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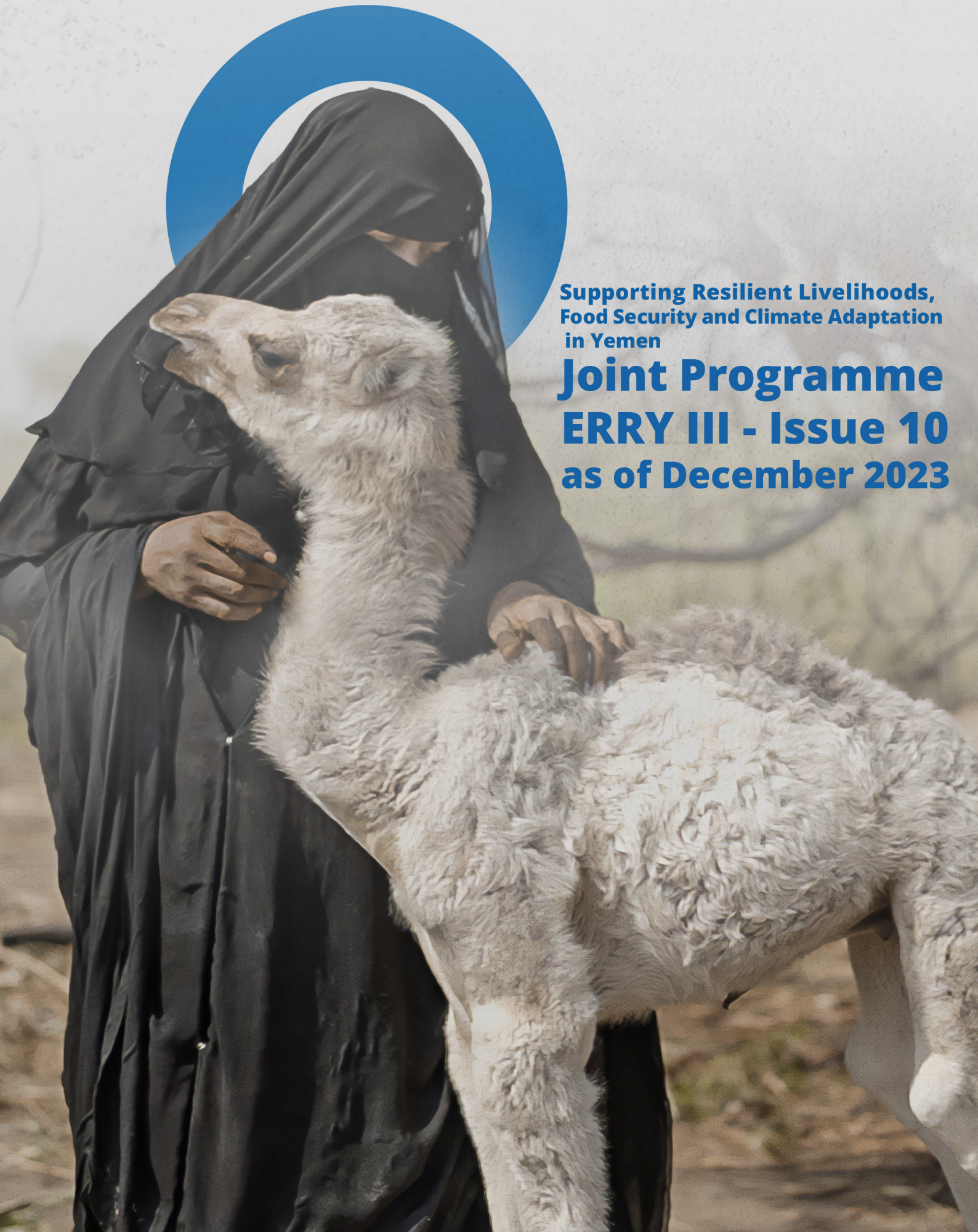
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**Supporting Resilient Livelihoods,
Food Security and Climate Adaptation
in Yemen**

Joint Programme ERRY III - Issue 10 as of December 2023



Saeed Mahmmmed, a beneficiary of ERRY III Joint Programme's Food assistance for Assets (FFA) component, joyfully inspects his farm produce, acknowledging the positive impact of the water channel project in Bajel district, Hodeidah Governorate.

ERRY III JP Progress Brief as of December-2023

Programme Overview:

Supporting Resilient Livelihoods, Food Security, and Climate Adaptation in Yemen - ERRY III joint programme strives to strengthen crisis-affected communities, enhancing their resilience and self-reliance. It focuses on creating economic opportunities, enhancing employment opportunities, improving productive capacities, and supporting sustainable livelihoods to strengthen food security.

The joint programme gives special attention to restoring community assets, developing agricultural value chains, promoting gender equality, empowering women economically, and facilitating improved access to clean solar energy. Furthermore, ERRY III Joint programme also focuses on enhancing local capacities by strengthening local institutions and supporting priority projects to improve access to basic services ultimately promoting long-term resilience and self-sufficiency.



Programme Duration:
**March 2022 –
February 2025**



Total ERRY III Programme
Budget: **Funded Amount**
49,378,000\$  

Participating UN Agencies



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Overall Objective:

To strengthen resilience of the population in the most vulnerable governorates in Yemen.

Main Outcome:

Improved the management of local risks and shocks in crisis-affected communities of the most vulnerable governorates in Yemen.



Intermediate Outcomes:

1

Increased local institutional resilience management and community social cohesion in crisis-affected communities

2

Broadened access of vulnerable populations to sources of energy and job opportunities in the renewable energy sector

3

Increased sustainable production and productivity of crops and livestock in crisis-affected communities

4

Improved access of women, youth, and other vulnerable groups to food and income opportunities

Joint Programme Components:



Local Governance and Social Cohesion (UNDP).



Renewable Energy (UNDP).



Agriculture Value Chain (FAO).



Short-Term Employment and Livelihood (UNDP).



Skills and Entrepreneurship Development (ILO).



Food Assistance for Assets/ Food Assistance for Training (WFP).



Community members engage in a road rehabilitation initiative facilitated by ERRY Joint Programme's Local Governance component in Najrah district, Hajjah Governorate.

Local Governance & Social Cohesion:

Community members contribute to road construction leading to a local school in Najrah district, Hajjah Governorate, promoting improved access to education.

The ERRY III Joint Programme, particularly through the Local Governance and Social Cohesion component, has been instrumental in enhancing local institutional resilience and community social cohesion within crisis-affected communities.

The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), with its partner Social Fund for Development (SFD), has empowered communities by actively involving them in planning and addressing specific needs, ensuring women's participation.

The implementation of Community Resilience Plans (CRPs) has facilitated the successful execution of numerous community initiatives, resulting in the construction of different infrastructure facilities across various sectors including water, health, education, road, and agriculture. Notably, communities guided by CRPs have independently undertaken various self-help initiatives, underscoring their commitment to improving the basic services in their communities.





Two children celebrate the connection of water to their home, a result of the joint programme's successful water network installation benefitting 250 houses in Bajel, Hodeidah Governorate.

Key Achievements:

717

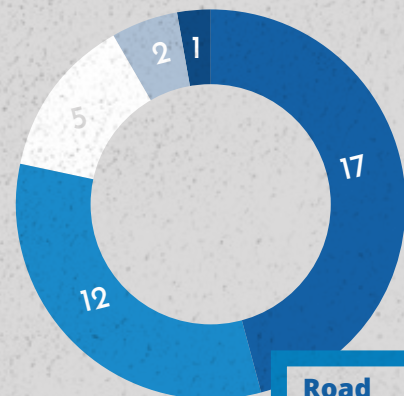
local authorities and elected community members (46% of whom are women) trained on:

- **Planning.**
- **CRP Development.**
- **Needs prioritization.**

690

(47% women) members from SDCs trained

- **Social cohesion.**
- **Conflict scanning.**
- **Community mediation.**



Road
Education
Water
Health
Agriculture

90

community dialogues conducted and **18** conflict resolution projects implemented ensuring women mediators participation.

50

Gender-sensitive Community Resilience Plans (CRP) developed.

89

compact initiatives and subdistrict projects supported and implemented.

39

conflict scans conducted.

432

community self-help initiatives implemented.

50

Sub district committees (SDC) formed with 50% women representation.



800 meters of Al Nashama road was paved, Al Sawa subdistrict, Al Ma'afer district, Taiz Governorate. It's a main road that benefits 31,000 individuals.



A child eagerly awaits the completion of new classrooms, hoping to no longer study under trees in Bajel district, Hodeidah Governorate.

Impact:

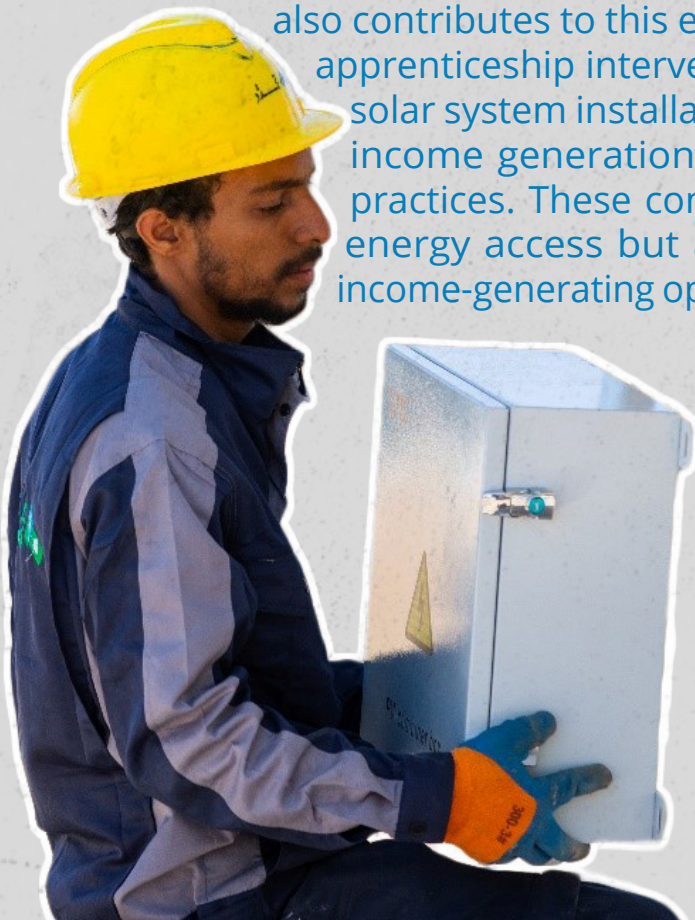
ERRY III's Local Governance and Social Cohesion component has enhanced access to basic services for 46,342 men and women and strengthened community structures. Demonstrating a strong commitment to supporting local communities, the joint programme brings people together and actively involves them in initiatives outlined in community resilience plans, ensuring their needs are met and enhancing overall resilience enhancing social cohesion of targeted communities. The programme also ensure vulnerable groups including women are in active position in decision making process at community level.

Renewable Energy



A solar panel installed on the roof of a commercial institute, a target of ERRY III Joint Programme's Renewable Energy component in Al Maafer district, Taiz Governorate.

The ERRY III Joint Programme has played a pivotal role in broadening the access of vulnerable populations to sources of energy and job opportunities in the renewable energy sector. The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) renewable energy initiative, aligned with community resilience plans, supports provision of solar systems to public service facilities ranging from health centers to schools and public institutions. The International Labour Organization (ILO) also contributes to this effort by integrating renewable energy into apprenticeship interventions, and training beneficiaries in small solar system installation and maintenance, thereby promoting income generation and the adoption of renewable energy practices. These combined initiatives not only enhance clean energy access but also empower communities and create income-generating opportunities in the renewable energy sector.



An ILO apprentice, equipped with training and tools, generates income after graduating from the apprenticeship program in Tuban district, Lahj Governorate.

Key Achievements:

39

Public service facilities provided with solar/clean energy systems.

111

Beneficiaries trained on solar systems operation and maintenance.

1

Water desalination plant has been established and operationalized in Hodeidah Governorate.

1

Solar/wind energy mini-grid established supporting small and medium markets, commercial centers, and shops in Al Shamayteen district, Taiz Governorate.

140

Cash for Work (C4W) and Food/Cash Assistance for Assets (FFA) beneficiaries certified as solar energy technicians.



An ERRY III solar apprentice receives service requests for solar maintenance, showcasing the practical application of skills learned in Tuban district, Lahj Governorate.

Impact:

The renewable energy interventions contributed to promoting renewable energy adoption, improving access to clean energy solutions for the public facilities, and empowering individuals and communities through capacity building and sustainable green job opportunities.

It provides accessibility to clean energy and green jobs for women as part of their contribution to climate change adaptation.

Agriculture Value chain:



Samia, a beneficiary of dairy, animal feeding, agriculture support, and a solar system from the joint programme, successfully manages her farm in Saber village, Tuban district, Lahj Governorate.

The Agriculture Value Chain (AVC) component of the ERRY III Joint Programme plays a significant role in boosting sustainable crop and livestock production and productivity in crisis-affected communities in Yemen. Training programs for Farmer Field School (FFS) Master Trainers and Community Animal Health Workers (CAHWs) support knowledge-sharing and essential veterinary services.

Collaborating with the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and its partners, the agriculture value chain component engages in diverse initiatives including seed distribution, support of dairy processing and marketing, and capacity-building workshops. The establishment of community seed banks, dairy processing centers, and marketing centers enhances the dairy value chain, providing safe products, generating income, and contributing to the resilience and productivity of agricultural value chains in Yemen.

A women's group utilizes equipment received from the joint programme to produce and distribute dairy products in Tuban district, Lahj Governorate.



Key Achievements:

7960

households supported with Sorghum and millet seeds and provided with training and marketing support to improve value chains.

39

Individuals from the Water User Associations and the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation were trained in water management, harvesting, and irrigation.

63

participants attended two sessions for Farmer Field School (FFS) master trainers promoting learning and knowledge sharing to FFS groups.

2210

farmers received animals' feeds and fattening inputs

1429

dairy producers supported with training and dairy equipment.

360

farmers received landrace seeds adapted to climate shocks.

30

extension staff officers, including 10 females, from the Agriculture Research and Extension Authorities received training on climate-smart agriculture.

50

new Community Animal Health Workers trained to provide veterinary services to communities.

2

dairy processing centers were provided with the necessary equipment for milk processing and packaging.

marketing centers established for the dairy women's group to enhance the value chain of dairy marketing.



Members of a dairy women's group undergo training on dairy production in Tuban district, Lahj Governorate.

Impact:

The ERRY III Joint Programme's Agriculture Value Chain (AVC) has improved farming practices, veterinary services, and the dairy value chain, leading to enhancing food security, and livelihood, and income for farmers in Yemen.

Food Assistance for Assets (FFA) and Food Assistance for Trainings (FFT):



A road construction project undertaken by ERRY III Joint Programme's Food for Assistance (FFA) where participants contribute to community development in Bani Al Awam district, Hajjah Governorate.

The ERRY III Joint Programme has played a crucial role in enhancing access to food and income opportunities for women, youth, and other vulnerable groups in specific communities. Through diverse activities, including emergency employment opportunities creation, and the restoration of community assets, the World Food Programme (WFP) and partners have markedly improved income and livelihoods in the communities supported by the joint programme. The creation and rehabilitation of community-based assets has not only improved physical infrastructure but also increased access to essential services like health centers, schools, roads, water, and markets in households and communities. Participants, including women, youth, and vulnerable groups, have benefited from cash transfers, enabling them to enhance access to essential needs like food and medication along with socio income opportunities.

A school constructed by FFA participants under ERRY III Joint Programme stands as a symbol of progress in Al Kod village, Tuban district, Lahj Governorate.

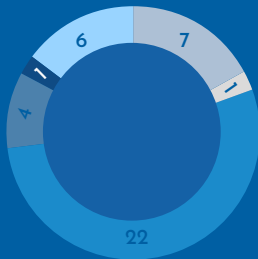


Key Achievements:

41

community assets rehabilitated/
restored as prioritized by the
communities:

Agriculture
Health facilities
Roads
Schools
Social Infrastructure
Water



18900

individuals, including women,
youth, and vulnerable groups,
have benefited from the cash
transfers.

31000

beneficiaries, including women,
youth, and vulnerable groups,
have benefited from the communal
assets rehabilitated/constructed.

2774

household engaged in asset
creation/ rehabilitation
through Food Assets (FFA)
activities.

135

female participants engaged
in the income/skill generation
trainings through Food
Assistance for Training activity.

USD 1,585,883

transferred to targeted beneficiaries.



*A happiness after completing
the construction of a water tank
benefiting the entire community
Bajil district, Hodeidah
Governorate.*

Impact:

ERRY III Joint programme's Food Assistance for Assets (FFA) activities have effectively enhanced food security and access to crucial services, contributing to sustainable development and improved quality of life for vulnerable communities.



An FFA participant highlights the positive impact of a constructed water channel on local farmers in Bajel district, Hodeidah Governorate, preventing climate-caused hazards and flooding the massive increment of floods in the area.

Livelihoods and Short-term



A livelihood participant, empowered by ERRY III Joint Programme through business training and grants, showcases her graphic design business in Tuban district, Lahj Governorate.

The ERRY Joint Programme has notably enhanced the access of youth, women, and other vulnerable groups to food and income opportunities. Through offering short-term employment opportunities to these groups, the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and its partners have supported the restoration and building of community assets, improving access to basic social services and markets. These beneficiaries have also undergone training in business development and life skills, empowering them to launch and oversee income-generating activities. Consequently, they have received startup grants to establish their small businesses, fostering the creation of short-term income opportunities within their communities. It facilitated the accessibility of men and women to different services as a result of the rehabilitated or constructed assets.



A participant shares thoughts on completing the construction of a local market, emphasizing the positive changes in Bajel district, Hodeidah Governorate.



A cash-for-work participant contributes to road construction in Taweelah district, Mahweet Governorate, demonstrating community involvement.



A livelihood beneficiary starts her henna business and generates income after receiving training and grants in Tuban district, Lahj Governorate.

• Key Achievements:

4800

(38% women) beneficiaries engaged in short employment opportunities.

4800

(37% women) beneficiaries trained on business development and life skills enabling them start and run their income generating activities.

500

(48% women) out of these beneficiaries received startup grants financing to establish their small businesses.

41

community assets rehabilitated/constructed to facilitate people's access to social services and markets.

Impact:

The Livelihoods and Short Employment Development component has made a significant impact by offering short-term employment opportunities and empowering individuals with the essential skills and resources to initiate their own income-generating activities. Through training and grants, the joint programme has empowered beneficiaries, fostering economic self-sufficiency and contributing to improved sustainable livelihoods within the communities. Women accessed resources and were capacitated with the necessary skills to be engaged in income-generating activities.

Skills and Entrepreneurship



Graduates in Radfan District, Lahj Governorate, celebrate their apprenticeship graduation and receive tool kits for various occupations.

The Skills and Entrepreneurship component of the ERRY III Joint Programme has significantly enhanced food and income opportunities for women, youth, and vulnerable groups. Certification of trainers in the Start and Improve Your Business (SIYB) packages by The International Labour Organization (ILO) and its partners has expanded entrepreneurial capacities. Moreover, training master craftspersons has improved competencies in technical skills and occupational safety, leading to many apprentices graduating from the ILO apprenticeship programme. Graduated apprentices have received toolkits for various market-demanded occupations like mobile motorcycle and solar maintenance, photography, beauty therapy, and food processing. The commitment to developing new vocational curricula highlights the joint programme's dedication to fostering entrepreneurship and technical skills in crisis-affected communities.

An apprentice initiates her mobile maintenance business post-graduation from the ERRY III Joint Programme's apprenticeship program in Al Maafer district, Taiz Governorate.





Montaha and her trainer Shrooq pose for a photo during the graduation ceremony in Radfan District, Lahj Governorate, after receiving certificates and beauty equipment through ERRY III Joint Programme.



An apprentice in motorcycle repair, after graduating from the ILO apprenticeship program, has successfully opened his own maintenance workshop using tools provided by the programme, and now generates sustainable income. Maafer District, Taiz Governorate.

Key Achievements:

26

(9 women) trainers certified in Start and Improve your Business (SIYB) training packages.

200

(145 women) Small business owners trained on Improve Your Business (IYB) and Business Continuity Planning (BCP) in collaboration with Yemen Federation Chamber of Commerce and Industry (FYCCI) Businesswomen Council.

273

(44% women) master craftspersons and Technical Education and Vocational Training (TVET) supervisors trained on competency-based training and assessment, mentoring apprentices in on-the-job learning sessions.

802

(48% women) apprentices certified in market demanded occupations and provided with tool kits for their occupations.

2

new vocational curricula have been developed and 3 existing have been updated. (Veterinary and animal health service).

50

ILO-trained trainers conducted entrepreneurship training to 4,800 small business owners, organized by UNDP.

Impact:

The Skills and Entrepreneurship Development component of the ERRY III Joint Programme is crucial in boosting income and enhancing food security by equipping individuals with essential skills and tools in various occupations. Through apprenticeship training and certification, the joint programme actively contributes to creating sustainable income opportunities and improving food security in communities affected by crises. Apprenticeship programs make a significant impact on women's empowerment by providing them with opportunities for skill development, economic independence, and career advancement.



Business owners take a photo following entrepreneurship training.

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