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.

**OVERALL OBJECTIVE**

**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
ACHIEVED OUTCOMES

PRELIMINARY ACTIVITY

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

YOUNG PEOPLE participated in pre- and post-tests
PARENTS took part in the survey
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