

March, 2017

COORDINATION MEETING ON CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION IN KHOROG

On March 2, a coordination meeting was held in the Khorog town to discuss topical issues of adaptation to climate change in the Gorno-Badakhshan Autonomous Oblast (GBAO) of the Republic of Tajikistan.

The meeting, organized by the Aga Khan Foundation's Mountain Societies Development Support Program (MSDSP), was attended by representatives of local authorities of GBAO, international and public organizations - Meteorological Station, MSDSP, Aga Khan Habitats Agency (AKAH), Aga Khan Foundation of Afghanistan, German Society for International Cooperation (GIZ), CAMP Tabiat Public Foundation and others.

MSDSP General Manager Kishwar Abdulalishoev noted that the main goal of the meeting is to develop cooperation and coordination of actions between organizations working in the field of adaptation to climate change in the region. The meeting will give an opportunity to representatives of different organizations to get acquainted with each other's work, exchange knowledge and study different approaches to adaptation, he added.

During the meeting, MSDSP, AKAH, the Aga Khan Foundation of Afghanistan, CAMP Tabiat, the NGO Nur and the Water Users Association "Ob Umed" presented their activities on adaptation to climate change.

Director of CAMP Tabiat Umed Bulbulshoev, made a presentation of the project "Ecosystem – based Adaptation to Climate Change in High Mountainous Regions of Central Asia" (EbA). The project assists the residents of two mountainous villages of Siponj and Darjomj in the Bartang Valley to adapt by reducing the risk or vulnerability associated with current and projected climate impacts. The EbA project is being implemented by the German Society for International Cooperation (GIZ) in Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan on behalf of the German Government. In Tajikistan GIZ partner in the project implementation is CAMP Tabiat.

At the end of the meeting there was a discussion on further prospects for cooperation in the field of adaptation to climate change in GBAO. The participants expressed their interest in strengthening further cooperation in this area.

