Two new projects for DCA-VET

Recently, DCA-VET signed contracts for two relatively small but nice projects, funded both by a donor that is new to DCA, i.e. JICA, the Japanese International Cooperation Agency, and the French Embassy respectively.

JICA funded project in Bamyan

For JICA, DCA will implement the *Livestock development project in Bamyan Center*. This project aims at:

- Increasing productivity of livestock through improved access to quality veterinary services
- Improving the lives of vulnerable woman headed families through development of livestock products value chains
- Assessing potentials for livestock breed improvement
- Building capacity of DAIL to deliver efficient public sector livestock extension and value chain development services to the farmers.

The project is for one year, from 1 December 2012 through 30 November 2013. Target area is the District of Bamyan Center in Bamyan Province. Here 500 households are targeted, including 240 woman headed families. The budget of the project amounts to USD 122,000.

French Embassy funded project in Kapisa

The project of the French Embassy is developed in the framework of the *Pole de Stabilité*. This project takes place in Kapisa Province and Surobi District of Kabul Province. The overall goal is to provide a detailed analyses of the livestock and poultry sector in this area and give solid recommendations for the implementation of a new livestock project.

The project runs from 1 December 2012 through 15 February 2013, and the budget is € 30,000.