IALC Sustainable Development of Drylands in Asia and the Middle East: Human Capacity Development for the Agriculture Sector in Afghanistan ~ A partnership between Illinois universities (UIUC & SIUC) and The NWFP Agricultural University in Peshawar, Pakistan

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- More than 300 Afghan Agriculturists have completed one-month “train the trainers” courses on 15 topics such as: Irrigation and Water Management, Women’s Enterprises, Post Harvest Handling and Marketing, Animal Nutrition, & Integrated Pest Management. Another 24 have completed one-week specialized research training.

- 10 are currently enrolled in MSc degree programs with a group of 20 from various Afghan Universities and Research Stations ready to begin Master’s degree training when funding can be arranged.

Training programs are being delivered by our partner institution in Peshawar Pakistan, the NWFP Agricultural University.

Technical short courses are organized for groups of 20 at locations in Pakistan and Afghanistan.

Specialized individual training is conducted at Research Stations and Institutes in the NWFP-AU system.

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