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IN THE BARTANG VALLEY, ADAPTATION TO CLIMATE CHANGE IS CARRIED OUT

In June, in Siponj and Darjomj villages of Bartang valley of GBAO, work on forest restoration and afforestation, as well as bank protection.

Local residents are currently working on fencing in Siponj 5 hectares of forest. For this purpose, CAMP Tabiat within the framework of the German Society for International cooperation (GIZ) "Ecosystem –based Adaptation to Climate Change in High Mountainous Regions of Central Asia" (EbA) project provided rural residents with about 1.3 thousand meters of metal mesh. Planting of seedlings in this area is planned for the fall of this year. Also, in this village in the near future will begin repairing the irrigation canal.

Navruzmammad Bodurov, a teacher from the village of Siponj, noted that the forest fence will protect the seedlings and bushes from livestock and thereby restore the forest. Revival of this forest, located along the Bartang River, will also help to strengthen the riverbank.

In the near future, the stabilization of the mountain streambed and restoration of the forest area will begin in Darjomj. Ulfatsho Oshurov, a farmer from the village of Darjomj, believes that these measures will protect part of the village from mudflows.

Residents of Siponj and Darjomj villages, who are involved in adaptation measures, will receive food aid from the UN World Food Program (WFP). At the end of June, a total of 84 people were identified for this assistance. The agreement on this between CAMP Tabiat and WFP was reached in February this year in Khorog. Food aid will also be provided to 11 poor families in these villages.

