

INTRODUCTION

To eradicate poverty in the vulnerable households of Pakistan, Organization for Social Development Initiatives (OSDI) offers a variety of projects under its three fundamental programs: Livelihood Assistance Program (LAP), Community Development Program (CDP) and Food Security Program (FSP). Each of these programs has been created to enable the under-privileged communities to uplift themselves from the generations old poverty and hunger, by increasing their monthly income levels and decreasing their monthly expenses. OSDI beliefs in long-term partnerships making each member of the focused community its partner and channelizing the local district government to facilitate its people, better.

DISASTER RELIEF ASSISTANCE (DRA)

Floods 2022



Pic 1: Distribution of Relief Goods to Flood Affectees

The heavy monsoon rains have caused immense flooding in Pakistan, during this quarter. The magnitude of losses is uncontrollable at the moment. Houses collapsed, animals dead, agricultural land completely destroyed and several people have simply vanished into thin air, due to the floods this season. OSDI in coordination with The Robin Hood Army has facilitated 200 families i.e. up to 1400 individuals from the vulnerable communities of Essa Goth, Haji Ibrahim, Ibu Sheikh, Laloo Goth, Muhammad Dooda, Qambrani and Sayarani in district Lasbela (Baluchistan).

Each affected family has been provided with 10 kg flour, 5 kg rice, 3 types of lentils weighing 2 kg each variety, 3 kg sugar, ½ kg tea, 1 kg dry milk, 800 gms salt and 3 ltrs cooking oil as ration items. Besides this, basic medicines consisting of 3 sachets of ORS, 1 box of mosquito coil, 2 strips of Panadol, 1 bottle of Mospel and 2 blankets per household were also distributed. OSDI also shared the list of affectees with the Deputy Commissioner to inform about the houses damaged/collapsed during the floods for claim of payments as announced by the Federal government.

LIVELIHOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LAP)

Horticulture Project

To safeguard the 1190 orange fruit plants distributed amongst 10 vulnerable farmers in Phase 1 & 2 combined, within the focused communities of Akhundara and Biroch in district Mardan (KPK), OSDI's field team has been trying to proactively play its role through regular follow-ups. It is for the first time, OSDI has set-up an orange fruit orchard covering a total area of 10.50 acres for the vulnerable farmers of Mardan district. An agro expert has been appointed to visit the fruit orchards every month to inspect the plants condition.

In the community of Akhundara, solar panels have been set-up by OSDI to make irrigation water readily available for plants. As a joint venture, OSDI contributed 81% of the total cost and the remaining 19% expenses were pooled in by the farmers. The agro expert Mr. Sardar Hussain guided the farmers on gushing of pesticide spray against leaf minor, plant hoppers and citrus aphid insects. He asked them to use Potassium Humic Acid diluted with water, Bifenthrin, Acetamiprid and Monoacid on plants for better growth.



Horticulture Project

Pic 2: Inspection of Fruit Plants by Agro Expert



Pic 3: Health Check of Livestock & Deworming in District Lasbela and Mardan

Livestock Development Project (LDP)

Beneficiaries facilitated under the Livestock Development Project (LDP) during the previous tenure are regularly checked for any symptoms of illnesses or disease by the OSDI's appointed veterinary experts on regular basis. Each district team has its own vet. To smoothen up the communication process, the veterinary experts conduct capacity building sessions in their native languages i.e. Pushtoo or Lassi. Amongst the 113 livestock checked during this quarter;

78 animals belonged to the focused communities of Akhundara, Biroch and Prrang Dara in district Mardan (KPK). Nearly, 40 goats were also dewormed by OSDI's appointed vet on the same day. The remaining 35 livestock checked belonged to the beneficiaries of Qambrani, Essa Goth and Ibu Sheikh in district Lasbela (Baluchistan). In the month of July 2022, there was an increase of 61% in the total herd distributed by OSDI in district Mardan and Lasbela.

Small Rural Enterprise Project (SREP)

During this quarter, OSDI has facilitated 3 unemployed people from district Mardan (KPK) to initiate their small businesses. Amongst the beneficiaries, 2 individuals belong to the focused community of Akhundara and 1 is from Prrang Dara village. OSDI's field team of district Mardan, conducted regular monitoring visits to the beneficiaries to know about their economic stability and other financial matters. Capacity Building sessions are regularly delivered by OSDI's team to guide these beneficiaries about book-keeping, maintaining profit & loss statements, customer handling and restocking of goods.



Pic 4: Details of OSDI & SREP Beneficiaries Financing in this quarter

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (CDP)

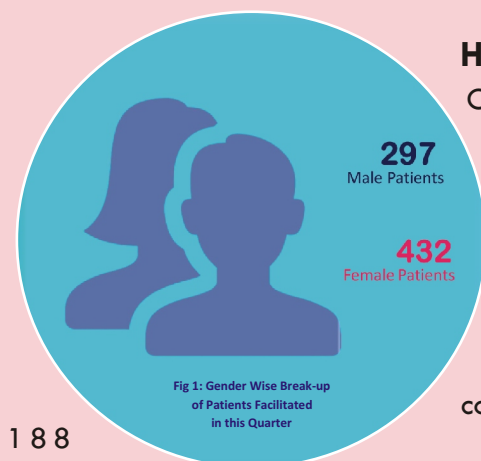
Education

Senior Education Officer-Ms. Saira Rashid visited the OSDI's built educational facilities in district Mardan (KPK), during this quarter. She met the school teachers and conducted one-to-one sessions with them to know about the different teaching & learning techniques being applied in their classroom environment to enhance the quality of education being delivered. Students enrolled in OSDI's built Temporary Learning Centers (TLCs) of Baizad Banda, Arab Seray and Akhundara were also met. Besides this, parents and members of the School Management Committee (SMC) were also invited to share their views. District Mardan team along with a teacher of TLC in Baizad Banda attended the Teachers' Training workshop organized by Oxford University Press (OUP). Admission Campaign for the new academic year 2022-23, was initiated by OSDI's field staff in Mardan to have the out-of-school children (OOSC) enrolled. OSDI's built Temporary Learning Center (TLC) in the focused community of Baizad Banda was handed over to the Elementary and Secondary Education Foundation during this quarter.

OSDI's district Lasbela (Baluchistan) team regularly participates in the monthly District Education Group (DEG) meeting to share updates about the activities ongoing or yet to commence in the field of education. During the summer vacations, members of the School Management Committee (SMC) in Sayarani village, Chib Sheikh community and Qambrani were met to safeguard and ensure maintenance of the OSDI's built learning facility. OSDI's Team Leader also emphasized on increasing the student enrollment ratio specially that of females. He also urged the SMC members to sow plants near the school surrounding for beautification and greenery. In this quarter, annual exams were held in the OSDI built and supported schools of all the three districts i.e. Mardan, Lasbela and Thatta.



Pic 5: Distribution of Annual Result Report to a Student



188 patients from Akhundara were given primary healthcare services by OSDI's health team. In the recently held 5th GMC in the community of Biroch, OSDI's team checked 160 ailing people. Nearly, 65 males and 95 female patients received primary healthcare treatment during this one day GMC. Patients travelled from Uthman Khel, Speen Qabrana, Nakhtar Banda, Boday Qabar and Shanay Zangal, besides attending from the Biroch village itself.

Health-care

OSDI has organized 5 General Medical Camps (GMCs) in this quarter. 3 GMCs were held in the focused district of Mardan and 2 in Lasbela district; in which a total number of 729 patients were checked and treated by the OSDI's visiting panel of doctors and paramedical staff under Manager Healthcare & Monitoring Evaluation.

In the focused communities of Lasbela, 93 patients were checked during the one day GMC in M. Dooda Goth from union council of Khenwari. 145 patients from Qambrani which is in M.C. Uththal were treated. From the union council of Palo Dheri in district Mardan, 143 patients from Prrang Dara and

Village Wise Break-up of Major Diseases Treated in District Mardan and Lasbela

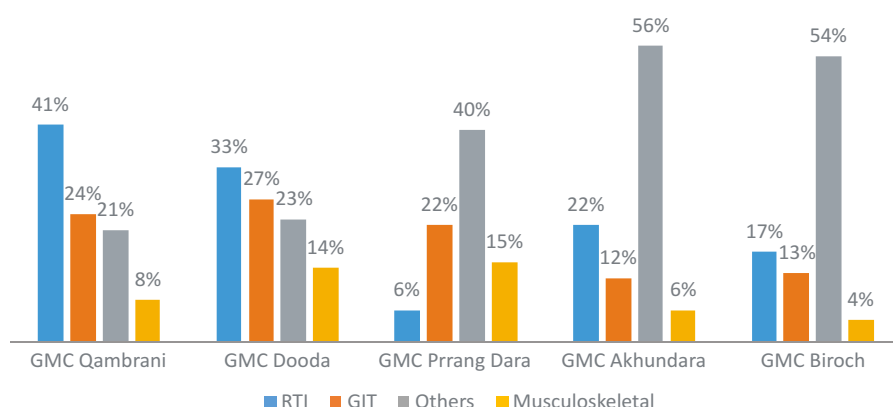


Fig 2 : Village Wise Break-up of Major Diseases Treated in District Mardan and Lasbela

11th drive of School Based De-Worming Project (SBDW) was initiated in the OSDI's educational facilities of district Lasbela and Thatta in this quarter. The 2nd phase was carried out in the OSDI's built Temporary Learning Center (TLC) of Qambrani in Lasbela and OSDI's supported Government Primary School (GPS) in the community of Gul Muhammad Samoo (GMS) in district Thatta. Altogether, 105 students were inoculated with a single dose of de-worming medicine along with provision of 250ml milk pack per student. Health and Hygiene (H&H) awareness raising sessions were organized to educate the students about safe health & hygiene practices as take home message.

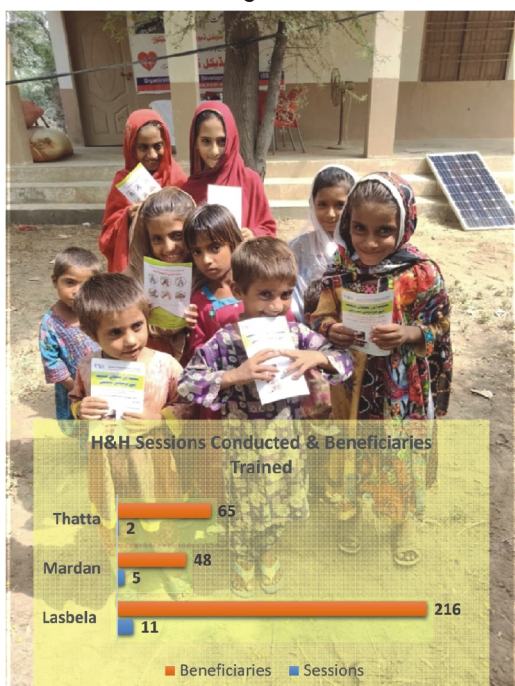
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School Based De-Worming Project

Pic 6: Break-up of Students Dewormed in SBDW in this quarter



Pic 7: Details of Sessions Conducted and Beneficiaries Trained in H&H

Health & Hygiene (H&H) Awareness

OSDI has conducted 18 health promotion sessions in all the focused districts of Lasbela, Thatta and Mardan in this tenure. During these sessions, a total number of 329 individuals have participated and were entertained by OSDI's Health-care team. Such behavior change communications on safe health & hygiene practices are being regularly conducted in the targeted schools and in general communities in order to improve their health for better physical, mental and social well-being.

Through such awareness sessions, OSDI aims to highlight the necessity of safe health & hygiene practices to live an improved life so the people living in the vulnerable communities progress towards better living standards and become more socially aware about their responsibility as an individual and as a society on whole.

Future Intervention

Interventions as per need shall be initiated in the newly selected focused communities of district Lasbela (Baluchistan), by OSDI in the upcoming days. Nearly, 19 vulnerable communities have been chosen from the union councils of Wayaro, M.C. Utthal and Goth Ramzan Sheh. Since OSDI's projects running in district Mardan (KPK) have successfully completed, exit strategies are being planned to move out. Only the Horticulture Program shall remain intact until completion. Endline survey is expected to commence within the focused communities of Mardan. Moreover, a baseline survey shall be conducted to identify the extremely vulnerable villages for suitable intervention of sustainability creation projects.

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