



**EXPOSURE VISIT OF THE REPRESENTATIVES OF ALL SUB-NATIONAL UNITS  
TO KP BILLION TREE AFFORESTATION PROJECT ACTIVITIES**

(22<sup>nd</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2019)





## **BACKGROUND**

National REDD+ Office in coordination with the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP) Forest Department organized an exposure visit to KP Billion Tree Afforestation Project (BTAP) from 22<sup>nd</sup> -25<sup>th</sup> April, 2019. The objective of the visit was to enhance learning of the forest department professionals about the successful BTAP implementation approaches that will be beneficial to the provinces in pursuing and adopting the experiences in their forest management initiatives especially in the implementation of 10 Billion Afforestation Project. Detail schedule of the BTAP visit is attached as **Annex-I**.

## **DAY TO DAY PROCEEDINGS**

### **Day 1: 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2019**

#### **A) Chief Conservator of Forest Central and Southern Region-I Office (CCF-I):**

All the participants (**Annex-II**) gathered at the Committee Room of Chief Conservator of Forests-I Office, Peshawar for a presentation on BTAP and KP REDD+ Project. Formal opening of the session was started with the recitation from Holy Quran, then followed by the introduction of the participants.

Mr. Niaz Ali Khan, Chief Conservator of Forests welcomed the participants then Mr. Dawood Afridi, Deputy Project Director BTAP delivered a detail presentation on the objectives, planning, budgeting, implementation and achievements as well as elaborated tiers of Monitoring Mechanism of BTAP followed by questions and answers session. Brief summary of the achievements is as under:

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Target of plants(million)</b>	<b>Achievement of plants (million)</b>	<b>Area treated (ha)</b>	<b>% of area added to forest area</b>
Enclosure	600	732	306983	1.30
Plantation (all categories)	200	311	263213	3.1
Sowing			23096	
Farm Forestry	200	165	-	1.9
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>1208</b>	<b>593292</b>	<b>6.3</b>



After BTAP session, Project Director KP REDD+ Project, Muhammad Arif delivered a brief presentation on REDD+ Project objectives, implementation and achievements so far.

All the participants appreciated the efforts of KP Forest Department and special appreciation was offered by Mr. Abdul Rahim Somoro, Secretary Forests and Wildlife Department, Sindh.

## **B) Peshawar Forest Division:**

Presentation was followed by the visit to the well-established GhariChandan Block Plantation Site at Peshawar Forest Sub-division which covers an area of 800 ha. Various tree species were planted based on the physiographic characteristics which included but not limited to *Acacia modesta*, *Acacia nilotica*, *Dodonaea viscosa* (Sanatha), *Eucalyptus camaldulensis* (Eucalyptus), *Pinus roxburghii* (Chir Pine), *Callistemon viminalis* (Bottle Brush), *Dalbergia sissoo* (Shisham) etc. The plantation was very well established, vigorous and well maintained. DFO Peshawar Mr. Gulzarur Rehman briefed the participants about plantation right from site selection till to date activities, then followed by planting of saplings by each of the participants at Ghari Chandan.

Halted at Peshawar.

## **Glimpse of the Ghari Chandan Plantation Site**



*Briefing to Forestry Officials by CCF*



*Updating Secretary Forests, Sindh by CCF*



**Day 2: 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 2019**

**A) Hazara Motorway: Started journey from Peshawar towards Shogran on the way at Haripur on Hazara Motorway**

Syed Rizwan Ahmad Kazmi, DFO Haripur briefed the participants about the volunteer sowing activity carried out by officers and staff of Northern Forest Region-II Office along the both sides of Hazara motorway for the land stabilization. Different species were sown voluntarily namely Sanatha (*Dodonaea viscosa*), Babul (*Acacia nilotica*) etc having very promising results and then proceeded to Abbottabad.



*Volunteer plantation alongside Hazara motorway*

**B) Chief Conservator of Forests, Northern Forest Region-II Office:**

A detailed presentation was given by Ejaz Qadir CF Lower Hazara and Malik Sagheer CF Watershed at the office of Chief Conservator of Forests Northern Forest Region (Region-II) on administration and management of Northern Forest Region, targets and achievement of BTAP activities by Northern Forest Region, followed by a question and answer session then proceeded to Manshera.



*Presentation on BTAP Activities at office of CCF-Northern Forest Region (Region-II)*

**C) Kunhar Watershed Division:**

On way at Manshera, Mr. Jawad Mumtaz, DFO Kunhar Watershed showed Darra Woodlot (7 Ha) and Chittabatta Plantation site (34.3 Ha) planted in spring 2017 with species of Chir Pine, Deodar, Robinia, Eucalyptus etc. The techniques and results were very promising and appreciated then proceeded to Shogran and halted.





*Mr. Jawad Mumtaz, DFO Kunhar Watershed demonstrating about the plantation*



### **Day 3: (24<sup>th</sup> April, 2019, Kaghan)**

Mr. Aqeel Abbasi, DFO Kaghan briefed the participants about the jurisdiction, forest types, forest management and BTAP activities of Kaghan Forest Division then showed various closures, plantations and soil conservation works right from Shogran upto Naran along the road. The result and techniques were very promising. Then moved back to Shogran and halted.



*Natural Regeneration*

### **Day 4: 25th April, 2019**

#### **A) Kaghan Forest Division:**

Started journey from Shogran towards Haripur on the way at Balakot DFO Kaghan showed the participants Shoal compartment No.2 and 9 plantations and Basin Guzara Closure having very vigorous results; then proceeded to Haripur.

#### **B) Haripur**

Mr. Ibrar Ahmad, DFO Daur Watershed Division briefed the participants about the site NikaPah bare rooted nurseries. The nursery covers an area of about 2.5 ha. Almost seven





different types of tree species were raised in this nursery namely Poplar, Willow, Walnut, Robinia, Ailanthus, Mulberry through various techniques including seed sowing on raised beds, dibbling and cutting on flat beds etc.



*Daur Forest Division, Nika Pah Bare rooted Nurseries*

All the participants from provinces and territories appreciated the work carried out by the KP Forest Department and they were also determined to replicate it in their provinces. Feedback by the provincial forestry officials on the BTAP visit is attached as **Annex-III**

-----**End of Field Visit**-----



## ANNEX-I: Agenda

### SCHEDULE

**FOR THE EXPOSURE VISIT OF THE REPRESENTATIVES OF ALL SUB-NATIONAL UNITS TO  
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From 22<sup>nd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2019**

Date:	Timing	Particulars	Venue	Office/ Officer Responsible
22-04-2019	09:00-9:30 HRS	Registration of Participants	CCF/PD BTAP Office Peshawar	NRO/PR
	09: 30-11:00 HRS	Presentation on BTAP by PD BTAP	CCF/PD BTAP Office Peshawar	PD BTAP
	11: 00-11:20 HRS	Tea Break	CCF/PD BTAP Office Peshawar	NRO
	11:20-13:00 HRS	Visit to Garhi Chandan Plantation Area	Peshawar Forest Division	PD BTAP/ DFO Peshawar
	13:00- 14:00 HRS	Lunch Break	Peshawar	NRO
	14:00- 17:00 HRS	Visit to Firing Range Plantation Area	Peshawar Forest Division	PD BTAP/ DFO Peshawar
	17:00-18:00	Back to Camp and Halt	Peshawar	NRO
23-04-2019	09:00-13:00	Journey from Peshawar to Abbottabad	Abbottabad	NRO
	13:00-14:00	Lunch Break	Abbottabad	NRO
	14:00-15:00	Presentation/ overview on BTAP activities in Northern Forest Region (Region-II)	Abbottabad	CCF-II, CF Lower Hazara/ C/F Watershed, DFO Galies/ Daur
	15:00-18:00	Journey from Abbottabad to Shogran and Halt	Shogran	NRO
24-04-2019	09:30-10:00 HRS	Presentation on BTAP activities on Kaghan Forest Division	DFO Kaghan Office	DFO Kaghan
	10: 00-10:15 HRS	Tea Break	DFO Kaghan Office	NRO
	10: 15-13:00 HRS	Visit to: Bisian Guzara closure, Shoal comp No. 2 plantation, Shoal comp No. 9 plantation.	Kaghan Forest Division	DFO Kaghan
	13:00- 14:00 HRS	Lunch Break	Kaghan	NRO
	14:00- 16:00 HRS	Visit to Soil conservation site	Kaghan Forest Division	DFO Kaghan
		Back to camp and Halt	Shogran	

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<b>Date:</b>	<b>Timing</b>	<b>Particulars</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Office/Officer Responsible</b>
25-04-2019	09:00-13:00	Journey from Kaghan to Haripur	Haripur	NRO
	13:00-14:15	Lunch Break	Haripur	NRO
	14:00-16:00	Visit to: Kalaig shorag plantation area Baldher plantation area Kalaige chacha plantation area NikaPah tube/ Bare rooted Nurseries Kotla reserve area enclosure	Daur Forest Division/ Haripur Forest Division	DFO Daur DFO Haripur
	16:00-18:00	Journey from Haripur to Islamabad	NRO	NRO
	<b>End of visit</b>			

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