

Sector	Olives Plantation Implementation
Staff member	Admin, Sustainability Week Pakistan
Visit/Mission period	One day Visit (06/08/2023)
Destination(s)	Peshawar to Timergara, Dir Lower Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan (2 way journey)
Visit/Mission Objectives	<p>Meeting/discussion points:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Meeting with community based organization (CBO) 2. Installation of agro net and fully functional Nursery at local community 3. Plantation Drive in local community 4. Awareness Session for new plants, cure, branch cutting watering, and sustainability of Nursery 5. Plants Distribution Ceremony among the local community 6. Meeting with firm for grafting and Nursery and follow up visits in future
Key Activities/ Outcomes of the Visit	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Admin, Sustainability Week Pakistan met the local community members at the locality mentioned above. 2. The agro net was installed over the nursery and in this process, local community members' participation was ensured. 3. Olive plant plantation drive was initiated at the locality as monsoon season is on and it is very favourable for the plantation drive. 4. Local community members were sensitized about the economic and environmental importance of olive plant. Moreover, the olive plant experts also taught them curing of the plant in severe weather conditions, branch cutting technique for future growth and watering. 5. The local community members were also sensitized over sustainability of the nursery so that they may be able to develop their own saplings and provide it to the local community either free of cost or only nominal charges are received from them for meeting day to day expenditures of the nursery.

	<p>6. A plant distribution ceremony was also held in the village and local community influential was chief guest on the occasion. The plants were distributed in accordance with the land holding of each community members. The concerned owners were made bound to take care of the plants' safety/security and watering for sustainable growth. The community members were very much enthusiastic about the plantation drive and were happy over the free distribution of olive plants and thanked the Sustainability Week Pakistan.</p> <p>7. The local expert firm on olive plant grafting and cutting was also consulted and through an agreement, he assured full cooperation for training the farmers in plant grafting and branch cutting. As per agreement, the expert firm shall make one year follow up of the nursery and grafts so that proper nursery is developed for future on sustainable basis.</p> <p>8. About an hour before the commencement of session, minor flood had struck the village. The Admin, Sustainability Week Pakistan (being a Disaster Manager), sensitized the local community members regarding making flood mitigating arrangements and how to save their lives and livelihood sources.</p> <p>9. In order to prepare youth for future leadership and community based roles, a group of 05 volunteers (students of BS Sociology Department from Bacha Khan University Charsadda) also accompanied the Admin, Sustainability Week Pakistan during the site visit on 06.8.2023. This interaction not only gave them an opportunity to expand their mental horizon but also gave them a platform for community interaction.</p>



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Annexure I: Pictures





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