

Mehbooba - Spreading Wings to Fly

“He who opens a school door, closes a prison.” — Victor Hugo

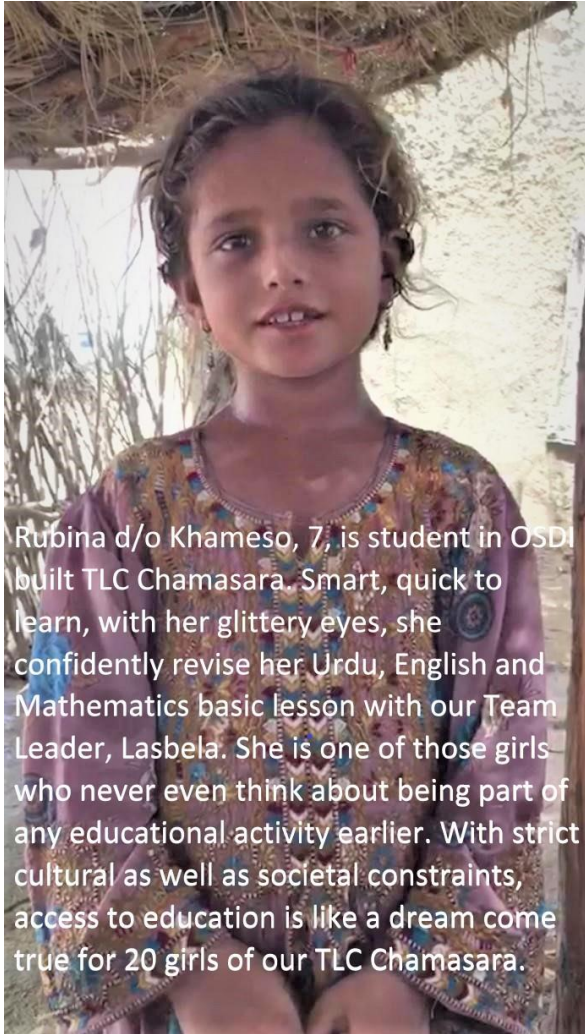
One of most promising success story of OSDI is providing access to education in the scattered community of Pini Ladhoo. This small village is situated in the revenue village of Drabi in district Lasbela (Baluchistan). It is one of most difficult to access region, due to its mountainous land.

Female enrollment in this vicinity was zero as there wasn't any educational facility available. Few male students on the other hand were fortunate enough to acquire education in a distant educational facility.

Mehbooba, is a 9 year old student in OSDI's built Temporary Learning Center (TLC) of Pini Ladhoo. Enthusiastic, energetic and disciplined, she confidently demonstrates her learning capabilities during classroom assessments. Her motivation towards acquiring education has encouraged her siblings to enroll in the TLC as regular students.



Female enrollment has raised from 0% to 76% after construction of this TLC; while an overall raise of 46% students has occurred in this village. Those male students who were enrolled in distant educational facility have also joined the TLC due to its easy access. A province where 78% of girls belonging to the school going age group are out-of-school (OOS), examples like Pini Ladhoo community validates the change within the conservative mindset of communities towards raising female literacy.



Rubina d/o Khameso, 7, is student in OSDI built TLC Chamasara. Smart, quick to learn, with her glittery eyes, she confidently revise her Urdu, English and Mathematics basic lesson with our Team Leader, Lasbela. She is one of those girls who never even think about being part of any educational activity earlier. With strict cultural as well as societal constraints, access to education is like a dream come true for 20 girls of our TLC Chamasara.