

# Newsletter

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## Introduction

Formed in 2009, as a social policy think tank Organization for Social Development Initiatives (OSDI); aims to empower the vulnerable communities of Pakistan through enabling them to come out from inter-generational debt trap and economic instability. OSDI's impact driven methodology to help create sustainability in the lives of rural poor has significantly generated positive outcomes. Livelihood Assistance Program (LAP), Community Development Program (CDP) and Food Security Program (FSP) are the three fundamental ideologies of OSDI.

Each program has been artistically crafted by a diligent team of professionals in line with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) of Pakistan. From training to income generation and capacity building of beneficiaries in terms of an increase in crop production, livestock rearing and funding of micro interest free loans. OSDI has undertaken all possible measures; to ensure sustainability in its focused communities.

Education, health-care, water and sanitation, hygiene (WASH) to infrastructure development and providing a food safety net across low income generating households; OSDI ensures living standards are improved.

## MILESTONES ACHIEVED

NO. OF DISTRICTS REACHED = 06

NO. OF VILLAGES COVERED = 19

TOTAL ACREAGE FINANCED = 6,527

TOTAL LIVESTOCK PROVIDED = 871

YOUTH FINANCED = 20

TOTAL SCHOOLS SUPPORTED = 12

STUDENTS ENROLLED = 1,269

TOTAL PATIENTS TREATED AT MEDICAL CAMPS = 22,393

NO. OF INDIVIDUALS TRAINED IN HEALTH & HYGIENE SESSIONS = 32,185

TOTAL K.G PLOTS SIZE = 35,1600 sq. ft

## Education

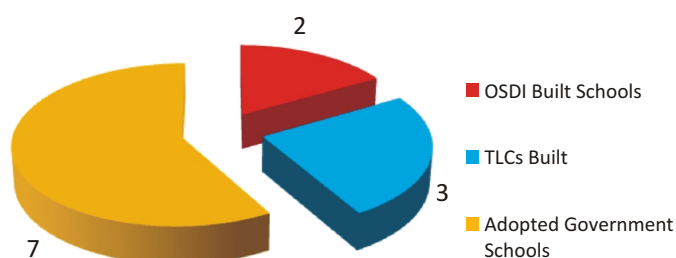
“Education is the key to success in life, and teachers make a lasting impact in the lives of their students.”

The provision to quality primary education is the fundamental right of every child. Identifying the gaps created due to the unavailability of schools, teacher absenteeism, lack of student enrollment and other facilities; OSDI initiated to either build Temporary Learning Centers (TLCs) where needed else work in coordination with the regulated authorities to support the government built ghost schools.

Upon monitoring the performance of students; regularization of school going children and control in teacher absenteeism these OSDI built TLCs are converted into well-constructed school buildings after an year.

Since intervention in its focused communities, OSDI has 12 fully functioning schools under its flagship. These schools are being run in co-ordination with the relevant government authorities. 30 qualified and trained teachers have been appointed by OSDI in these schools to guarantee optimum results.

**Schools Intervened by OSDI**



Recently, students of OSDI Primary School Malhee (Shikarpur) have scored 1st position out of 11 district schools in the final term examination. This reveals the quality and standard of education being imparted at OSDI schools and the efforts of its committed allies. Upon exit, OSDI had handed over this school to SEF (Sindh Education Foundation) in October 2016.



In continuation with our legacy of providing and ensuring quality education at all levels OSDI has initiated to build a high school building in F.C. Public School, Bela district (Baluchistan). The purpose of expansion is to upgrade the school from middle to high school. The total area of school is 4 acres.

Currently, 306 students are enrolled in this school.

From which 236 are male students and 70 are female students who are being imparted with quality education. Moreover, 13 female and 8 male teachers are appointed at this school.

To further the cause OSDI shall also do extensive plantation within the school premises to enhance beautification and promote greenery.





*“A quality education grants us the ability to fight the war on ignorance and poverty”.*

Due to negligence of the concerned authorities the infrastructure of Government Boys High School, U.C. Wayaro, district Lasbela (Baluchistan) is at the stake of collapsing anytime. The ceiling is severely damaged, doors and windows of the school are broken, building walls are cracked, loose or open electrical connections and wires are hanging everywhere. The furniture of the school requires urgent repairing.

Realizing this vulnerable situation; OSDI plans to renovate and restore the entire school building. Along with this, OSDI will also appoint a qualified science teacher and ensure safe drinking water facility is provided for the students and teachers.

Upon completion of the restoration work; plantation would be done within the school playground to further enhance the school's overall infrastructure. Currently, the student's enrollment ratio is 376 males.

**GBHS Wayaro Students Enrollment**

S.No.	Class	No. of Students
1	KG	60
2	One	32
3	Two	30
4	Three	35
5	Four	30
6	Five	22
7	Six	52
8	Seven	42
9	Eight	35
10	Nine	-
11	Ten	38
	<b>Total</b>	<b>376</b>



In the focused community of Joosa Goth, district Lasbela (Baluchistan), the strength of out-of-school children ranging from 08-15 years is 174. These children belong to 08 adjacent communities.

Unfortunately, due to unavailability of any educational facility within their vicinity; these children lack the access to primary education. The nearest school facility is at least 2kms away.

Long travelling distance and excessive stray dogs moving in groups, within the area are the major reasons why parents refrain from sending their children to school.



As a result of OSDI's timely advocacy, in light of the baseline survey conducted in Baluchistan the previous year; Global Partnership for Education (GPE), a World Bank's subsidiary has agreed to construct a Temporary Learning Center (TLC) to impart quality education.

## Health-Care:

Providing an easy access to basic health-care needs is one of the major areas OSDI has been focusing on. In order to facilitate the ailing patients living in the under privileged communities OSDI initiated the mobile medical camps. The core aim of these medical camps is to provide free of cost medical assistance along with free medicines. Both male and female patients are checked by well-trained and qualified doctors. Any patient diagnosed with severe illness or disease is straight away referred to the nearby government hospital. The travelling and medical expense of the patient is mostly beared by OSDI.

After a thorough baseline survey conducted; it was identified that the remote area of U.C Wayaro, Tehsil Utthal, district Lasbela (Baluchistan) lacked access to fundamental needs such as water, food, education and health-care.

So far, OSDI has organized two General Medical Camps (GMCs) in the region. First GMC was arranged in February 2017 and the other took place in April 2017. 945 suffering patients have been facilitated with quality health-care in these GMCs in which 401 were males and 544 were females. Patients from 20 adjacent villages



attended the medical camp during the first attempt however; due to OSDI's extensive awareness raising campaigns the second GMC had people from 22 villages.

Fever, flu, cough, diarrhea, skin allergy, Acute Respiratory Infection (ARI), anemic, ENT (Ear, Nose and Throat) infections were a few common diseases diagnosed in most of the patients. It is also worth mentioning that awareness session on hygiene & hand-wash was also conducted during the GMC.

In the coming days OSDI plans to hold these GMCs on monthly basis to aid the ailing patients in minimizing the health issues along with creating awareness in people about the significance of health & hygiene.

### Total Patients Treated in Wayaro GMC

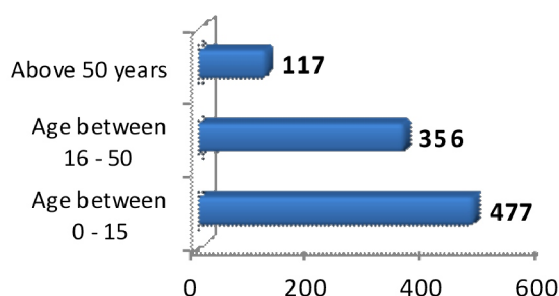


### Future Interventions:

To expand our facilitations in Chitral and Mardan districts (KPK); OSDI has applied for the No Objection Certificate from the government. Upon approval, identification of the vulnerable communities would be made possible in order to know about the socio-economic condition of the marginalized communities. The observations would be derived from the standard baseline survey designed by our team of experts. Based on which the focused community selection, implementation and final completion of the projects would be conducted.

OSDI keenly looks forward to create a positive impact in the lives of the under-privileged communities of these areas.

### Patients Treated in GMC



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