



Afghanistan National Nursery Growers Organization (ANNGO)

Bi-Monthly Report



ANNGO General Assembly conducted in the presence of H.E. Kabul Governor, Kabul DAIL Director & Officials from MAIL.

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Nursery Industry Development Transition Project



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List of acronyms used in the report

- NGAs; Nursery Growers Associations
- MSNs; Mother Stock nurseries
- MAIL; Ministry of Agriculture Irrigation and Livestock
- NHLP National Horticulture and livestock project
- HPS-SO1; Horticulture Private Sector-Sub objective one
- MTs Mother Trees
- PHDCs Perennial Horticulture Development Centers
- DHD Directorate of Horticulture Development
- FMs Field Managers
- DAIL; Director Agriculture Irrigation & Livestock
- TA Technical assistance
- MAIL; Ministry of Agriculture Irrigation and Livestock
- CPNs; Certified Production Nurseries
- NHLP National Horticulture and livestock project
- HPS-RI; Horticulture Private Sector-Relief International
- TLO; A Swiss peace Pilot Project-Tribal Liaison office (Afghanistan)
- BoDs Board of Directors
- MoU Memorandum of understanding
- PHDCs Perennial Horticulture Development Centers
- NC National Collection
- CA Certification Authority
- UNEPA United Nations Environmental Protection Agency
- ECO Economic Cooperation Organization
- ARIA Agriculture Research Institute of Afghanistan
- SPCD Seed & Planting material Certification Directorate
- ANSOR Afghanistan National Seed Organization

1. Description

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| 1.1. | Name of beneficiary of grant contract: | Afghanistan National Nursery Grower Organization |
| 1.2. | Name and title of the Contact person: | Zainulabudin Noor, General Manager |
| 1.3. | Name of partners in the Action: | N/A |
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| 1.8. | Final beneficiaries &/or target groups: | Nursery Growers / Orchard and vineyard growers
(about 600,000 persons and family units) |
| 1.9. | Country (ies) in which the activities take place (if different from 1.7): | Afghanistan. |
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2. Assessment of implementation of Action activities

2.1. Executive summary of the Action

Afghanistan National Nursery Growers organization is leading organization supporting and providing TA to national projects/NGOs, nursery & orchard growers in 6 different zones of the country.

During the reporting past two months ANNGO has moved forward conducted its 8th General Assembly where all NGA chairmen, MAIL officials, partner organizations, project advisors, NHLP, Kabul Governor and DAIL director participated in the meeting. The programme was arranged in Shahana Restaurant, Kabul city. The general theme of the general assembly was 'The sustainability of the ANNGO'. In the long term ANNGO should stand as a strong entity for improvement of the nursery industry and development of horticulture sector in the country. ANNGO enable the NGAs to run the project in the future with their financial support in order to be sustainable. The two main objectives of the general assembly were, to exchange ideas on the best way to guarantee the support of the NGAs and agreed on the business plan, and elect the structure of the executive board of directors. There was also ample opportunity to discuss the progresses, exchange experiences and further strengthen of the NGAs in the production of high quality planting material and certified saplings. The ANNGO General Assembly conducted according to the policy and by-law of the organization and on the last day of the general assembly the election was held for new BoDs members. The details of the general assembly are attached as **ANNEX 1**.

ANNGO staff had regular meetings during the month with HPS consultants, Mr. Yama Torabi & Mr. Gerard H.Th. Bruijl. Business Development Expert Int'l Consultant for organizational issues and marketing of certified saplings. Both the consultants also attended the general assembly and had their presentations to the participants. Mr. Gerard has also developed "**Proposed Business Plan Structure**" for ANNGO. ANNGO staff revised the business plan.

Official inspections of MSNs are started during the month of May & senior inspectors inspected the MSNs of Laghman, Kunar, Nangarhar, Paktia, Logar, Herat, Helmand, Kandahar & Hariwa NGAs. All the standards are checked according to the fruit trees certification scheme rules. The viral infected MTs are removed from MSNs before inspection. All the data of inspections are shared with ANNGO database section. ANNGO to involve SPCD field staff in the inspection of MSNs.

ANNGO staff also had meeting with HPS, MAIL/ARIA, UNEPA & technical group of cherries. The main purpose of the meetings were coordination, cooperation and support to Nursery Industry and expansion of ANNGO activities in provinces like Dai-Kundi & other districts of Bamyān provinces.

ANNGO Staff also participated in National Seed Conference and workshop planning of seeds in summer season. The workshop was for 3 days. The venue of workshop for the first day of workshop was Pamir Training Hall in MAIL" and two other days" Seed Secretariat Building in Badam Bagh. The participants were MAIL/ Minister, Deputy Minister, Senior Adviser of MAIL, Sectorial Directorates of MAIL, National and International NGOs representatives, Representatives of Seed Companies, ANNGO Board Chairman and Deputy Chairman, Shakardara NGA FM and others (around 250 participants). The main purpose of the workshop was to improve seeds productions situations and improved seed plan for distribution in coming season.

ANNGO staff developed calendars and diaries for the year 2016-17 and distributed the published calendars. ANNGO staff also distributed pruning tools to NGA chairmen. Attached find list of distributed calendars and pruning tools as **ANNEX 2 and ANNEX 3**.

Capacities building of Field Managers are the key component of ANNGO fruit trees certification scheme and continuous 4 seasonal training per year are responsibility of ANNGO staff. ANNGO & HPS staff conducted Field Managers training programme in farm-i-jadid and conducted 3 days training programme. Attached find list agenda and list of trainees of the training conducted as **ANNEX 4**.

During the reporting period, elections are held in Takhar, Paktia, Bagram & Logar NGAs. The elections are held according to rules and regulations of each NGA by law. The NGAs officially invite ANNGO team as witness for the processes & result of the election. The NGAs have informed ANNGO, DAIL & partner organizations for the result of the elections. As a result of election in Takhar, Mr. Rahimullah, one of the active members is selected as Chairman.

A field day was arranged by Helmand NGA. The main purpose of the field day was to attract more nursery & orchard growers purchase budwoods & saplings from Helmand NGA. ANNGO has introduced low chill peaches to Helmand NGA & as a result, the productivity and overall performance of the introduced peaches are impressive in Helmand & Kandahar NGAs. Around 85 members participated in the field day of Helmand NGA.

NHLP has promised to support ANNGO to improve the certified saplings production through establishment of tissue culture laboratory for ANNGO. The laboratory should have the capacity of producing over 1.5 millions of rootstocks for apples, cherries, pistachio, pears, etc. For this purpose, NHLP has invited a consultant to study the situation and possibilities of construction of laboratory. ANNGO staff had detailed meeting with the consultant in the US Embassy and ANNGO introduced to the consultant that this project is supported by EU and working in the 24 provinces with 30 NGAs. The consultant reported the situation of her study and results of visits/meeting to H.E MAIL minister for the market of clonal rootstocks in the country.

Results and Activities

Outcome1: ANNGO is developed as an independent and self-sustainable organization for the development & improvement of Afghan Fruits, nuts and ornamentals nursery sectors.

- ANNGO being an independent organization has conducted its 8th General Assembly and conducted election among 30 member NGAs. As a result of the election new BoD of ANNGO are selected.
- Being an independent organization, ANNGO staff conducted meeting with UNEPA for new nurseries project in Daikundi and Bamyan provinces. The organization is ready to support ANNGO establish MSNs and Nurseries in the mentioned locations.
- ANNGO has regularly provided TA to ornamentals & fruit tree nurseries of NGAs and partner organizations.
- ANNGO staff attended workshop arranged MAIL & USAID for the improvement & development of nursery production of the certified saplings.
- Being an independent organization, ANNGO has monitored the elections held in the NGAs.

Outcome 2: The technical level of the fruit tree, nut nurseries in Afghanistan are raised to standards appropriate to the development of a modern nursery industry.

- ANNGO & HPS staff has conducted training to FMs of all the NGAs in Farm-i-jadid, Nangarhar PHDC.
- ANNGO staff has regularly provided TA to NGAs during the monitoring missions of the north and north east of the country.

Outcome 3: The technical level of ornamentals nurseries in Afghanistan are raised to standards appropriate to the development of a modern ornamental industry.

- ANNGO & HPS staff has monitored the Babour Garden ornamental model nursery and has instructed the field staff for pest and disease management in the nursery.
- ANNGO has started registering the available ornamental trees, shrubs & flowers in the country.

Outcome.4 The current planting material registration and certification system is consolidated and improved.

- ANNGO Head of Regulatory Services revised the nurseries registration forms of NGAs.
- FMs inspected seedlings in the newly established nurseries. The field Managers also monitored the bud-take percentage in the one year old nurseries.
- ANNGO inspectors developed inspection plan for 69 MSNs.
- Newly established nurseries are registered and included in the fruit tree certification scheme.
- Inspections of MSNs are officially started & ANNGO has to involve SPCD directorate of MAIL in the inspection process of ANNGO. Inspection of MSNs of Kunar, Laghman, Nangarhar, Paktia, Logar, Herat, Hariewa, Kandahar & Helmand NGAs are completed.
- The data of the inspected MSNs are entered into ANNGO database.
- The viral infected MTs are removed from MSNs in Paktia province during inspection.

3. Workshops, Field day, Field trip, Exhibitions, trainings and coordination meetings:

Meeting with HPS Consultants;

ANNGO staff had meeting with ANHDO/HPS consultants, Mr. Yama Turabi ANHDO/HPS Organizational Development consultant and Mr. Gerard Business Consultant. The team met Paghman and Shakardara chairmen of NGAs regarding following issues:

- Situations of nursery growers association
- How to develop the organizations
- How to improve the NGAs
- How to make sustainable the nursery growers associations
- Finding reasonable way to make financial strong nursery growers associations
- Preparing good business plan for ANNGO and also for NGAs.

Cherry Technical Group Meeting:

ANNGO staff participated in cherry technical group meeting. The participants of the meeting were ANHDO/HPS/ (SO2, SO3 staff), Mr. Shir Shah from Landle Mills and PBTL staff . The total participants of the meeting were 6 persons.

The main issues discussed were as follow:

- Cherry National Collection and completion of register of cherry collections also rootstocks of cherry (Colt and Gazila 5) in the PHD Centres.
- Preparing high recommended varieties like Bing, Santana, Burlat and others
- From SO3 give information about market and trading of cherry and varieties which the demand of market are high
- Request of nursery growers for cherry from high recommended varieties and production certified saplings on rootstocks.

Coordination Meeting with TLO;

TLO is a Swiss organization supporting Horticulture sector in Khost and Paktia provinces currently. ANNGO is providing TA and other services to the organization. On 6th of April had meeting with Mr.Nawaz Khan, the main issues were discussed as follows:

- Registration of Khost NGA in Ministry Justice
- Khost NGA must take membership of ANNGO
- Khost MSN inspection and production of certified saplings
- Facilitation for Khost NGA like other NGAs from TLO project
- Hiring Field Manager for Khost NGA.

ANNGO & ANHDO meeting:

ANNGO staff Participated in group meeting with ANHDO/HPS/SO1 staff (Mr. Sumar Gul, M.Karim and Hafiz Naimi), the main issues are the following:

- Determine the subjects of Field Managers needs
- Prepared training agenda
- Selection subjects by ANNGO and HPS/SO1 staffs
- Determine duration, date and time for training

ANNGO & UNEP Meeting:

ANNGO staff had their first meeting with UNEP staff regarding following issues:

- Briefly information of ANNGO and NGAs activities
- UNEP staff explained their horticulture programs in Daikundi, Balkh, Takhar and Badakhshan provinces.
- They mentioned to have coordination work with Nursery Growers Associations which are members of ANNGO and also in some locations the NGAs are not exist and they are keen to establish with collaboration of ANNGO.

Field Managers Training Programe:

From 24th to 26th of April ANNGO technical staff participates in Field Managers training in Jalalabad. In these three days training trainers trained 28 Field Managers of 29 NGAs, theoretically and practically regarding 18 different subjects. In general this training program was useful for Field Managers and during the three days of training, the FMs had good discussions and ideas. The main issues in discussions were as follow:

- Lack of certified planting materials in the MSNs of NGAs for production of enough certified saplings it mean not enough(certified mother trees, rootstocks, cuttings, seeds)
- In 2009 varieties fruit national collections established and parallel national collections establishment MSNs also were established, so there were not enough information regarding commercial varieties, so lot of varieties which distributed as mother trees in 2009 were not from commercial varieties
- PHDCs coordination with ANNGO
- PHDCs don't produce through the list of ANNGO request for establishing MSNs
- Field Manager of Kandahar NGA informed that they uprooted 143 poor qualities of mother trees form MSNs, but up to now didn't received any other certified mother trees instead of these uprooted mother trees.
- Most of FMs had complain regarding poor quality of certified planting materials from PHD Centers (weak growth, infected by pest and diseases).
- Field Manager of Pakta NGA also had complain regarding not aware in fruit exhibitions or Ag Fairs which conducted by PHDCs, and suggested for the next FMs and NGA members must invite in these events which have good opportunities for improvement, developments and managements of MSNs
- Also after my presentation regarding Soil Management and Neutrinos FMs suggest from ANNGO regarding providing some tools or kits for determination of (Soil pH, Temperature, Humidity etc.)

National Seed Conference and workshop planning of seeds in summer season;

Duration: From 16 – 18 April, 2016

Venue: First day" Pamir Training Hall in MAIL" and the other two other days" Seed Secretariat Building in Badam Bagh.

Participants: MAIL/ Minister, Deputy Minster, Senior Adviser of MAIL, Sectorial Directorates of MAIL, National and International NGOs representatives, Representatives of Seed

Companies, ANNGO Board Chairman and Deputy Chairman, Shakardara NGA FM and others (around 250 persons)

Purposes: The improved seed seeds productions situations and improved seed plan for distribution in coming season.

Mr. Mirdad Painshiri opened the conference and explained the past 35 years of the Afghanistan Agriculture situation that were in very good situations compare to current time. He said that we have 125 seed companies' producers and farmers can't find enough improved seeds, also he mentioned about the previous Agriculture Development Bank of Afghanistan for facilitation of farmers and mentioned now unfortunately we didn't have this Bank.

He was happy from EU regarding supporting more than 10.5 million \$ for supporting development of seed industry in Afghanistan. Also he mentioned about establishing National Collections varieties fruit of Afghanistan by financially supporting of EU. Also he appreciate the support of EU for establishing of ANNGO that is working for the certification scheme for the first time in the region.

Later on HE Mir Amanuddin Haidary discussed regarding value of improved seed in development of Seed Industry and the NGOs which are working in seed sectors. He mentioned the Research Directorate of MAIL introduced 29 varieties of wheat and out of these varieties 6 varieties are the top.

Then Mr. Mohammad Akbar Waziri MAIL/Cereal Director explained the three main point of this conference that are: (production, certification and distribution) of seeds, he mentioned the Cereal Directorate Established in framework of MAIL 7 year ago but now has some achievements such as follow:

- Approve the seed law in 2009
- Seed regulation will be approved soon that the ANNGO certification scheme will be included
- Good coordination with donors
- Distributing Seed, DAP and Urea for 2.3 million formers
- 60000 farmers registered in MAIL database
- By supporting of JICA have 880 demonstration Plats of rice
- 1200 demonstration plats of saffron
- To send around 27 staff of MAIL for Agriculture Educations to Iran

He mentioned about weak points as follow:

- Poor quality of seed
- Improper distribution of seed and fertilizers to the farmers
- Late distribution of seed and fertilizers (Not in proper time)
- The Agriculture Sectorial Directorate don't have proper plan etc.
- ANSOR don't implement their mandate by their companies which have in their plan

He explained his future plan as follow:

- Distribution 10000 MTs seeds
- Distribution 10000 MTs of DAP fertilizer
- Distribution 20000 MTs. Urea fertilizer
- Saffron 500 Demonstration Plats in 10 Provinces

Then Mr. Sayed Ajan Abdiani explained about following issues:

- Appreciate supporting of HE Asudullah Zamir Minister of MAIL regarding selling 6000 MTs of wheat seed from ANSOR
- Establishment of ANSOR by supporting EU financing
- Success implementation of ANSOR Credit program
- Now ANSOR is the member of ECO

Then he had some requests as follow:

- Requested MAIL to support the sector in the marketing of products
- Farmers need improved seed of vegetable , corn and cotton. Research Directorate must provide the breeder seed of these varieties as per request by farmers
- Government Farms have lot of land without any cultivation, he requested MAIL authorities to rent these lands for seed companies
- Inspection problems (security problem, District Governor and DAIL create problems during inspections) these problems must be solved by Government
- Linking ANSOR with National and International NGOs through support of MAIL
- Support coordination between ANSOR and relatives organizations through support of MAIL

Then Mr. Mahbubullah Nang Seed and Planting Material Director had speech regarding following issues:

- Value of improved seed in development of Agriculture and economy of Afghanistan
- In Balkh, Nangarhar, Kunduz and other Provinces seed laboratory working actively
- Seed regulation manula will finalize soon, but regarding vegetable regulation still we problems are exist.
- ANNGO certification regulation must be evaluate by SPCD and ANNGO must run their regulation officially

At the end, HE Assadullah Zamir Minister of MAIL stated the below points:

- Our target are farmers, Afghanistan farmers have lots of problems in the field of Agricultures, if MAIL can't solve the problems of farmer, then there is no need for presence of the MAIL:
- Price of agri-input is high then production of agriculture
- For increase of yield we need to better methods, better machinery and etc.
- Regarding establishing Agriculture Development Banks of Afghanistan, HE promised to re-establish the bank but it should be consider to have a good mechanism on the implementation of the bank.
- HE discussed about the poor quality of seed, fertilizers and other Agri-inputs in the country
- HE also insist for creating a good policy for marketing to compete in the International Market

HE mentioned during these three days conference MAIL & Seed Companies (Agriculture Public and privet sectors) must prepare their plans and submit to the MAIL.

After speech of HE Minister, Agriculture Directors from Kabul, Balkh, Herat, Nangarhar, Kunduz, Kandahar and Khost Provinces presented their main activities and future plans regarding seeds.

After then all participants divided in 4 groups under the following subjects:

- First group (decreasing cost for production of seeds and market)
- Second group (expectations of privet sectors form Government to support seed sectors in the country)
- Third group (expectations of MAIL from seed companies)
- Fourth group (expectations of privet sectors in production, propagation and certification of vegetable seed and other plants)

ANNGO staff was the member of fourth group and explained the expectations of planting materials and implementations of ANNGO certification scheme as follow:

- Increasing high value varieties of fruits species in fruits National Collections of Afghanistan
- Increasing commercial varieties of different species as mother trees in the MSNs
- Establishment of tissue culture laboratory for ANNGO with enough capacity production of rootstocks as per demand of market certified saplings
- Finalizing the manual of the Afghanistan national fruit trees certification scheme which voluntary implemented by ANNGO in the field
- Producing enough certified saplings as per demand of market
- Producing certified saplings on rootstocks

HPS Coordination meeting:

Date: 18.04.2016

Participants: ANHDO/HPS 4 component staff, HVP staff, Landle Mill representative and ANNGO representative, (around 15 persons)

Venue: Taimani 9th street, HPS office

Main purposes: Two week activities and workplan of 4 components of HPS and HVP.

The issues which related to ANNGO and nursery industry were the following issues:

1. HVP/ Mr. Bayani reported the two following issues:

- Kapisa and Srobi NGAs registration process
- ANNGO supporting two NGAs (Kapisa and Sorobi) which they received planting materials for establishing new MSNs
- Arranging visit of Kapisa & Sroubi NGAs to other provinces NGAs
- Request of NGA members from HVP horticulture tools and other inputs

After his presentation for better development of NGAs, he allowed the following points:

- Providing commercial varieties of fruit saplings with consideration of market and climate condition for these two NGA areas
- ANNGO support the capacity building of Field Managers and FMs must build the capacities of NGA members
- Traceability of the certified saplings production and implementation of ANNGO certification scheme with NGA members
- Proper management of MSNs and CPNs etc.

2. SO1/Nursery Industry / Mr. Samar Gul Ahmadzai reported the following issues:

- ANNGO catalogue will be ready for printing
- Leaflets and handbook regarding pest and disease are ready for distribution
- Field Manager training program will conduct in coming weeks

ANNGO Technical team & Chairman Trip to North & North-east

Duration of the trip;

The duration of the trip was 4th April to 8th April 2016.

Targeted locations;

The targeted locations were Kunduz, Baghlan, Samangan & Balkh provinces which consists of 6 NGAs in the north and north east zone.

Duration of visit;

The total duration of the visit was 4 days

Participants of the trip;

The participants of the trip was ANNGO chairman Haji Abdul Sattar and ANNGO Head of technical services Mr. Muzaffar Athar

Main Purpose of the trip;

The main purpose of the trip was to monitor the NGAs activities and the effect of bad security on the sales of certified saplings.

Summary of activities;

ANNGO chairman and Head of technical services traveled to north and north east to monitor the activities of NGAs and overview the sales in Kunduz, Baghlan, Samangan and Balkh provinces. The first day was trip to Kunduz where ANNGO chairman & HTS Manager discussed the below points;

- Cooperation of Kunduz DAIL with NGA & ANNGO for new project
- Mother trees status and budwood sales

- Sales of certified saplings by NGA and common field problem because of off types
- The MSN owner and his MSN improvement
- Pear Mother Trees payment to Mr. Bashir
- Label improvement & suggestion of possible changes by NGA members
- Grapes Nursery status and plan for planting the rooted cuttings in the coming spring.

ANNGO chairman visited Imam Qutiba NGA office and had meeting with Field Manager for nurseries could not be sold because of bad security. The Field Manager instructed ANNGO chairman for poor sales during autumn and lower prices of saplings in Baghlan market. ANNGO chairman also visited the newly constructed office of Imam Qutiba NGA.

ANNGO chairman visited Aybak NGA office and had meeting with new staff and Field Manager for their daily activities and sales of certified saplings during the spring season. The Field Manager requested ANNGO to help NGA establish boundary wall of NGA office & electricity for office. The sales of certified saplings were also good in Samangan province. ANNGO promised to help NGA paint its office during summer season.

ANNGO chairman visited Umulbilad NGA MSN and certified nurseries. The mission also visited an orchard of pear varieties imported from Turkey. Many orchard growers in the north & north east are importing dwarfing varieties of pears, apples & cherries from Turkey. ANNGO has to focus the production of saplings on dwarfing varieties in the NGAs.

ANNGO chairman also visited Khulm NGA office and NHLP activities in the field. The chairman visited orchards established by different project and had meeting with growers

Plant Health System Stakeholders Analysis Workshop-Intercontinental Continental Hotel

The workshop was arranged by plant protection directorate and conducted by CABI Company for staff of MAIL different directorates, national NGOs and private companies involved directly or indirectly with the plant healthy system. The workshop started on 23rd May and was for 2 days. Head of Technical Services Manger & Head of Regularity Services attended the workshop. The participants were divided into groups. During the 2 days training, the trainees were provided information on stakeholders of plant health & analysed the stakeholders.

Plant Tissue Culture Workshop-USAID

To inform the stockholders for the importance of micro-propagation & to check the potential private organization for the project. ANNGO staff attended workshop arranged by USAID for tissue Culture production of rootstocks. ANNGO technical staff, NHLP and private companies attended the workshop in the US embassy. The workshop was to inform ANNGO & NHLP for micro-propagation basics and detailed following was the agenda of the workshop,

AGENDA

Date: Monday, May 24, 2106

Location: USAID SDA-1/H-423

Topics

- Introductions: Iqbal Muhammad- USAID Agriculture Manager.
- Presentation on an introduction to micro-propagation: Dr. Vibha
- Presentation on micro-propagation Stages: Dr. Vibha
- Presentation on Setting up of Tissue Culture Laboratory,
- Final Discussion, Suggestions, concerns and
- Views of the potential private partners, Dr. Vibha,Dahwan

4. Summary of Important Events during the Month:

Nr	Event	Date	Location	ToT Nr of participants
1	Meeting with NGAs	4 th to 8 th April	Kunduz, baghlan, Samangan & Balkh	35
2	ANNG General Assembly & BoDs meeting	10 th to 13 April	Kabul	65
3	Meeting with UNEPA	19 th April	ANNGO office	6
4	Meetings with HPS	18 th April	ANNGO office	6
5	Meeting with HPS consultants	different	ANNGO & HPS office	7 each
6	National Seed Conference and workshop	16 th to 18 th April	SPCD building	280
7	Field Managers training	24 th to 26 th	Farm-i-jadid	28

		April		
8	Meeting with Mercy Corps (MC) for new project.	7 th May	MC office	4
9	Meeting with AAIDO	8 th May	AAIDO office	3
10	Meeting with NHLP	9 th May	NHLP office	6
11	Meeting with MC for concept notes	15 th May	MC office	4
12	Meeting with Tissue Culture Consultant	22 nd May	USAID main office	4
13	Plant Health System Stakeholders Analysis Workshop	23 rd May	Intercontinental Hotel	16
14	Workshop on Tissue Culture	24 th May	USAID main office	9
15	Meeting with tissue culture consultant & NHLP staff	25 th May	NHLP/MAIL	11
16	Meeting with HPS	28 th May	ANNGO office	6
17	PHDC stockholders Coordination Workshop	29 th May	ARIA main office	50
18	Meeting with HVP field managers	31 st May	ANNGO office	3

5. Members NGAs activities during the reporting month:

- Clonal rootstocks of apples are mounded with media and soil in all MSNs. The number of clonal rootstocks are increasing in all NGAs.
- The NGAs have close relations with DAILs & attended weekly meetings. The FMs also report during the meeting.
- All the Field Managers of NGAs attended the seasonal training programme in Nangarhar PHDC.
- The FMs filled the certification forms for nurseries registration and submitted them to ANNGO. The MSNs maps are updated by FMs of each NGA
- The FMs arranged NGAs internal BoDs meetings.
- Data of current years for certified nurseries are developed & updated
- MSNs & CPNs are monitored for pest & diseases
- Removed off types from CPNs
- Follow up meetings with NHLP and partner organizations
- Removed fruits from MSNs and improved the irrigation system
- Suggested MSN owners for urea application & canopy management of MSNs

6. Pictures:



Photo # 1. Visit of imported pear intensive orchard in Balkh province



Photo # 2. Join inspection of ANNGO and PBTL in MSN of Hariva NGA in Herat province



Photo # 3. Inspection of one of the best MSN in Logar province



Photo # 4. Field day arranged by Helmand NGA for the sales of certified budwood



Photo # 5. The virus infected cherry saplings are removed from MSN during inspection 2016



Photo # 6. Invitation cards for the ANNGO annual general assembly



Photo # 7. Award from Kabul Governor to ANNGO as a good farmer supporter organization

7. Visibility

How is the visibility of the EU contribution being ensured in the Action?

In line with the visibility policy followed by PHDP and PHDP2, it is the intention of the project not to use EC logos on vehicles due to the increased danger of providing vehicle identification to terrorists.

1. The project published the banners during the general assembly that Logos of EU were printed in these labels. Lots of project photos were fixed around the hall with the logo of EU.
2. Diaries, Calendars, pens, cups printed with the logo of EU which distributed to the different organizations, MAIL minister, Deputy minister, MAIL directorates, Kabul Mayor, Kabul governor, different projects, farmers, NGA members, students at universities, DAIL of different provinces, donors, MAIL projects etc
3. ANNGO officially invited the MAIL authorities, EU delegation team, legal advisors, MAIL Projects, governor, Kabul Mayor, DAIL directors, MAIL Directors in the general assembly by an invitation cards that was designed with logo of EU delegation. (see photo # 6)
4. ANNGO invite all the field managers for the workshop with agenda of the training which the logo of EU was printed in the agenda (See annex) Project provides all invitations to workshops and seminars in the standard project format as above.
5. The Project will continue previous practice of PHDP, where PHDP stands at fairs included a banner with the EU flag.
6. The ANNGO general manager attend the meeting of sectoral and annual reporting of the organizations in the governor house. During the meeting, ANNGO General Manager distributed the calendars, pens, cups and diaries (which logo of EU was printed at all of the

mentioned items) to the participant of the meeting that were the Kabul governor, Deputy of Kabul Governor, district governors of Kabul, UN agencies, donors, ministries, projects and members of provincial /district councils and parliament member. The EU delegation support to ANNGO and ANNGO project activities explained to them that luckily the ANNGO general manager obtained the award of best farmers supporter organization among the other project (see photo # 7).

Name of the contact person for the Action: Zainulabudin Noor

Signature:



Location: MAIL Cooperative Building, BadamBagh, Kabul Afghanistan

Date report due: April & May 2016

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