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H.E. Abdul Jabar Naieme, Governor of Laghman province distributing asset to the TUP participants in Laghman.

Productive animals distributed to TUP participants

More than 8,000 productive animals were recently awarded to participants of the Targeting the Ultra Poor (TUP) project across five provinces of Afghanistan.

The thousands of reproductive livestock were transferred to a total of 6,725 TUP participants following

their completion of a comprehensive animal husbandry and hygiene training. This provision of agricultural animals capable of breeding is part of a package of inputs and assets provided to TUP members in a phased process through 24 months of intervention.

MISFA started the multi-province scale-up of its flagship program in mid-2015 in Takhar, Balkh, Laghman, Kunar and Herat provinces. It was piloted successfully in succession in 2010-2012 —first in Bamyan then in Badakhshan.

TUP is a grant-based, comprehensive two-year intervention tailor-made to facilitate the escape of ultra-poor households from abject poverty by providing them a package of inputs, including livestock, animal husbandry training, monthly cash subsistence support, basic health and hygiene care, and access to finance.

The TUP expansion is funded by the IDA/World Bank, while the expansion in Herat is supported by the Italian Agency For Development Cooperation.



Ahmed Rostom, Senior Financial Sector Specialist of World Bank distributing the productive asset to a TUP beneficiary in Balkh province.