

PROMOTING PARTNERSHIP FOR EFFECTIVE WORK- BASED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES IN VET

PROJECT PRESENTATION
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PROJECT GOAL

The **goal** of the project is to contribute to sustainable and inclusive socio-economic development through establishment of VET-business partnerships to promote development of **work-based learning** and enhancing the quality of VET in Syunik and Lori marzes, RA.



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GEOGRAPHIC SCOPE



- Goris State Agricultural College , RA Syunik marz
- Stepanavan State Agricultural College, RA Lori marz

Project duration: September, 2019 – April, 2021



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PROJECT OBJECTIVES

Developed capacities of VET providers and employers in Syunik and Lori marzes through establishment of effective partnership between them. Design and introduction of the work-based learning element in VET for two agricultural professions: **Veterinarian and Milk Technologist**.

Design, pilot and provision of short-term course in the field of **Cheese and Dairy Production** with a strong work-based learning element for youth and adults in target marzes.

Adoption of the piloted model by the Ministry of Education , Science, Culture and Sport (MoESCS) for further replication in other VET institutions and regions of the RA.



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PROJECT RESULTS

2019-2021

- ✓ **Revised modules in the field of Veterinary and Milk and Dairy Technology** in concord with the principles and approaches of work-based learning model;
- ✓ Technical assistance was provided to the project partner organizations/host companies;
- ✓ ToT was organized for VET teachers and mentors from host companies to develop the necessary capacity and skills among them to implement the WBL model. Overall **18 participants were trained**;
- ✓ Promotion campaigns were organized in Syunik and Lori marzes of the RA to stimulate and introduce the youth the demand and importance of Veterinary and Milk and Dairy Technology professions in their communities. Around **100 pupils participated in the event**;



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2019-2021

- ✓ A short-term training program has been developed with the specific elements of the WBL model on Cheese-making;
- ✓ Goris and Stepanavan State Agricultural Colleges conducted the short-term training course on “Milk Acceptance and Processing, Lori and Chanakh Cheese Making Technology”. **19 participants took part in the training;**
- ✓ Support was provided for implementation of practical hours for “Veterinary” and “Milk and Dairy Technology” students in host companies;
- ✓ Annual meetings of donor organizations were held for promoting the replication of the WBL model;
- ✓ Evaluation of WBL model was conducted and developed recommendations were submitted to the MoECSC.



Recommendations

- ✓ Develop the capacities of mentors in host companies and expand the number of private organizations within the framework of cooperation;
- ✓ Establish VET institution - private organization meeting schedule to help identifying the opinions of the parties and suggest solutions including on such issues as student funding, annual and final assessment, needs identification;
- ✓ Review the legal relationship between the private organization - VET institution - student in the tripartite agreement taking into account that according to the current law, the student must be paid for the work done within the framework of practical training in a private organization;
- ✓ Appropriate financial resources should be allocated for further replenishment and development of the material and technical base in the VET institution;
- ✓ Organize human resource development activities for teachers and mentors;
- ✓ The VET institution should develop a basic marketing plan to support the positioning of the WBL model and improvement of the cooperation framework.



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