

KARAVAN PAKOSWISS CHULAH TRAINING AT DRR PARK, KOT DIJI

Total no. of Participants: Women - 39; Men - 12

Participating Villages:

1. Abdul Jalil Choliani (women - 7; men - 3)
 2. Bugrho Larh (women - 4; men - 1)
 3. Sanwal Brohi (women - 4; men - 2)
 4. Allahabad Bhutto (women - 4; men - 1)
 5. Iman Bux Thahem (women - 5; men - 1)
 6. Belo Wandh (women - 4; men - 1)
 7. Mohd. Urs Buledi (women - 11; men - 3)
- Subsequent to the previous village trainings, participants were invited to Kot Diji for a detailed final Karavan PakoSwiss Chulah training. IOM arranged transport for the willing participants.
 - The training started at 11:30 am with the arrival of the trainees from different far off villages.
 - HF's Naheem Shah and Noor Sadiq along with Master Trainer, Meerzadi gave a tour of the park, showcasing its DRR features and their functionality. Amongst them were the demo units that demonstrated HF's building styles and techniques as well as various bamboo structures on stilts.
 - After a 20 minute tea break both men and women were shown a Chulah construction video on electronic tablets put together by HF. In the process women were able to learn to use the tablets.
 - Meerzadi spoke about HF's disaster risk reduction methodologies and had a DRR discussion session with the participants under the supervision of HF's Naheem Shah and Noor Sadiq.
 - The training was conducted in Sindhi.
 - Chulah Master Trainer, Champa along with Meerzadi conducted the Chulah training where they discussed the previously taught benefits of Karavan PakoSwiss Chulah, its purpose and a detailed construction process with the trainees.
 - Participants were taught to mark Chulah layouts and excavate using the HF layout template and tool kit in a live demo by the HF Artisans.
 - The villagers were then divided into groups and asked to repeat the process. Both men and women participated in the layouts enthusiastically. Naheem Shah and Noor Sadiq gave concluding remarks on the villages layout performance and the required improvements. Meanwhile a live demo of the complete Chulah construction was taking place.
 - After a half an hour lunch break the training was resumed at 3 pm.
 - Trainees were shown the live final stages of the Chulah construction by the HF artisans and the Master Trainers.
 - A Q&A session was held at the end of the training with enthusiastic participation by the trainees.
 - Ms Ammara Mubarak, IOM and Mr. Magnus Wolfe Murray, DIFD Advisor also visited the training.
 - The training ended at 5 pm.



Master Trainer, Meerzadi giving the women a tour of the HF demo units



Trainees watching the Chulah construction video on the computer tablets



Meerzadi and Champa briefing the trainees on Chulah construction layouts



Ms. Ammara along with Mr. Magnus touring the DRR Park, Kot Diji



Women dancing to the thought of having DRR compliant structures in villages



Trainees watching the Chulah construction method being demonstrated



Trainees marking their own Chulah layouts as a learning exercise



Women admiring the mud decoration on the Chulah done by Champa