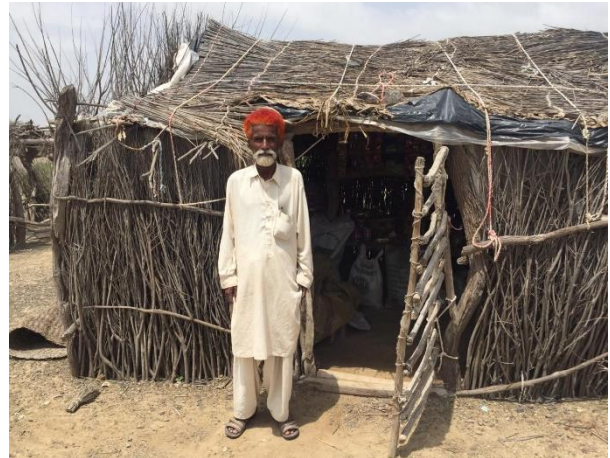


## Sajan: Old to New Grocery Store

Sajan Goth is a little community located in the revenue village of Chamasara in the union council of Khenwari in District Lasbela (Baluchistan). This revenue village comprises of various small and scattered settlements.

OSDI intervened in this community in the year 2019; and implemented a variety of fruitful projects such as Education, Water Nearby Homes (WNH), Small Rural Enterprise Project (SREP) and Livestock Development Project (LDP).

Before OSDI's intervention the living condition of people was so miserable that women of this village fetched water by covering the distance of upto 4 - 5 kms on donkeys. To help facilitate the people, OSDI initiated with a Solar Water facility in this community under the Water Nearby Homes Project (WNH).



When OSDI initiated SREP in this community, Mr. Sajan from Sajan Goth was selected as a beneficiary in the Phase-III. Prior to becoming an SREP beneficiary, he was running a small hotel and TUC shop in his village and hardly managed to earn PKR 4000 – PKR 5000 per month. Since, he didn't have a variety of grocery and confectionary items in his shop his monthly sales barely increased. It was very difficult for him to bare the expenses of his whole family from this low income.

OSDI facilitated Sajan by facilitating him with confectionary and grocery items. The total grant of these items costed PKR 50,000. Now the people of other adjacent villages who did not visit his store earlier due to shortage of variety purchase all necessary goods from him. Sajan now earns PKR 10,000 – PKR 12,000 per month from his store and hotel business.



According to Sajan, "His monthly income has increased with the support of OSDI and now he can fullfill the needs of his family in a better way. He now intends to provide his family with a better lifestyle. He has also constructed a cemented store and shifted his shop as the previous shop was built with hay and straw and was too small to accommodate the goods."