

STRENGTHENING YOUTH RESILIENCE TO VE THROUGH A POSITIVE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT CURRICULUM (PYD)

EURASIA FOUNDATION OF CENTRAL ASIA (EFCA) - TAJIKISTAN

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12 MONTHS

OVERALL OBJECTIVE

To strengthen the resilience of young men and women from Tajikistan to the narratives and recruitment methods of violent extremist (VE) groups, by promoting the use of a positive youth development (PYD) curriculum among schools, civil society actors at home and abroad and the national government.

DIRECT BENEFICIARIES

200 STUDENTS AGED 15-18 (GRADE 9-11) AT

10 SCHOOLS IN 5 TARGET DISTRICTS

15 TEACHERS IN 5 TARGET DISTRICTS

20 CIVIL SOCIETY ACTORS
working with migrants from Tajikistan in Russia & the national government in Tajikistan

OUTCOMES

1

Youth in Tajikistan are more aware of the narratives and methods used by extremist recruiters and able to engage critically with their arguments.

2

Civil society actors in Russia have new knowledge and tools to help counter violent extremism (CVE) among migrants from Tajikistan.

3

Schools, communities and the national government of Tajikistan are made aware of the benefits of a PYD approach to countering violent extremism (CVE) and lobbied to avail of the methods and materials developed in the frame of the project.

ACTIVITIES

PRELIMINARY ACTIVITY:

Creation of the advisory board and working group, stakeholders map and research on CVE curricula and international best practices.

1. Develop and pilot the PYD curriculum


2. Share curriculum with civil society actors in Russia

3. Advocate for wider use of the curriculum in Tajikistan

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- 3** **ADVISORY BOARD MEETINGS** held (15 members)
- 9** **WORKING GROUP (WG) MEETINGS** held (8 members)
- 1** **REPORT** on 25 CVW curricula in use in Tajikistan and international best practices elaborated

ACTIVITY 1

- 1** **5-DAY TRAINING** in collaboration with EDI & Ministry of Education
- 15** **TEACHERS** in 10 schools received the training
- 300** **STUDENTS** participated in the pilot PYD curriculum
- 229** **YOUNG PEOPLE** participated in pre- and post-tests
- 57** **PARENTS** took part in the survey
- 63** **TEACHERS AND SCHOOL STAFF** also took part in the survey

ACTIVITY 2

- 1** **3-DAY TRAINING** conducted
- 25** **CSOs REPRESENTATIVES** took part in the training
- 200** **LABOR MIGRANTS** participated in the mini-sessions as part of the training program
- 250** **STUDENTS** at Yekaterinburg Medical college took part in the training
- 100** **MEMBERS** of Spiritual Administration of Muslims of the Sverdlovsk region of the Russian Federation participated in the training

ACTIVITY 3

- 1** **2-DAY CLOSING CONFERENCE** held in Dushanbe, Tajikistan

- *PYD curriculum developed in 5 modules:*
 1. *Introduction*
 2. *Religious and historical roots of extremism*
 3. *Preventing violent extremism among young people*
 4. *Media and digital literacy of youth to counter violent extremism*
 5. *Economic and social aspects of positive youth development*