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Investing in rural people



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2ND REGIONAL WORKSHOP on integrated community development

Community Driven Development "Village Investment Project (VIP-3) in the Kyrgyz Republic"

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Kyrgyzstan -
country of
mountains



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- Kyrgyzstan is the state in Central Asia, located in the western and central parts of the Tien Shan Pamir-Alay mountain system.
- The capital city is Bishkek.
- Kyrgyzstan is a secular republic.
- Population - 6,687.8 million people (of which 66.2% are rural population).
- Kyrgyzstan is a member of OSCE, CIS, CSTO, EurAsEC (Eurasian Economic Community), SCO (Shanghai Cooperation Organization), Council of Turkic Speaking Countries, etc.
- Kyrgyzstan is open for cooperation with other countries.



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Country of the Great
Epic of Manas



Country of unique, kind and
welcoming people



Country of Chyngyz
Aytmatov



Located along the
Great Silk Road



Kyrgyzstan is a true
"Mountainous Heaven"



Country of Nomads

Kyrgyzstan



ARIS OVERVIEW

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ARIS Mission

Support sustainable alleviation of poverty in KR by:



Supporting local community and Local self-government bodies in addressing local social and economic challenges;



Strengthening capacity in the identification and prioritization of local problems, development of investment plans and mobilization of resources, as well as in the area of management of investment aimed to address local issues.

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ARIS was established on 15 October 2003 in the form of an autonomous non-commercial legal entity according to the Kyrgyz President's Edict #330.



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The Co-Founders of the Agency:

1

Presidential Administration of the Kyrgyz Republic

2

Union of Legal Entities "Association of Local Self-Governments of Villages and Settlements of the Kyrgyz Republic"

3

Public Association "Counterpart-Sheriktesh"

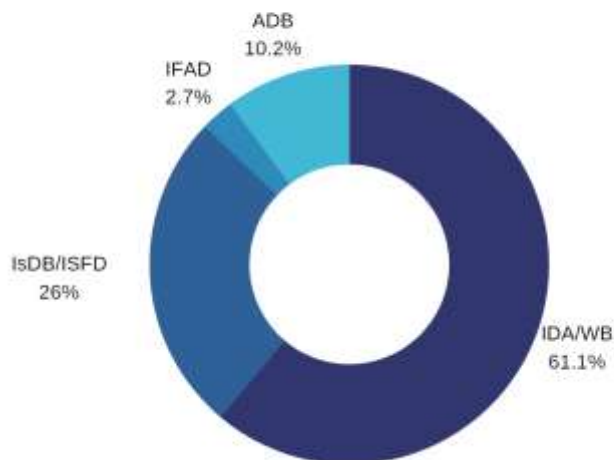
SDG AND ARIS

Assistance in improving the economic and social well-being, and environmental safety of people in Kyrgyzstan by contributing to the achievement of the goals of the National Development Program of the Kyrgyz Republic and the Sustainable Development Goals 2030 approved by the UN (SDG-2030)



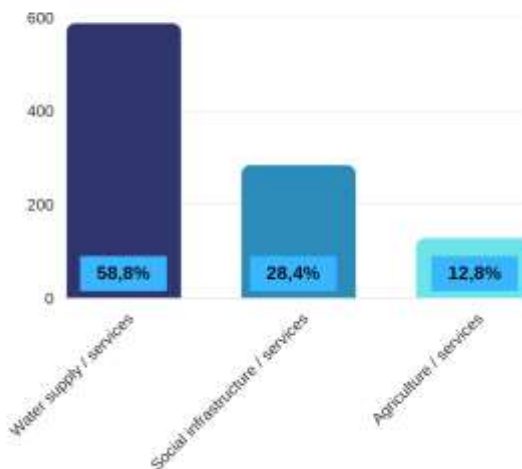
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Source of Financing of ARIS projects/programs



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Distribution of financial resources by ARIS activities



VILLAGE INVESTMENT PROJECT (IDA)

"In 2007, Mr. Roger Robinson, the head of the World Bank office in the Kyrgyz Republic, noted that the Village Investment Project financed from funds allocated by the World Bank to the Kyrgyz Republic was among the top 3 projects financed by the World Bank around the world in 2006"

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VIP is one of the most successful CDD projects



Rural population of
the whole
Kyrgyzstan



Beneficiaries:
more than 2 mln. people

VIP-1

VIP-1 (IDA):
Implementation period: 2004-2008
VIP-1 Project Budget (IDA): US\$ 15,0 mln.

VIP-2

VIP-2 (IDA):
Implementation period: 2008-2012
VIP-2 project budget (IDA): US\$ 15,0 mln.

VIP-3

VIP-3 (IDA and KfW):
Implementation period: 2014-2022
VIP-3 project budget (IDA): US\$ 12,0 mln.;
VIP-3 (KfW): US\$ 5,5 mln.

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History of VIP-projects involving local communities

Comparison of projects

VIP-1,2

Implementation through cooperation with local institutions and local communities and strengthening their capacity (local investment union, village investment union)



Contribution to overcoming poverty in rural area through investment support of the initiatives of community members



Small grants program for the implementation of social infrastructure and income-generating projects



The facilities were renovated through collective action undertaken by community members (ashar method) and labor participation of the population



VIP-3

Implementation through cooperation with local self-government bodies and local communities and strengthening their capacity

Vulnerable groups of communities involved in all aspects of planning, financing, implementation, management and monitoring of implemented projects

Subgrants for the implementation of infrastructure projects

Facilities were built in accordance with Construction Code, transferred to the municipal ownership thus ensuring the sustainability of projects and further O&M



cooperation



investments



tasks



projects/designs



sustainability

CDD - APPROACHES USED UNDER VIP

Engagement of citizens in the process of decision-making and planning (programs, budgets, designs) at the local level



Needs identification involving vulnerable groups of the community, providing them with more opportunities in terms of participation and monitoring of development initiatives

Gender aspects : Empowerment of women and changing their status in the community



Improving access to the quality services, social and economic infrastructure in target communities

Establishment and development of public organizations and building local capacity for the development based on collective participation



Support and expansion of environmental safeguard and climate change adaptation measures

VIP Implementation Cycle

1. INFORMING AND ESTABLISHMENT OF PUBLIC ORGANIZATIONS

2. CAPACITY BUILDING, COMMUNITY MOBILIZATION AND NEEDS IDENTIFICATION

3. PREPARATION OF DEVELOPMENT PLANS, PREPARATION OF PROJECT PROPOSALS

4. IMPLEMENTATION, MONITORING AND EVALUATION

5. COMMISSIONING, HANDING OVER TO THE BALANCE BOOK, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

6. REPORTING, AUDIT, ANALYSIS



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Project Benefits and Products

Citizen engagement in the process of decision-making and planning

- Established public self-government entities (local investment union, rural investment union, community-village investment association)
- Formed a team of local leaders (Initiative group, work groups, tender committees, joint M&E groups)
- More than 2 million villagers participated in the mobilization process
- Participation (women, youth, men, and elderly) in decision-making processes to address rural problems increased by 44%
- Participation of women in project activities doubled (from 29.4% to 57%)
- The implementation of the projects has led to an improved managerial and professional capacity of the local community
- Improved interaction between Local self-government bodies and local community
- A digitization tool introduced into the working processes with local communities - Online Platform

<https://kyrgyz-demo-republic-village-covid-19.yrpri.org/community/1264>



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Project Benefits and Products



Building capacity of local communities and local self-government bodies:

- 150.6 thousand people trained
- Local Area Development Programs developed
- A team of professionals trained as mobilizers, facilitators, consultants, and coaches for the development
- Training modules developed in Kyrgyz and Russian languages and tested in all areas of study
- Distance learning platform launched

<https://vip3.aris.kg/>

Improving access to quality services of social and economic infrastructure in target communities

- More than 10 thousand projects implemented
- Benefited over 2 million direct beneficiaries
- Transparent rules and procedures introduced for selection and implementation of micro-projects, including technical requirements also developed for implementation of micro-projects
- Accessibility for the population to almost all types of social infrastructure services increased by 12%
- Jobs created
- GIS-map of facilities incorporated
- <https://www.aris.kg/gis/>



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