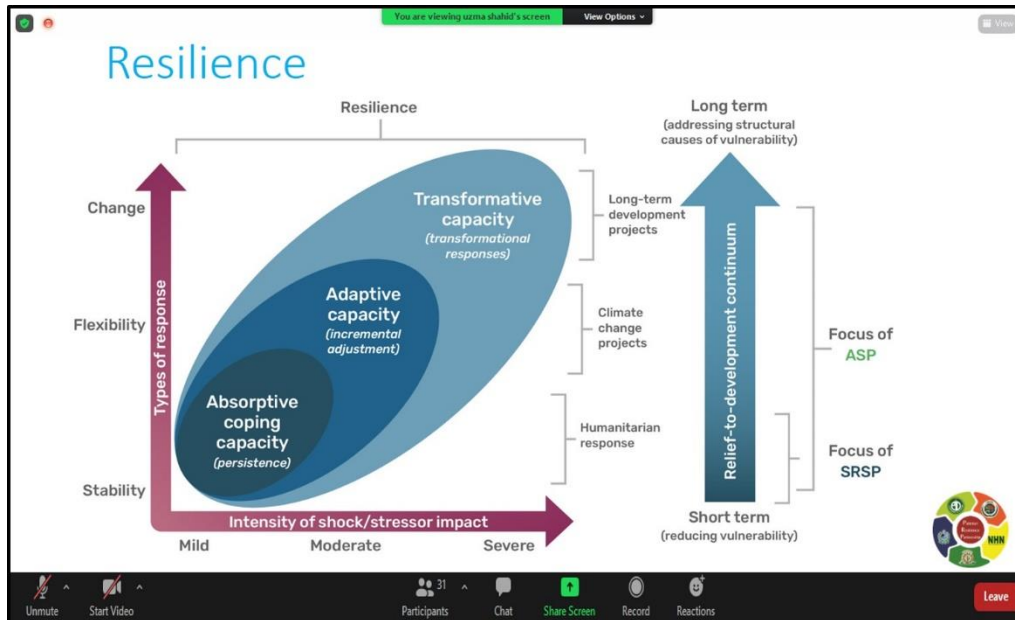


Webinar

Linking Relief, Rehabilitation and Development (LRRD)

14th April 2022 - Islamabad, Pakistan



To acquaint the participants about the linkages between relief, rehabilitation and development in wake of any disaster, Pakistan Resilience Partnership organized a webinar on 14th April 2022, at 12:00 hours Pakistan Standard Time (PKT) under the “APP 2 Program”. The webinar was attended by 31 individuals representing government, local NGOs/ civil society organizations, INGOs and community members. The webinar was facilitated by Mrs. Uzma Shahid, Director Training, Pakistan Girls Guide Association (PGGA).

The moderator Mr. Muhammad Kamran, National Humanitarian Coordinator NHN, welcomed the participants and introduced the presenter. He also highlighted the objectives of the webinar.

Mrs. Uzma Shahid, Director Training at Pakistan Girls Guide Association, conducted the webinar. She has more than two decades of experience in the humanitarian sector and has to her credit, conceptualization, planning and execution of developmental, environmental, climate change adaptation and disaster risk reduction programs. She is also a capacity building expert and has designed and delivered numbers of trainings.

Mrs. Uzma presented the historical background of the topic and informed the participants that the roots of linking development and recovery initiatives can be traced back to the food security crises in Africa in 1980s. Much of the initial thinking was informed by the context of natural disasters and focused largely on risk reduction efforts in order to create synergies and provide a more sustainable response to crisis situations.

The participants were appraised on some of the core principals of LRRD concepts including flexibility in funding, the humanitarian assistance should be supportive of recovery and long-term development, conflict prevention, disaster risk reduction, disaster preparedness, and the development of early warning systems

should be part of development activities. The participants also shared the examples of their current projects that incorporated LRRD.

It was informed that Initially, LRRD was conceived as a linear continuum sequence: rehabilitation would follow the relief phase, to be succeeded in turn by classic development co-operation, however, experience from the 1990s demonstrated that treating relief, rehabilitation and development as separate processes failed to respond to the complexity of a number of crisis situations. As a result, the continuum approach was abandoned in favor of a contiguuum approach, which departs from a scenario of simultaneous and complementary use of different aid instruments. Since the 2000s the security policy actors called for comprehensive approach to ensure greater coherence between security, development and humanitarian assistance.

In the end, participants were informed about the needs of organizations for developing a comprehensive LRRD compliant projects. Capacity building of management staff on LRRD, capacity of staff to work with integral perspectives, working with networks for sharing good practices and discussions on critical issues and lobbying with donors were explained as essential to build programs that incorporate LRRD model.

Finally, the webinar host Mr. Kamran, thanked all the participants and the presenter for taking their time out for the webinar.

The recording, brief introduction of the presenter and the presentation of the session is available on NHN digital resource center at the following link.

<http://resourcecenter.nhnpakistan.org/index.php/webinars-records/389-linking-development-and-recovery>