

Tajik-Afghan Integration, Resilience and Reform Building Programme Financed by the UK Government

Objective:

"Increased resilience to crime and conflict amongst migrants in communities near the Tajik/Afghan border"

Logic: reducing the grievances of returned migrants – providing support to plan their future.

Who? 6005 returned migrants with re-entry bans

How? 566 reintegration planning sessions. Size: up to 15 participants per session, implemented through Migration Services

Where? in 16 districts.

Khatlon: Dusti, Qubodiyon, Shahrituz, N. Khusrav, Panj, Jayhun, Farkhor, Khamadoni, Sh. Shohin.

GBAO: Darvoz, Vanj, Rushon, Shughnon, Khorugh, Roshtqala, Ishkoshim.

Situation overview - returned migrants' profile

4,7% women, 1.4% persons with disability.

Out of the persons with disability, nearly 50% do not have a disability registration.

25% have received a court decision deporting them from the Russian Federation. Average re-entry ban duration: 4.5 years

Time consecutively spent in Russia before their last return:

M1-12 months 65 (18%)

1-3 years 103 (29%)

3 years or more 166 (47%)

Other

Seasonal 7 (2%)

Situation post return:

26% have migration-related health problems



35% experience great stress and emotion (related to their return or their experience in migration)

Out of these persons, 78% would like to talk to a professional about it

Returned migrants changes in perspective

69% reported having better relationships with their family or community

79% reported feeling more confident about their options for the future

71% have concrete ideas and plans to implement in the near future

Nearly all of them think such sessions would be interesting fo returned migrants in the future.

All calculations are based on a phone survey with participants of the sessions - 95% or confidence (365 respondents, population of 4000)

Change in knowledge and planning

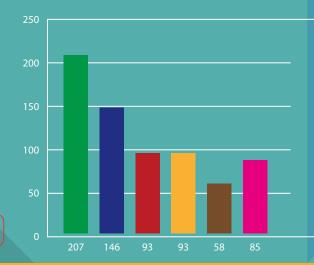
After the session

66% of the participants know agencies to contact when they look for a job

60% have contacts in mind for health-related questions

59% know more about legal issues and re-entry bans

91% of the participants took a concrete action following the session



After the session, did you:

207 - challenge your re-entry bar

146 - seek a business loan / a vocational training

93 - reach out to job related contacts

93 - Visit the Migration services

58 - Visit medical centers

85 - Other

What did the sessions offer?

Facilitating a platform for peer-to-peer support and share difficult experiences

Providing information regarding access to jobs and employment, health coverage, mental well-being

Supporting returned migrants to draw a plan for their life back in Tajikistan

Strengthening the link between migration services and community members



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