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FRDP QUARTERLY HIGHLIGHTS

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FRDP SHARES PAKISTAN'S COMMUNITY RESILIENCE EXPERIENCE AT REGIONAL EXCHANGE IN NAIROBI

FRDP participated at a regional exchange held in Nairobi on 8th September 2025, where practitioners from different countries came together to share lessons from their work on community resilience and WASH. Speaking from FRDP's experience in Sindh, Ms Fozia Aziz, Executive Director FRDP, reflected on how progress begins when communities take charge of their own development when women lead when local voices are heard and when accountability is more than paperwork.



HOSPITAL ON WHEELS:

FRDP with the support of Paani has started a mobile health service for villages in Tharparkar and Umerkot where medical help is often miles away. The team traveled to remote areas and offered free check-ups, basic medicines and care for mothers and children. The service has made regular healthcare a reachable part of daily life instead of a distant possibility.



EXTENDING HOPE AND DIGNITY TO VULNERABLE FAMILIES- ORPHAN SUPPORT PROGRAM (OSP):

FRDP in partnership with Paani continued its quiet but steady work of caring for families who often have no one else to turn to. Food packs were shared with widows and persons with disabilities in Hyderabad and Matiari, easing the weight of daily uncertainty. A new shelter in Sahib Merani and two more in Detha and Fazal Son City gave three families a roof that will hold through the sessions. Children received new clothes, shoes and Eid gifts small gestures that reminded them joy still belongs to them. The team also have began preparing for hand-pump installations in water scarce areas and completed profiles for orphaned children awaiting sponsorship.



ACCESS TO CLEAN WATER IN SINDH:

FRDP, in partnership with Droplets of Mercy, continued work in droughts hit villages to make clean water available through new and repaired hand pumps. Community members helped choose the sites and took part in setting up local groups to look after the pumps. For many families, the walk for water has grown now have more time for school instead of long hours at wells far from home.



RESPONDING TO TYPHOID IN SINDH:

With the help from the HSP, FRDP has begun work to address the rise of drug-resistant typhoid in Sindh. The effort focuses on practical health education, water safety and support for local clinics. The session with families and schools are slowly changing how people think about the disease how it spreads and what they can do to keep it away. In places once shaped by fear and confusion, the presence of clean water and plain, trustworthy knowledge has begun to change daily life.



STRENGTHENING ACCOUNTABILITY AND FEEDBACK SYSTEMS

The quarter a training session on FCRM for both staff and community members was organized, which aimed to reinforce FRDP's commitment to transparency and accountability within project activities. Participants revisited complaint channels documentation practices and community level follow-up procedures to ensure continued trust between citizens and implementers. In the crowded lanes of the city's slum areas, about twenty FCRM sessions and a few small community meetings took place. People sat close, some with children on their laps, talking about things that affect them every day keeping water clean, staying healthy during pregnancy, feeding children better with what they have. Nothing fancy, just plain talk that made sense to them. Slowly, people started picking up small things washing hands more often, boiling water, checking on neighbors. It wasn't a campaign, it was people learning from one another.



ADVANCING URBAN FOOD AND WASH COORDINATION:

FRDP took part in provincial workshop on Urban Food systems and WASH stakeholder engagement strategy held in Karachi on July 16th. The event gathered government officials, civil society representatives and academic experts to discuss the intersection of food security, sanitation and sustainable urban planning. FRDP contributed insights from Hyderabad's Urban slums highlighting the need for practical integration between WASH services and food systems to address nutrition and hygiene challenges. FRDP team has handed over solid waste containers to the Sindh Solid Waste Management Board in Hyderabad for continued service in targeted neighborhoods. Additionally, formal handover processes for completed drainage schemes were initiated with municipal water and sanitation corporation through coordination with mayor's office, ensuring local authorities could take ownership of ongoing maintenance.



POST MONSOON ASSESSMENT FOR RISK REDUCTION:

Following heavy monsoon rains, FRDP teams carried out damage documentation and rapid assessments in flood affected localities. What came out of these findings will help the team plan better and make changes that match what people are really dealing with as the weather and seasons grow more unpredictable. The urban food project has been more than building systems it's been about people coming together to look after what's around them.



EMPOWERING LOCAL NETWORKS AND WOMEN-LED HUMANITARIAN ACTION-TOGETHER 2.0 PROJECT:

Under the ToGETHER 2.0 framework, FRDP Field teams revisited target villages in Tharparkar to ensure community ownership of earlier resilience measures such as earthen rods installed under HOIFA. Awareness booklets on lightning safety were distributed among schoolchildren and district authorities, addressing a growing hazard in the desert belt. August and September saw FRDP formalize partnerships with three local humanitarian organizations through signed MoUs, establishing a collaborative foundation for peer monitoring and shared learning.. In Dadu, FRDP, with WHH's support, distributed ration packs and dignity kits to 380 vulnerable families as part of the Anticipatory Action initiative. The team also participated in coordination meetings with UN OCHA, NHN, PHF, and the UN RC/HC's office, amplifying FRDP's role in advancing locally led humanitarian systems.



RESTORING STABILITY AND EDUCATION FROM AFGHAN REFUGEE AND HOST COMMUNITIES:

Aisha Academy established by FRDP, has continued its steady work with Afghan refugees and vulnerable host families. In July, through its partnership with Paani, the Academy distributed schools kits, uniforms and stationery to refugee children who had been out of school for years. The activity through simple form, carried quiet significance restoring a sense of normalcy and belonging for children whose education had been interrupted by displacement.

COMPREHENSIVE HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE DELIVERED TO FLOOD-AFFECTED COMMUNITIES IN BUNER:

In August, Aisha Academy extended support to flood-affected families in District cooked meals to 400 families and essential non-food items to 900 households, including dignity and hygiene kits, along with materials for emergency repairs. Additionally, 200 families received shelter assistance, allowing them to rebuild what the floods had taken a roof, a sense of safety and the first step back toward stability.



FOOD SUPPORT TO AFGHAN REFUGEES IN KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA:

In collaboration with PeaceTrain, FRDP extended for assistance to 180 Afghan refugee families residing in Khairabad and Nowshera. Each family received a food pack put together to get them through a difficult stretch, simple things that meant they would not have to go to bed hungry. Most of the families had lost their income and were relying on small, uncertain sources of help. The distribution gave them a small break from the constant worry of how to manage the next meal. For many, it wasn't just about food, it was about being seen. In places where people have grown used to waiting and being forgotten this small gesture brought back a bit of balance and steadiness. It reminded everyone involved why FRDP's work matters that real help is quiet, consistent and built on showing up when it counts.



JOINT MONITORING VISIT BY FRDP AND DROPLETS OF MERCY TO ASSESS WATER INTERVENTIONS:

FRDP's team, along with representatives from Droplets of Mercy, visited the Village of Hope in Mirpurkhas and nearby water schemes in Umerkot. The purpose was to see how the work was holding up and to listen to the people who live with its results every day. Families spoke openly about what had improved and what still needed attention. The visitors walked through the sites, checked the water flow, and sat with the community to talk about keeping the systems running. The team from Droplets of Mercy noted FRDP's practical approach and close work with local partners. This wasn't a ceremonial visit it was about seeing real progress on the ground and understanding what it takes to keep it steady.



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