

Grantee Fact Sheet Junior Achievement

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## GOAL

To promote economic development and entrepreneurship in the Sudg region of Tajikistan

## **OBJECTIVES**

• To improve operations of the Syrdarya River Basin Council (SRBC) by teaching its members about improved water conservation and sustainable use.

## RESULTS

- Assessed SRBC knowledge on concepts of Integrated Water Resource Management (IWRM).
- Provided training on IWRM principles to Basin Council members.
- Organized field study tours of the Syrdarya River basin for the SRBC to develop first-hand appreciation of challenges and opportunities for improved water conservation and governance.
- Shared information about IWRM at the community level through printed materials and local media.
- Thirty members of SRBC (23 percent women, 30 percent youth) participated in a 6-day field study of 6 sub-basins: Asht-Syrdarya, Hodjaborkirgan-Aksu-Isfana, Isfara; Istaravshan; Match-Syrdarya, and Somgar-Mirzorabot.
- Distributed 600 brochures on IWRM to local stakeholders and published a half-page article on water conservation in the Sogdian Truth magazine.
- Sub-basin tour for SRBC members featured in a local TV news segment.
- All 30 participating SRBC members' knowledge of IWRM principles improved by an average of 36 percent based on pre- and post-training evaluations (target goal of 24 of 30).

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USAID Central Asia's Regional Water and Vulnerable Environment Activity is focused on strengthening regional capacity to manage shared water resources and mitigating environmental risks in the Syr Darya and Amu Darya River basins. The Activity takes a multilevel approach to tackling complex regional water challenges by strengthening collaboration through stakeholder dialogues, developing a shared vision for integrated and sustainable river basin management using evidence and modeling, and fostering collaborative action across sectors and governance levels.



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