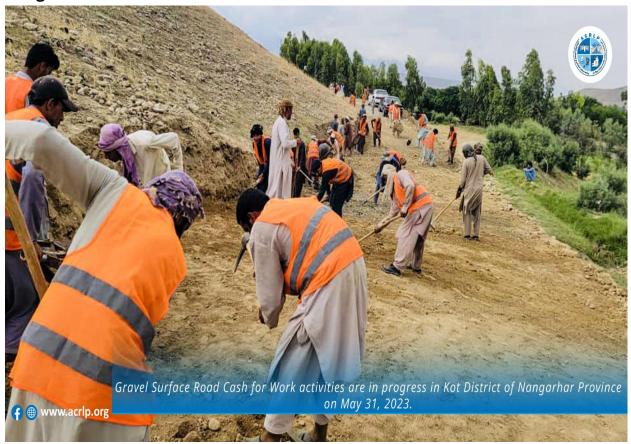
Table 2.1.1 - Summary of C1 progress

S/N	Item description	During previous quarter	This quarter (January - March 2023)	Total
1	ECA assessments/CDCs reactivated	2,048	3,564	5,612
2	CDC profiling	1,951	2,741	4,692
3	Sub-project selection	2,523	3,194	5,717
4	Preparation of sub-project proposals	1,286	2,513	3,799
5	Project implementation (ongoing projects)	650	2,066	2,716
6	Completed sub-projects	0	404	404





Nangarhar



Samangan





Table 2.2.1: Household coverage through CDCs' completed profiles (4,706 CDCs)

				Numbe	r of Eligible	al Grant			
Province	Total Household	# of HH for CFW	# of IDP HH	# of SG HH (A+B+C)	# of FHH (A)	# of Disabled HH (B)	# of Drug addicts HH (C)	Average HH per CDC	Average HH size
Badakhshan	86,778	70,623	1	6,576	3,387	3,138	51	231	5.5
Baghlan	55,425	40,702	288	4,254	2,648	1,598	8	215	6.3
Bamyan	9,537	7,673	67	1,357	613	725	19	87	5.7
Faryab	29,464	21,790	7	2,361	1,317	1,002	42	222	6.2
Helmand	78,943	66,912	80	6,589	3,190	3,086	313	209	8.0
Hirat	33,611	23,177	519	2,345	1,296	1,025	24	282	5.1
Kabul	56,346	39,466	1,598	7,140	3,581	3,309	250	237	6.1
Kandahar	45,118	34,953	1,147	3,441	1,480	1,852	109	129	8.3
Kapisa	32,834	23,968	796	3,265	2,307	915	43	171	5.3
Kunarha	17,120	14,530	512	1,490	1,017	454	19	131	6.4
Laghman	15,826	13,464	141	1,508	983	430	95	102	6.6
Nangarhar	30,628	27,614	1,512	1,904	1,183	692	29	144	7.7
Nimroz	51,742	40,948	3,360	2,967	2,078	844	45	182	6.1
Nuristan	22,998	20,948	1,313	1,989	1,356	615	18	124	5.7
Panjsher	5,410	4,259	11	536	290	243	3	200	5.3
Parwan	23,109	18,028	431	2,517	1,746	732	39	179	5.5
Samangan	38,621	29,154	292	2,822	1,726	1,089	7	221	5.8
Sari Pul	49,428	27,128	285	3,544	2,430	1,057	57	192	6.4
Takhar	88,031	67,673	77	8,464	5,022	3,420	22	193	5.7
Uruzgan	27,828	24,181	353	2,338	1,295	1,004	39	127	6.4
Wardak	26,920	15,736	493	2,650	1,149	1,413	88	84	5.6
Grand Total	825,717	632,927	13,283	70,057	40,094	28,643	1,320	175	6.3
Percentage		76.7%	1.6%	8.5%	4.9%	3.5%	0.2%		

2.3 Key Outputs

Table 2.3.1: Component 1 and 2 Key Outputs

Key Output Indicator	Progress until Q1 23	Progress during Q2 2023 (April - June)	Cumulative Progress
# of provinces covered	21	0	21
# of districts covered	60	0	60
Form 1: # of CDCs re-registration completed	3,890	1,045	4,935
# of Resource Maps updated/created	1,808	1,234	3,042
Form 2: # of communities profiles completed	3,280	1,425	4,705
From 4: # of CDCs agreements completed	1,586	2,688	4,274
# of community project selections completed	1,475	2,731	4,206
Form 5: # of Cash for Work plans (Proposals completed)	1,978	3,625	5,603
# of communities' cash for work started	118	1,775	MIS: 1,893 Field: 3,120
# of communities' cash for work completed	0	0	0
# of subprojects completed	0	0	MIS: 0 Field: 404
# of labor days created	17,767	2,261,229	MIS: 2,278,996



			Field: 7,283,227
# of labor days created (Male)*	7,324	2,237,916	2,245,240
# of labor days created (Female)	0	33,756	33,756
# of skilled labor days created	0	21,398	21,398
# of unskilled labor days created	7,324	2,257,274	2,257,598
# of laborers employed	1,429	114,084	MIS: 115,513 Field: 297,231
# of laborers employed (Male)	1,429	112,327	113,756
# of laborers employed (Female)	0	1,757	1,757
Rural Area (component 3 only)			
Form 9: # of SG plans completed	1,356	2,223	3,579
# of communities SG distribution completed	9	509	MIS: 518 Field: 1,198
# of HHs which received social grants	444	6,715	MIS: 7,159 Field: 17,139
# of FHHs which received social grant	294	4,046	MIS: 4,340 Field: 9,668
# of DHHs which received social grant	31	1,757	2,730
# of Drug Addict HHs which received social grant	1	88	89
# of communities with all sub-committees established	0	0	0
# of communities with compulsory trainings conducted	0	0	0
Urban Area (component 3 only)			
# of community/mosque profiles completed	15	84	99
# of communities cash distributed	9	32	MIS: 41 Field: 79
# of HHs which received social grant	830	2,561	MIS: 3,391 Field: 5,659
# of FHHs which received social grant	481	1,517	MIS: 1,998 Field: 3,496
# of DHHs which received social grant	283	922	1,205
# of Drug Addict HHs which received social grant	66	122	188

Note: Due to various limitations such as timely entry by the FPs the MIS does not reflect the latest actual field work. For some of the key output indicators, therefore, figures from field teams as well as MIS are included above.



2.4 Subproject Status

Table 2.4.1 Cash for Work Subproject Status

			# of	Subpro	ject	# of	Subproj	ects	# of Sub Projects
FPs	Province	Total # of	Į.	Approve	d	Ongoing			completed
rrs	Name	Subprojects	As of Q1 23	Q2 23	Total	As of Q1 23	Q2 23	Total	As of Q2 23 Total
AKF	Badakhshan	468	270	198	468	11	284	295	According to the field
Lot 1	Baghlan	359	112	247	359	36	83	119	reports, as of 30 June
	Takhar	474	304	170	474	31	129	260	2023 a total of 404
ACTED	Bamyan	126	47	79	126		64	64	sub-projects are
Lot2	Kabul	270	72	198	270		48	48	completed, which are not
	Kapisa	249	146	103	249	1	150	151	reflected in MIS.
	Panjsher	34	32	2	34		32	32	<u></u>
	Parwan	239	116	123	239	1	70	71	The FPs have not entered
	Wardak	433	174	259	433		142	142	the data as the Form 7
AfghanA	Faryab	212	110	102	212		95	95	should be filled for al
id	Hirat	181	61	120	181	4	96	100	community completed subprojects.
Lot 3	Samangan	153	32	121	153		43	43	subprojects.
	Sari Pul	349	185	164	349		138	138	As agreed with the WB
СНА	Helmand	336	25	311	336		150	150	the Form 7 is revised
Lot4	Kandahar	398	110	288	398	15	172	187	which allows the FPs to
	Nimroz	304	27	277	304		110	110	enter their completed
	Uruzgan	330	133	197	330	46	105	151	sub-projects without any
DACAAR	Kunarha	136		136	136		30	30	delay or waiting for the
Lot6	Laghman	139		139	139		23	23	completion of other
	Nangarhar	260		260	260		93	93	subprojects in the same
	Nuristan	182	6	176	182		68	68	CDC.
Gra	nd Total	5,632	1,962	3,670	5,632	145	2,125	2,370	

Table 2.4.2 Number of Planned Cash for Work Subproject by Sector

Sector	# of SPs	Total Estimated Budget (AFN)	% of Estimated Budget	Average Budget per SP
Transport	3056	4,478,898,437	59.90%	1,465,608
Irrigation	2380	2,868,764,157	38.37%	1,205,363
Water Supply, Sanitation and Hygiene Education	95	45,979,708	0.61%	483,997
Environmental/Climate	44	34,280,554	0.46%	779,104
Building	24	18,740,448	0.25%	780,852
Power	5	3,031,190	0.04%	606,238
Agricultural	1	1,195,200	0.02%	1,195,200
Unknown sector	27	26,006,500	0.04%	963,204
Grand Total	5632	7,476,896,194	100.00%	1,327,574

Note: More than 94% of sub-projects are from the transport and irrigation sectors. 98.3% of the block grant is allocated for these sectors . Below table shows the details of selected sub-projects under transport and irrigation sectors.



Table 2.4.3 Number of Planned Subprojects in Transport and Irrigation Sector

Transport Sector Subprojects							
Title	# of SPs	% of SPs					
Tertiary road graveling and repairing	2,416	42.90%					
Rural Road basic Access Repairing	213	3.78%					
Maintenance of intra- and inter-community level streets and roads	115	2.04%					
Tertiary road graveling and repairing Construction	91	1.62%					
Culverts Construction	68	1.21%					
Tertiary road graveling and repairing Extension	31	0.55%					
Rural Road basic Access Construction	28	0.50%					
Pathway Construction	24	0.43%					
Pathway Rehabilitation	20	0.36%					
Retaining Wall Construction	18	0.32%					
Protection walls Construction	5	0.09%					
Pipe Culverts Construction	5	0.09%					
Construction of intra- and inter-community level streets and roads	4	0.07%					
Culverts Repairing	4	0.07%					
Walking Steps (stairs in the hilly areas) Construction	3	0.05%					
Rural Road basic Access Extension	2	0.04%					
PCC Side Ditch Construction	2	0.04%					
Gabion Wall Construction	2	0.04%					
Causeway Construction	2	0.04%					
Retaining Wall Repairing	1	0.02%					
PCC Side Ditch Repairing	1	0.02%					
Gabion Wall Repairing	1	0.02%					
Total	3,056	54.26%					
Irrigation Sector Subprojects							
Title	# of SPs						
Title Canal Cleaning	1,938	34.41%					
Title Canal Cleaning Canal Repairing	1,938 201	34.41% 3.57%					
Title Canal Cleaning Canal Repairing Protection Wall Construction	1,938 201 42	34.41% 3.57% 0.75%					
Title Canal Cleaning Canal Repairing Protection Wall Construction Water Reservoir Repairing	1,938 201 42 31	34.41% 3.57% 0.75% 0.55%					
Canal Cleaning Canal Repairing Protection Wall Construction Water Reservoir Repairing Construction/maintenance of small check dams Construction	1,938 201 42 31 26	34.41% 3.57% 0.75% 0.55% 0.46%					
Canal Cleaning Canal Repairing Protection Wall Construction Water Reservoir Repairing Construction/maintenance of small check dams Construction Canal Stone Masonry Lining Construction	1,938 201 42 31 26 22	34.41% 3.57% 0.75% 0.55% 0.46% 0.39%					
Canal Cleaning Canal Repairing Protection Wall Construction Water Reservoir Repairing Construction/maintenance of small check dams Construction Canal Stone Masonry Lining Construction Gabion Wall Construction	1,938 201 42 31 26 22 20	34.41% 3.57% 0.75% 0.55% 0.46% 0.39% 0.36%					
Title Canal Cleaning Canal Repairing Protection Wall Construction Water Reservoir Repairing Construction/maintenance of small check dams Construction Canal Stone Masonry Lining Construction Gabion Wall Construction Canal Construction	1,938 201 42 31 26 22 20 15	34.41% 3.57% 0.75% 0.55% 0.46% 0.39% 0.36% 0.27%					
Canal Cleaning Canal Repairing Protection Wall Construction Water Reservoir Repairing Construction/maintenance of small check dams Construction Canal Stone Masonry Lining Construction Gabion Wall Construction Canal Construction Canal PCC Lining Construction	1,938 201 42 31 26 22 20 15	34.41% 3.57% 0.75% 0.55% 0.46% 0.39% 0.36% 0.27% 0.25%					
Canal Cleaning Canal Repairing Protection Wall Construction Water Reservoir Repairing Construction/maintenance of small check dams Construction Canal Stone Masonry Lining Construction Gabion Wall Construction Canal Construction Canal PCC Lining Construction Watershed Construction	1,938 201 42 31 26 22 20 15 14	34.41% 3.57% 0.75% 0.55% 0.46% 0.39% 0.36% 0.27% 0.25% 0.23%					
Canal Cleaning Canal Repairing Protection Wall Construction Water Reservoir Repairing Construction/maintenance of small check dams Construction Canal Stone Masonry Lining Construction Gabion Wall Construction Canal Construction Canal PCC Lining Construction Watershed Construction Watershed Repairing	1,938 201 42 31 26 22 20 15 14 13	34.41% 3.57% 0.75% 0.55% 0.46% 0.39% 0.36% 0.27% 0.25% 0.23% 0.21%					
Canal Cleaning Canal Repairing Protection Wall Construction Water Reservoir Repairing Construction/maintenance of small check dams Construction Canal Stone Masonry Lining Construction Gabion Wall Construction Canal Construction Canal PCC Lining Construction Watershed Construction Watershed Repairing Karez Cleaning	1,938 201 42 31 26 22 20 15 14	34.41% 3.57% 0.75% 0.55% 0.46% 0.39% 0.36% 0.27% 0.25% 0.21% 0.18%					
Canal Cleaning Canal Repairing Protection Wall Construction Water Reservoir Repairing Construction/maintenance of small check dams Construction Canal Stone Masonry Lining Construction Gabion Wall Construction Canal Construction Canal PCC Lining Construction Watershed Construction Watershed Repairing Karez Cleaning Water Reservoir Construction	1,938 201 42 31 26 22 20 15 14 13 12 10 9	34.41% 3.57% 0.75% 0.55% 0.46% 0.39% 0.36% 0.27% 0.25% 0.21% 0.18% 0.16%					
Canal Cleaning Canal Repairing Protection Wall Construction Water Reservoir Repairing Construction/maintenance of small check dams Construction Canal Stone Masonry Lining Construction Gabion Wall Construction Canal Construction Canal PCC Lining Construction Watershed Construction Watershed Repairing Karez Cleaning Water Reservoir Construction Canal Extension	1,938 201 42 31 26 22 20 15 14 13 12 10 9	34.41% 3.57% 0.75% 0.55% 0.46% 0.39% 0.27% 0.25% 0.23% 0.21% 0.11%					
Canal Cleaning Canal Repairing Protection Wall Construction Water Reservoir Repairing Construction/maintenance of small check dams Construction Canal Stone Masonry Lining Construction Gabion Wall Construction Canal Construction Canal PCC Lining Construction Watershed Construction Watershed Repairing Karez Cleaning Water Reservoir Construction Canal Extension Protection Wall Repairing	1,938 201 42 31 26 22 20 15 14 13 12 10 9 6	34.41% 3.57% 0.75% 0.75% 0.46% 0.39% 0.36% 0.27% 0.25% 0.21% 0.11% 0.11% 0.05%					
Canal Cleaning Canal Repairing Protection Wall Construction Water Reservoir Repairing Construction/maintenance of small check dams Construction Canal Stone Masonry Lining Construction Gabion Wall Construction Canal Construction Canal PCC Lining Construction Watershed Construction Watershed Repairing Karez Cleaning Water Reservoir Construction Canal Extension Protection Wall Repairing Intake Construction	1,938 201 42 31 26 22 20 15 14 13 12 10 9 6 3 3	34.41% 3.57% 0.75% 0.75% 0.46% 0.39% 0.25% 0.25% 0.25% 0.21% 0.11% 0.16% 0.05%					
Canal Cleaning Canal Repairing Protection Wall Construction Water Reservoir Repairing Construction/maintenance of small check dams Construction Canal Stone Masonry Lining Construction Gabion Wall Construction Canal Construction Canal PCC Lining Construction Watershed Construction Watershed Repairing Karez Cleaning Water Reservoir Construction Canal Extension Protection Wall Repairing Intake Construction Canal Stone Masonry Lining Repairing	1,938 201 42 31 26 22 20 15 14 13 12 10 9 6 3 3 3	34.41% 3.57% 0.75% 0.55% 0.46% 0.39% 0.26% 0.21% 0.11% 0.16% 0.05% 0.05%					
Title Canal Cleaning Canal Repairing Protection Wall Construction Water Reservoir Repairing Construction/maintenance of small check dams Construction Canal Stone Masonry Lining Construction Gabion Wall Construction Canal Construction Canal PCC Lining Construction Watershed Construction Watershed Repairing Karez Cleaning Water Reservoir Construction Canal Extension Protection Wall Repairing Intake Construction Canal Stone Masonry Lining Repairing Gabion Wall Repairing	1,938 201 42 31 26 22 20 15 14 13 12 10 9 6 3 3 3 3	34.41% 3.57% 0.75% 0.75% 0.46% 0.39% 0.36% 0.27% 0.25% 0.21% 0.118% 0.116% 0.111% 0.055% 0.05% 0.05% 0.05%					
Title Canal Cleaning Canal Repairing Protection Wall Construction Water Reservoir Repairing Construction/maintenance of small check dams Construction Canal Stone Masonry Lining Construction Gabion Wall Construction Canal Construction Canal PCC Lining Construction Watershed Construction Watershed Repairing Karez Cleaning Water Reservoir Construction Canal Extension Protection Wall Repairing Intake Construction Canal Stone Masonry Lining Repairing Gabion Wall Repairing Aqueducts Construction	1,938 201 42 31 26 22 20 15 14 13 12 10 9 6 3 3 3	34.41% 3.57% 0.75% 0.75% 0.46% 0.39% 0.27% 0.25% 0.223% 0.21% 0.11% 0.16% 0.05% 0.05% 0.05% 0.04%					
Title Canal Cleaning Canal Repairing Protection Wall Construction Water Reservoir Repairing Construction/maintenance of small check dams Construction Canal Stone Masonry Lining Construction Gabion Wall Construction Canal Construction Canal PCC Lining Construction Watershed Construction Watershed Repairing Karez Cleaning Water Reservoir Construction Canal Extension Protection Wall Repairing Intake Construction Canal Stone Masonry Lining Repairing Gabion Wall Repairing	1,938 201 42 31 26 22 20 15 14 13 12 10 9 6 3 3 3 3	% of SPs 34.41% 3.57% 0.75% 0.55% 0.46% 0.39% 0.27% 0.25% 0.21% 0.18% 0.11% 0.05% 0.05% 0.05% 0.05%					



RCC Canal Construction	1	0.02%
Protection Wall Extension	1	0.02%
Pipe Scheme Repairing	1	0.02%
Pipe Scheme Construction	1	0.02%
Culverts Construction	1	0.02%
Repairing of small check dams	1	0.02%
Total	2,380	42.26%

3. PROGRESS ON COMPONENT 2: URBAN

Table 3.1 Overall progress for Labor Intensive Works (LiW) until 30 June 2023

No.	City	Community Consultation Completed	Scoping Completed	Design Completed	Contract Signed	Handed Over	Closed
1	Kabul	200	194	107	64	13	4
2	Kandahar	87	87	64	34	19	5
3	Herat	82	82	28	24	5	0
4	Jalalabad	52	52	33	17	6	3
5	Mazar	52	52	28	16	6	4
6	Kunduz	39	39	23	19	10	1
7	Bamyan	13	13	12	10	0	0
8	Khost	29	28	18	11	4	2
	Total	554	547	313	195	63	19

Table 3.2 Update across stages for Labor Intensive Works (LiW) - Q2 2023 (April - June 2023)

No.	City	Community Consultation Completed	Scoping Completed	Design Completed	Contract Signed	Handed Over	Closed
1	Kabul	44	43	25	30	8	4
2	Kandahar	6	8	24	5	11	5
3	Herat	40	40	7	9	2	0
4	Jalalabad	13	19	13	7	2	3
5	Mazar	14	24	8	5	2	4
6	Kunduz	5	6	9	7	9	1
7	Bamyan	0	0	0	7	0	0
8	Khost	11	10	13	7	3	2
	Total	133	150	99	77	37	19

Table 3.3 Overall number of labor days for ongoing sub projects - as of 30 June 2023

No.	City	Total No. of HHs Directly Benefited	Labour Days Generated	Estimated Labor's Wage Paid (USD)	No. of Male HHs (Labors)	% of Female HHs (Labors)	Total No. of IDPs Directl y Benefi ted
1	Kabul	8,911	218,395	1,193,420	8,101	9.1	118
2	Kandahar	5,021	160,003	1,107,451	4,958	1.3	79
3	Herat	2,171	34,672	207,010	1,730	20.3	702
4	Jalalabad	4,030	76,484	478,549	3,514	12.8	532
5	Mazar	2,488	109,206	523,268	2,182	12.3	776



6	Kunduz	2,457	50,260	242,202	2,037	17.1	157
7	Bamyan	1,009	15,384	82,041	923	8.5	0
8	Khost	1,790	50,425	307,698	1,661	7.2	79
	Total	27,877	714,828	4,141,639	25,106	9.94	2,443

Table 3.4 Number of labor days for ongoing subprojects Q2 2023 (April - June 2023)

No.	City	Total No. of HHs Directly Benefited	Labour Days Generated	Estimated Labor's Wage Paid (USD)	No. of Male HHs (Labors)	% of Female HHs (Labors)	Total No. of IDPs Directly Benefit ed
1	Kabul	5,626	143,197	779,831	5,146	8.5	62
2	Kandahar	1,077	70,852	617,120	1,077	0	0
3	Herat	709	8,922	65,385	675	4.8	60
4	Jalalabad	2,070	28,482	214,538	1,992	3.8	54
5	Mazar	1,036	45,352	172,071	919	11.3	339
6	Kunduz	1,652	38,812	179,238	1,317	20.3	143
7	Bamyan	1,009	15,384	82,041	923	8.5	0
8	Khost	583	24,734	166,397	536	81	44
	Total	13,762	375,734	2,276,622	12,585	8.6	402

3.2 Progress per city

3.2.1 Kabul (40% of CRLP subprojects)

The LiW sub-projects implementation in Kabul is progressing smoothly, and appropriate coordination mechanisms have been established with Kabul Municipality. During Q2 2023, regular and ad-hoc coordination meetings were held with the Kabul Municipality and the Directorate of the Ministry of Economy in Kabul. The project progress, plan and issues including access to women beneficiaries were discussed.

Key achievements in Q2 23 include 44 community consultations, 43 sub project scoping, 25 sub projects design and design reviews were completed,

In Q2 23, the procurement process of 28 sub projects was completed and the implementation of LiW commenced on the ground, out of which 8 sub projects were completed and handed over to the community and 4 sub projects were closed.

In Q2 23, a total of 5,626 HHs directly benefited (assigned as a labor) from the ongoing subprojects. An estimated US\$ 779,831 were paid to laborers in Q2 23.

The activities related to Component 3 have also started in multiple project sites and the details are provided under the C3 section of this report.

3.2.2 Kandahar (15% of CRLP sub-projects)

The sub-project LiW implementation in Kandahar is progressing smoothly, and appropriate coordination mechanisms have been established with Kandahar local de facto authorities, including the Office of the Kandahar Governor and the Municipality. During the Q2 23 reporting period, several coordination meetings were held with the Municipality, other UN agencies and communities. The Project progress, plan and issues were discussed.



Key achievements in Q2 23 include 6 community consultations, 8 sub project scoping, 24 sub projects design and design review completion.

In Q2 23, the procurement process of 6 sub projects was completed and the implementation of LiW commenced on the ground. In this reporting period, 8 sub projects were completed and handed over to the community and 5 sub projects were closed.

In Q2 23, a total of 1,077 HHs are directly benefited (assigned as a labor) from the ongoing subprojects. An estimated US\$ 617,120 were paid to laborers in Q2 23.

Likewise, the activities related to Component 3 have also started in multiple project sites and the details are provided under the C3 section of the report.



3.2.3 Herat (14% of CRLP sub-projects)

The sub-project LiW implementation in Herat is progressing smoothly. Strong stakeholder management relationship was maintained with the DFA in Herat.

Key achievements in Q2 23 include 40 community consultations, 40 sub project scoping, 7 sub projects design and design reviews completion.

In Q2 23, the procurement process of 11 sub projects was completed and the implementation of LiW commenced on the ground, out of which 2 sub projects were completed and handed over to the community.

In Q2 23, a total of 709 HHs are directly benefited (assigned as a labor) from the ongoing subprojects,. An estimated US\$ 65,385 was paid to laborers in Q2 23.

Likewise, the activities related to Component 3 have also started in multiple project sites and the details are illustrated under the C3 section of the report.



3.2.4 Jalalabad (10% of CRLP sub-projects)

The sub-project LiW implementation in Jalalabad is progressing smoothly. No major issues were reported during the period. Strong stakeholder management and relationship was maintained with the DFA provincial authorities, in particular with the Jalalabad Municipality. Regular coordination meetings were held, the project progress, plans and challenges, including the ban of women working with I/NGOs, were discussed.

Key achievements in Q2 23 include 13 community consultations, 19 sub project scoping, 13 sub projects design and design reviews were completed,

In Q2 23, the procurement process for 8 sub projects was completed and the implementation of LiW commenced on the ground. In this reporting period, 2 sub projects were completed and handed over to the community and 3 sub projects were closed.

In Q2 23, a total of 2070 HHs are directly benefited (assigned as a labor) from the ongoing subprojects, o. An estimated US\$ 214,538 were paid to laborers in Q2 23.

Likewise, the activities related to Component 3 are expected to be started soon.

3.2.5 Mazar-e-Sharif (9% of sub-projects)

The implementation of LiW works under Component 2 is ongoing smoothly in Mazar-e-Sharif city. Appropriate coordination mechanisms were established with the DFA Local authorities in Mazar-e-Sharif, particularly with the office of Mazar Mayor. During the reporting period, several coordination meetings were held with the Mayor. The project progress, plan and challenges including women engagement in the LiW works were discussed.

Key achievements in Q2 23 include 14 community consultations, 24 sub project scoping, 8 sub projects design and design reviews were completed,

In Q2 23, the procurement process of 7 sub projects was completed and the implementation of LiW commenced on the ground. In this reporting period, 2 sub projects were completed and handed over to the community and 4 sub projects were closed.

In Q2 23, a total of 1036 HHs directly benefited (assigned as a labor) from the ongoing subprojects,. An estimated US\$ 172,071 were paid to laborers in Q2 23.

Likewise, the activities related to Component 3 have also started in multiple project sites and the details are illustrated under the C3 section of the report.

3.2.6 Kunduz (7% of CRLP sub-projects)

The implementation of the CRLP LiW under Component 2 is progressing smoothly in Kunduz city. Strong stakeholder management and relationship has been built and maintained with the DFA local authorities. During Q2 23, several coordination meetings were held at the provincial level departments, particularly with the office of Kunduz Mayor. The project progress, plans and issues were discussed.

Key achievements in Q2 23 include 5 community consultations, 6 sub project scoping, 9 sub projects design and



design reviews completion.

In Q2 23, the procurement process of 7 sub projects was completed and the implementation of LiW commenced on the ground. In this reporting period, 9 sub projects were completed and handed over to the community and 1 sub project was closed.

In Q2 23, a total of 1652 HHs are directly benefited (assigned as a labor) from the ongoing subprojects,. An estimated US\$ 179,238 were paid to laborers in Q2 23.

Likewise, the activities related to Component 3 have also started in multiple project sites and the details are illustrated under the C3 section of the report.

3.2.7 Khost (3% of CRLP sub-projects)

The implementation of CRL Project Component 2 is progressing smoothly in Khost city. Strong stakeholder management and relationship was maintained with the DFA local authorities. During Q2 23, several coordination meetings were held at the provincial level departments, particularly with the office of Khost Mayor. The project progress, plans and issues were discussed.

Key achievements in Q2 23 include 11 community consultations, 10 sub project scoping, 13 sub projects design and design reviews completion.

In Q2 23, the procurement process of 6 sub projects was completed and the implementation of LiW commenced on the ground. In this reporting period, 3 sub projects were completed and handed over to the community and 2 sub projects were closed.

In Q2 23, a total of 583 HHs are directly benefited (assigned as a labor) from the ongoing subprojects. An estimated US\$ 166,397 was paid to laborers in Q2 23.

Component 3 has not started yet in Q2 23, pending due to late signature of Lot-5 contract with the FP. Details exist under the C3 report.

3.2.8 Bamyan (2% of CRLP sub-projects)

The implementation of CRL Project Component 2 is progressing smoothly in Bamyan city. Strong stakeholder management and relationship has been built and maintained with the DFA local authorities.

Key achievements in Q2 23 include the completion of procurement process of 5 subprojects and the implementation of LiW commenced on the ground.

In Q2 23, a total of 1009 HHs are directly benefited (assigned as a labor) from the ongoing subprojects,. An estimated US\$ 82,041 were paid to laborers in Q2 23.

Likewise, the activities related to Component 3 have also started in multiple project sites and the details are illustrated under the C3 section of the report.





3.3 Plan For Next Quarter - Component 2

- According to the C2 plan for next quarter, the design and design review, procurement implementation of
 123 projects will be completed and handed over to the community.
- The TPMA is expected to carry out inspections and visit 35 project sites during Q3 23.

4. ENTRY CRITERIA FOR ACCESS

In accordance with the Project Operation Manual (POM), there are two defined and mandatory Entry Criteria for Access (ECAs) that shall apply for all project areas with established CDCs. The two ECAs are: established CDCs in the project areas are not prohibited to operate; and women's involvement continues in established CDCs.

As of 6 July 2023, the contracted FPs completed ECA assessment in 5,626 (Rural: 4,940, Urban: 686) CDCs. To ensure that the selected CDCs are meeting the ECA requirements, UNOPS applied three sources/levels of verification/ checks. The verification process at all levels does not highlight any inconsistency or violation of the ECA in the project area.

Source 1 - Verification through MIS. In MIS, the system does not verify the "CRLP Form 1 CDC Re-registration" until the data entries match the ECAs. The status of all those CDCs remains unverified in the event there is any problem with the "CRLP Form 1".

Sources 2 - Data Analysis: At the second level, the MIS data is analyzed by the M&E team to ensure that the re-registered CDC meets the ECA. The analysis conducted on 6 July 2023, showed the following results:

- 5,626 communities were entered into MIS, 100% of the communities meet both ECA 1 and ECA 2. Only one community does not meet ECA 1 which is rejected for rectification (Surkh Dewal CDC, Rodat district).
- ECA 1: In terms of percentage, 79 (1.4%) communities exactly meet the 70% participation criteria, 1,990 (35.37%) communities have the same membership as it was when they were originally established. 1,828 (32.49%) communities met between 71% to 99% of the membership compared to the original number of members of the CDC. 1,727 (30.7%) communities show an increase in the number of new members in the CDC compared to the original number of members. There are 2 CDCs with less than 70% members compared to the original structure. These two CDCs are returned to FP for correction.



Table 4.1: Number of Communities meet ECA 1 (70%) group by percentage

Province	< 70%	70%	71-79%	80-89%	90-99%	100%	101-109%	111-119	>119%	Grand
				Bural C	Communi	tios		%		Total
Badakhshan	i	1	2	18	22	98	16	16	202	375
Baghlan		1 2	6	27	35	142	6	13	202	258
			0	27	33	142	5	7	95	110
Bamyan Faryab			3	10	10	96	11	2	1	133
Helmand		1	47	100	52	282			2	493
Hirat		1	47	100	3	87	3 6	6 5	18	119
Kabul		2	1	33	27	74		6	97	242
Kabui Kandahar		2	1 16	21	20	142	2 18	21	112	352
Kapisa			2	7	13	30	24	49	67	192
Kunarha		2	9	8	14	68	1	10	26	136
Laghman	1	2	8	17	18	72	6	8	48	179
Nangarhar	1		3	12	16	75	26	80	62	275
Nimroz			1	7	10	85	7	4	172	286
Nuristan			31	16	11	116	8	3	6	191
Panjsher		2	1	2	3	16	2	1		27
Parwan			10	8	10	42	12	32	21	135
Samangan		3	31	53	51	43	2	1		184
Sari Pul		2	18	36	83	114	1	1	2	257
Takhar		1	42	99	91	145	5	10	64	457
Uruzgan				1	1		1	2	214	219
Wardak		22	38	72	41	139	4		4	320
Subtotal	1	40	269	549	531	1,867	166	277	1240	4,940
Percentage	0.02%	0.81%	5.45%	11.11%	10.75%	37.79%	3.36%	6.61%	25.10%	100%
				Urban (Communi	ties				
Balkh			6	15	45	27	1	1		95
Hirat	1	27	72	61	23	10		1		195
Kandahar		9	37	55	70	54	4	8	1	238
Khost			2	7	6					15
Kunduz		2	15	9	33	17	6			82
Nangarhar		1		3	20	15	9	11	2	61
Subtotal	1	39	132	150	197	123	20	21	3	686
Percentage	0.15%	5.69%	19.24%	21.87%		17.93%	2.92%	3.06%	0.44%	100%
Grand Total	2	79	401	699	728	1990	186	298	1243	5626
Percentage	0.04%	1.40%	7.13%	12.42%	12.94%	35.37%	3.31%	5.30%	22.09%	100%

• ECA 2: 916 (16.28%) communities have exactly 40% of women in the CDCs structure, 2,308 (41.02%) communities have 50% women participation, 2,095 (37.24%) communities have 41% to 49% women in the CDCs structure and 307 (4.45%) communities have more women compared to men in the CDCs structure.



Table 4.2: Number of Communities meet ECA 2 (40%) group by percentage

Province	40%	41-45%	46-49%	50%	51-54%	55-59%	>59%	Grand Total
			Rural	Communiti	es			
Badakhshan		2	10	352	10	1		375
Baghlan	3	23	16	212	4			258
Bamyan	1	100	6	1	2			110
Faryab		6	4	123				133
Helmand	176	86	56	174		1		493
Hirat			1	118				119
Kabul	46	73	8	108	2	4	1	242
Kandahar	60	97	18	172	4	1		352
Kapisa	48	119	8	14	2	1		192
Kunarha	41	50	11	31	1	2		136
Laghman	71	80	10	18				179
Nangarhar	74	165	17	13	5		1	275
Nimroz	266	7	10	2	1			286
Nuristan	16	17	26	129	2	1		191
Panjsher	1	2	6	16	2			27
Parwan	40	74	15	5		1		135
Samangan	6	35	36	64	28	13	2	184
Sari Pul	3	28	41	139	35	8	3	257
Takhar	16	105	69	222	33	12		457
Uruzgan	11	208						219
Wardak	10	77	12	204	9	6	2	320
Subtotal	889	1354	380	2117	140	51	9	4940
Percentage	18.00%	27.41%	7.69%	42.85%	2.83%	1.03%	0.18%	100%
			Urban	Communit	ies			
Balkh	1	36	23	27	6	2		95
Hirat	19	68	42	34	16	11	5	195
Kandahar	7	93	39	78	17	4		238
Khost		2	3	3	6		1	15
Kunduz		12	24	23	16	7		82
Nangarhar		8	11	26	16			61
Subtotal	27	219	142	191	77	24	6	686
Percentage	3.94%	31.92%	20.70%	27.84%	11.22%	3.50%	0.87%	100%
Grand Total	916	1573	522	2308	217	75	15	5626
Percentage	16.28%	27.96%	9.28%	41.02%	3.86%	1.33%	0.27%	100%

• There are 1,007 (20.2%) CDCs which do not have new members, all members are old (elected) members. 737 (14.8%) CDCs have completely introduced new members, 3,234 (64.97%) of CDCs have both new and old members [Table 4.3].



Table 4.3: Ratio of New members against old members in the current CDC structure

Province	(0% New) All Old Members	1% - 21% New	21% - 41% New	41% - 61% New	61% - 81% New	81% - 99% New	(100% New) All New Members	Grand Total
Badakhshan	132	107	29	75	13	14	5	375
Baghlan	46	71	55	46	25	13	2	258
Bamyan	4	14	12	32	22	25	1	110
Faryab	8	39	48	22	12	3	1	133
Helmand	17	136	125	45	18	27	131	499
Hirat	8	16	27	34	25	9		119
Kabul	132	35	27	28	14	5	2	243
Kandahar			1	8	20	41	282	352
Kapisa	4	35	56	62	27	7	1	192
Kunarha	19	28	22	33	23	16	1	142
Laghman	2	4	28	75	42	18	12	181
Nangarhar	23	126	101	32	8	4	1	295
Nimroz	4	1	12	23	104	69	74	287
Nuristan	93	35	17	18	17	7	4	191
Panjsher	4	12	5	5	1			27
Parwan	13	49	46	21	3	3		135
Samangan	171	12	3					186
Sari Pul	76	113	49	14	3	1	1	257
Takhar	137	146	78	54	29	5	8	457
Uruzgan					2	11	206	219
Wardak	114	66	65	52	12	6	5	320
Grand Total	1007	1045	806	679	420	284	737	4978
Percentage	20.2%	21.0%	16.2%	13.6%	8.4%	5.7%	14.8%	100%

• There are 1,585 (31.8%) CDCs which do not have new male members, all male members are old (elected) members, 790 (15.9%) CDCs have completely introduced new male members and 2,603 (52.3%) CDCs have proportionately both new and old male members [Table 4.4].

Table 4.4: Ratio of New Male Members against Old Members in the current CDC structure

	0% New						100% New	
Province	(All Old	1% - 21%	21% - 41%	41% - 61%	61% - 81%	81% - 99%	(All New	Grand
FIOVILLE	Male	New	New	New	New	New	Male	Total
	Members)						Members)	
Badakhshan	208	87	42	15	8	8	7	375
Baghlan	59	70	52	43	20	8	6	258
Bamyan	30	14	10	18	17	19	2	110
Faryab	17	44	46	12	11	2	1	133
Helmand	19	145	136	26	16	26	131	499
Hirat	13	15	34	28	21	5	3	119
Kabul	151	39	26	13	9	3	2	243
Kandahar			1	3	5	30	313	352
Kapisa	29	41	61	38	14	8	1	192
Kunarha	41	38	23	12	14	11	3	142
Laghman	35	31	45	29	19	9	13	181
Nangarhar	155	85	32	12	8	1	2	295

Percentage	31.8%	19.0%	15.0%	8.6%	5.7%	3.9%	15.9%	100%
Grand Total	1585	947	746	430	285	195	790	4978
Wardak	174	53	51	21	9	3	9	320
Uruzgan					4	7	208	219
Takhar	204	111	73	36	17	7	9	457
Sari Pul	91	80	55	22	6	1	2	257
Samangan	174	9	2	1				186
Parwan	60	40	23	6	2	4		135
Panjsher	5	12	4	4	2			27
Nuristan	107	29	17	18	12	4	4	191
Nimroz	13	4	13	73	71	39	74	287

• There are 1,356 (27.2%) CDCs that do not have new female members, all the female members are old (elected) members, 1,379 (27.7%) CDCs have completely introduced new female members and 2,243 (45.1%) of the CDCs have both new and old female members [Table 4.5].

Table 4.5: Ratio of New Female Members against Old Members in the current CDC structure

Province	0% New (All Old Female Members)	1% - 21% New	21% - 41% New	41% - 61% New	61% - 81% New	81% - 99% New	100% New (All New Female Members)	Grand Total
Badakhshan	185	61	15	7	11	13	83	375
Baghlan	84	46	36	32	22	24	14	258
Bamyan	8	6	6	15	18	19	38	110
Faryab	17	31	31	28	13	8	5	133
Helmand	26	122	125	43	4	1	178	499
Hirat	12	11	30	26	19	19	2	119
Kabul	152	11	13	15	10	6	36	243
Kandahar	1	5	6	13	13	15	299	352
Kapisa	11	19	34	49	43	21	15	192
Kunarha	28	15	9	13	16	3	58	142
Laghman	4	1	1	13	30	21	111	181
Nangarhar	32	35	98	58	45	10	17	295
Nimroz	4	1	2	2	15	44	219	287
Nuristan	109	20	11	9	11	9	22	191
Panjsher	10	9	2	3	3			27
Parwan	15	18	32	34	24	8	4	135
Samangan	177	5	3	1				186
Sari Pul	151	61	26	10	6	1	2	257
Takhar	192	88	60	42	37	20	18	457
Uruzgan			1		1		217	219
Wardak	138	43	38	39	12	9	41	320
Grand Total	1356	608	579	452	353	251	1379	4978
Percentage	27.2%	12.2%	11.6%	9.1%	7.1%	5.0%	27.7%	100%

Source 3 - ECA spot checks by UNOPS²: CRL conducted spot checks to physically verify ECA, Labour Payments and Social Grant distribution in sample communities in Takhar, Kabul, Parwan, Kapisa, Balkh, Kunduz and Panjshir

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 $^{^{\}rm 2}$ The detailed monitoring report has been shared with the WB separately.



provinces during the quarter 1 of 2023. ECA spotcheck during the quarter 2 of 2023 was not conducted due to the ban on women by the DFA. UNOPS has planned to conduct spot-checks in quarter 3 of 2023.

5. PROGRESS ON COMPONENT 3- SOCIAL GRANTS

Door by door distribution of the Social Grants (SG) is considered an effective method of bringing prosperity and improvement in the self esteem of the vulnerable people in the community. Accurate identification and selection of eligible beneficiaries under the selection process of HHs improves livelihoods and decreases poverty in the targeted areas. The SG vulnerable category have urged for the continuation of SGs or at least that it should be distributed for two times, since they have no other income sources and stating that a one time distribution will not solve their problem even for a short duration. The selection of food packages by the people themselves, along with FP support, is highly appreciated.

It has been noted in the rural areas that the current average budget for each community is no longer considered sufficient, since the poverty rate has risen and the density of very poor people in the communities has increased. On occasion, due to budget restrictions, the FPs may restrict the beneficiaries list which can bring social conflicts and challenges in the communities.

Due to the dense population in urban areas, the number of beneficiaries has risen and on the other hand there is a limited and specific budget for each project site. In most cases the number of potential beneficiaries goes beyond 70 HHs, for which there is insufficient budget. For example, in one of the project sites in Kabul, based on the selection criterion, a total of 140 HHs are considered for SG for which the current specified budget is not sufficient.

The MCs (Mosque Committee) are new to this program, need more FPs support and require some time to mature and become familiar with the context of the work and social activities.

Table 5.1: Socal Grant Status

	Rural HH B	eneficiaries	Urban HH B	Seneficiaries	Total HH	Total HH
Lot #	HH Headed by Men	HH Headed by Women	HH Headed by Men	HH Headed by Women	Beneficiaries	Headed Women
1	4,723	5,964	88	404	11,179	6,368
2	775	1,323	349	491	2938	1,814
3	575	580	240	315	1710	895
4	850	898	922	1,059	3729	1,957
6	100	226	168	305	799	531
Total	7,023	8,991	1767	2574	20,355	11,565





6. PROGRESS ON COMPONENT 4, STRENGTHENING COMMUNITY INSTITUTIONS

- The FPs' key and non-key staff for Lot 1-4 are trained on Component Four (Strengthening Community Institutions for Inclusive Service Delivery, especially for Women)
- AKF, CHA and ACTED initiated delivery of the training to the CDCs/Committees in Baghlan, Kandahar Helmand, Nimroz, Uruzgan and Kabul provinces.
- Component Four actual training implementation has been started within 226 communities.
- Lot # 6 DACAAR/ACTED staff will receive Component Four training on 30 July 23.
- UNICEF IPs have started the actual implementation of training to the CDCs.
- The training database is developed and ready for FPs to enter the training related data.





7. PROGRESS ON COMPONENT 5, UNOPS IMPLEMENTATION SUPPORT

7.1 M&E, MIS, GIS

- The revised form 7 was redesigned and included in the MIS for data entry, enabling the FPs to enter the completed sub-projects in the MIS;
- The list of Rural and Urban CDCs, CDC Members, and GIS Maps were shared with CDDO (Lots #5), one of the FP who recently contracted for service.
- GIS standard Maps were created and updated for 8 Cities.
- FPs partial expenditure reporting is ongoing (bi-weekly).
- Ongoing data entry for the Component 2 monthly report in the MIS.
- Provision of daily support to the FP database officers.
- Verification spot checks of ECA, Laborers payment and Social Grant distribution conducted in five provinces (findings are reported in section 7.9).
- TPMA started the ECA phone verification in the rural area and physical monitoring in the urban areas.

7.2 Human Resources / Staffing

During Q2 2023 reporting period, several team members separated/resigned.

- Kristina Jovanovska Head of Project resigned effective 30 June 2023
- One (1) Construction Management Engineer under C2 and one (1) ICT Associate under PIU resigned effective 31 May and 3 June 2023 respectively;

During Q2 2023 reporting period, several team members joined.

- One (1) Community Liaison onboarded for Khost under C2 effective 13 April 2023;
- Three (3) Senior Consultants were onboarded for Urban Assessment Project in mid-April 2023;
- One (1) Community Liaison onboarded for C1 on 3 May 2023;



- One (1) Procurement Associate onboarded on 21 May 2023;
- Five (5) Cash for Work Engineers boarded for C1 on 28 May 2023;
- Three (3) Construction Management Engineers onboarded for C2 on 28 May 2023;
- One (1) Finance Officer onboarded effective 8 June 2023;
- Two (2) GRM Senior Associates onboarded effective 25 June 2023;
- Two (2) Regional Operation Officers onboarded for C1 in Kabul and Mazar effective 25 June 2023

7.3 Financial Management

- **IUFR** produced for the period ending 30 June 2023.
- Interim Financial Statement produced as of 30 June 2023.
- The FY2023 budget was approved during the reporting period.
- The annual external audit and project-specific internal audit reports will be shared with WB by 31 August 2023
- UNOPS completed revised fee negotiations with AIB and FMFB.

7.4 Communication

- Photo gallery tab of the project website was redesigned and updated with the data from the fields;
- Q1 2023 progress report was edited/ purified and uploaded to the website;
- GRM cases received from Awaaz platform were uploaded into the CRL MIS;
- The project documents including the GRM, HSSE and others were translated from English to Pashto and Dari and vice versa;
- Posters for the public outreach were designed and shared via CRL social media platforms;
- ToR for the media/PR company was developed and the procurement process has been initiated;
- The Project Facebook page was updated with the latest news from the fields and the number of followers has increased to 476.
- Swift responses within 24 hours to inquiries reaching us via Facebook page or info-crlp@unops.org and the website were ensured;
- Collecting success stories from the FPs, editing and revising them for the CRL public domain;

7.5 Quality Assurance and Quality Control

- During the reporting period, 83 kick-off meetings were conveyed with the contractors. The project QA/QC system, approach and procedures were presented to the contractors;
- 111 QC Plans for each awarded project were reviewed and endorsed;
- 129 physical site Quality Control and Assurance inspections were conducted. No major issues were reported.
 - o minor issues were identified and corrective actions were applied;
- 547 Contractors' daily reports were reviewed and technical concerns were shared with the contractors;
- 95 concrete mix designs were reviewed, commented and approved;
- 209 materials quality test results are reviewed and approved for ongoing projects in eight regions;
- 88 technical meetings were conducted with the contractor and UNOPS construction management engineers for the improvement of quality;

7.6 Procurement

7.6.1 CRLP Components 1, 3 and 4

During the reporting period, several contract management meetings were held, and various Contract Management issues such as FPs' insurance policy, exchange rate USD to AFN, Security Risks Management, PPE for the laborers, taxation, community based procurement, financial reporting of costs needed for provision of the services, eligible



expenditures under reimbursable costs, reporting and approval of reimbursable costs, templates and timely submission of progress reports were discussed.

The Services contract for Lot 5 was signed on 16 June 2023, and the Project kick-off meeting was conducted on 25 June 2023.

The total value of the 6 signed FP contracts is USD 174,145,004 out of which the pass-through for (C1 & C3) grants is USD 149,307,200.

7.6.2 CRLP Component 2

- A total of 77 awards were granted in Q2, making a total of 213 awards for the project at the end of Q2 2023.
- A total awards value of USD22,476,670.11, including 10% contingency, were received from the start of the project till the end of Q2 2023.
- A total of 77 contracts were signed in Q2, making a total of 199 signed contracts from the start of the project by 30 June 2023.
- A total amount of signed contracts by the end of Q2 from the start of the project is USD 20,764,244 including contingency.
- The PPS, Procurement plan and Tracking sheets were reviewed and updated on a regular basis
- The following actions were planned, aimed at improving the speed of the procurement process
 - Using the previous process to create short list in line with UNOPS EPP
 - o Review the evaluation criteria to reflect the challenges with evaluation and review
 - o Review and report on the performance of the project's current target of 41 awards per month
 - o performance guarantee requirement will be removed from future contracts (and replaced with increased retention amount)

7.7 Environmental and Social Management & Gender

- During the project scoping, the project team conducted Environmental and Social Screening of the sub-projects. The potential risks were identified and appropriate mitigation measures were proposed. A total of 547 screenings were completed from which 313 ESMPs were prepared. The ESMP is part of the RfQ and works contract.
 - During Q2 2023, a total of 150 ES screenings were completed and 99 ESMPs were prepared under C2.
- The project safeguard team conducted 165 site visits (104 in Q2 2023) and monitored the HSSE to ensure the risks are properly identified and the mitigation measures are in place and effective. No significant challenges were identified
- The safeguard team delivered training to CDDO key and the non-key staff on 25-26 June for Lot 5.
- During the reporting period, safeguard training was conducted for 78 contractors under C2. A total of 390 Contractors' personnel received the training.
- The safeguard document process (screening checklist, ESMP, HSSE Plan etc) is ongoing for each subproject.
- During the reporting period, the implementation of the ESMF requirements were inspected at the project sites. The physical works were progressing in compliance with the ESCP, ESMF (SEP, LMP, SEA/SH).
- The simplified ESMP was put in place and is effective. The contractor staff are now well aware of the ESMF requirements.
- The contractor put in place mitigation measures for all risks identified in the simplified ESMP. The
 construction sites were isolated for unauthorized access. Various site safety sign boards were installed
 and the solid waste was managed properly.



- The contractors' engagement with the community was in line with the CRL Project Stakeholder Engagement Plan.
- The contractors' safeguard documents were reviewed at the site. The UNOPS and contractor staff provided toolbox talks to the labor on various activities such as excavations, scaffolding, concrete works, workplace management.
- The laborers were equipped with required safety PPE such as hard hats, safety shoes, vest etc. Some grievances received about the PPE (such as Not provided PPE, Provision of Poor PPE and Inadequate PPE) were resolved in a timely manner.
- For protecting underground services, the excavated sites were surrounded with high visible safety tape.
- The traffic management was in place and satisfactory. The contractors hired female traffic management personnel at the site.
- 5 FPs (Afghanaid, CHA, AKDN, ACTED, and DACAAR) signed and submitted the CoC, and they established SEA/SH GRCs, the remaining one FP (CDDO) is in the process to establish it soon.
- During Q2 2023, PSEAH and CoC orientation was conducted for 78 contractors. A total of 390 contractors' staff participated and received the orientation.

Table 7.7.1 ESMPs Completed

S/N	Provinces	Number of ESMPs Completed to date	Number of ESMPs Completed in Q2,2023
1	Kabul	107	25
2	Kandahar	64	24
3	Herat	28	7
4	Jalalabad	33	13
5	Mazar	28	8
6	Kunduz	23	9
7	Bamyan	12	0
8	Khost	18	13
	Total	313	99

7.7.1 Environmental and Social Commitment Plan

Activities and progress of this section is prepared in accordance with the Environmental and Social Standards (ESSs) and Environmental and Social Commitment Plan (ESCP). Without limitation to the foregoing, the ESCP sets out material measures and actions that UNOPS shall carry out or cause to be carried out, including, as applicable, the timeframes of the actions and measures, institutional, staffing, training, monitoring and reporting arrangements, grievance management. The ESCP also sets out the environmental and social (E&S) instruments that shall be adopted and implemented under the Project, all of which shall be subject to prior consultation and disclosure, consistent with the ESS, and in form and substance, and in a manner acceptable to the World Bank.

Material Measure and Action	Progress
Monitoring and Reporting	
Regular reporting/Quarterly to the WB	 E&S quarterly progress reports were prepared and submitted to the WB Q2 2022 Quarterly Report - submitted on 14 August 2022 Q3 2022 Quarterly Report - submitted on 14 November 2022 Q4 2022 Quarterly Report - submitted on 31 January 2023 Q1 2023 Quarterly Report - submitted on 16 May 2023 Q2 2023 Quarterly Report (this report) on 9 Aug 2023 In addition to the above, regular weekly reports were prepared and



	submitted to the WB in order to provide them with regular progress updates on the project implementation.
Incident Report	 During the reporting period, the following incidents were recorded: On 26 April 2023, a UXO was discovered in one of the C2 Sub-project in Kabul Province. The details were provided in the Weekly Report for the period of 21 Apr - 3 May 2023; On 8 June 2023, a UXO was discovered in one of the C2 Sub-project in Bamyan Province. The details were provided in the Weekly Report for the period of 7-13 June 2023; On 15 June 2023, a Social incident (Near Miss) happened in one of the C2 Sub-projects in Kabul Province. The details were provided in the Weekly Report for the period of 13-20 June 2023; On 25 June 2023, RRAA (JV partner with Afghanaid for Lot 3) reported a robbery incident to their Field staff. The details were provided in the Weekly Report for the period of 21-27 June 2023
Contractors & FPs Quarterly E&S Reports	 Per the signed contracts with FPs; AKF, ACTED, CHA, AfghanAID, and DACAAR submitted the Quarterly Reports for Q4, 2022, Q1 and Q2 2023; E&S is part of the quarterly report.
ESS 1: ASSESSMENT AND MANA	GEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL RISKS AND IMPACTS
Organizational Structure E&S Assessment	 PIU Safeguard staff recruitment was completed, and the following positions were filled. During Q4 22, the HSSE analyst separated/resigned; Environmental Safeguard Senior Associate - Maryam Khalaj Social Safeguard Senior Associate - Naqibullah Nayil HSSE Analyst - Vacant and the HR recruitment will be completed by mid August 2023 GRM Senior Associates - Sanaullah Sediqi & Shekiba Hotak Diversity and inclusion Associate (Gender) - Shakila Nazary 8 E&S focal points have been assigned for C2 (Kabul, Kandahar, Nangarhar Bamyan, Khost, Kunduz, Herat & Mazar). 6 E&S focal points have been assigned for C1 (Agha Khan, Afghan AID, ACTED, CHA, DACAAR, and CDDO). Environmental & Social Screenings/Assessment of sub-projects is ongoing 547 sub-projects were screened (150 in Q2 2023). The potential risks have been identified and proper mitigation measures have been proposed.
Management of Contractors	 A total of 313 Environmental and Social Management Plans (ESMPs) were prepared and added to the works contract for contractors (99 in Q2 2023). E&S requirements have been incorporated in all bidding processes, on an ongoing basis. 6 FPs (Aga Khan Foundation, Afghan Aid, CHA, ACTED, DACAAR & CDDO) - 220 FPs staff were trained on (Environmental & Social Management, Health and Safety, GRM & Gender). Refresher trainings are planned to be conducted in August-September 2023
	 195 safeguard orientation training (Environmental & Social Management Health and Safety, GRM & Gender) were conducted for contractors staf (Male & Female) in C2 and this process is ongoing (78 in Q2 2023). A tota of 975 contractors' personnel were trained on the ESMF and ESMF requirements (195 * 5 contractors' staff for each project = 975 people) Regular inspections for ESMP implementation are ongoing. As a total 167 site inspections were conducted, 106 E&S inspections during the reporting period (Q2, 2023). The UNOPS standard forms for monitoring the works HSSE were used. Inspection findings were noted and shared with the contractors for rectification.



General findings include the followings:

- 1. PPE:
- Insufficient PPE provided to the laborers
- Some of the laborers were not willing to use PPE during working at the site.
- 2. Material storage and waste management:
 - Unusable materials/waste were not disposed of in the municipality-designated area. Construction materials were not stored well/correctly, some of the materials were stored in inappropriate places like pedestrian streets, around the electrical pole, and in public places.
- 3. Project sites were not segregated well:
 - Local people and Children are seen in the working areas
 - Projects areas were not well segregated by safety tapes
 - Weak traffic management and lack of traffic control signs
- 4. Lack of First Aid Kits in some of the projects and Lack of well-trained personnel to properly handle the First Aid Kit.
- 5. Low capacity of contractors' E&S personnel
 - Poor community consultation by contractors
 - Inadequate GRM awareness in the projects sites
 - Poor reporting
 - Delay in the rectification of deficiencies
 - Lack of E&S and safety awareness training for laborers in some of the projects
- 6. Availability of safeguard documents at the project site:
 - At some of the projects sites, ESMPs were not available;
 - GRM registration sheet and GRM logbook were not available in some of the projects
 - GRM registration sheet and logbook were available but not used or registered any grievance.

For each of the above-identified deficiency, proper mitigation measures proposed according to the project simplified ESMP, ESMF, labor management procedure, GRM guideline and UNOPS health and safety management plan.

UNOPS conducted follow up inspections to ensure that the proposed mitigation measures are applied and corrective action have been taken by the contractor.

Action Taken by Contractors for Rectification of the Findings:

- The contractors put in place mitigation measures for all the above-mentioned findings/risks identified during the site inspections as per the simplified ESMP. The laborers were immediately equipped with required PPE such as hard hats, safety shoes, vest ...etc. The grievances received about the PPE were resolved in a timely manner.
- Unusable materials/waste disposed of in the municipality-designated disposal area, this process is continued on a regular basis and the solid waste was managed properly.
- The construction sites are isolated for unauthorized access. Various site
 safety sign boards were installed and project sites were well segregated
 from the local people and Children, flag men for traffic management were
 assigned and traffic control signs were displayed by contractors as per the
 instructions. For protecting underground services, the excavated sites were
 surrounded with high visible safety tape.



- First Aid Kits were provided for all the project sites by the contractors and well-trained personnel were assigned to properly handle the First Aid Kit.
- Various toolbox talks/induction and safety briefings conducted for their personnel and laborers on health and safety, GRM, risk assessment and incident reporting. Contractors rectified all the deficiencies noted during the inspection as per the given timeline.
- Contractors reported/assured the availability and use of the safeguard documents at the project site such as project simplified ESMP, GRM registration sheet, and GRM logbook.
- The contractors' safeguard documents were reviewed at the site. The UNOPS and contractor staff provided toolbox talks to the labor on various activities such as excavations, scaffolding, concrete works, workplace management, health, and safety.

Monitoring/Spot Checks under C1: UNOPS planned to conduct 34 safeguard spot checks under C1 in July 2023. The findings of the spot check will be shared with the WB in the Weekly Reports and reflected in the next quarterly report.

ESS 2: LABOUR AND WORKING CONDITIONS

Labor Management Procedure

- Labour management procedures were included and disclosed as part of the ESMF, and they are included in the Simplified ESMP and added as an Annex in bidding documents for C2 contractors and disclosed prior to signing of contract between UNOPS and implementing NGO/contractors.
- Training session on Labor Management Procedure conducted for 6 FPs (Agha Khan, Afghan Aid, ACTED, CHA, DACAAR, and CDDO) and 195 Contractors. This process is ongoing for the remaining Contractors.
- The Code of Conduct was prepared and approved by WB for CRLP workers (Direct workers, contracted workers, primary supplier and community worker).
- The Code of Conduct was translated into local languages (Dari & Pashto).
- During the site visit, it was noted that the contractors comply with the LMP;
- CRLP staff signed the Code of Conduct and this process is ongoing for FPs and Contractors staff and workers.
- 1,354 FPs staff signed CoC (AfghanAid 206, ACTED 381, CHA 188, AKDN 339, 240 DACAAR) staff and this process is ongoing for the remaining one FP (CDDO).
- Contractors are also sending signed CoC on a regular basis.
- Safe working environment is provided for females at the project site and they are assigned to light works (cleaning, traffic management, PPE distribution, water spray etc).
- Grievances received on Labours related issues on the following categories:
 - Delay in daily wages
 - Labour Selection
 - Unskilled laborers willing to be paid and engaged as skilled laborers
 - Request for rehiring as labor for the second time
 - Not provided enough PPE
- For more details, please refer to GRM section 7.7.2

Occupational Health & Safety

- OHS measures were included and adopted as part of the ESMF and its Generic ESMP.
- Mitigation measures were included in the Simplified ESMP and Health and Safety Management Plan and disclosed prior to signing of the contract between UNOPS and implementing NGO/contractors.
- OHS training session provided for 6 FPs and 195 Contractors.
- Labors at the project sites are equipped with proper PPE. Health and Safety toolbox talks are conducted on a daily basis to laborers before work commencement.



- First Aid Kits are available for each sub-project site under C2.
- In C2 27,877 Laborers (25,106 Male & 2,771 Female) were given health and safety induction by their contractors. Toolbox Talks Photos.
- HSSE Training provided by UNOPS for CRL 50 Engineers and HSSE focal points. The training covered the following topics:
 - Working at height
 - Traffic Management
 - Excavation and confined space
 - Electricity and Energy source
 - Lifting and hazardous substances

The Procurement of PPE and first aid kit for Lot 1-4 and 6 has been initiated. The number of PPE and first aid kits is proportionally based on the sub-project risk level. The procurement of PPE is expected to be completed by mid-Q3 2023, after which, the Services Contract for Lot 1-4 and 6 will be amended to add the cost of PPE in the FPs' proposal budget.

As a lesson learned, the PPE cost was added to the FP's proposal for Lot 5.

Grievance Mechanism for Project Workers

- GRM Manual has been prepared and approved by WB.
- Training on GRM was conducted for 6 FPs (Agha Khan, Afghan Aid, ACTED, CHA, DACAAR and CDDO) and 195 Contractors, and this process is ongoing.
- Grievance Registration form, GRM logbook and GRC list is shared with Contractors and is available at project sites.
- GRM poster are displayed at each sub-project site
- GRCs are established at subproject sites
- GRM forms have been established in the MIS.
- As of June 2023, a total 442 cases have been recorded (135 in Q2 2023).
 - o 72.62% are grievances,
 - o 11.99% are inquiries and;
 - o 15.38% are suggestions.
- For more details, please refer to GRM section 7.7.2

ESS 3: RESOURCE EFFICIENCY AND POLLUTION PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT

Resource Efficiency and Pollution Prevention & Management

- Mitigation Measures included in the Simplified ESMP and disclosed prior to the signing of contract between UNOPS and implementing NGO/ contractors.
- Construction materials and resources such as stone, gravel, soil, crush, water and other required materials were purchased from suppliers (Open market).
- Air pollution is managed by water spraying and dampening where necessary and practice of good housekeeping at the work site.
- As observed during the site inspections, no dust was seen because almost in all of the sub-projects the excavation materials and road/street surface or detours are already wet but still the contractors are advised to sprinkle with water the dirt where it creates the dust.
- Waste is treated or disposed of from the site to the designated landfield on a regular basis. Waste materials are transported to the municipality-designated disposal areas. No need for selection of additional disposal sites.
- The contractors provided waste bins on the contractor site camp.

ESS 4: COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SAFETY

Community Health & Safety

- The Community Health and Safety risks were identified, and appropriate mitigation measures were included in the Simplified ESMP.
- The Health and Safety Management Plan was disclosed prior to signing of the contract between UNOPS and implementing NGO/contractors.
- Training presentation on community health and safety was delivered to 6 FPs and 195 Contractors.
- The refresher trainings are planned in August September 2023.
- Community health and safety is a serious issue for UNOPS, all the contractors are oriented to take care of community health and safety in



	 their project sites. No issues with regards to the community health and safety were identified during the inspection. The contractors for C2 implemented the proposed mitigation measures highlighted in the ESMP, helping to manage the risks. In addition, daily site induction training/ Toolbox talks for contractor personnel, visitors and CDCs were conducted by contractor's E&S staff. No grievance has yet been received about the community's health and safety.
Traffic & Road Safety	 Traffic and road safety measures were prepared and adopted as part of the Generic ESMP in the ESMF. Mitigation measures were included in the Simplified ESMP and Health and Safety Management Plan and disclosed prior to signing of contract between UNOPS and implementing NGO/contractors. Flags men were assigned in projects for traffic control. Most of the project sites were segregated by safety tapes and safety signs.
SEA/SH Risks	 SEA/SH Action Plan prepared and adopted as a separate document from the ESMF, upon WB request, the SEA/SH Action Plan has not been disclosed. Mitigation Measures for SEA/SH included in the Simplified ESMP. 6 FPs (Aga Khan Foundation, Afghan Aid, CHA, ACTED, DACAAR & CDDO) - 220 FPs staff were trained on PSEAH. 195 works contractors were trained on PSEAH. 975 contractors staff received the required training; this process is ongoing for the rest of the Contractors. CRLP staff signed the Code of Conduct. 1,354 FPs staff signed CoC (AfghanAid 206, ACTED 381, CHA 188, AKDN 339, 240 DACAAR) staff and this process is ongoing for the remaining one FP (CDDO). Contractors are also sending signed CoC on a regular basis. No SEA/SH issue/grievance received during the reporting period. For more details, please refer to GRM section 7.7.2
Security Management	 Security risk management measures were included and adopted as part of the ESMF. FPs and Contractors are responsible for the security of their staff and assets. No security incident was reported at the CRL Project site during the reporting period. For further details, please see Section 7.8 - Security;
Chance Finds	 Chance Find Procedures were prepared and adopted as part of the ESMF and included in simplified ESMP. No chance finds were made during the reporting period. All the contractors are advised to stop work immediately upon discovery of any material with possible archaeological, historical, paleontological or other cultural value, relevant authorities are notified and Chance Find Procedures are carefully followed.
ESS 10: STAKEHOLDER ENGAGE	MENT AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
Stakeholder Engagement Preparation and Implementation	 Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP), ESMF is prepared, adopted and disclosed on WB, UNOPS and CRLP websites. ESMF and Stakeholder Engagement Plan is translated into the local languages (Dari & Pashto). ESMF and SEP were shared with the FPs to manage their projects and engage stakeholders accordingly. Information disclosure and consultations with communities and other stakeholders are ongoing. 554 Community Consultation completed in C2, 133 in Q2 2023. Photos of the community consultation are available here. All implementers and informal community structures/CDCs and members



- of vulnerable groups from project-affected communities are able to participate fully in the consultation process and get project benefits. The
- Stakeholders participated effectively and meaningfully in the consultative processes and appreciated the project benefits.
- GRM outreach Materials shared with FPs and Contractors, and available on the FB page.
- Key events, approach and methods used for information disclosure include:
 - Community meetings in coordination with local leaders and CDC members
 - Phone communication (SMS)
 - Notice boards and social media
- Information is disclosed in Pashto/Dari, and English, and other respective
 local languages. Local leaders and CDC members were requested to inform
 communities during the community meetings. Women, persons with
 disabilities (PWDs), elderly, female-headed households, IDPs, ethnic
 minorities and other members of the vulnerable groups participated
 effectively and meaningfully in the consultative processes and their voices
 were heard.

Community Consultation Feedbacks:

- The communities appreciated and were grateful to the WB for the implementation of the LIW and CFW projects. They are requesting expanding the programme and covering other areas. Under C1, the communities requested that the duration of the project should be expanded to create more job opportunities for the laborers and rural communities.
- The community members appreciated the implementation of such projects under C2, but they requested that in the future such projects be implemented through the CDCs. They further stated that the labor intensive projects do not need heavy machinery and that the CDC members have sufficient experience in small infrastructure project implementation. Women were interested and enthusiastic to participate in the community consultation meetings and take an active part in the decision-making, in the Gozar and at the CDCs level. Female participants suggested that the WB and UNOPS should create job opportunities for females as most of them are college graduates and currently have no job opportunities.
- The women in Bamyan province suggested women's engagement in monitoring, surveying, and GRM. They also requested literacy courses and capacity building for girls who cannot go to school.
- The participants at the meetings requested more projects in order to provide job opportunities.

Capacity Support (Training)

- Environmental and Social management training materials and capacity-building agenda was prepared and approved by the WB.
- Training on the ESM Framework and standards, on gender-related and Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA) requirements and Grievance Response Mechanism (GRM) was delivered to all CRLP personnel.
- Trainings for 6 FPs (Agha Khan, Afghan AID, ACTED, CHA, DACAAR & CDDO)
 were delivered for around 220 FP staff (ESS, ESMF, E&S Screening process,
 Stakeholder Engagement, Labor Management and working conditions,
 Community Health & Safety, Occupational Health & Safety,
 Incident/Accident, GBV/SEA/SH/Gender & GRM). Irraining Photos
- Safeguard Orientation Training for 195 Contractors was conducted and around 975 personnel of the contractors were trained on E&S requirements, ESMP implementation, labor management procedures, GRM, health and safety, and GBV/SEA/SH.
- 27,877 Laborers (25,106 Male & 2,771 Female) received HSSE induction by their contractors. <u>Toolbox Talks Photos</u>.
- HSSE Training provided by UNOPS for CRL 50 Engineers and HSSE focal



	points. The training covered the following topics: - Working at height - Traffic Management - Excavation and confined space - Electricity and Energy source - Lifting and hazardous substances	
Project Grievance Mechanism	For GRM details, please refer to section 7.7.2	

7.7.2 Grievance Redress

As per the requirement of the CRLP, five FPs (LOT) have established two GRCs, one for normal grievances and one for SEA/GBV/SH grievances. Only CDDO (Lot #5) which has recently been onboarded and has not established the GRCs, CDDO will establish the GRCs in the third quarter. All six FPs have received training on grievance redress and SEA/GBV/SH. Table 7.7.2.1 elaborates the composition of GRCs in the FP offices.

Table 7.7.2.1: List of GRCs established by FPs

		Normal GRC			SEA/GBV/SH GRC		
		Male	Female	Total GRC	Male	Female	Total GRC
FP Name	LOT#	Members	Members	Members	Members	Members	Members
AKF	1	6	0	6	3	3	6
ACTED	2	9	2	11	3	2	5
AfghanAid	3	10	0	10	1	3	4
СНА	4	7	0	7	2	4	6
CDDO	5	Newly onboarded					
DACAAR	6	6	1	7	3	2	5
Tot	al	38	3	41	12	14	26

A total of 442 grievances/cases were registered through different GRM uptake channels. The Project carried out an analysis which shows that 72.62% of the cases are grievances, 11.99% are inquiries and 15.38% are suggestions. It is also noted that 86.43% are registered by males, while 13.57% are registered by female complainants. All the registered complaints are low priority.

Number of grievances reported by uptake channels

Overall, there are 442 grievances registered through different uptake channels. The highest number (60%) of grievances registered through petition. It is due to the fact that the project team is accessible in provinces.

The rest of the grievances are received through remaining uptake channels stated below. It is worth mentioning that no grievances are registered through the web portal and it is due to the fact that connectivity level is weak in provinces compared to the capital. Therefore, people find it difficult to reach us through that.

In addition, the number of cases registered through verbal channels are 83 and 73 grievances registered through hotline number, while 10 cases are registered through SMS. The remaining cases are registered through (social media 6 grievances, email 2 grievances and the cases which do not fall under the mentioned categories are registered under the category called (other 4 grievances))

It is mentionable that 15 grievances registered through 7575 UNICEF Platform which were not relevant to the CRLP. Therefore, they were not registered in CRLP MIS and diverted back to UNICEF.



		grievances	grievances	under process
1	Hotline Number	73	73	0
2	Web Portal	0	0	0
3	Social Media	6	6	0
4	Verbal	83	83	0
5	Petition	264	264	0
6	Email	2	2	0
7	SMS	10	10	0
8	Other	4	4	0
Total		442	442	0

Table 7.7.2.2: Issues Registered by Main Category

Туре	Total	Male%	Female%
Grievances	321	84.11%	15.89%
Suggestions	68	91.18%	8.82%
inquiries	53	94.34%	5.66%
Other	10	100%	0

Number of grievances reported, by gender

Out of a total 442 grievances, 86.43% are reported by male while 13.57% of them are reported by females. The female inclusion depicts that females are well oriented on different GRM uptake channels.

No	Gender	# of registered grievances	# of resolved grievances	# of grievances under process	Percenta ge
1	Male	382	382	0	86.43%
2	Female	60	60	0	13.57%
Total		442	442	0	100.00%

Grievances Priority

The below number of grievances clearly demonstrate the better implementation of the project. Therefore, all the number of cases reported are low in priority. Medium and High priority cases are not reported because there was no health and threat life to beneficiaries in project sites.

No	Priority	# of grievances	Percentage	
1	Low	442	100%	
2	Medium	0	0%	
3	High	0	0%	
Total		442 100.00%		



Number of grievances registered in the second quarter is 135, which clearly demonstrates the level of awareness and sensitization among beneficiaries in targeted project implementation sites/locations.

Experience from other similar projects, such as CCAP and REACH, shows that reporting on exact figures from the communities is not entirely possible due to several reasons, such as change in the membership of the GRCs, loss of logbooks in the community, literacy level and lack of office space for the GRCs. Since it is not possible to collect entirely accurate figures on the number of grievances resolved at the community level or those grievances which are solved at community level by verbal discussion or agreements, the grievances which are resolved at the community level will not be reflected in the project results framework.

Table 7.7.2.3: Issues Registered by Provinces

S.N	Provinces	# of Grievances received and resolved up to the previous quarter	# of Grievances received and resolved during Q2 2023	Cumulative
1	Bamyan	0	1	1
2	Herat	6	10	16
3	Kabul	11	18	29
4	Kapisa	12	0	12
5	Kandahar	23	0	23
6	Khost	26	5	31
7	Kunduz	3	0	3
8	Mazar	16	18	34
9	Nangarhar	200	5	205
10	Faryab	1	2	3
11	Wardak	9	0	9
12	Sare Pul	0	3	3
13	Badakhshan	0	2	2
14	Takhar	0	1	1
15	Uruzgan	0	70	70
Total		307	135	442

Table 7.7.2.2: Grievances Registered by Category

Grievance Category	Grand Total	Percentage
Environmental	78	27.56%
Financial Management & Procurement	5	1.77%
Gender	3	1.06%
Labour and Wages	154	54.42%
Misbehaviour Staff	7	2.47%
Recruitment & Staffing	15	5.30%
Social	13	4.59%
Subproject design	8	2.83%
Subproject Implementation	28	9.89%
Grand Total	283	100.00%

- During the reporting period, all the grievance uptake channels (tollfree 410, SMS 7575, email crl.shekayat@unops.org, Website www.acrlp.org and facebook) were active and responsive to the complainants' concerns.
- The two GRM positions are filled and the GRM team is onboard from 25 June 2023.



7.9 Monitoring Findings

During Q2 2023, the project planned to carry out spot-check for ECA, labor payment and SG beneficiaries. However, due to various issues including ban/restriction of UN and CTG female staff to report to work, the Project was unable to carry out spot checks and verify the ECA, labor payment and SG beneficiaries in Q2 2023. The Project was unable to obtain security clearance for female CTG contracted SOs under C2 and deploy them to the rural sites (CTG approved the female SOs to report to work in the Urban Area only). In Q3 2023, the project is planning to transfer five (5) of the C2 female SOs to C1 and meet with the CTG to obtain security clearance to the rural area. Accordingly, spot-checks in 32 CDCs in 10 provinces will be carried out during Q3 2023.

8. THIRD PARTY MONITORING AGENT (TPMA)

Several joint WB, ACRLP and TPMA coordination meetings were held and the issue of TPMA access to the project sites was discussed.

The TPMA started with physical monitoring in urban areas during Q1 2023 and extended it to rural areas in Q2 2023.

For C2, a total of 27 project site visits were reported during Q1 and 393 reported in Q2 2023. A total of 29 deviations reported (21 in Q1 and 8 in Q2) of which 3 of them are reported as critical deviations (1 PPE and 2 drainage systems). All the deviations including the criticals were rectified and reported to the TMPA..

TPMA now has access to the CDCs and sub-project data in the MIS.

For C1, TPMA conducted ECA verification through phone. However, UNOPS has not received the ECA assessment verification reports/findings.

The details of deviations are as follow:

- Project Management (20): Loose materials and improper mix of concrete on the road surface, missing of
 the contraction joints for the PCC capping of the stone masonry drainage wall, concerns regarding the
 the scouring of retaining wall foundation, consideration of side ditch for some of the road projects which
 are not part of the design and, having no traffic safety protection for the vehicles, such as curbstones or
 guardrails.
- Social Safeguards (1): dislodged 35 curbstones at 3 different points
- Use of Materials (6): seedlings/saplings have been dried
- Workmanship (2): Missing of contraction joints on the PCC capping

Table 8.1 Below table shows the summary and discrepancies flag:

Province	Critical	Major	Minor	Grand Total
Balkh			6	6
Herat			1	1
Kabul	1	1	6	8
Kandahar		2	4	6
Khost			1	1
Kunduz	1		2	3
Nangarhar	1		3	4
Grand Total	3	3	23	29



Table 8.2 The status of rectification is as following:

	Status			
Province	Rectified	Not-Rectifiable	Grand Total	
Balkh		6	6	
Herat		1	1	
Kabul	1	7	8	
Kandahar		6	6	
Khost		1	1	
Kunduz		3	3	
Nangarhar		4	4	
Grand Total	1	28	29	

9. KEY CHALLENGES AND MITIGATION MEASURES

- and carry out the spot-checks;
- Issue # 2 TPMA Access to the project sites:
 - TPMA conducted several physical inspections of the project site for C2. The TPMA inspection was focusing on the infrastructure part.
 - TPMA has not yet started the verification of the social parts such as ECA, labor payment and SG in Urban area;
 - Currently, TPMA does not have access to the sites for C1. However, TPMA has initiated ECA verification via phone.
 - The TPMA phone verification report needs to be verified by a physical/direct inspection on the ground.
- Mitigation 2: TPMA can initiate remote monitoring for Financial Management, and initiate remote ECAs. Pending access to the site, TPMA shall visit the project C1 sites and collect the data.
- IMitigation 3 and 4 For C1, the Project conducted several meetings with the FPs to get their idea on how to increase the female laborers in the CFW activities. A robust gender strategy and action plan was prepared and shared with the WB. The Project is also planning to seek exceptional approval from DFA for engaging female workers in the LiW, in compliance with all the Sharia Laws and Hijab;
 - Female laborers have to consider full coverage (hijab) while visiting the sites and also when visiting the office;
 - Female laborers should be accompanied by a mahram when they are receiving their payment and there should be no female alone to visit the office;
 - Appropriate tasks should be assigned to the females and prevent more interactions between males and females;
 - Orientation on PSEA to staff and labor of construction company;
 - Female social organizers should conduct weekly or monthly meetings with the female laborers and share their issues with UNOPS gender associate or the urban focal point;
 - o In order to support the female staff (social organizer or female holding other positions), a presence of mahram should be supported in the budget. For example, INGOs are considering this issue and are paying 300-500 AFN daily to the mahram.
- Issue #5 Land acquisition for the Construction of Nadir Niromand Secondary School Boundary Wall in city district#11 of Mazar-e-Sharif
 - The contract for Construction of Nadir Niromand Secondary School Boundary Wall in District#11 of Mazar-e-Sharif city signed with Jawid Omid Construction Company on 17 April 2023, subsequently after conducting the contract kick off meeting, on 10-May 2023 the NTP (Right of



access to the side) was issued to the contractor and they were introduced to the community. After mobilization, labor announcement, labor registration and all other required steps along with some community issues on the school's location which was solved with the support and coordination of Mazar Municipality and Education Department, finally the contractor started the physical works at project site on 24 May 2023. After two days the project activities were stopped by the head of police district (PD)#11. The reason for stopping was the recent written instruction from the De-Facto Authority Head in Kandahar for overall Afghanistan that no construction activities are allowed in private or governmental new established townships until it gets the clearance letter from the assigned committee on provincial level.

• Mitigation #5 - The Project is coordinating with the community to relocate the project site. That requires a design review to ensure there is no impact on the design by changing the project location.



11. ANNEXES

Annex A: IUFR for the period ending 30 June 2023

• **IUFR** produced for the period ending 30 June 2023.

Annex B: Interim Financial Statement as of 30 June 2023

• Interim Financial Statement produced as of 30 June 2023.

Annex: Result Framework



Annex D: Results Framework

Project Development Objectives	S	ľ

The objective of the Project is to provide short-term livelihood opportunities and deliver urgent essential services in rural and urban areas.

Project Development Objectives Indicators

Troject Development Objectives indicators							
Indicator Name	Baseline	End Target	Progress up to Last Quarter	Current Quarter Progress	Cumulative Progress	Percentage Progress	
Provide short-term livelihood opportunities and urgent essential	services in	rural and urban a	reas				
Number of beneficiary households receiving livelihoods support (Number)	0	700,000	19,082	111,390	130,472	2.7%	
Number of vulnerable households receiving social grants	0	100,000	1,291	9,377	10,668	1.3%	
Number of female-headed households receiving social grants	0	Monitored for progress	785	5,604	6,389		Rural only
Number of people with improved access to basic services	0	7,400,000	373,020	313,242	686,262	5.1%	Com2 only
Intermediate Results Indicators by Components							
1. Emergency Livelihoods Support and Services in Rural Areas							
Number of working days created, Component 1	0	17,300,000	43,459	2,243,488	2,286,947	0.3%	
Number of beneficiary households receiving cash for work	0	608,000	4,341	111,390	115,731	0.7%	
Number/type of rural activities completed (clean water, sanitation, road rehabilitation, agroforestry, etc.)	0	4,000	clean water = 0 sanitation = 0 road rehabilitation = 0 agroforestry = 0	clean water = 0 sanitation = 0 road rehabilitation = 0 agroforestry = 0	road rehabilitation = 0	0%	
Number of people in rural areas benefiting from basic infrastructure services (clean water, sanitation, road rehabilitation, agroforestry, etc.)	0	5,400,000	clean water = 0 sanitation = 0 road rehabilitation = 0 agroforestry = 0	clean water = 0 sanitation = 0 road rehabilitation = 0 agroforestry = 0	clean water = 0 sanitation = 0 road rehabilitation = 0 agroforestry = 0	0%	
Number of rural communities reached with program activities	0	5,000	0	0	0	55%	According to RF this indicator is linked with



							ACRLP Form 7. F7 is not uploaded in MIS.
2. Emergency Livelihoods Support and Services in Urban Areas							
Number of working days created, Component 2	0	5,500,000	305,860	0	305,860	5.6%	
Number of beneficiary households receiving livelihood support through labour-intensive works	0	92,000	14,741	0	14,741	16%	
Number of IDP households	0	Monitored for progress	1,778	0	1,778		
Number/type of urban activities completed (road rehabilitation, water infrastructure, drainage, sanitation, canal cleaning, etc.)	0	400	29	28	57	7.3%	
Number of urban residents benefitting from basic infrastructure services (road rehabilitation, water infrastructure, drainage, sanitation, canal cleaning, etc.)	0	2,000,000	373,020	313,242	686,262	18.7%	
Number of cities reached with program activities	0	8	8	0	8	100%	
3. Social Grants for Women and the Most Vulnerable in Rural and	Urban Area	as					
Number of vulnerable households receiving social grants	0	100,000	1,291	9,377	10,668	1.3%	
Number of female-headed households	0	Monitored for progress	785	5,604	6,389	0%	
Number of vulnerable households with persons with disabilities	0	Monitored for progress	506	3,773	4,279	0%	
4. Strengthening Community Institutions for Inclusive Service Deli	very espec	ially for Women					
Number of CDCs operating under the project and receiving social and technical support	0	5,000	4,432	1,193	5,625	88.6%	
Number of established CDCs with women participating	4,000	5,000	4,431	1,195	5,626	88.6%	
5. Implementation Support							
Percentage of grievances received that are resolved	0	70	100	100	100	100%	Urban
Percentage of sampled community respondents (male/female) satisfied with project activities	0	70	0	0	0	0	