

# Cutting Ribbons to Start New Lives



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**Cutting Ribbon by Deputy Minister**



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**Public Bath in Tishrez ha Village**



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**Signboard at Water Supply Project Site**

Remarkable days on 27 and 28 July 2011 were seen in Herat City, where the National Solidarity Programme - NSP (supported by the Ministry of Rural Rehabilitation and Development and World Bank) and Peace-Building in Afghanistan through Consolidation of Community Solidarity - PACCS (funded by the Government of Japan) had been implemented.

It was a great honor and privilege for UN-HABITAT Afghanistan to open inauguration ceremonies for successful four NSP projects and three PACCS projects in districts of Enjil, Guzara and Karoukh. Ribbons were cut by the H.E. Financial Deputy Minister of Rural Rehabilitation and Development, accompanied by the Head of Department of Rural Rehabilitation and Development.

On this occasion the H.E. Deputy Minister had an opportunity to visit Gazergah Sharif village, located at approximately 12 km east of Enjil district, and briefly shed light on great efforts on the NSP achievements, thanking the people for their contribution. In addition, the H.E. praised UN-HABITAT's commendable work and successful implementation of projects in the field, by having drawn the people's attention, in particular the Shura members to leave no stone unturned towards the maintenance of the community-based projects to ensure the sustainability.

Consequently, the chairman of the CDC, seizing the opportunity to greatly thank and appreciate UN-HABITAT's support and activities with communities in the field, expressing his and other villagers' satisfaction and gratitude over the development projects which included: construction of community center, public bath and District Development Assembly Office, and improved water supply network.

