

Live comfortably

Lower heating costs

Clean indoor air

The Technical Catalogue 2015

Energy Saving Solutions for Kabul Households





**GERES' catalogue of technologies adapted to Kabul private households,
to promote solutions for sustainable energy consumption**



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Renovation of your house to reduce significantly fuel consumption for heating

The technologies in this catalogue provide an opportunity to improve energy efficiency of already existing houses. It should be possible to save from 30 to 50% of fuel used for heating, to lower energy bills and reduce CO₂ output.



Comfort comes first

Renovation of the house, thanks to passive solar technologies, insulation techniques and efficient heating systems enable to increase the indoor air temperature, for more stability and comfort.

Clean indoor air for a better health

Indoor air quality is crucial, as smokes are the first reason for pre-mature deaths of women and children in Afghanistan. Indoor smoke can be reduced with improved heating systems and better insulation!

Easy installation

GERES is committed to introducing innovations and systems which can be easily handed-over to local artisans. Features have been steadily adapted to local skills and materials' availability. They can be easily installed in traditional afghan houses.



Improve living conditions for ecology and sustainability!

The beneficial effects of energy efficiency on living conditions, on reduction of fuel consumption, and on the environment can be clearly linked to the Afghan specificities. The climate is semi-arid, with a mountainous and continental climate, harsh winters, very hot summers and scarce rainfalls.

The renewal of natural resources is slow and fuel prices for heating and cooking are considered exorbitant by most households.

After 30 years of research in Central Asia, this catalogue covers a wide range of prices and a mix of technologies allowing 30% to 60% of fuel saving for the best combinations of solutions. Perfectly adapted to afghan households, they allow reduction of fuel consumption and preservation of natural environment.

The technologies are proved efficient: in Kabul more than 3,000 households are already equipped with a mix of technologies to gain and keep the heat inside. Give it a try!

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LIVING ROOM

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For cheap heating and cooking, and stable temperatures all day long!

ADDITIONAL WARM ROOM

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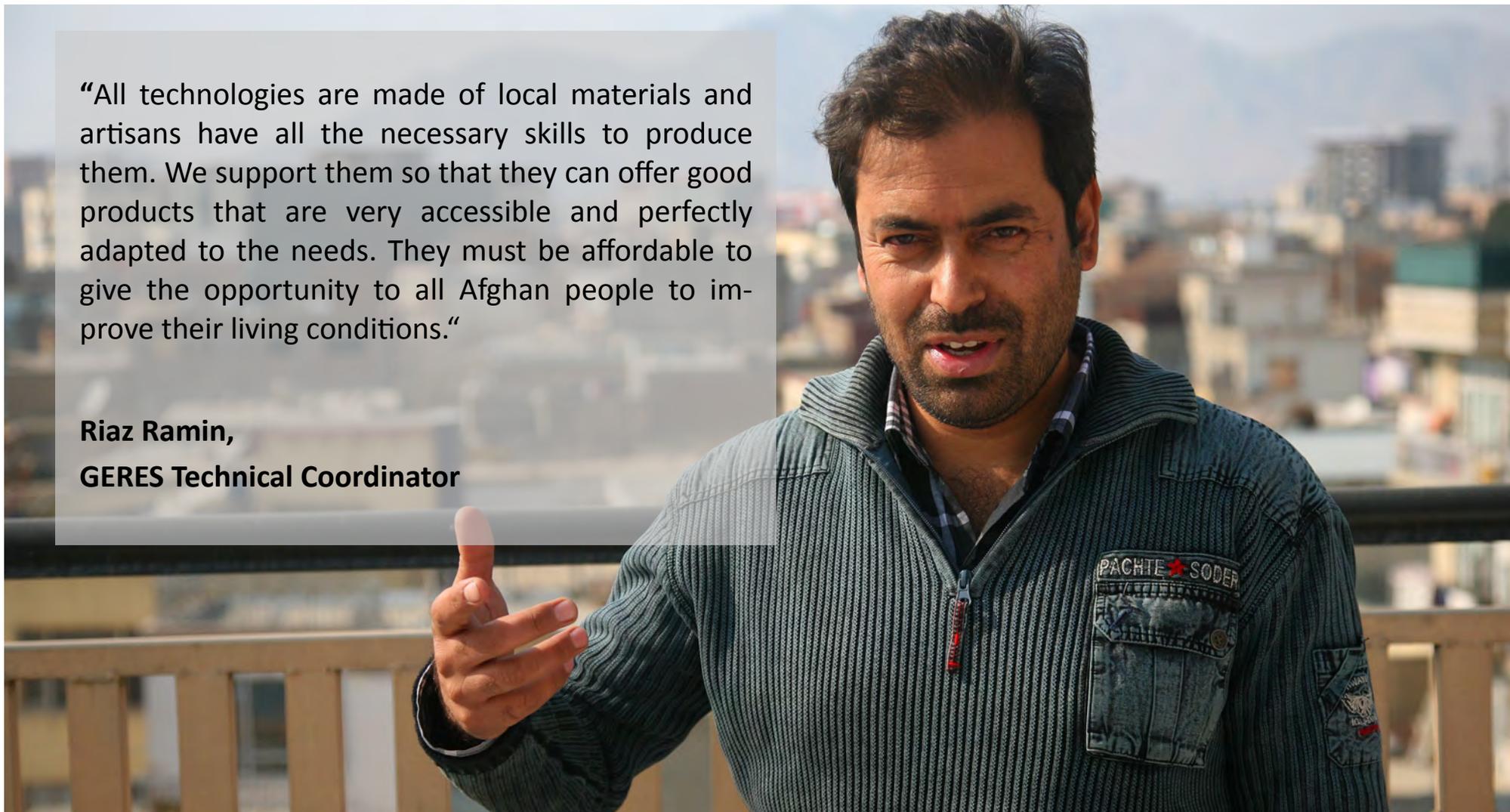
PACKAGES

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How to combine veranda and insulation to get the best out of them!

“All technologies are made of local materials and artisans have all the necessary skills to produce them. We support them so that they can offer good products that are very accessible and perfectly adapted to the needs. They must be affordable to give the opportunity to all Afghan people to improve their living conditions.”

Riaz Ramin,
GERES Technical Coordinator



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Savings per year (fuel consumption reduction)

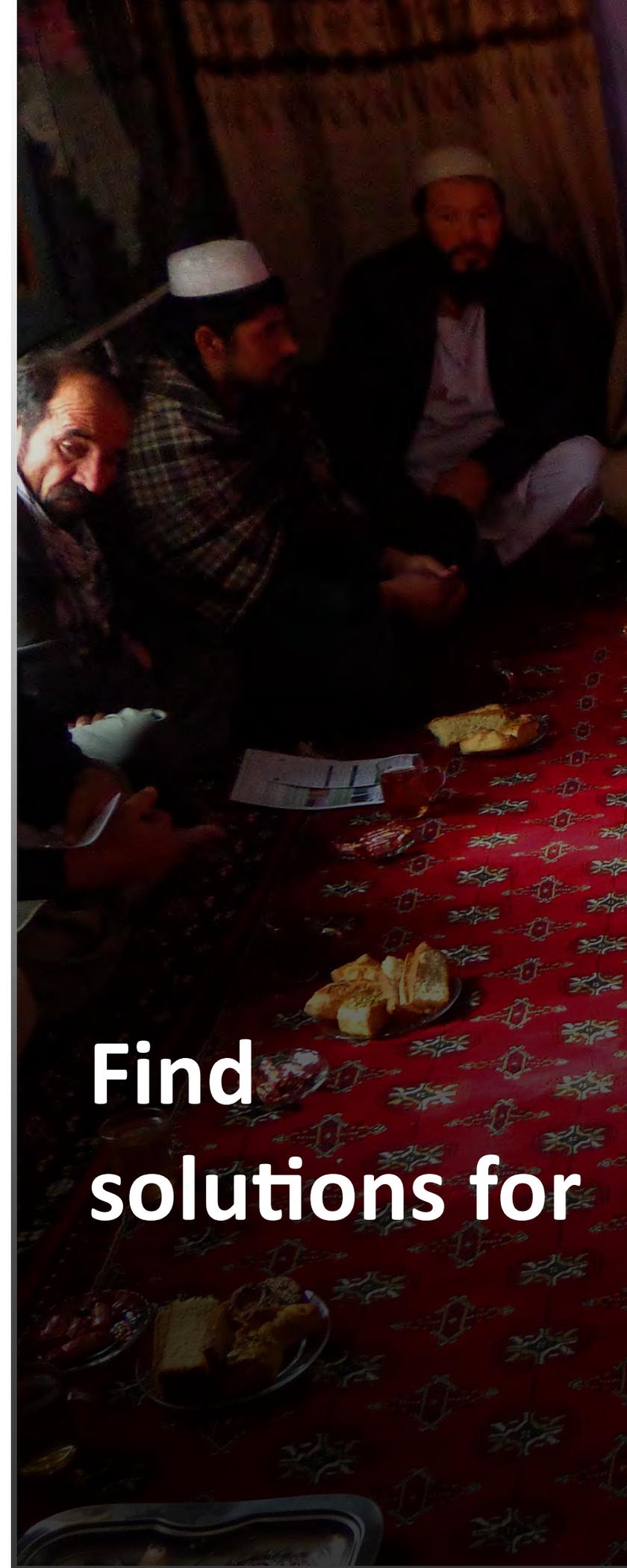
- ★ : Less than 40 USD
- ★★ : From 40 to 80 USD
- ★★★ : From 80 to 120 USD
- ★★★★ : More than 120 USD

Financial investment

- \$: Less than 150 USD
- \$ \$: From 150 to 200 USD
- \$ \$ \$: From 250 to 400 USD
- \$ \$ \$ \$: More than 400 USD

Duration of return on investment

- 🌀 : Less than 2 years
- 🌀🌀 : From 2 to 5 years
- 🌀🌀🌀 : From 5 to 10 years
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Find
solutions for



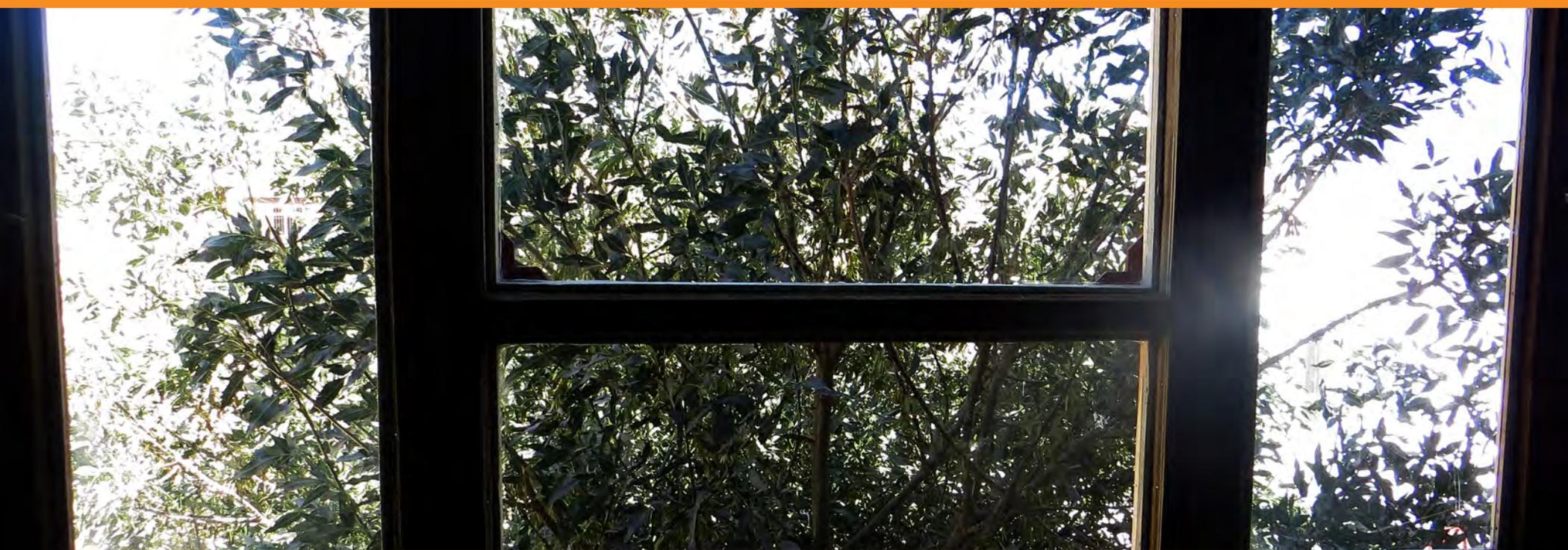
- Better comfort in living rooms
- Reduction of heating costs
- Clean indoor air



DOUBLE-GLAZING

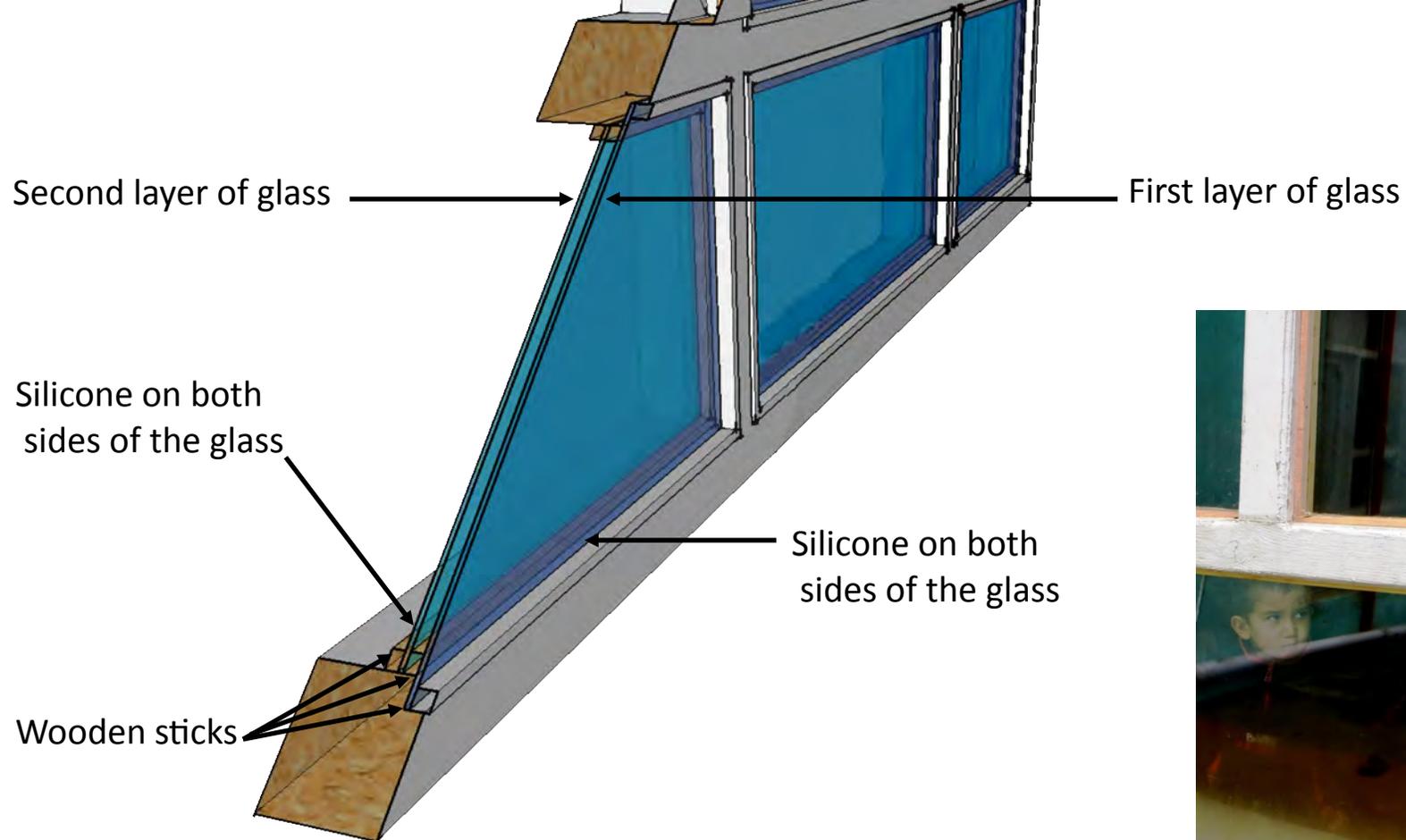
Insulation of the living room windows to reduce the energy bill

For 10 m² of overglazed windows



Double-glazing helps to maintain more constant temperatures inside your living rooms.





Less than 13 USD per m²
More than 30% fuel saving

Windows are the main factors of heat loss in houses, as their large surface are in direct contact with outdoor air and cold temperature. Over-glazing your windows enables to keep the heat inside and to significantly improve the comfort in your living room, while reducing fuel consumption.

Ventilation is very important to maintain a safe and clean indoor air. When over-glazed, the windows should be regularly open, especially during sunny times, and while cooking or boiling water.

INSIDE ROOF INSULATION

Insulation of the ceiling of your house

For 17 m² of insulated roof



Roof insulation reduces significantly heat losses from the roof (at least 30% of the heat losses).

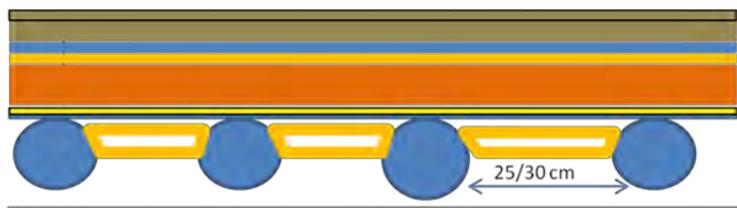


Main conditions for application:

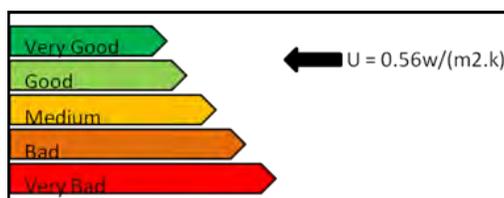
- Traditional roof with wood or metal beams
- The targeted ceiling must be at the top of the house
- Roof in good condition, with no leakage
- The targeted room should be the living room used in winter

Several kinds of materials can be used, as external and/or internal roof insulation.

For traditional roof:
example of insulation
with Glass Wool (5 cm) two layers



For traditional roof:
example of insulation
with Polystyrene (5 cm) thick





Around
10
USD
Per m²

Insulation of the roof using **glass wool**



Around 30% fuel saving

Insulation of the roof using **polystyrene**

OUTSIDE ROOF INSULATION

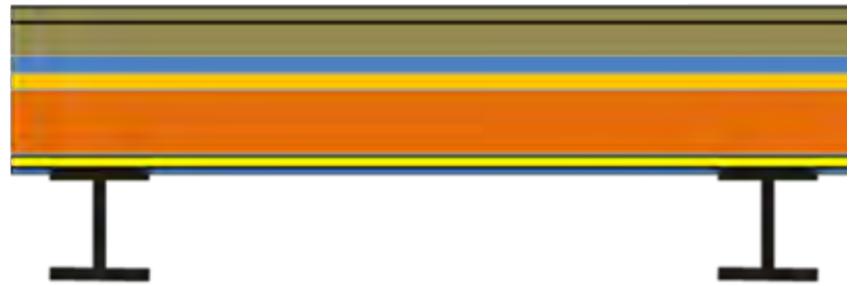
Of Traditional Roof with mud and
straw mix (30% / 70%)

For new constructions



To maximize insulation properties of the traditional roof, a mix of mud (30%) and straw (70%), with a specific thickness of 12cm after compression, will significantly reduce the heat losses.

Don't hesitate to upgrade your house when doing roof renovation or building a new room!



Less than 10 USD per square meter for roof renovation.

Negligible cost if directly applied on new constructions.

Indoor air quality

A clean and healthy environment inside your house

Indoor air pollution is one risk you cannot set aside!

The smoke of heating stoves can accumulate dramatically inside the rooms: it causes major chronic health issues in Afghanistan. In worse cases the carbon monoxide from incomplete combustion can even lead to instant death.

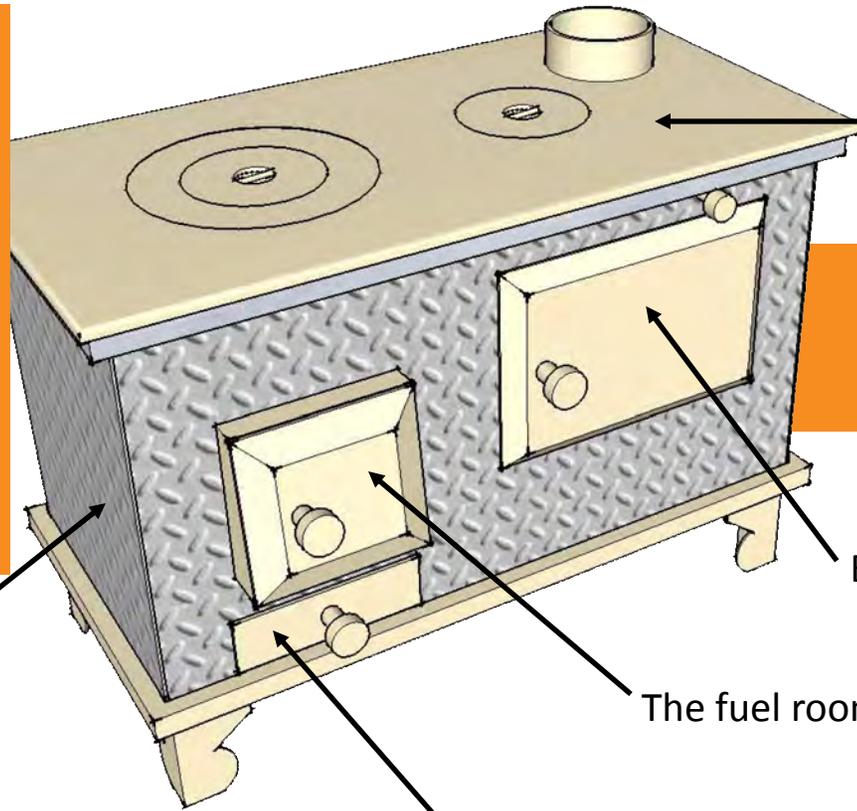
Regular ventilation will reduce contaminants by diluting indoor air with outdoor air, thus significantly improving the indoor air quality, health and comfort.

Not smoking indoors or preventing others from doing so is advised, even more with children. If smoking indoors cannot be avoided, increase ventilation. To prevent carbon monoxide intoxication, keep gas appliance properly adjusted and make sure to ventilate your house regularly while using coal or wood stoves.



CHARI V15

Thermal Mass for long heat release!



Strong cooking plate in cast iron

Decrease your fuel consumption by 30%!

Efficient oven for bread baking

The fuel room can be easily renewed

Covered by aluminum sheet

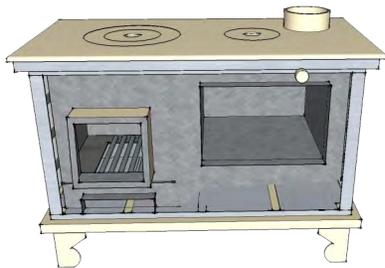
Ash drawer



“We designed this improved stove to **ensure a long-lasting heat inside the living room**, and to decrease the fuel consumption. We added an oven, so that new cooking options are available and the family can have fresh bread all winter.”



Adel Mirza,
Responsible for Innovations and Development



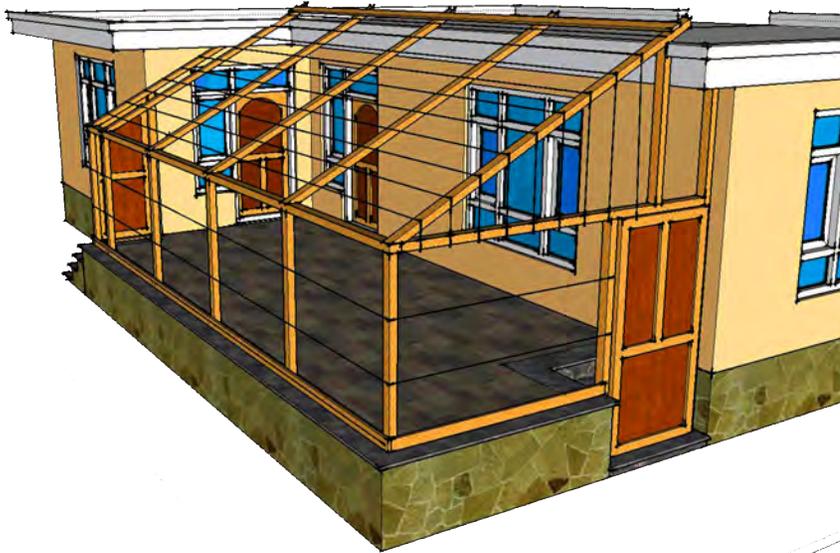
CHARI V15

Heating your house and cooking for your family is not a burden anymore. Enjoy the long lasting heat of this improved chari, released all evening long and over the night. With the efficient oven, you will really enjoy cooking, and preparing new dishes: bake bread in less than 10 minutes, and cook pies and low-fat meat!

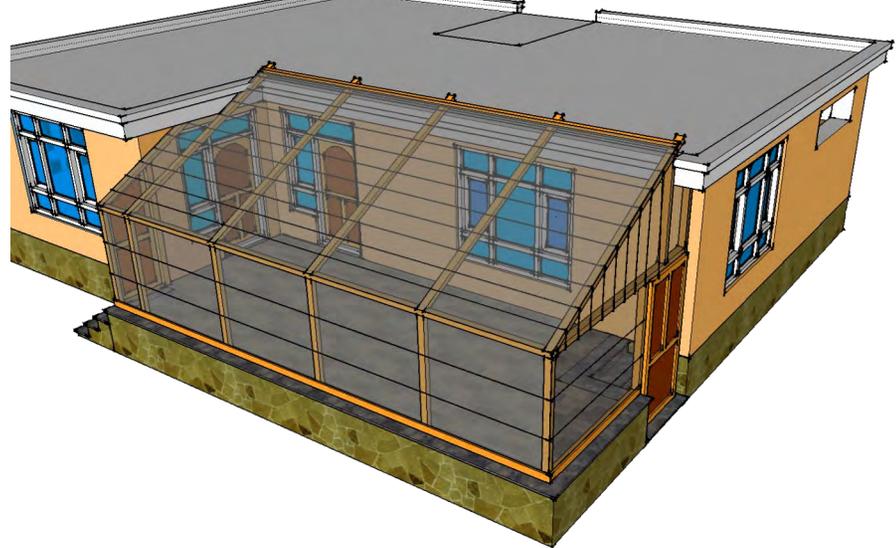
CHARI V15 is the best heating and cooking solution, for the whole family!

The fuel room can be easily replaced, which significantly extends the life cycle of the CHARI V15 up to 15 years!

18 Additional warm room - Passive Solar Veranda in wood frame



Veranda frame with wood and wire



Frame covered with a plastic sheet in winter, to gain heat



Decrease your fuel
consumption by at least 30%!

An additional warm room all day long!

10% temperature increase
inside your house!

**It might not seem that much,
but the Passive Solar Veranda makes a significant difference in your life.**

An **additional warm room** in winter can be used for domestic tasks, social life or for education of the children. The **veranda gains sun energy** and transfers the heat through the openings from the veranda into the house during daytime. During the hot season, the plastic is removed and the structure can be covered with plants, reeds, etc., to be in the shade and cool down the house.

PASSIVE SOLAR VERANDA

Additional Room in wood frame, covered by plastic in winter



Built on the terrace facing south

Extra warm room in winter, free of heating charges

Fuel savings and warmer inside the house

Facilitated women housework

Warm water without fuel consumption

Improved hygiene and health of the family

Protection from the dust

Cool room in the summer



TIPS

Additional insulation of the living room can significantly improve the efficiency of the veranda!

Paint the frame in plenty of colors and cover it in the summer with reeds or plants to turn it into a cool space for relaxing with family and friends!



PASSIVE SOLAR VERANDA

Metal Frame



Metal structure with long-lasting and **colored protection**.



PASSIVE SOLAR VERANDA

Glass and/or Polycarbonate

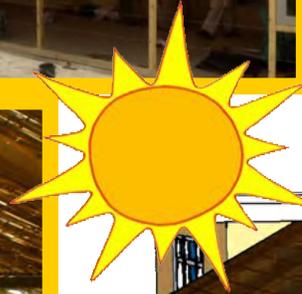


Much more than a veranda.

A world of comfort, in winter and in summer!

In summer, turn the veranda into a cool space!

During the summer, use reeds, plants and even mosquito nets to create a nice and cool area for the whole family!



In winter, a furnished and comfortable veranda!



Ventilate regularly during the day:
Open doors and windows!



“The veranda brings many benefits to women during the cold months of the winter. Their life is better and they can even develop income generating activities. The health of the whole family is improved, and some winter classes for the children can be organized in the warm veranda.”

**Rahela Forugh,
Communication Team Leader**

The veranda is a suitable place
for **home-based jobs in the winter!**



24 Packages of technologies

Solutions packages,
for more efficiency!



Passive Solar Veranda



Double-Glazing



Roof Insulation



Roof Insulation



Passive Solar Veranda

Double-Glazing



**A SUSTAINABLE WORLD,
FOR ALL OF US**

By 2060, 1 out of every 2 Afghans will live in cities. Kabul doubled its population over the past decade and is the fifth fastest growing city in the world: more than 4 millions inhabitants, 15% of the Afghan population.

In most residential areas, construction patterns have low insulation and energy intensive heating devices. Many households have difficulties to meet their energy needs and spend a major part of their budget purchasing fuels. In Kabul, the potential market for the developed energy saving solutions stands at more than 300,000 households.

Afghanistan is following the trajectory of countries with heavy reliance on biomass resources and omnipresent energy poverty. Wood is still the main source of energy for Kabul inhabitants and leads to terrible air pollution. Inside the houses, the smokes affect mainly women and children and are the main cause for premature deaths in Afghanistan. Therefore reducing fuel consumption through energy saving solutions also contributes to the livelihoods of the whole family through improved health, cleaner kitchen and indoor air, and less money spent on fuels.



Afghanistan is the 15th most vulnerable country in terms of climate change vulnerability: the original forests occupy only 2% of the country area. They are depleted to provide fuel for cooking, heating, construction, etc. Despite limited contributions to the global CO₂ output, demand for energy and transport are growing as lifestyles are changing.

Urbanization is an opportunity to drive economic growth and innovative change in sustainable energy consumption patterns, to pave the road for a progressive shift towards a low emission development.

Associations of qualified artisans in districts 5, 7 and 8 of Kabul



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Solar House Technicians Association

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