

# FOOD FOR WORK NEWSLETTER

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## ABOUT THE PROJECT

In the mid of 2011, Pakistan was once again jostled by a calamity of magnanimous magnitude. Outrageous rains swept crops, cattle and shelters across Sindh and Balochistan. The damages caused were widespread and millions of people across the country were in need of immediate and long-term support from humanitarian actors.

District Kalat and Lasbella in Balochistan province, where IDO proposed to implement the food for work project, were one of the worst affected areas in the province. Torrential rains had severely harmed the people. Not only were they physically and mentally distressed, but the socio-economic affairs of the areas were also unstable as rains had damaged the physical and social infrastructures, homes, agriculture, water sources and overall livelihoods of the people. The groups of people who were marginalized or deprived before the catastrophe were made even more vulnerable by the situation they faced after the rains. IDO proposed a multi-faceted approach to the implementation of the Food for Work project in Districts Kalat and Lasbella. This multi-featured programme would help support the food needs of the communities and also restore livelihoods and community infrastructure. Currently IDO is implementing the food for work project in the areas with a target of distributing food to 21000 beneficiaries who successfully complete work on selected schemes. The breakup of the beneficiaries in Kalat and Lasbela is 15000 and 6000 respectively.



**Photo: Union Council  
Lakhra in Lasbella –  
Community working on  
restoration of a water  
channel.**



### Partnership between WFP & IDO

WFP and IDO have long been involved in a cooperative relationship. Prior to this Food for Work Project, IDO successfully completed the target of 22000 beneficiaries in Jaffarabad who restored more than 2800 schemes. So far, in this project food has been distributed to 10500 beneficiaries. These beneficiaries have received food items such as oil, pulses, wheat flour, salt, HEB and WAWA MUM.

IDO also is a cooperating partner of WFP in the Food for Education Project.



## Types of Schemes Completed



## Impact

Activity	Unit of Measure	Total Planned Units	Total Initiated	Completed during the month	Total Completed
Rehabilitation of Drinking Water Well	Number	32	32	32	88
Rehabilitation of Animal Shelter	Number	24	24	24	32
Rehabilitation of Small Access Road	Kilometer	11	11	11	18
Rehabilitation of Street Pavements	Number	9	9	9	11
Rehabilitation of Water Channels	Kilometer	99	99	99	149
Planting of Forest/Fruit Trees	Number	0	0	10	10
Widows/Other Vulnerable	Number				64
Rehabilitation of Flood Protection Wall	Meters	3	3	3	5
Rehabilitation of Rain Water Channel	Kilometer	19	19	19	36

The WFP Food for Work project in Districts Kalat and Lasbella has helped the affected people in recovering from the losses inflicted by torrential rains. On one hand, the community is taking ownership and rehabilitating community schemes, mainly agricultural water channels and drinking water sources, and, on the other hand, these beneficiaries are also receiving food items which are not only catering to their food requirements, but also the nutritional needs particularly of women and children.

The social mobilization measures undertaken have also increased social cohesion amongst community members. Working together on the community schemes has increased their realization that they can contribute to their collective prosperity.

The Food for Work project has also helped the District Governments in addressing the needs of the affected people with the support of WFP.



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### Coordination with District Governments

The project teams in both districts are conducting weekly coordination meetings with the District Administrations. The details of schemes have been shared with the Deputy Commissioners and the lists of beneficiaries have also been shared with them. The cooperation of the District Administrations has greatly contributed to achieving the project's objectives.