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## SOCIO-ECONOMIC RESILIENCE STRENGTHENING PROJECT - ADDITIONAL FINANCING

*Within the framework of cooperation between the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan and development partners to support beneficiaries and improve local infrastructure, the “Socio-Economic Resilience Strengthening Project – Additional Financing” (SERSP AF) is being implemented with grant financing from the World Bank, with its implementation entrusted to the National Social Investment Fund of Tajikistan (NSIFT). Under this project, Implementing Partners are engaged for Component 2.*

### Component 2: Inclusive Livelihoods

Under this component, project activities in the form of entrepreneurship training, business plan development, and technical assistance to start basic economic activities will be implemented for 7,000 people in the affected areas, providing livelihoods to 1,600 targeted beneficiaries. At the same time, 50 small businesses will be supported with guidance and consultations.

#### Who Can Apply?

- Women & youth
- Returning migrants
- Rogun-affected & resettled communities
- Vulnerable individuals (30% quota)
- Registered Micro & Small Enterprises (MSEs)

### Subcomponent 2b: Support for Individual & Group Livelihoods

**Target:** 7,000 individuals/groups across 7 districts

#### Support Includes:

- ❖ Entrepreneurship & business plan training
- ❖ Up to 12 months of mentorship
- ❖ In-kind grants (tools & equipment):
  - Up to \$1,600 for individuals
  - Up to \$10,000 for groups (CIGs)

#### Special Focus:

- 200 extra grants for Rogun-affected villages
- Inclusive access for women, youth, and vulnerable people

#### Common Interest Groups (CIGs):

- 5–10 members, from different households
- Group training: entrepreneurship, technical skills, group leadership
- 6-month support before grants

### Subcomponent 2c: Support to Micro & Small Enterprises (MSEs)

#### Target:

- 100 MSEs trained
- 50 in-kind grants (up to \$20,000)
- At least 30% women-led

#### Eligible MSEs:

- ❖ Registered, legal businesses
- ❖ Up to 30 employees
- ❖ Focus on value-added sectors (processing, services, tourism, etc.)
- ❖ No core agriculture (e.g., crop farming, livestock)

#### Support Includes:

- Advanced business acceleration training
- Mentorship & coaching
- In-kind grants: tools, equipment, infrastructure
- Post-Grant support

#### How to Apply?

- Via Mahalla offices, local hubs, mobile teams, or online (where available)
- Attend local info sessions & open houses
- Submit your business idea – individual or group

#### Monitoring & Follow-up

- Monthly mentoring
- Use of digital tools (Kobo Toolbox)
- Business growth, impact, and market access tracked
- Success stories shared in a Good Practice Guide



Information sessions



Business plans development



Introductory meetings



Distribution of tools and equipment



Entrepreneurial mindset development



Beneficiary guidance/mentoring

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