



TACMIL Health Project

Technical Assistance for Capacity building in Midwifery, Information and Logistics

Grants Program- Experience Sharing Meeting

An Experience Sharing Meeting was held on May 21, 2009 in Islamabad. Representatives of all partner organizations attended the meeting. Deputy Chief Office of Health/USAID, Chief of Party, Sr. M&E Advisor, Director of Administration and Financial Management, Grants Technical Advisor and Grants Manager also attended the meeting. The purpose of this meeting was to:

- a. share progress, achievements, experiences and challenges
- b. suggest solutions for the challenges and help other TACMIL partners
- c. identify area(s) where mentoring is required
- d. review efficacy of activities done and planning of milestones/results after modification in statement of work

Representatives from all partner organizations presented their project briefs which included:

- an overview of the pilot model in context of demographic data
- the desired results from these interventions
- the achievements and success stories so far
- IEC material developed or used under their respective projects
- future strategy and action plan
- strategies and modifications in statement of work to increase the efficacy of innovative approaches

Following partner organizations shared their progress:

- Youth Organization
- Takleeq Foundation
- Swabi Women Welfare Society
- Health and Nutrition Development Society
- Al Qaim Women Development Organization
- Centre for Peace and Development Initiatives
- Gender and Reproductive Health Organization
- Leadership for Environment and Development
- Strengthening Participatory Organization- Gwadar
- Strengthening Participatory Organization- Charsadda
- Association for Gender Awareness & Human Empowerment

The meeting was well participated and aptly achieved its objectives. This meeting provided opportunity for all partners to share their pilot models with other TACMIL partners. The meeting helped support networking and inducing synergy among the partners. There had been active participation by all the partners. Each partner was given opportunity to articulate what has been done and what are the future



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plans. All partners also brought the snaps of press coverage of their innovative interventions, material developed in this grant and photographs of their field activities. Partners also discussed the challenges they have faced and also shared success stories. It was a collective recommendation that such meetings should be held on a quarterly basis in order to provide knowledge and experience sharing opportunities to partner organization. As it was suggested that it also contributed towards their capacity building when different partner organization discuss lessons learned, success stories and strategies to cope with challenges in the areas of implementation.

At the end, COTR/USAID distributed modified grant agreements distributed among the partners.

Executive Director HANDS giving Presentation on achievements in their program and Dy. Chief of Health USAID, TACMIL's Chief of Party, Sr. M&E Advisor, Director F&A attending
The experience sharing meeting

