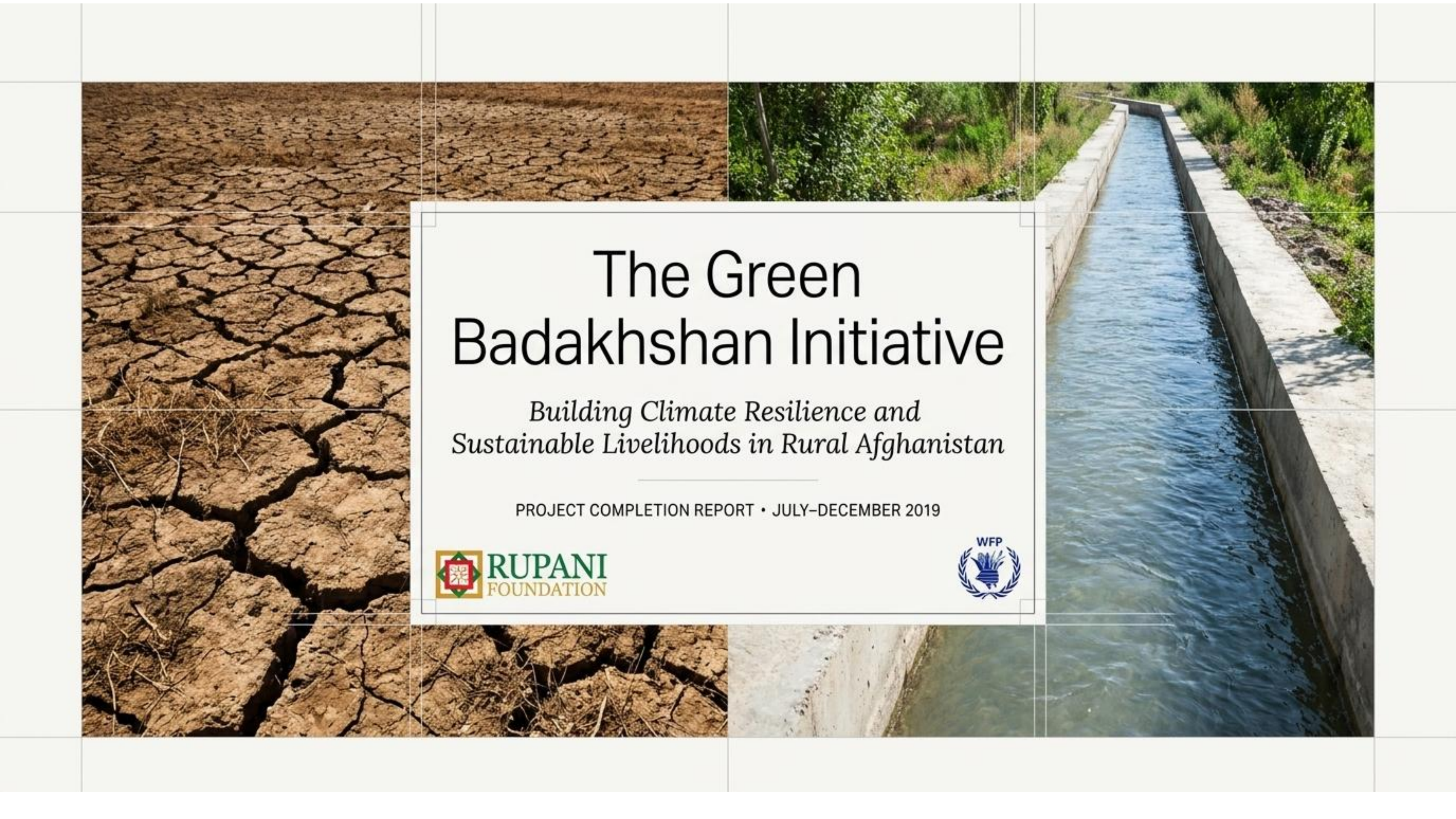




The Green Badakhshan Initiative

*Building Climate Resilience and
Sustainable Livelihoods in Rural Afghanistan*

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MACRO IMPACT AT A GLANCE

Community-led interventions spanning 38 villages to strengthen food security, agricultural productivity, and environmental conservation.

29,213

Total Beneficiaries
(Nearly 50% women)

5,750

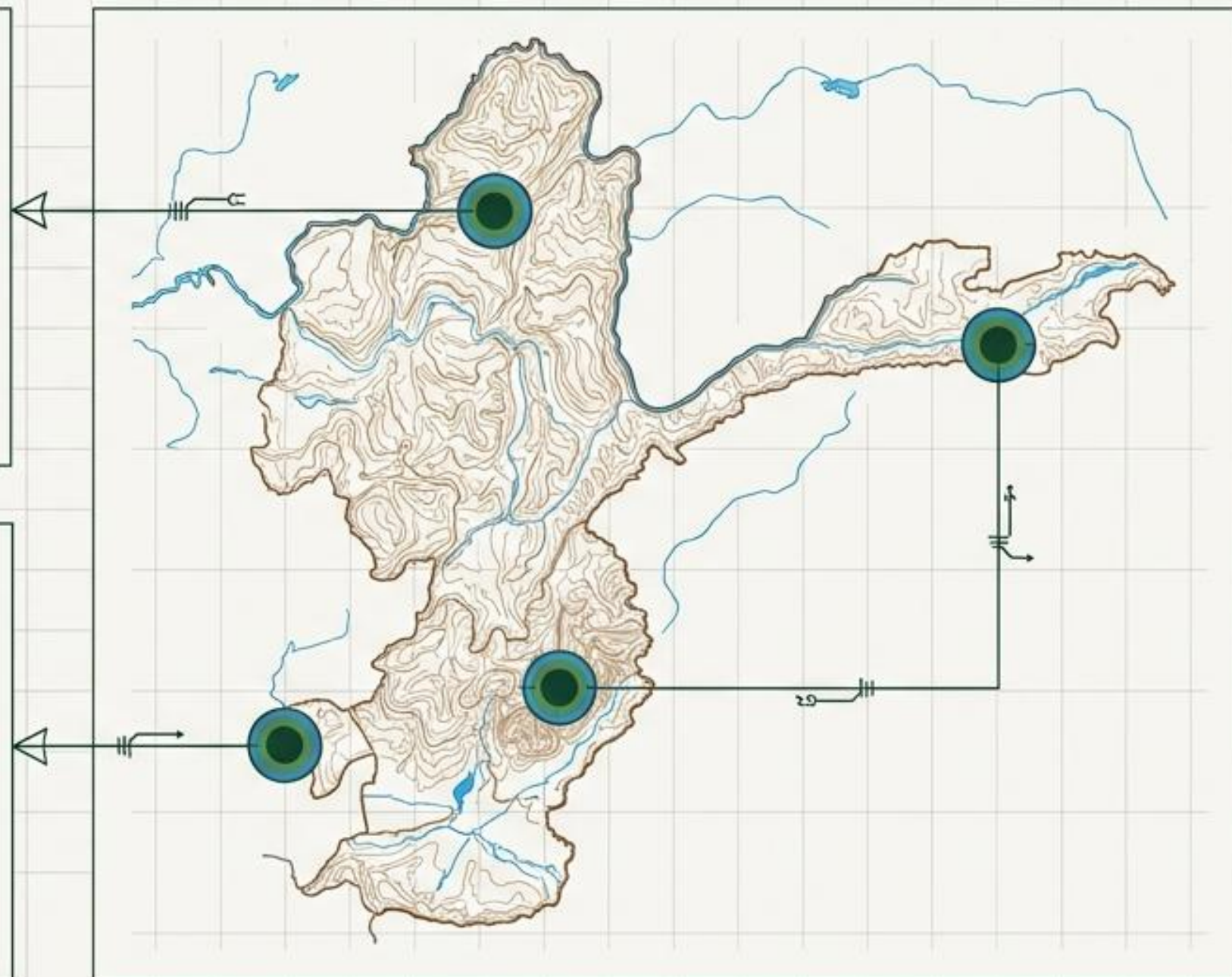
Families Reached

427 MT

of WFP Food
Distributed

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Target Districts
(Wakhan, Ishkashim,
Zebak, Shugnan)



The Catalyst: Food Assistance for Assets (FFA)

Input: WFP Rations



427 MT of wheat flour, vegetable oil, pulses, salt, and Plumpy'Doz distributed over three transparent cycles.

Outcome: Asset Creation & Resilience



Labor yields durable community infrastructure and environmental restoration, securing long-term livelihoods and supporting WFP's Zero Hunger objectives.

Action: Community Labor



1,130 local workers engaged in a 3-month labor exchange, guided by participatory planning with Community Development Councils (CDCs) and District Development Assemblies (DDAs).

Pillar I: Environmental Restoration & Protection

Community Forest Watersheds



Metric: 646,000 trees planted

Scale: 154 hectares of degraded land restored across 7 villages.

Impact: Benefited ~4,985 people by enhancing soil conservation and long-term climate resilience.

Dry-Stone Flood Walls



Metric: 530 meters constructed in Ghozkhon and Farooq.

Scale: Protects 220 hectares of agricultural land, 45 residential homes, and 170 community assets.

Impact: Defends against seasonal flooding and erosion for 581 people.

Pillar II: Agricultural Productivity & Women's Empowerment

Irrigation Network Expansion

- **Metric:** 33 kilometers of canals rehabilitated.
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- **Impact:** Unlocked improved irrigation for 1,980 hectares of agricultural land, directly benefiting 13,665 individuals (2,374 families).



Household Fruit & Vegetable Gardens

- **Metric:** 578 gardens established exclusively for women.
- **Scale:** Covers 3.47 hectares of privately owned land across 15 villages.
- **Details:** Each household received 20 fruit tree seedlings (apple, apricot, cherry, walnut, pear) alongside vegetable production support to improve dietary diversity and household income.

Pillar III: Infrastructure, Connectivity & Health

Feeder Road Rehabilitation

- **Metric:** 8.6 kilometers rehabilitated.
- **Impact:** Several remote communities gained year-round vehicle access for the very first time, radically improving access to markets, health services, and education for 3,614 people.



Community Drinking Water Supply

- **Metric:** 4-kilometer pipeline trench excavated in Nowabad.
- **Impact:** Year-round safe drinking water for 70+ households.
- **Sustainability Proof:** Beneficiary households collectively contributed AFG 20,000 each toward pipes and skilled labor, proving deep community ownership.



Geographic Footprint & Demographic Reach

District	Total Households	Male	Female	Total Population	Core Interventions
Shugnan	976	7,122	6,707	13,829	 Canals,  Roads
Wakhan	570	3,271	3,163	6,434	 Watersheds,  Canals,  Flood Walls,  Gardens
Ishkashim	575	2,463	2,430	4,893	 Watersheds,  Canals,  Roads,  Gardens,  Water
Zebak	441	2,007	2,048	4,055	 Watersheds,  Canals,  Flood Walls,  Gardens

Key Insight: Shugnan represents nearly 50% of the total population reached, driven by massive 10km+ irrigation canal rehabilitations.

Accountability & Institutional Validation

The Verification Process

Step 1: Asset Completion
Community labor concludes.



Step 2: Multi-Party Verification
Joint inspection by DDA, Dept. of Agriculture,
Local Gov, and Rupani Foundation.



Step 3: Food Distribution
3-cycle transparent release
of WFP food packages.



Leadership & Recognition

MAIL Endorsement

High-level validation visit and watershed inauguration by the Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Irrigation and Livestock (MAIL).

Rupani Foundation Green Awards

Four outstanding Community Development Councils (CDCs) awarded AFG 40,000 each for exceptional environmental conservation leadership.

