



Accessibility Organization for Afghan Disabled

Annual Report 1398 (April 2019 – April 2020)

I never thought that persons with disabilities can work.
Now I know my rights and I believe in my abilities.



List of Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Description
AOAD	Accessibility Organization for Afghan Disabled
ACBAR	Agency Coordinating Body for Afghan Relief & development
CHW	Community Health Worker
CSOs	Civil Society Organization
HCT	Humanitarian Country Team
HAG	Humanitarian Coordination Group
DMAC	Directorate of Mine Action Coordination
DSCG	Disability Stakeholder Coordination Group
FSAC	Food Security and Agriculture Coordination
MoPH	Ministry of Public Health
PM-WRA	Project Management for Office of Weapons Removal and Abatement
PHCC	Provincial Health Coordination Committee
PwD	People With Disability
SCA	Swedish Committee for Afghanistan
WHO	World Health Organization
UN-HABITAT	United Nation United Nations Program for human settlements and sustainable urban development

Acknowledgment from the Founder & President of AOAD,

Dear respected readers,

We are excited to present our 2019 Annual Report, highlighting the work we do, the people we serve, and the progress we are making towards our mission, ensuring an inclusive world that provides equal opportunity for all people.

Since 2007, Accessibility Organization for Afghan Disabled (AOAD) has been working to improve the rights of Afghan, living with disabilities, in education, employment, self-reliance, health and safety and physical accessibility in the built-environment, and grown into the largest disability rights organization in the country. Throughout 2019 we took on cutting-edge issues to protect rights, prevent abuse, continue to challenge barriers to services, stop discrimination and making inclusion. We are proud of this work and its impact on fostering a more just Afghanistan with equal opportunity for all.

Thanks to US State Department/PM/WRA, UNHABITAT, European Union (EU), WFP, WHO, and OMAR for financially supporting AOAD. AOAD is an experienced National Disability Rights organization established by an Afghan expert living with Disability who has long experience of working with international and national organizations as well as in UN agencies for disability, development and community empowerment.

As Director of the AOAD, I am happy to present our services to the deserved Afghan nation and with direct support from the international community with commitment to Person with Disability. We are a peer-to peer support organization, addressing the full participation and equality of the Afghan living with disability. We developed this report to provide realistic, clear and valuable information about AOAD activities and to increase the organization's visibility, transparency and legitimacy in line with respect and commitment to our vision and mission.

Within this context, AOAD is keen to further improve its professionalism, effectiveness and efficiency in the provision of its services. AOAD management is committed to share its vision, mission, core values and strategies with the our partners, stakeholder, and the target communities in order to align their support in achieving the goals and mandate of the organization.

Taking this opportunity, I would like to cordially thank all readers of this report especially who share their constructive and valuable comments and inputs for further improvement of our services and effectively contributed to the wellbeing of the most deprived and neglected people of our society.

Sincerely yours,

Abdul Khaleq "Zazai"

Executive Director and founder of AOAD

1. Executive Summary:

Though the generous donors funding, AOAD enhanced disability inclusion and promote the empowerments of the Afghans with Disabilities. AOAD during the year 2019 had remarkable achievements which are summarized below:

- 1) Successful implementation of the project work plan for the year 2019 (99%).
- 2) Strategic plan of AOAD for the years 2019-2021 developed.
- 3) Annual plan of the organization for 2019 developed and implemented.
- 4) Annual monitoring plan of the organization for the year 2019 developed.
- 5) Successful implementation of unconditional seasonal support projects in Parwan, Logar, Khost, and Paktya.
- 6) Submission of concept note and proposal for EU project and signing the contract of the project.
- 7) Successful submission of proposal and obtaining the contract of PM-WRA project.
- 8) Successful submission of proposal and obtained the contract from WHO for Emergency Physical Rehabilitations, and successful implementation of the project based on the project contract with WHO.
- 9) Successful submission of proposal and obtaining the contract of UN-HABITAT project and successful implementation of the project based on the project contract and work plan.
- 10) Developing and submission of proposal for unconditional seasonal support to WFP for Logar, Paktya, Paktika, Parwan, Khost and Wardak provinces. And successful implementation of projects based on project work plan.
- 11) Developing and submission of proposal for second phase of PM-WRA project on April 2020.
- 12) Developing and submission of proposal for AHF standard allocation.
- 13) Developing and submission of 5 concept nots to UNOCHA, FSAC cluster, COMAC, FAO and protection cluster.
- 14) Developing and submission of proposal for Emergency Physical Rehabilitations for Bamyán province.
- 15) Developing and submission of proposal to Caritas Germany.
- 16) Timely submission of technical and financial report of all AOAD ongoing projects to donors.

2. Introduction of the Organization

Accessibility Organization for Afghan Disabled AOAD is a non-governmental, nonprofits and non-political organization established by Person with Disability and working for inclusion of Persons with Disabilities according to the disability equality/ gender equality addressing rights of women/girls with disabilities and their family members as peer-support organization, founded in 2007 in Kabul, Afghanistan.

AOAD is registered with the Ministry of Economy of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan with the registration number of (956). AOAD is also registered with the Ministry of Women Affairs of Afghanistan for gender equality especially inclusion of women/girls with disabilities in development, humanitarian and political agenda through advocacy, lobbies, as equal citizens in Afghanistan. AOAD is an active stakeholder taking participation in the Humanitarians Country Team (HCT/UNOCHA), former steering committee member of ACBAR and member of the Afghan CSO's network.

AOAD first received project fund from the ABILIS Foundation of Finland in May 2007 for Physical Accessibility Ramp construction in Kabul. AOAD have multi years rich nation-wide experience working in the provinces such as Kabul, Nangarhar, Laghman, Kunar, Khost, Paktia, Paktika, Ghzani, Zabul Logar, Uruzgan, Bamyan, Helmand, Herat, Kandahar, Parwan, Balkh, Jawzjan and Wardak province of Afghanistan.

AOAD is partner of the World Food Program WFP, European Union EU, in consortium project with Swadesh Committee for Afghanistan SCA, and Save the Children International SCI. AOAD also long-term partner of the US Department of State Weapon Removal Abatement (PM/WRA), Counterpart International (ACEP/CPI/USAID), WHO, AAR-Japan. and UN-HABITAT.

AOAD' closely working under the government agenda of the line ministries such as State Ministry of Martyrs and Disabled, Ministry of Education, Ministry of Refugees and Returnees (MORR), Afghanistan National Disaster Authority (ANDMA) and Ministry of Women Affairs. AOAD has tax exemption certificate from the Ministry of Finance of Afghanistan as a tax-free organization.

AOAD protection and mainstreaming efforts of persons with disabilities, good practices, lessons learnt, provide and field operations provide a common forum for dialogue and discussion among stakeholders, government, Disabled Peoples Organizations, Civil Society and Academia. Through this discussion, AOAD promote disability rights and inclusion in line with the convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD), and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs 2015-2030).

The director of AOAD is awardee of the Zero project in Austria for innovation of the Physical Accessibility Universal Design for All in February 2017 in the UN HQ of Austria.

AOAD is also collaborative partner with US International Council on Disability (USICD) in Washington DC. On November 5, 2018, AOAD received membership from the Afghanistan Humanitarians Fund (UNOCHA) and after that AOAD will receive direct funds from the UNOCHA/AHF for humanitarian aid assistance to returnees and Internal Displaced People (IDP's). AOAD received Mine-Risk Education (MRE) accreditation from the Department of Mine Action Center (DMAC) for serving of Victims Assistance War-conflicts injuries. AOAD is also core-member of the Afghan Campaign to Ban Landmine (ACBL). AOAD director is Country

Representative of the Global Alliance on Accessible Technologies & Environment (GAATES) Canada for Afghanistan.

1. Disability in Afghanistan:

Increased insurgent attacks on civilians in Afghanistan have left victims living with permanent impairments and disabilities and survivors in dire need of financial, medical, employment and psychosocial support, according to the present-situation reports from various sources. The Afghan government, international communities and human rights groups should ensure programs to assist victims of 4 decades of war and international terrorism.

Data shows that of the total Afghan population:

- 13.9% has severe disability and it is more prevalent among females (14.9%) than males (12.6%). Among children aged 2–17 years, 17.3% have a mild, moderate, or severe disability. The incidence of severe disabilities among adults and children, which stood at 2.7% in 2005, has risen steeply to 13.9%, putting Afghanistan in unprecedented healthcare territory. The Persons with Disabilities among the 90%, living under poverty line, are poorest of the poor in Afghanistan. Disability specialists have noted that this figure is estimated to be low due to the high mortality rate in Afghanistan due to poor care. They hypothesize that if access to quality care was improved, the rate of disability would be higher as more disabled persons would survive
- 80% of Afghan Population lives more than 100km from a physical rehabilitation center and 20 out 34 provinces do not have Prostheses and Outhouses facilities.
- Lack of access to adequate, skilled care can leave persons with disabilities confined to their homes for weeks, months and years, with conditions that could be addressed or alleviated with appropriate interventions.

However, with these consequences Persons with Disabilities living in poorest of the poor condition in the country experiencing widespread violations of their rights dignity as neglected population because of the decades of conflicts.

2. Development Goals:

Goal 1: A Society in which men and women with disabilities enjoy equal rights to health, education, employment and participation in the public life and in which they are protected from all form of discriminations.

Goal 2: Improve physical accessibility access for all with design for all.

Goal 3: Eliminate extreme poverty through skills development vocational training for long-term self/help sustainable jobs

3. Our Vision is:

AOAD's vision: to ensure people with disabilities are consistently and systematically included in development, education, political and humanitarian assistance agenda as **Nothing about us without us.**

4. Our Mission:

Resilience, full participation of parents, government, community for prevention of disabilities especially focus on women with disabilities so that they may participate fully in the society and influence their own development for sustainable life.

5. *AOAD Core-value:*

- a. Accountability
- b. Transparency
- c. Commitment
- d. Inclusion and
- e. Partnership

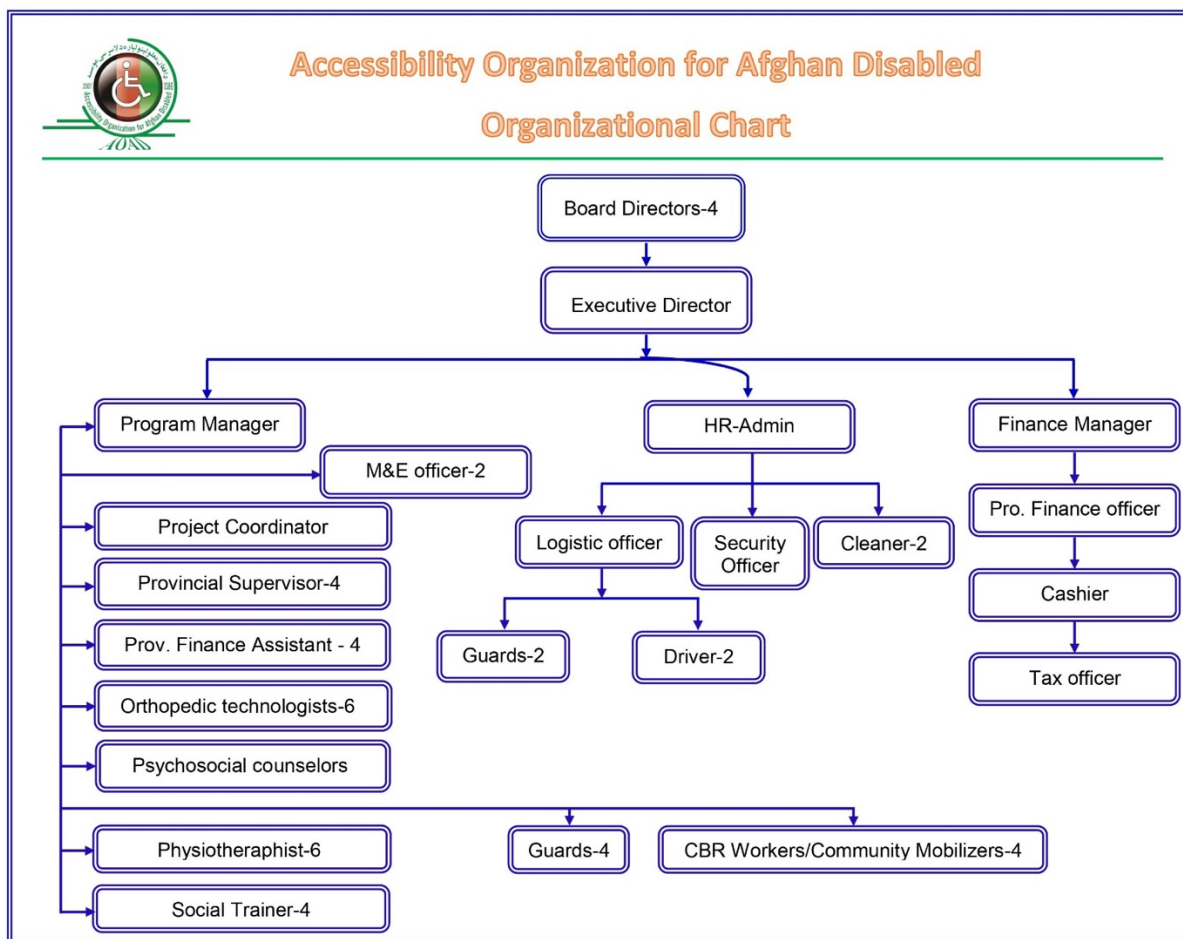
6. *Programmatic Objectives of AOAD:*

- a. Equality in socio-economic development
- b. Mainstreaming Persons with Disabilities in political agenda
- c. Equality, empowerment and inclusion
- d. Physical accessibility, access to the built environments
- e. Physical rehabilitation with empowerment back to society

3. Networking and membership in platforms and coalition of NGOs.

- Membership in Humanitarian Country Team (HCT): AOAD is the elective member of HCT in three consecutive years (2017-2020).
- Membership in FSAC Cluster: since 2017.
- Membership in Health Cluster: since 2019.
- Membership in protection cluster: since 2017.
- Membership in GBV Cluster in Afghanistan and globally 2019.
- Membership in Disability Stakeholder Coordination Group (DSCG): since 2008

4. Structure of the organization



5. Major achievements during the year 1398 (April 2019, April 2020)

During the reporting period AOAD had tremendous achievements in terms of successful implementation of project awarded by different donors, listed in below table:

S/N	Activity Name	Scope of Work	Project Donor	Start-Date	End Date	Location
1	Victims Assistance Vocational Training & Physical Accessibility Project	Vocational training and Physical Accessibility	PM-WRA	4-Sep-19	31-Aug-20	Kabul
2	Physical Rehabilitations of Persons with Disabilities	Physical rehabilitation in emergency	WHO	Jan-2019	Ongoing	Zabul province
3	Inclusiveness of Persons with Disability in the Urban Safety Services	Conducting Awareness raising programs	UN-HABITAT	1-Jul-19	29-Feb-20	Kabul
4	Partnership for Foods support in seasonal support and emergency disaster.	Food distribution	WFP	2016	Ongoing	Ghazni, Paktya, Paktika and Wardak Provinces
5	Seasonality Economic Empowerment for rural population	Food distribution	WFP	15-Oct-19	31-Dec-19	Parwan Provinces
6	Civic and voter educations	Conducting civic and voter education session in Khost province for community	Counterpart international	1-Nov-19	31-Jul-19	Khost Province
7	Ceasefire project	Food distribution	WFP	15-Aug-19	30-Oct-19	Parwan Province

5.1 Program Title: PM-WRA

Project introduction

- 1) Project Name: Victims assistance vocational training and improving physical accessibility of PWDs in Kabul city.
- 2) Project ID: AOAD 19-GR-0038
- 3) Project Donor: PM-WRA
- 4) Project Duration: 4th Sep 2019 to 31 Aug 2020
- 5) Targeted beneficiary: 200 PWD for vocational training (80 Female and 120 male), and 670 for physical accessibility (9 construction)
- 6) Project budget: 263000 USD
- 7) Implementer of the project: AOAD

4.7 Progress of the project versus the project target indicators.

Type Vocational Training	Location	No Participants	Time Period	Achievement
General Electrician / Repair Training	Bagrami District	30 Male	12-months	30 Male eligible students selected
General Electrician / Repair Training	District 12, Ahmad Shah Baba Mena (ArzanQemat)	30 Male	12-months	30 Male eligible students selected
Professional Tailoring Training	Bagrami District, Kabul	40 Female	12-months	40 eligible female students selected
Professional Tailoring Training	District 12 Ahmad Shah Baba Mena (ArzanQemat)	40 Female	12-months	40 eligible female students selected
Hand-Set Mobile Repair Training	Bagrami District	30 Male	12-months	30 Male eligible students selected
Hand-Set Mobile Repair Training	District 12 Ahmad Shah Baba Mena (ArzanQemat)	30 Male	12-months	30 Male eligible students selected

5.2 Construction activities:

Construction of ramps, toilet and library of improving the physical access of PWDs to health facilities and schools. Based on the project work plan total of 9 constructions have been completed in different places in Kabul province which is summarized in below table.



S/N	Target for EOP	Achievements	Remarks
1	Amena Fedawai girls high school Kindergarten District	The Kindergarten washroom improved with physical accessibility and ramps built to classes for children	
2	Install four (4) accessible ramps at 5m length by 120 cm wide with full handrails	Successfully completed	
3	Install 27m of handrails for safety of children at the sofa of the Kindergarten	Successfully completed	
4	Improve construction for physical accessibility of kindergarten toilet facilities to include water sanitation	Successfully completed	
5	Bagrami District Poly Clinic – Shah Shaheed District, Kabul:	Successfully completed and handover	

6	Improve Polyclinic through light construction of washroom (toilet)	Successfully completed	
7	Construct accessible pathway 90m long by 120 cm wide	Successfully completed	
8	BibiShamso girls High School – Shah Shaheed District, Kabul:	Successfully completed	
9	Construct accessible ramp 9m long by 120 cm wide (main entrance)	Successfully completed	
10	Construct wheelchair accessible washroom with Water Sanitation	Successfully completed	
11	Rahman Mena Poly clinic – District 8: Karte-Naw, Kabul:		
12	Construct wheelchair accessible washroom with Water Sanitation	Successfully completed	
13	Construct accessible pathway 20m long by 120 cm wide	Successfully completed	
14	Sayed Noor Mohammad Shah Boys & Girls High School – Karte-Naw District, Kabul:	Standardize Physical Accessible wheelchairs friendly Washroom built.	
15	Construct wheelchair accessible washroom (toilet) with water sanitation	Successfully completed	
16	Construct accessibility pathway 8m long by 120 cm wide (w/ handrails)	Successfully completed	
17	Shaheed Gul Rahman Primary School – Mohammadzai Village, Bagrami District, Kabul:		
18	Construct wheelchair accessible washroom (Toilet) with water sanitation	Successfully completed	
19	Construct accessibility pathway 20m long by 120 cm wide (w/ handrails)	Successfully completed	
20	Ustad Bitab Girls High school – Drinking Water Tank:	Successfully completed	
21	Construct wheelchair accessible room for reading library	100% is done and will be completed by the end of Aug 2020	
22	Renovate space inside of school (7m long by 4m wide room)	100% is done and will be completed by the end of Aug 2020	
23	Char Asyab Boys High School District Char Asyab Kabul:	Successfully completed	
24	Construct one accessible washroom and one ramp with water sanitation and railing to commode	Successfully completed	
25	Char Asyab Poly Clinic for Women and Children	In progress	

26	Construct one washroom with accessible water sanitation, ramp and railing for wheelchair inside the toilet for commode	In progress	
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5.3. Afghanistan Urban Safety and Security Program (UN-HABITAT Afghanistan)

This project is funded by UN-HABITAT and is started on 28th of Aug 2019 and will continue to 28th of March 2020. The main objectives of the project are to:

- 1) To improve the physical barriers to inclusion by increasing access to opportunities and independence for People living with Disabilities.
- 2) To develop and upgrade open space in response to community needs, persons with special wants and needs in a manner which reflect the way in which spaces are actually physically inclusive.

5.4. Awareness Raising

Program Outputs Based on Technical Proposal Lane Specification and its progress:

Planned Activities (during project period)				Actual Progress (for Reporting Period)				Causes/ issue/ problems addressed by this activity
S/N	Activities	Frequency	Unit	Frequency	Male Participants	Female Participants	Key outputs	
1	6 Disability rights awareness in parks or sightseeing places	6	Session	2	Almost 100 Male participants	Almost 120 Female Participants	Increase awareness of the community people about disability right, access and concept	The issue of discrimination versus the person with disability and barriers of their access to social and development services have been addressed
2	3 rd December (International Day of Disability)	4	Session	1	50 Male participants	40 Female participants	Increase in awareness of the community people about disability right, access and concept	The issue of discrimination versus the person with disability and barriers of their access to social and development services have been addressed
3	3 rd December (International Day of Disability)	4	Session	1	50 Male participants	40 Female participants	Increase in awareness of the community people about disability right, access and concept	The issue of discrimination versus the person with disability and barriers of their access to social and development services have been addressed

Narrative /Description of Activities:

In line with the project implementation plan AOAD conducted the following activities during this reporting period:

AOAD conducted two Disability Right Awareness in two parks (Habibullah Zazai and Kabul City Park), we have played the theatre, which had very good impact and result for visitors, we have provided tremendous information about disability right, and causes of disability, prevention of disability as well as removing the barriers from communities in order to increase the physical accessibility for PWD to health facilities, development and social services.

On 3rd of December 2019, in presidential Palace the President of Afghanistan Mr. Mohammad Ashraf Ghani celebrated the International Day of Person with Disabilities, first Mr Ashraf Ghani greeted all person with disabilities, and warmly welcomed them. He expressed during his speech the PwD do not have any limitation and barriers but in fact they have different ability and potential to do the work, we never say them disabled but they are more powerful than others. Mr. Safi director of Person with



Disability spoke about right of person with disability, providing the job opportunity for them in all sectors especially in government sectors, besides that government is responsible to conduct the capacity building for them in order to develop their skills. Mr. Laludin Aryobi, from the Ministry of Disabled and Martyred congratulated this international day for Person with Disability, he talked about their problems. Finally President Mohammad Ashraf Ghani lectured about right of person with disability, he promised to create job opportunity for PWD in governmental sectors and he said that he will take seriously in order to bring changes and top management should obey the law which is developed for Person with Disabilities.

AOAD conducted frequent awareness about disability right and access in different public places of Kabul city. AOAD conducted awareness sessions in Habibullah Zazai Park, Kabul city park, public schools, universities and through local TVs and radios in order to increase the awareness of the community people about disability rights, physical access of Person with Disabilities and rights of PWD from Islamic point of view. These sessions have been always started by recitation of some verses from Holy Quran.



5.5. Building active citizenship and equality for person with disability in Afghanistan

Project introduction:

The project is designed to address the promotion of disability rights in Afghanistan at community level. The action will be implemented for 36 months in a consortium partnership led by Swedish Committee for Afghanistan (SCA) with Save the Children International-SCI (Afghanistan) and Accessibility Organisation for Afghan Disables (AOAD) as co-applicants respectively. SCA will implement the action in Ghazni, Paktika, Wardak, Balkh, Samangan and Jawzjan; AOAD in Paktia and Khoost, while SCI in Faryab and Saripul.



Summary of the project

- Project Name: Building active citizenship and equality for person with disability in Afghanistan
- Project ID: Europe Aid/163468/DD/ACT/AF
- Project Donor: EU
- Project Duration: 1st Jan 2020 to 31 Dec 2022
- Targeted beneficiary: The direct beneficiaries are 7,268,538 people
- Implementers of the project: Consortium Membership SCA (Lead agency), AOAD and SCI (Consortium members)

The overall objective of the project is to empower women, men and People Living with Disabilities’ (PwDs) to build a coalition of actors to tackle the barriers that prevent people living with physical and mental disabilities from accessing their full rights and services in the 10 provinces of Afghanistan. Building the capacity of DPOs, SHGs and local CSOs as rights defenders to raise awareness of the people at the local level, with a particular focus on capacity to advocate for protection of basic rights of PwDs at local communities. The project is in implementation process and its progress will be reflected in annual report of the organization for 1399.

5.6. Physical Rehabilitation in Emergency, Zabul

Accessibility Organization for Afghan Disabled (AOAD) signed the contract with the World Health Organization (WHO) to provide physical rehabilitation services to the victims of war, conflicts and other types of disability in emergency situation in a timely manner. The contract was also signed in order to prevent secondary problems and to provide rehabilitation services to persons with disabilities in the early stages through a fix and mobile rehabilitation approaches. The project was launched on December 15, 2019 and ended on June 30, 2020.



Goal of the project:

The overall all objective of the project is to create and build national and local capacities through a mechanism to support rehabilitation services in the emergency situation within or outside the general healthcare services/system in the country. Additionally, the goal is meant to prevent avoidable long-term disabilities and facilitate timely physical rehabilitation services to the victims of war, natural disaster affected populations in the determined provinces of Afghanistan.

Specific project objectives

- A. To highlight the significance of physical rehabilitation in the emergency situation to prevent disabilities and early stages of physical rehabilitation intervention.
- B. To provide physical rehabilitation training through the provision of specialized technical orthopaedic devices P&O, assistive devices, walking aids and other necessary tools in a timely manner.
- C. To raise awareness on the rights and needs of persons with disabilities as how to highlight the significance of the disability inclusion in the health sector, physical rehabilitation services and humanitarians emergency response



D. To establish the foundation of the disability issues including physical accessibility, physical rehabilitation, rights and needs of persons with disabilities in emergency risk management vision in the national emergency preparedness system in the country.

E- Progress of the project versus the project target indicators

S/N	Expected result	Indicator	Means of verification	Achievement
I. Staffing of the project				
1	Total of four senior staff in HO level is involved in project implementation	Number of staff involved in project implementation from HO	1. Staff contract 2. Attendance sheet. 3. Time sheet	100%
2	The project manager is hired at provincial level	Number of PM in field level	1. Staff contract 2. Attendance sheet. 3. Time sheet	100%
3	The admin Logistic officer is hired at provincial level	Number of admin logistic officer in field level	1. Staff contract 2. Attendance sheet. 3. Time sheet	100%
4	Tow physiotherapists are recruited in provincial level	Number of physiotherapists in the field	1. Staff contract 2. Attendance sheet. 3. Time sheet	100%
5	Tow Orthopaedist technicians are recruited in provincial level	Number of orthopaedist technicians in the field	1. Staff contract 2. Attendance sheet. 3. Time sheet	100%
II. Project implementation				
6	Local capacity in the targeted province is developed to train community physiotherapists and provincial trainers to support disability and rehabilitation services in emergency response	2 experienced and qualified physiotherapists and provincial trainers are trained in the 5 days TOT training from Zabul Province	1. Availability of training manual. 2. Training schedule 3. List of participants 4. Attendance sheet 5. Training CSKT plan	100%
7	Support to Disability and rehabilitation in the emergency available and strengthened in Zabul province	6 Physiotherapists and 2 orthopaedic technologist trained in the emergency physical rehabilitation in Zabul	1. Availability of training manual. 2. Training schedule 3. List of participants 4. Attendance sheet 5. Training CSKT plan	100%
8	Local capacity developed to provide on time physical	90 Community Health workers trained in	1. Availability of training	100%

S/N	Expected result	Indicator	Means of verification	Achievement
	rehabilitation services and to support the identification and referral of the victims of war and manmade disasters	emergency physical rehabilitation from the Districts of Zabul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. manual. 2. Training schedule 3. List of participants 4. Attendance sheet 5. Training CSKT plan 	
9	On time referral mechanism between HF and rehabilitation centre is established for emergency and long-term rehabilitation services	Referral from developed mechanism is developed and is agreed increase in the physiotherapy and rehabilitation services provision	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Referral forms. 2. Written mechanism 3. Registration records 	100%
10	A corner stone and foundation is established for the inclusion of emergency physiotherapy and physical rehabilitation in the health emergency preparedness and response team and services.	Preliminary meeting held with the emergency team to include the physiotherapist and physical rehabilitation in the emergency team	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Meeting minutes 2. Draft proposal 	100%
11	Preventable cause of disability prohibited and disability incidence rate decreased in Zabul	Decrease in the disability incidence rate. Knowledge of the local community is increased	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Disability data and report. 2. People are taking safety measures to prevent disability. 	100%

5.7- Seasonality Economic Empowerment for rural population

AOAD has the honor of implementation of seasonal economic empowerment for rural population project in different provinces of Afghanistan like, Loagr, Parwan, Paktia Khost. This project has been awarded to AOAD through competitive bidding process. The summary of the project achievements is summarized in below table:

S/N	Project Name	Scope of Work	Project Donor	Start-Date	End Date	Location	Number of HHs	Distributed food in Ton
1	AOAD /WFP	Food distribution	WFP	5-02-19	31-12-19	Ghazni, Paktya, Paktika, Logar Khost and Wardak Provinces	1580	374 Ton
2	Seasonality Economic Empowerment for rural population	Food distribution	WFP	15-10-19	31-12-19	Parwan Province	2557	297,78 Ton

6- AOAD funds during 1398

AOAD Project List and budget 2020					
No	Client Name	Funding Total (AFN)	Funding Total (USD)	Funding Total Euro	Funding Total CAD
1	EU Project			349,526.00	
Total Budget		AFA -	\$ -	€ 349,526.00	CAD -

AOAD Project List 2019					
No	Client Name	Funding Total (AFN)	Funding Total (USD)	Funding Total Euro	Funding Total CAD
1	PM/WRA		263,000.00		
2	WHO	8,804,317.01			
3	UN-Habitat		20,000.00		
4	WFP	2,667,930.00			
5	WFP	1,353,780.05			
6	Counterpart International	2,831,096.00			
7	WFP	1,279,934.00			
Total Budget		AFA 16,937,057.06	\$ 283,000.00	€ -	CAD -

6.1- Lessons learned

1. Cooperation and coordination of the community was the cornerstone of smooth implementation of the project in insecure provinces like Zabul. Especially involvement of the community shuras, training of CHWs and satisfaction of the community on the

provided services were additional supporting factors for reaching the communities and provision of the rehabilitation services for the targeted community.

2. It was found that the disability and physical rehabilitation project was an urgent need, and the project brought positive impacts on the lives of persons with disabilities in Zabul Province.
3. **80%** staff members of Zabul AOAD provincial office are persons with disabilities which could be considered a model across Afghanistan in regards to disability employment and empowerment of persons with disabilities.
4. It was also found that project brought a huge impact on the unity among disability communities and empowerment of Persons with Disabilities in the Province.
5. We learned that the current project length was not sufficient. Thus, it is highly required to establish a permanent rehabilitation center in the province.
6. It was found that the presence of rehabilitation center is very much essential to support the mobile rehabilitation unit. In this case, both should work together to support the community-based activities and central based approaches.
7. Despite the COVID-19 caused the delay in smooth implementation of the project and late arrival of assistive devices, the AOAD staff members implemented the project successfully. Basically, the presence of Covid-19 was not felt and all the activities were done effectively.
8. Due to the quarantine period, AOAD followed MoPH guidelines and the beneficiaries were decreased because they were afraid of COVID 19 challenges. However, the AOAD staff members found practical strategies to work with the beneficiaries productively.
9. It was found that the quality of local available Walking Aids and Assistive Devices and Wheelchair were not good enough in the local market in Zabul province. Thus, AOAD staff members purchased Assistive Devices from a company based in Lahore Pakistan to ensure that the beneficiaries receive the best equipment.

6.2.- Challenges:

- 1- Insecurity is a major problem in Zabul province especially in remote villages. But AOD through intermediation and support of the community could manage to implement the project both in terms of fixed center and outreach services.
- 2- Shortage of wheelchairs, Crutches, Walking Aids and White-cane's quality in local market and considering the fact that that provision of equipment was a challenge during implementation of the project.
- 3- Shortage technical professional staff in Zabul province.

6.3- Recommendations:

1. Continuation and inclusion of the disability and physical rehabilitation center in the Ministry of public health is necessary which ensures sustainable and long-term solution to include the disability topic in the health sector.
2. Inclusion of persons with Disabilities and Disabled People Organization are very much essential and they are required to be part of the overall rehabilitation center management.

3. Along with the mobile rehabilitation unit, the focus needs to be on the strengthening of the fix rehabilitation center in Zabul province, as well.
4. The project needs to be extended for at least two more years to mobilize and secure sustainable funding mechanism for the operationalization of the rehabilitation center.
5. Disability and Rehabilitation Working Group under the DRP considers the feasibility to study the local market and encourages the private sector to import quality rehabilitation items from the international markets to ensure the best quality.
6. Further local awareness training is highly recommended to the inclusion of persons with disabilities in the community and health care system.
7. Enhancing Disable People Organization capacity, to actively voice their issues and problem.

AOAD in Action



AOAD Director Abdul Khaliq Zazai visited AOAD vocational training center in Kabul funded by PM/WRA in Kabul.



AOAD distributed Eid clothes to men/women/girls with disabilities in Kabul project funded by PM/WRA



Inclusion of Persons with Disability, Seasonal foods distribution in Logar province by AOAD funded by WFP.



AOAD director give speech on the occasion of the 200 Persons with Disabilities male/female graduation ceremony September 3, 2020, the project funded by PM/WRA State Department.



Certificates and tools kits distributed by AOAD Director and guests after the one-year training of the vocational training project funded by PM/WRA



Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities in foods distribution project funded by WFP in Parwan implemented by AOAD.



AOAD emergency Physical Rehabilitation activities in Zabol project funded by WHO



AOAD vocational training center in Kabul General Electrician and Tailoring training for women/girls with disabilities



Radio Talk show on disability inclusion project funded by UNHABITAT in Kabul.

AOAD Zabol provincial team provide community base COVID 19 Awareness through Persons with Disability.



Certificate is provided by Habib Khan Zazai DMAC Head of Victims Assistance for one year tailoring of AOAD



AOAD improved Physical Accessibility with building Accessible Washroom for Wheelchairs users.in Kabul in 9 public building.



Opening Ceremony of the Physical Accessibility and vocational training project in Kabul funded by PM/WRA

Washroom for Char Asyab School in Kabul has been constructed for Wheelchairs users by AOAD in Kabul.



Physical Accessibility vocational training skills development project opening ceremony in Kabul on September 3, 2019 and project funded by PM/WRA.

Pictures from AOAD physiotherapy center



Some Pictures from P&O services





Pictures from the Mobility training

