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Project name: "To the healthy and productive life in harmony with nature": integration of poor families in the process of poverty alleviation and attaining a sustainable livelihood.

Project duration: 2008-2010

Region of implementation: Ysykata rayon, Chui Oblast, Kirgizstan

Total budget: 25.460 Euro for 2008

The project objective is to enable 2 000 poor rural women to integrate their 2 000 families into the process of poverty alleviation and attaining sustainable livelihood. This objective is to show ways of improvement of living health conditions and obtaining of sustainable livelihood for the poor rural families and communities in 20 villages of Kyrgyzstan during 2008 – 2010. This will be achieved by an approach where active people in the village are trained on sustainable livelihood and safety of life/environment, resource mobilization, alternative sources of energy and ecological sanitation. Participants learn by experience (e.g. through demonstration centres and fields). Afterwards they should be able to function as a so-called resource persons in the village and give consultations to other villagers. In the period of 3 years Alga planned to provide 60 workshops, implement 20 Ecosan toilets at households, 1 Ecosan school toilet and 2 demonstration fields. This should lead to at least 20 local initiatives and 5 new community based organizations to improve rural women's status and standards of living. Project progreses and results will be disseminated by publications, presentations in mass media, advocacy campaigns, lobby and promotion of project on local and national levels.

From January till April 25 PRA researches were conducted, village profiles were developed. General village needs were identified. In this period 160 people got needed consultancy on agriculture and Ecosan. Awareness raising campaigns were conducted in schools, where school children of 15 schools could see water tests, participated in workshops about EcoSan and some of them became volunteers of the project. Besides advocacy campaign, series of workshops and round tables for target groups conducted on basic issues of the project were organized and conducted for rural people. It is just beginning of the project realization and project course on the right way to reach special project objective.

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