

## CASE-STUDY

### BANO: WOMAN OF SUBSTANCE AND FORTITUDE

In the village of Jamal Hajano, district Matiari, lives a resolute and chivalrous woman. Bano is a beneficiary of OSDI's KG (Kitchen Garden) program. Living in severe destitution and having to take care of a son and mother and father in law, life doesn't come any easy for her. Her husband left her in pursuit of a better livelihood and came to Karachi. She was therefore all on her own and faced tough times.

She started KG in the 7<sup>th</sup> phase. Being a woman, she is so stouthearted and firm that she prepared the land for KG all on her own, which is a huge breakthrough itself. OSDI facilitated her with the provision of seeds and imparted the basic knowledge to her regarding it.

The cost that she had to incur on her seeds amounted to PKR 94. She had a yield of a variety of vegetables and her KG was a colossal success. Bano produced spinach, okra, coriander, radish and zucchini. It not only led to the fulfillment of her needs, but also enabled her to sell the surplus and earn from it.



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During the recent KG awards that were held to acknowledge the efforts of the beneficiaries, Bano was the only woman from her village to be endowed with this award.

Her efforts are surely a beacon of hope for all the women who are inflicted with similar circumstances. OSDI honors her courage and hopes that she continues to shine with the same