

## Report of July

Hello and best wishes for your health. I would like to update you on our activities in the month of July in collaboration with our colleagues in five provinces of Afghanistan:

1. In Khost province, classes are proceeding normally, with approximately 15 students actively receiving education. The reports from this province indicate cooperation and satisfaction from the local community.



*Figure 1 Students having their daily lessons in Khost Province!*

2. In Kabul province, the groups could carry their lessons without any issues, and fortunately, it has been well-received by the local community. There are approximately 47 students actively participating in the classes. Completing a book focusing on reading and writing skills plus the 'Select Reading' English language course are the major achievements of this month. This branch has been more active in educational activities and reporting compared to other provinces. Partly, this is the result of the circumstance in Kabul which is relatively better than the rest of the country.

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*Figure 2 Students during a class test in Kabul*

3. Reports from Helmand province indicates a decrease in the number of students, which is due to the relocation of a family with five daughters. Currently, there are 11 students who actively participate in the classes. The local community's support for this branch has been excellent, and students have expressed their desire to have an English subject to their curriculum.
4. In Maidan Wardak province the groups have continued their work regularly. The Teachers have benefited from the cooperation of the local community, and thankfully, they have not faced any security challenges this month. Approximately 55 students are thought in two groups by three teachers. It is important to add, that due to the lack of access to internet and despite some efforts undertaken, the coordinators could not receive reports from one of the groups in this province. However, it was ensured that the group has carried their work as normal.



*Figure 2 Students during their class in Maidan Wardak*

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5. In Badakhshan province, 25 students are participating regularly in the classes. According to the received reports, classes are proceeding regularly, and the local community is very supportive and cooperative with the group.

Overall, in July our groups have not faced any issues and we were delighted by the fact that the local support for our work has increased. The number of students attending the sessions have been fluctuating due to the load of field work in the summer season. However, this issue was limited to the rural areas, not in the cities.

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