Psychological Support and Social and Economic Reintegration

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CONTENT OF PRESENTATION

- Afghans and Disability
- Elements of a successful socio-economic program
- Core principles
- Achievements based on core principles
- Sustainability of the service delivery

Prevalence rate

7% is the prevalence rate of disability in Afghanistan including the mental distressed

Types of Disabilities

- Physical Disability (36.5%)
- Sensorial Disability (25.5%)
- Mental Disability (9.7%)
- Associated Disabilities (9.4%)
- Fits, Crises and Epilepsy (18.8%)
The following core principles have been practically implemented:

- Participatory approach
- Involvement of local authorities
- Non-discrimination
- Women’s participation
- Transparency and accountability
- Community Based
- Practical and Reliable
- Promotes self-reliance and self-esteem

The consequences of stated core principles in the field:

In 2006:

- **150** women and **102** men were referred to vocational training
- **132** received basic education
- **35** persons obtained a job
- **85** developed self-employment
- And **1597** persons benefited from disability awareness programs.
The unique project has been implemented by HI in Afghanistan, called:

Established in Jan-2004 in Kabul

How to sustain the activities:

- Follow the bottom up system
  - Assess the real opportunities
  - Missing opportunities
  - Mainstream organizations
- Be flexible never impose on employers
  - Improve the capacity
- Approach human rights base not charity base
- Try to much the opportunities to capabilities
- Focus on inclusive approach and use existing services (for ex: Referring the PwDs)
Thank you
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