

Fatima – Learning to Inspire

In the union council of Chaubandi, in district Thatta (Sindh) is a village called Yaqoob Jokhio. The community is split into 4 muhallahs/areas comprising of nearly 167 vulnerable households. Upon the request of the local people, OSDI intervened to initiate a Temporary Learning Center (TLC) in this area.

In the initial stage, 2 classrooms of 20*16ft were constructed to accommodate the 430 out-of-school children (OOSC). As the number of enrolments kept increasing one, more classroom of size 30*16ft was included in this learning facility, later on.

Fatima daughter of Muhammad Jumman, a local of this community joined the TLC in Yaqoob Jokhio to avail primary education. She is an 11 year old child. None of her 8 siblings ever went to school before her.

Before being enrolled in this TLC, she used to work as a daily wage labourer on the cotton and chilli crop fields. Her task was to pick the ripe product from the plant.

Currently, Fatima is studying in the 4th grade. She intends to complete her matriculation so she may further educate her community children. She is a ray of hope for many similar girls who wish to bring in positive social change within their communities.

