

## Learning without Boundaries



There is no limit to acquire education. At any stage of life one can learn the unknown. The only condition to do so is *to have the motivation*.

For the people living in the community of Chib Sheikh and its adjacent surroundings acquiring education was only a dream. Since there was no educational facility within the radius of 4 – 5 kms. The only government school available was quite far to travel daily and it didn't have the facility to educate the adult learners. So many people inspite of having the urge to learn could do nothing but just keep it as a wish that could never come true.

Luckily, upon OSDI's intervention within this community people only requested us to facilitate them with an educational facility. Acknowledging their request, OSDI's management initiated to construct a Temporary Learning Center (TLC) here. The purpose was to impart education to all the out of school children. For this two male teachers were also hired to teach on regular basis and ensure every village child comes to school.

Due to the constant efforts of our teachers, even the young men of the community started to take interest in the school. Amongst these men was 36 year old, Abdul Majeed a resident of Hussain Goth. He was a rickshaw driver by profession. He earns approximately PKR 10,000 – PKR 12,000 per month.

Majeed faced difficulty while communicating with people or understanding calculations. Reading or writing were his major draw backs. One day, he came to OSDI's TLC and showed his interest to learn. OSDI's teachers agreed to educate him only during the evening hours after school. As it was convenient for him and also for the teachers because them all the students would've left and Majeed would've returned back from work.

Seeing his interest a few more adults also began coming and got enrolled. Now, Majeed has learned how to draw his signature, write his name and understand basic terms via attending the OSDI's Adult Literacy Classes.

He is a source of motivation for many uneducated and illiterate adults; as there is no age to learn.