



# FRDP QUARTERLY HIGHLIGHTS

## October to December, 2025

During the quarter under review, the Fast Rural Development Program (FRDP) demonstrated strong strategic leadership, operational depth, and partnership-driven impact across humanitarian response, disaster preparedness, urban resilience, health, gender, and localisation agendas. The period was marked by the consolidation of institutional systems, the expansion of evidence-based programming, and visible contributions to policy dialogue and locally led humanitarian action.

FRDP made significant progress in strengthening its institutional direction and long-term strategic positioning, particularly within rapidly urbanising and climate-vulnerable contexts. The orientation on FRDP's Five-Year Strategic Plan, conducted in collaboration with RDF and with technical support from Welthungerhilfe under the Urban Food Production project, provided a critical platform for internal reflection and alignment. Key strategic shifts were reinforced, notably the mainstreaming of urban slum development, urban food production, and urban WASH as core organisational priorities. The organisation demonstrated a strong commitment to learning, adaptation, and evidence generation, with emphasis on measuring behaviour change, service functionality, and institutional capacity outcomes. Lessons learned were systematically captured to inform adaptive programming and strengthen FRDP's advocacy and policy engagement at district, provincial, and national levels.



At the regional and global levels, FRDP actively contributed to shaping the localisation agenda. Participation in the Regional Humanitarian Partnership Week (RHPW 2025) in Bangkok and the South-to-South Exchange in Indonesia positioned FRDP as a credible local actor advocating for power-sharing, flexible funding, and community accountability. These engagements enhanced FRDP's visibility and reinforced its role within the ToGETHER and HOIFA platforms.



## PROGRAMMATIC AND OPERATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Operationally, FRDP delivered a diverse and high-impact portfolio of interventions during the quarter:

### DISASTER PREPAREDNESS AND ANTICIPATORY ACTION

Under the ECHO-funded BRAND Project, FRDP played a pivotal role in strengthening institutional disaster risk management systems. Key milestones included the inauguration of District Emergency Operation Centres (DEOCs), simulation exercises on the Integrated Decision Support System (IDSS), and lesson-learning workshops involving PDMA, district administrations, and technical departments. These interventions enhanced early warning, forecasting, and data-driven decision-making capacities in Dadu and Mirpurkhas.



## ANTICIPATORY ACTION AND FLOOD RESPONSE (BRAVE NORTH)

In partnership with Concern Worldwide and district administrations, FRDP successfully implemented anticipatory actions in Sukkur, including beneficiary assessments for MPCA, coordinated cash distributions, livestock vaccination and deworming campaigns, health and hygiene awareness sessions, and strong coordination mechanisms to avoid duplication and maximise coverage.



## URBAN FOOD SYSTEMS AND WASH

Through annual reviews, stakeholder workshops, and field-level implementation, FRDP strengthened integrated Urban Food Production and WASH interventions. Progress was made in improving water access, hygiene practices, waste management, and cross-sector coordination with agriculture, livestock, nutrition, and urban planning departments.



## RECOVERY AND RESILIENCE

The completion and inauguration of the Village of Hope in Mirpurkhas marked a major recovery milestone, showcasing community-led reconstruction for families affected by the 2022 floods. The model reflected dignity, ownership, and long-term resilience.



## HEALTH AND PROTECTION

FRDP expanded access to mental health services through the inauguration of a psychiatric clinic in Matiari, alongside free medical camps and long-term case management.



The organisation also actively marked the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence, reinforcing commitments to women's rights, digital safety, and ethical technology use.



## CAPACITY STRENGTHENING AND LOCALISATION

FRDP hosted a four-day FCRM and P-FIM training for 16 organisations nationwide under the ToGETHER Project, strengthening transparency, accountability, and community-centred humanitarian programming across Pakistan.



## FRDP TEAM BID FAREWELL TO MS. FOZIA AZIZ, OUTGOING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, AND WELCOME MANSOOR AHMED BALOCH AS THE INCOMING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The FRDP team and management came together to bid a warm farewell to Ms Fozia Aziz, the outgoing Executive Director, who served the organisation with commitment and professionalism since September 2023. Her tenure was marked by thoughtful leadership, institutional strengthening, and a continued focus on serving the most marginalized communities. The team sincerely appreciated her contributions and wished her every success in her future endeavors.

At the same time, FRDP proudly welcomed Mr Mansoor Ahmed Baloch as the incoming Executive Director. The management and staff expressed their full confidence in his visionary leadership, strategic insight, and ability to steer the organisation towards sustained growth and impact. With renewed optimism and collective commitment, the FRDP team looks forward to this new chapter of leadership and continued progress.



## FRDP STRENGTHENS INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN COLLABORATION THROUGH TOGETHER 2.0 ENGAGEMENT

Between October and December 2025, FRDP continued its engagement under the ToGETHER 2.0 Programme in partnership with Welthungerhilfe (WHH). In early November, the FRDP team participated in the South-to-South Exchange in Asia, held in Bali from 3 to 7 November. The exchange brought together partners from Pakistan, Indonesia, Myanmar, and Bangladesh. The purpose was to share on-the-ground experience, examine how locally led humanitarian work actually functions, and discuss challenges faced by national organizations working in complex environments. Nearly 70 participants attended, allowing space for detailed discussion, peer learning, and reflection on partnership models. During the exchange, FRDP took part in a panel discussion focused on women's empowerment. The discussion centered on women's leadership within humanitarian and development work, the gap between policy commitments and practice, and the barriers women continue to face in decision-making roles across the region. The panel included both female and male practitioners, allowing for an open exchange of perspectives based on field experience rather than theory. As part of the same exchange, FRDP facilitated a half-day session on Anticipatory Humanitarian Action. The session focused on understanding how early action can reduce damage and loss before disasters occur. Participants worked through practical scenarios, discussed triggers for action and reviewed examples from Pakistan to understand how anticipatory approaches differ from traditional emergency response. The session emphasized planning, coordination and decision-making under uncertainty.



## FRDP FACILITATES MULTI-PROVINCE FCRM AND P-FIM TRAINING WORKSHOP WITH WHH TO STRENGTHEN PARTNER COORDINATION AND COMMUNITY-CENTERED PROGRAMMING

In October, FRDP also facilitated and participated in a four-day FCRM and P-FIM training workshop organized by WHH at Indus Hotel, Hyderabad. The workshop brought together five local humanitarian partners and twelve Peer Humanitarian Partners from Sindh, Punjab, KP, Balochistan and Islamabad. Around 40 participants attended, representing organizations including WHH, FRDP, CDF, IDEAS, DANESH, RCDS and PHPs. Sessions focused on financial risk management, accountability, partner responsibilities and community-centered programming. The workshop strengthened coordination among partners and supported shared understanding of systems and processes.



## FRDP ENGAGES WITH REGIONAL HUMANITARIAN PARTNERS TO STRENGTHEN INCLUSIVE LEADERSHIP AND LOCAL ACTION IN ASIA PACIFIC 2025

FRDP was also represented at the Regional Humanitarian Partners Week Asia Pacific 2025 held in Bangkok, Thailand. FRDP moderated multiple sessions and engaged with humanitarian actors from across the region. Discussions focused on inclusive leadership, women's participation and practical challenges faced by local organizations working within international systems.



## FRDP ADVANCES URBAN FOOD PRODUCTION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT IN PARTNERSHIP WITH WHH

Under the Urban Food Production Project implemented in partnership with WHH, several activities took place during the quarter. World Food Day and Global Handwashing Day were observed within the project area, alongside community theatre activities organized in collaboration with the University of Sindh Jamshoro. Government officials from WASA and the Social Welfare Department participated in a WHH event in Islamabad marking 20 years of humanitarian and development work in Pakistan. Senior leadership from WHH headquarters and country office, including the Secretary General and Country Director, conducted field visits to the project area on 24 October. Additional visits were carried out by WHH program leadership and technical experts to review progress and provide guidance.



## EDUCATION AND HUMANITARIAN SUPPORT FOR AISHA ACADEMY NOSHERA-KPK

In Nowshera, under the PAANI project, Aisha Academy conducted the Grand Assessment Test for Term 2 in October 2025. The assessment process was carried out in an organized and transparent manner, followed by timely compilation and sharing of results. The activity supported students enrolled in the academy. In November, coordination visits were conducted with the Chief Commissionerate of Aisha Academy Noshera-KPK and the Home and Tribal Affairs Department to discuss ongoing activities and future planning. A No Objection Certificate was obtained from the Deputy Commissioner for project activities in Cherat. Awareness activities were also organized to mark the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women and World Children's Day. In December, food assistance under the PeaceTrain project was distributed in Cherat, reaching 180 beneficiaries. The distribution was carried out in coordination with local stakeholders to ensure transparency and proper targeting.



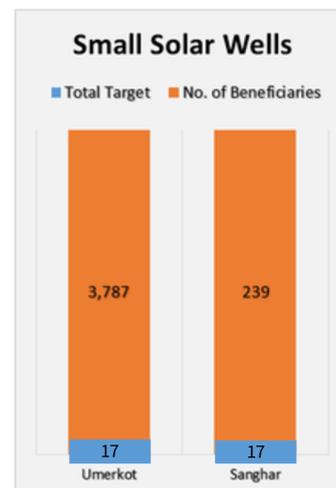
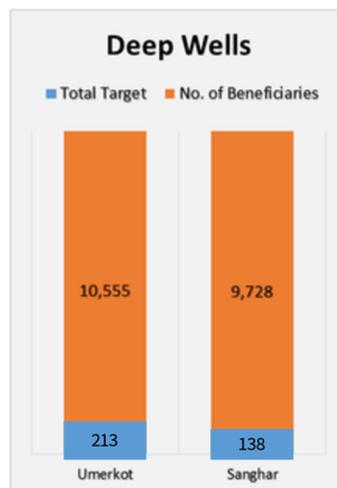
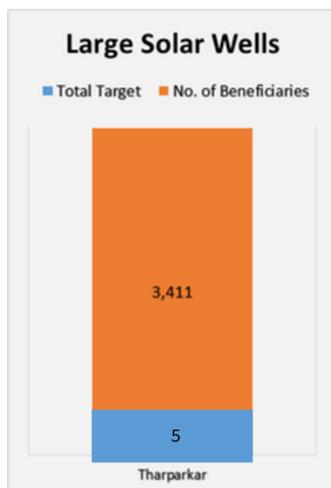
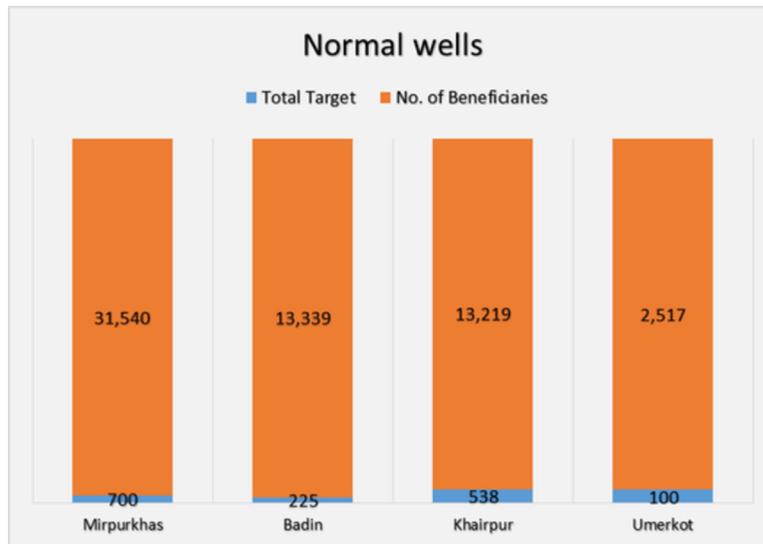
# EXPANDING SAFE WATER AND SANITATION SERVICES IN SINDH

Across Tharparkar, Umerkot, and Sanghar, FRDP continued WASH interventions in partnership with PAANI, One Ummah, HCI, DOM, Zakat Foundation, and JTS. Solar-powered water wells, deep handpumps, normal handpumps, and small solar wells were installed based on community size and water access needs. These installations improved access to safe drinking water for thousands of households. Completed sewerage schemes and solid waste assets were formally handed over to WASA and local authorities to support long-term operation and maintenance.



# COMMUNITY SUPPORT AND RELIEF ACTIVITIES IN HYDERABAD

In Hyderabad and surrounding areas, charity support under the PAANI project included field assessments for handpump installation and food assistance in October. Support was extended to orphan children and Bharti families through food assistance and educational support. In November, food assistance reached 416 beneficiaries, including widows and persons with disabilities. In December, additional support was provided to a widow with disabilities, along with education fee support for ten children.



# IMPROVING PSYCHOLOGICAL WELL-BEING THROUGH COMMUNITY-BASED MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES DISTRICT MATIARI

In District Matiari, FRDP continued implementation of its community-based mental health program during the reporting period. Coordination meetings were held with the Deputy Commissioner and District Health Officer to align on service delivery and administrative support. The program was formally inaugurated in the presence of district officials. A one-day psychiatric camp was conducted, providing registration, psychological assessments, psychiatric consultations and free medication to beneficiaries. All patients were assessed, documented, counseled and supported according to clinical protocols to reduce barriers to care.



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