

# CITIZENS ORGANISATION FOR ADVOCACY & RESILIENCE (COAR)

formerly known as Coordination of Afghan Relief (COAR)



# ANNUAL REPORT 2020

# ABBREVIATIONS

CFM	Community Feedback Mechanism
COAR	Citizens' Organization for Advocacy and Resilience
CSEE	Climate Smart Economic Empowerment project
DRC	Danish Refugee Council
ECW	Education Cannot Wait
EiE	Education in Emergency
ER-DRR	Emergency Response- Disaster Risk Reduction
FSL	Food Security and Livelihood
GRTV	Gorbat Radio and TV
IGA:	Income Generating Activity
MISFA	Microfinance Investment Support Agency for Afghanistan
MRRD	Ministry of Rural Rehabilitation and Development
NCA	Norwegian Church Aid
PSS	Psychosocial Support
RADA	Reintegration and Development Assistance in Afghanistan
SSP	Seasonal Support Project
TUP	Targeting Ultra-Poor Project
WASH	Water, Sanitation and Hygiene
WEERDP	Women Economic Empowerment Rural Development Program
WFP	World Food Program

## CHAIRPERSON'S MESSAGE

We are honored to present the COAR's Annual Report for 2020. CoAR project implementation in 2020 was very much influenced by the COVID-19 pandemic and security situation. COAR's staff has been very busy during the year; despite the challenging security situation and the COVID-19 restrictions they have worked hard to ensure that the project implementation is as successful as possible and provided the services to more than 1.9 million people. In 2020, the project portfolio of COAR was more than half billion Afghanis which is more than year before.

I would like to thank COAR's donors for their generous support and government ministries and departments for their cooperation and coordination with our team for smooth implementation of the projects, which enable the COAR team to achieve its projects objectives and goals.

Finally thanks to all COAR committed and dedicated stakeholders including communities for being part of our movement and their contribution in achieving the goals.

Dr. Toba Azimi

## CITIZENS ORGANIZATION FOR ADVOCACY AND RESILIENCE - COAR COAR PRESENCE IN 2020

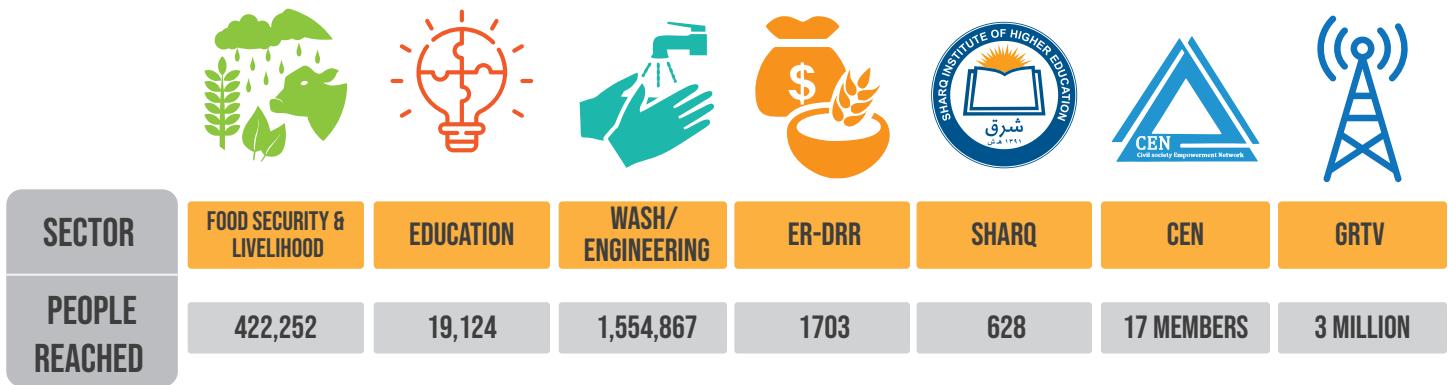


### LEGEND COAR PROJECTS IN 2020

Sector	# Projects	#Total Beneficiaries
EDUCATION	- 4 -	19130
WASH/ENGINEERING	- 9 -	1442096
Food Security & Livelihood	- 6 -	278075
ER-DRR	- 1 -	1703
SHARQ	- 3 Department	628
GRTV	- 1 -	3 million

## KEY HIGHLIGHTS OF 2020

1998574 Individuals (56 Female and 44% Male) Directly assisted and 3 Million Listeners of GRTV enhanced awareness on DRR Human Rights, Woman Rights, and Other Social Topics



## FOOD SECURITY AND LIVELIHOOD (FSL)

COAR Food Security and livelihoods approach identifies programs based on national priorities and goals defined by affected people themselves that responsively support their own and contextualized livelihood strategies. It builds on people's strengths. Through livelihood program we strive to reduce poverty and inequality by generating employment among poor households and by moving vulnerable households into sustainable livelihood and towards economic stability.

## EARNING INSPIRES

Qorban Shah is head and only breadwinner of a big family. He graduated from 12th class, but due to economic problem did not get higher education. He was working as daily labor in the hometown. He participated in CSEE project mobile repairing training and after successful completion received the tools for starting an enterprise. He opened a mobile repairing shop in Aibak City. Now he has 10 clients on daily basis and earns 500-800 AFN on daily basis. His future plan is to shift the business to Mazar City where he can enroll in private university along with running his own business.





**WFP support package for distribution in Daikundi Province**

## Food Security and Livelihood Department Projects Basic Data Sheet

Project	Donor	Budget AFN	Focus or type of beneficiary	Location	Direct Beneficiaries			Timeline	
					Total	Man	Women	Start Date	End Date
WEERDP (5 projects)	MRRD/ World Bank	299,767,314	Women	Ghanzi and Paktiaka, Logar and Wardak, Helmand, Daikundi and Takhar	304,822	67,374	237,448	29/08/2019	20/01/ 2023
Targeting the Ultra-poor (TUP)	MISFA/ World Bank	281,840,815	Ultra-Poor women	Parwan	14,966	7,633	7,333	Aug 2019	Jun 2021
CSEE	NCA	12,916,750	Unemployed or underemployed men, women and youth	Samangan	299	175	124	July 2019	Dec 2020
SSP (two projects)	WFP	7,207,077	Vulnerable families	Daikundi	100,940	51,479	49,461	April 2020	Jan 2021
IGA	UNICEF	32,401,100	CBE Teachers	Paktia and Paktika	1,225	800	425	Nov 2019	Nov 2020
<b>Total</b>		<b>634,133,056</b>			<b>422,252</b>	<b>127,461</b>	<b>294,791</b>		

## **EDUCATION**

In 2020 COAR Education Department implemented four major EiE and Multi Year programs in Kandahar, Kunduz, Ghazni and Kabul provinces with total target of 19124 Girls and Boy. In addition, 535 Teachers and more than 2500 SMC members trained.





CBE Class observation in Kandahar Province

## Education Department Projects Basic Data Sheet

Project	Donor	Budget AFN	Focus	Location	Direct Beneficiaries			Timeline	
					Total	Boys	Girls	Start Date	End Date
ECW	ECW/SCI	84,694,981	Children affected by the crisis	Kandahar	11577	6592	4985	1/5/2019	30/06/2020
EiE	OCHA - AHF	42,617,980	Children affected by the crisis	Kandahar	3535	2010	1525	16/06/2019	15/05/2020
EiE	BMZ/SCI	17,287,102	Children affected by conflict	Kunduz	630	347	283	1/8/2018	31/04/2021
EiE	UNICEF	23,149,524	Children affected by conflict	Kabul and Ghazni	100,940	51,479	49,461	April 2020	Jan 2021
Total		167,749,587			19124	10372	8752		

**Age is not more an obstacle for going to school**

Nahida a ten-year-old girl in Maiwand District was not able to attend a faraway school due to cultural sensitivity. Going to school was a dream for her. CoAR established community-based education (CBE) and accelerated learning program (ALP) classes in her village and create an opportunity for such girls to get education. She enrolled in grade-one ALP class and passed the final exams. Now she is in the grade-two and hope to complete her education as soon as possible.



## **WASH / ENGINEERING**

In 2020 COAR Engineering/WASH Department has implemented three emergency projects in response to COVID -19 with the goal to prevent people from the spread of pandemic. CoAR Independently monitored 62 WASH/ construction UNICEF funded projects in south region. In 2020 COAR provided safe drinking water to 1,554,867 individual.



# WASH/ ENGINEERING Department Projects Basic Data Sheet

					Direct Beneficiaries			Timeline	
Project	Donor	Budget AFN	Focus	Location	Total	Boys	Girls	Start Date	End Date
WASH-Emergency	UNICEF	5,296,972	IDPs	Nangarhar	801	739	1540	1/11/2019	29/2/2020
WASH/COVID 19 Response	UNICEF	582,726	Returnees	Nangarhar (Toorkham)	30498	29302	396	2/3/2020	30/6/2020
WASH/COVID 19 Response	UNICEF	84,694,981	IDPs	Kabul	4,320	4,680	9000	15/5/2020	15/8/2020
WASH/COVID 19 Response	UNICEF	616,816	Returnees	Nimruz	30498	29302	396	1/4/2020	30/6/2020
WASH-Emergency	UNICEF	5,138,360		Kandahr	877	950	1827	1/3/2020	30/6/2020
WASH-Emergency	UNICEF	3,209,014	Host Community and IDPs	Kandahr	548	593	1141	2/3/2020	1/7/2020
WASH-Emergency	UNICEF	7,225,204		Helmand	1233	1336	2569	3/3/2020	2/7/2020
Promoting CR-WASH	NCA	38,496,304	Host Community	Kabul and Khost	9,307	10,083	19390	1/6/2020	31/12/ 2020
Independent Monitoring For Rural Water Supply Projects	UNICEF	36,607,300	Host Community	Helmand, Kandahar, Zabul and Uruzgan	672,000	728,000	1400000	1/4/2020	31/12/2021
<b>Total</b>		<b>181,867,677</b>			<b>749,882</b>	<b>804,985</b>	<b>1,554,867</b>		



## "WISH FOR WATER, A DREAM!"

Nahia-7 village of Lashkar Gah City located 7 KM away from the center of the city is an under-developed village considering the water scarcity, electricity and poor sanitation facilities. There is not any facility for safe and clean water in the village and the women and girls used to travel 3-5 KM to bring water for their daily usage. The underground water of the village is salty and has bad taste and odor. Bringing water was the main job of children and they don't have enough time to study at school.

CoAR with the financial support of UNICEF built a safe and clean water supply network and ensure their easy access to clean water. This water supply network brought positive changes in the life of children, families and community of the village. Now they have time to attend the school and classes regularly.

## EMERGENCY RESPONSE (ER) AND DISASTER RISK REDUCTION (DRR) PROGRAM

In 2020 COAR supported 1,703 returnees to reintegrate into the community through RADA project in six districts of Nangarhar province. This is an integrated approach to the social and psychosocial aspects of reintegration at both the individual and community levels. At the structural level, technical assistance supports national and sub-national Afghan government authorities to strengthen their capacity to plan, manage and facilitate reintegration.



# STORY OF FAISAL

Faisal a college graduate who recently returned from Pakistan with his family. After living six weeks in new environment and joblessness, he faced numerous problems. He was not able to concentrate and complete his work on time. He felt recall problem in some cases. He tried a lot to improve and recover, but didn't succeed. His problem increased gradually and became disorganized and felt anger and loneliness.

He participated in the PSS awareness sessions and identified by peer supporter of CoAR. He referred to DRC and mental health hospital in Jalalabad by CoAR team. He diagnosed as severe depression patient and started his medication and psychotherapy. The new treatment and counseling sessions gave him hope and strength and gradually recovered. Now he is in good health and run his small business and part time teaching in a private school.



Faisal, RADA beneficiary and a recovered patient from depression

## GORBAT RADIO

In 2020, different messages on DDR awareness, women rights, education, child protection, environmental protection and gender equality were broadcasted on regular basis. GRTV totally reached three million individuals in 5 provinces.

In addition to broadcasting and public awareness messages, Radio Gorbat is always trying to facilitate practical work for a large number of young generations every year. This year, 10 interns received internship certification from Gorbat Radio.

GRTV Focus on advocacy to raise unheard voices through our programmatic areas.





# SHARQ UNIVERSITY

In 2020, totally 628 students were provided with quality and standard higher education (251 in BBA, 243 in BCS and 134 in BDM). 138 students were graduated from BBA, BCS and BDM in 2020.



## MONITORING EVALUATION ACCOUNTABILITY AND LEARNING (MEAL)

Monitoring Evaluation Accountability and Learning (MEAL) Department is one of the main operating pillars of COAR that works along and in parallel with other departments towards making sure transparency, quality, accountability, stakeholder satisfaction and learning in all and in every project.

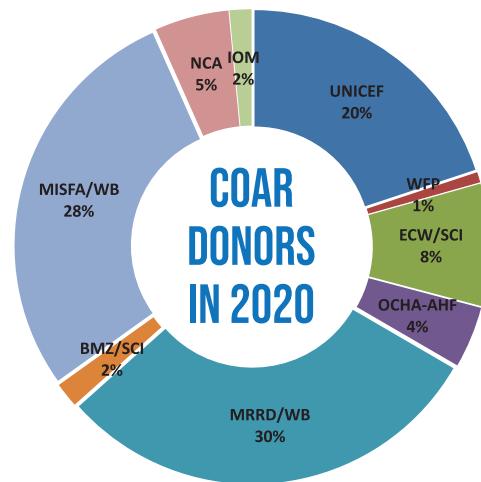
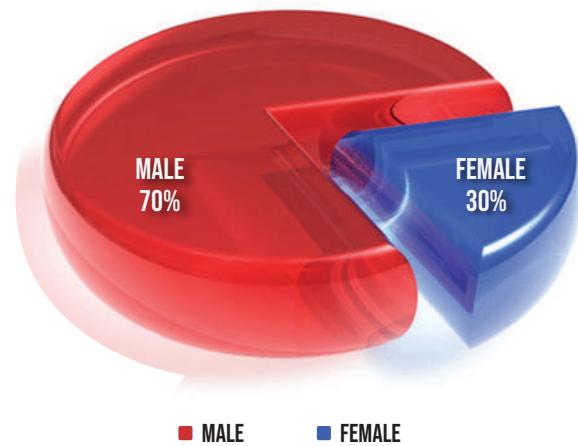
In 2020, 110 complaints received and responded. 20 projects regularly monitored in quarter bases. three spontaneous monitoring visits conducted. One project mid-term review has been conducted. 16 need assessments conducted, six projects' milestones reports verified, six post monitoring conducted, 14 projects properly closed and lessons learned documented.



## HUMAN RESOURCE

COAR's Human Resource (HR) Department aims to ensure equal opportunities and rights to all candidates and to prevent discrimination based on ethnic origin, religion or belief, language and gender. At the end of 2020, 1257 national employees worked with COAR in different projects. Sixty-three (63) per cent staffs were newly hired in 2020. Sharq Higher Education Institute six newly graduated students were trained as interim. The distribution of staff based on gender is described in below graph.

To ensure the capacity building of the staff, HR department arranged Project Management Professional and English Language Course for the main office staff. All staff received child protection and sexual harassment training. The project staff received the relevant trainings in their field offices.



DONORS' CONTRIBUTION AND FUNDS IN 2020

# AUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AND PERFORMANCE AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2020

	2020	2019
	USD	USD
<b>Opening Fund Balance</b>	<b>8,406</b>	<b>7,693</b>
<b>Income</b>		
Fund from Donor	6,858,613	3,713,084
Admin Income	289,756	281,576
	<b>7,148,369</b>	<b>3,994,660</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Project Expenditure	6,858,613	3,713,084
Admin Expenditure	282,996	280,863
	<b>7,141,609</b>	<b>3,993,947</b>
<b>Excess of Income over Expenditure</b>	<b>6,760</b>	<b>713</b>
<b>Net Fund Balance</b>	<b>6,760</b>	<b>713</b>
<b>Represented By</b>		
<b>Current and Non-Current Assets</b>		
Operating fixed assets	226,520	231,161
Receivable from donors	882,154	373,348
Deposits and short term prepayments	730,842	628,114
Cash and cash equivalents	262,587	648,500
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>2,102,103</b>	<b>1,881,123</b>
<b>Current and Non-Current Liabilities</b>		
Short term finances	(862,175)	(722,743)
Accrued and other liabilities	(1,027,593)	(13,948)
Unspent grant	(197,168)	(1,136,026)
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>(2,086,936)</b>	<b>(1,872,717)</b>

