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TAJKISTAN SAFE MIGRATION AND COMBATING TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS PROJECT (TAJKISTAN SM&CTIP)

OVERVIEW

Tajikistan is an origin country for labor migration, with nearly 10% of its population working outside of the country. Migrant workers are exposed to risks while abroad, including trafficking in persons. More recently, internal trafficking in persons has emerged as a growing challenge as well. Safe Migration and Combating Trafficking in Persons Project (SM&CTIP) is a five-year project that aims to reduce trafficking in persons among

vulnerable individuals, communities, and populations in Tajikistan by promoting safe migration and increasing access to trauma-informed, age-appropriate, gender- and culturally sensitive services for survivors.

GOALS

GOAL ONE: PREVENTION

Potential migrants are making safe and informed migration decisions on the basis of accurate and reliable information. The project will reduce their risks and the vulnerability to trafficking when traveling abroad for employment.

GOAL TWO: PROTECTION

National actors within the victim protection system demonstrate improved and expanded capacity to systemically protect victims of trafficking. The project uses a system-strengthening approach to improve the identification of victims of trafficking, as well as victims' access to trauma-informed services.

GOAL THREE: PARTNERSHIPS – COOPERATION AND COORDINATION

CTIP actors in Tajikistan at all levels (i.e. national, regional, and local level) demonstrate improved cooperation to develop sustainable mechanisms to support victims and prevent trafficking in persons. The project works towards the development and implementation of whole-of-government/whole-of-society responses to trafficking in persons by enhancing cooperation mechanisms and strategies for providing assistance to trafficking survivors and preventing trafficking in persons.

KEY ANTICIPATED RESULTS

- Members of the general public, and migrant workers are informed of opportunities for safe and regular migration, and risks of irregular migration, smuggling of migrants, and trafficking in persons.
- The National Referral Mechanism for victims of trafficking is improved.
- Protection system actors and service providers have appropriate capacity for the identification, referral, protection, and assistance of victims of trafficking.

PROJECT BUDGET: \$3,500,000

PROJECT DURATION: October 1, 2022- September 30, 2027

IMPLEMENTING ORGANIZATION: International Organization for Migration (IOM)/ UN Migration Agency

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