TARGETING THE ULTRA-POOR (TUP)

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES
MAIN OBJECTIVES

- Wage employment
- Food security
- Financial inclusion
- Self-employment
- Market access
- Social services
- Diversification
- Women’s Empowerment
- Environmental Management
- Productivity
- Social Inclusion
- Resilience

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE(DESCRIPTION)
Help the ultra-poor households escape abject poverty and obtain a sustainable livelihood and form a clientele base for financial institutions.

PROGRAM COMPONENTS

- TRANSFERS
- COACHING
- BUSINESS CAPITAL
- FINANCIAL SERVICES FACILITATION
- NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AND/OR CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION
- WAGE EMPLOYMENT FACILITATION
- MARKET LINKS
- SKILLS TRAINING

AVERAGE PROGRAM DURATION FOR PROGRAM BENEFICIARIES
- Under one year
- Between one and three years
- More than three years

DO PARTICIPANTS ACCESS COMPONENTS IN A SPECIFIC SEQUENCE?
YES

DIGITIZATION
COMPONENTS DELIVERED DIGITALLY

- TRANSFERS
- COACHING
- BUSINESS CAPITAL
- MARKET LINKS
- SKILLS TRAINING

PARTICIPANT PROFILE
TARGETED POVERTY GROUPS
- Ultra-poor

PRIORITY VULNERABLE GROUPS
- Women
- Children
- People with disabilities

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA
Age
- Poverty status
- Physical condition
- Having dependents
- Behavioral attributes

PARTICIPANT IDENTIFICATION METHODS
Community-based targeting

COUNTRY PROGRAM INFORMATION
COUNTRY
- Afghanistan
REGION
- South Asia
LEAD IMPLEMENTING AGENCY
- Microfinance Investment Support Facility for Afghanistan (MISFA)

TOTAL POPULATION (MILLION)
34.66
POVERTY HEADCOUNT (NPL)
54.50%
POVERTY HEADCOUNT ($1.90/DAYPPP2011)
N/A

PARTICIPANT IDENTIFICATION METHODS
No. Economic Inclusion Programs in the Country
3
No. Beneficiaries (Direct & Indirect) of Economic Inclusion Programs in the Country
1,069,271
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### Program Coverage

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<th>Percentage Female Beneficiaries</th>
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<td>3,985</td>
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- Percentage of country population: 0.09%
- Percentage of country population under the poverty line: 0.17%

**Area/s**: Rural  
**Geographic coverage**: Several states/regions

### Institutional Arrangements

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### Community Engagement

- Components delivered through community:  
  - Business capital
  - Skills Training
  - Coaching
  - Financial services facilitation
  - Market Links

- Community structures leveraged for program delivery:  
  - Informal community groups
  - Formal community groups
  - Formalized producer organizations
  - Local governance group

**Does the program create/strengthen community structures/groups?**

- Yes
- No

### Key Details

- **NAME RESEARCH PARTNERS**: Development Impact Evaluation (DIME) and Ministry of Economy of Islamic Republic of Afghanistan

- **DATE WHEN RESULTS AVAILABLE**: Initial Impact Evaluation (Baseline and end-line) reports are published in June 2019 and a consumption survey will be conducted in 2020. The final report is expected to be made publicly available by 2021.

- **LINK TO PUBLISHED WORK**:  

- **Data submitted/updated as of**: 11/08/2019, through PEI’s Landscaping Survey, via [https://enketo.ona.io/x/0ah4Y58CV](https://enketo.ona.io/x/0ah4Y58CV)

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**DNA: Does Not Apply; FY: Fiscal Year; FCV: Fragility, Conflict, and Violence; MPI: Multidimensional Poverty Index; NPL: National Poverty Line; N/A: Not available; WB: World Bank**