

Progress Report Chunian

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Background of the Project:

Absence of proper disposal of solid wastes is the cause of environmental degradation and many diseases. Punjab has worst indicator so far as proper disposal of solid wastes is concerned .According to Multiple Indicator Cluster Survey (MICS) Punjab 2004, only 15%of Punjab has proper disposal of solid wastes (collected by any municipal institution, disposed of by solid waste management department or a private company vehicle collected from home).This ranges from 66% in major cities to 33% in other Urban and only 1%in rural areas.

District Kasur is even far behind of the provincial average and only 7% coverage of the solid waste disposal .Tehsil Chunian is very near to the famous forest Changa Manga which is a holiday resort where people come from far off places to get peace of mind .Chunian city which is just 8KM away from Changa Manga has no system of solid waste management. Litter and garbage in the streets is the depiction of lack of capacity of Tehsil Municipal Administration and lack of awareness and civil sense of the people residing there .There is a need of implementation of such a project which sensitizes the community on the one hand and gives them an easy solution for proper disposal of solid wastes.

Objectives of the Project

There are three broader objectives of the project

- To create awareness among community (residing in Chunian city) regarding keeping their homes, street and city clean.
- Installation of garbage collection points at appropriate places with the support of TMA.
- Advocacy with the TMA to dispose the solid waste in protective way

Selection of Area

The target area for the project implementation was identified and selected in consultation with TMA.The target area of the project is Chunian city District Kasur.

Strategy of the Project

Community Action Process (CAP) approach is being used for the better implementation of the project activities. The target community is being mobilized to keep their homes, streets and city clean. This approach is used to make the project sustainable because Community Action Process has in built sustainable behavioral change element which will ensure sustainability of project impact at family, household and community level.

Activities of the project

Under the umbrella of Community Action Process strategy different activities are performed with the objective to mobilize the community to keep their homes, streets and city clean. Following activities were performed in this project.

1. Socio-geographical mapping of the area.

In the start of this project socio-geographic mapping of Chunian city was done .In this process of mapping Participatory Reflection & Action (PRA) technique was used. During the whole process of mapping the community not only identified the socio – geographical indicators but also identified their problems.

2. Orientation Meetings with Key Stakeholders of the project

Orientation meetings with Tehsil Nazim, Tehsil Municipal Administration, Social Welfare officer and Union Council Administration were conducted. The purpose of these meetings was to bring all these stakeholders on board for the better implementation of the project and also later on for sustainability and scaling up of the project.

3. Community Meetings

Community meetings were conducted in the target area to mobilize the community to keep their homes, street and city clean. During these community meetings different problems related to environmental pollution were identified and solutions of these problems were also suggested with the help of the community. Through these meetings involvement and interest of the community developed which is a very positive indicator for the sustainability of the project.

4. Formation of Community Organizations

Community Organizations were formed by AGAHE team with the help of the community. Orientation about the project to these community organizations was given and in this orientation session their role as community organization were also made clear. Now the community organizations are monitoring the cleanliness of the area, motivating people not to through garbage in the streets, to use the garbage collection points installed by TMA for dumping of solid waste and are linked with TMA so that the collection of solid waste can be ensured from the collection points to the dumping sites of the city.

5. Orientation Sessions of Molvies and Volunteers.

Orientation about the project were given to the molvies and volunteers of the target area. Molvies of the target area were selected because religion and religious leaders play a vital role in bringing behavioral change among people. Molvies were asked to prepare and deliver a special session in the community on cleanliness after the Jumma prayer. Orientation to the community volunteers was also given and the volunteers ensure their full cooperation in this project on voluntarily basis for the benefit of their community.

6. Development and Printing of IEC Material

Brochures were developed for awareness of the people. On these brochures different messages of the project were printed regarding cleanliness of the homes, streets and city. This material was distributed among the community members. These brochures were also given to the molvies, co members and community volunteers.

7. One Day Consultative Meeting

One Day Consultative meeting of the project was also organized by AGAHE at TMA hall. In this meeting different representatives from Government Department, Public Health Engineering Department and Social Welfare Department participated in this meeting. Including all these departments there are also representatives from different NGOs and Media. Molvies and teachers also participated in this meeting. Thesil Nazim Chunian was the guest of honor of this meeting.



Participants of the Meeting

Proceeding

Meeting was started with the holy name of Allah followed by Naat. Recitation of Holy Quran was done by Mr. Ashraf Head Master of Government High School for Boys Chunian .After that Ms.Roheena Iqbal Executive Director of AGAHE has given a brief introduction of AGAHE and about the project “Saaf Ghar, Saaf Mohalla, Saaf Sehar”.She elaborated that in this project AGAHE will conduct different activities related to the cleanliness for the ultimate benefit of the community. She said that the community participation in this project is very important for the progress and sustainability of this project.She further explain that the cooperation of TMA and other relevant department is also very important for the smooth functioning of the project activities.

After the presentation of the AGAHE Mr. Tariq Mehmood from Public Health Engineering department has given the presentation .He emphasis that the cleanliness is a very important component of human life. He appreciated the initiative of AGAHE and Government of Punjab for this project. He elaborated that the NGOs like AGAHE are working very hard for the welfare of the marginalized community and it is a big honor of Chunian city this project is going to launch here. He suggested that AGAHE should present Chunian as a model city all over the Pakistan and for this task he ensure full cooperation from his department and from the resident of Chunian city on their behalf



Presentation by AGAHE



Presentation by PHED

After that Molana Ashraf Sahib Head Master of Government High School Chunian city address the participants .He elaborated that cleanliness is half of Iman.He also motivated the participants to help themselves while cooperating with AGAHE team because it is for our own benefit. He gave his own example the he himself clean his house door and never ashamed on his work. He gave example of Holy Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) that he also do his work with his own hands and we are being the follower should follow the same example.

After that Mr. Afzal Medical Superintendent of Civil Hospital Chunian addressed the audience and defines different reasons of diseases caused by unhygienic environment. He also elaborated that personal and environmental hygiene is very important for a healthy life style. He advised to keep the surroundings clean for a healthy life style. He also answered the questions of the participants

At the end of the meeting Deputy Director Social Welfare Mr. Ramzan and Nazim of Chunian city address the participants and pay appreciation to AGAHE for starting such a useful project in Chunian city. Mr. also inaugurated a water cooler which is donated by the community members.



Mr. Ramzan addressing the participants



Nazim Chunian addressing the audience