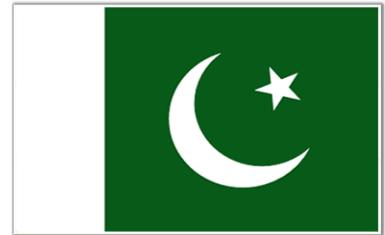


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Field Monitoring Report

3rd -16th June 2011

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Sindh was the main area covered during the field monitoring visit which was conducted from the 3rd of June to the 16th of June 2011. The purpose of the visit was to verify the progress being made in regards to transitional shelters and ensuring that the RSPs have complied with the paperwork requirements for each beneficiary. The three districts covered during this visit were Shikarpur, Jacobabad and Qambar ShahdadKot.

6th June 2011, Shikarpur:

1. Name of Monitor / Observer:	Ahmed Zia
2. Designation Monitor / Observer:	Project Monitoring Officer
5. Visit Date:	6th June 2011
6. Name of RSP	SRSO
7. Name of District:	Shikarpur

Meeting with SRSO Shikarpur staff:

On 6th June, 2011 I met with DPO Nasrullah and his staff at the Shikarpur office. Tehsils Khanpur, Shikarpur and Garhi Yasin fall under the Shikarpur which are further split up into six UCs. Mr.Nasarullah briefed us on the progress made since our last visit. He said the slow and steady progress of transitional shelters was due to the delayed assessments.

Transitional Shelter:

200 transitional shelters have been approved and completed in Shikarpur. UCs Jahawa and Garhi Dakho were chosen for the construction of transitional shelters. Initially the progress was relatively slow in comparison to sister districts within the SRSO. As of 6th June, 2011 all 200 shelters have been completed. The shelters observed had a foundation of approximately 1 foot below the ground whereas the DPC level was 2.5 feet.

The Shikarpur office had all the required documentation except the GPS coordinates. Separate files for each beneficiary had not been prepared. Mr. Nasarullah was asked to complete the files for each beneficiary as per the official standard. We were assured that some of the files would be completed the very next day for our inspection. The staff has been unable to measure the GPS coordinates due to unavailability of GPS devices that were supposed to be provided by the SRSO head-office in Sukkur. Mr. Hamid Bullo was notified of the situation and affirmed that the district offices will be provided GPS

devices immediately. Mr. Nasarullah informed that entries are being made into the MIS and will be completed in approximately a week's time. So far no issues have been reported with the MIS.

Field Visit to Union Council Garhi Dakho Village Mohammad Baksh Jafferi

The total number of beneficiary house-holds amount to 30 in this village. A few shelters were built completely of bricks where as others were half brick and half mud. The villagers were very happy with the houses that were being constructed in their village as this was the first time their village was the seeing the sight of firm brick shelters. This village also has Bahaal Agri-input beneficiaries and most of them had harvested their wheat produce. A few Bahaal Project hand pumps had also been installed in the village and it was obvious that the community had paid a lot of attention to the disposal of used water from the hand pumps. The used water was being collected in a hole dug in the ground and was used in the making of the bricks from which the shelters were being constructed.



Half brick half mud brick transitional shelters in the village of Mohammad Buksh Jaffery

Progress Update:

S.#	Activity	Target	Approved	Initiated	Completed	Beneficiary HH
1	Transitional shelter	200	200	200	200	200

7th-10th and 13th-16th June 2011, Shahdadkot:

1. Name of Monitor / Observer:	Ahmed Zia
2. Designation Monitor / Observer:	Project Monitoring Officer
5. Visit Date:	7 th -10 th and 13 th -16 th June 2011
6. Name of RSP	SRSO
7. Name of District:	Shahdadkot

Meeting with SRSO Shahdadkot staff:

From 7th-10th June and from 13th-16th June, 2011 regular visits to SRSO district office and various villages were conducted. Project monitoring officers Ahmed Zia, Ali Anis and Anum Anis held a meeting with the new district manager Mr. Ahmad Khan Soomro and project engineer Mr. Irfan Mahmood. The new district manager was given a brief introduction to the Bahaal Project and its various activities in the Shahdadkot district.

Under the Bahaal Project, SRSO is covering five Tehsils which include Shahdadkot, Qabu Saeed Khan, Kambar, Warah and Miro Khan. The twelve UCs which fall under these Tehsils are Jamali, Aietbar, Selra, Hazar Waah, Qabu Saeed, Bago Daro, Bohar, Dost Ali, Gaibi Dero, Mir pur, Gagi Khuhawer and Khabar.

Transitional Shelter:

Kambar Shahdadkot has the highest number of transitional shelters compared to any other district where Bahaal Project is being implemented. The target is 1800 out of which 780 have been completed so far. All of them have been initiated and will be completed very soon. Shelters are being constructed in UCs Jamali, Aietbar, Selra, Hazar Waah, Qabu Saeed and Bago Daro.

Some of these shelters had one vent whereas the minimum requirement was two. Not only one vent is inadequate for ventilation but it also does not let in enough light into the shelter. Irfan, project engineer was told to correct the problem before it was too late and mends could not be made. Due to weather conditions most people preferred smaller windows and vents.

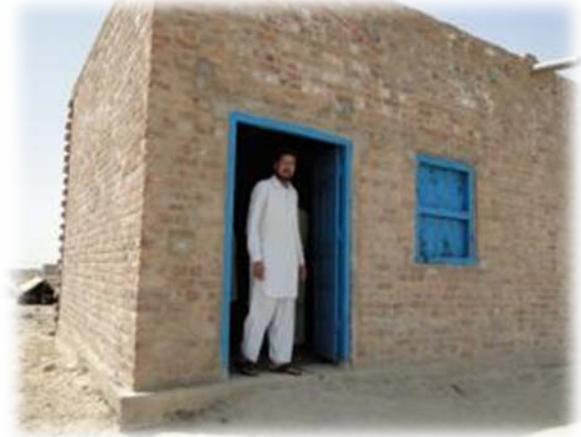
As of 7th June, 2011 all the beneficiaries have received the first installment. The second installment has also been handed out to some people. Mr. Irfan reported a delay of approximately 1 month in the transfer of funds from RSPN to SRSO. Most complaints received were associated with this delay. Upper management of SRSO and RSPN was notified of this severe delay and speedy action was taken to rectify this issue. Monitoring officers from Bahaal physically went to villages and distributed second and third installment checks (where applicable). The last installment which is worth Rs. 15,000 is contingent upon the completion of the shelter. The paper-work was randomly checked and the following were missing:

1. GPS coordinates.
2. Photographs (before and after).

Field Visit to Union Council Jamali, Villages Shahnawaz, Fateh Muhammad, Shoukat Khan Jarwa, Rahim Bux Borohi, Ali Sher Borohi, Nizam din Khoso, Umeed Ali Junejo, Shahnawaz Magsi and Sanjr Bhatti.

We visited Abd-ul-Rahim’s shelter which was nearing completion. He has received two installments of Rs. 10,000 and Rs. 15,000 respectively. The last installment of Rs. 15,000 is pending and will be disbursed soon. Rahim has made value additions to his house and spent an additional Rs. 40,000-50,000 on top of the grant received through the Bahaal Project. Muradbaksh, Tariq and Khadim Hussain have also received the first two installments, awaiting the final one.

As stated earlier, the quality of hand-pumps isn’t top-notch but they are serving the intended purpose. The hand-pump installed in village Shoukat Khan Jarwa is benefitting 25-30 house-holds, approximately 164-197 persons. The cement bases have been constructed properly but some of the sites do have drainage issues which were conveyed to Mr. Ifran Mahmood. The average depth of these pumps is 40 ft and the water tastes good.



Transitional shelters in the village of Shahnawaz

Progress Update:

S.#	Activity	Target	Approved	Initiated	Completed	Beneficiary HH
1	Transitional shelter	1800	1800	1800	780	1800

11th June 2011, Jacobabad:

1. Name of Monitor / Observer:	Ahmed Zia
2. Designation Monitor / Observer:	Project Monitoring Officer
5. Visit Date:	11 th June 2011
6. Name of RSP	SRSO
7. Name of District:	Jacobabad

Meeting with SRSO Jacobabad staff:

We visited SRSO's office in district Jacobabad on 11th June, 2011. Ms. Rukhsana Shar, DPO Jacobabad briefed us on the project progress since our last visit in mid March of the same year. All activities of the Bahaal Project have been successfully completed within the prescribed deadlines. Ms. Shar and her team were commended on a brilliant effort in regards to all sectors of Bahaal Project. Tehsil Thull is the only one that is being covered by the Bahaal Project in Jacobabad district. Seven UCs (Mirpur Buriro, Tog, Saeedo Kot, Jounge, Kareem Bux, Bachro and Deen Pur) fall under the Thull Tehsil.

Transitional Shelter:

The construction of transitional shelters took place in UCs Mirpur Buriro and Deen Pur. A total of 200 shelters have now been completed, 100 in each UC. During the last visit all of the shelters had been initiated and none had been completed. It was observed that most of the beneficiaries have made additions to their shelters. These include shelving, paint, two windows instead of one, different shaped vents and in really hot climate higher roofs have been replaced with lower ones to beat the heat. The beneficiaries were ecstatic about their new homes and it was a delight to see how they have personalized them to their liking.



Bahaal installed hand pumps in the village of Choodiyo Buriro

Field Visit to Union Council Garhi Dakho, Village Choodiyo Buriro

Discrepancies with hand-pumps were observed in village Choodiyo Buriro. Specifications of some of the hand-pumps seemed unsuitable for the areas they were installed in. Extra care and maintenance on behalf of the beneficiaries would need to be performed for prolonging the life of these hand-pumps. Otherwise they would only be operational for 2-3 years as opposed to 5-6 years. We saw transitional shelters with common walls measuring 13 inches thick and a foundation of 1.5 feet below the ground. The DPC measured at 2.5 feet. Ali Murad Shah’s shelter did not share a wall and the thickness was 9 inches.



5 joined transitional shelters in the village of Choodiyo Buriro

Progress Update:

S.#	Activity	Target	Approved	Initiated	Completed	Beneficiary HH
1	Transitional shelter	200	200	200	200	200