



## **SUCCESS STORY** | Putting together: Every brick and rafter.

## **Bahaal Project** | Emergency Relief And Early Recovery For The Flood Affectees Across Pakistan



Living in the furthest village of Sindh is everything but a delight. Mirpur Buriro (District Shahdadkot) is one of the worst flood-hit communities which share a border with Balochistan. During the 2010 floods it was under 10ft of ravaging water. Sanam and her husband Ramzan, parents to three children is one unyielding couple. "It was distressing to see everything we own drift away while we watched on; but even then we held onto hope", says Sanam. The flood water took away their home and the memories associated with it. Because of the remote location of this village, most NGOs did not provide relief here. USAID funded Bahaal Project has carried out major relief work in this particular community.

Sanam with her two children at the site

By all means life has become indifferent toward this couple. Like most people in the village, Ramzan too is a farmer by profession. The family received agricultural inputs, animal feed supplement, a hygiene kit and now a one room transitional shelter. Due to Bahaal Project's exceptional assessment criteria, this couple qualified for a one room transitional shelter. "We were able to recover some material from the debris; which we are using to build our new home. InshAllah the worst has come and gone and now we'll be fine", the couple says.

The leftover flood water became a breeding ground for mosquitoes and as a consequence, two out of her three children contracted malaria. Living in a make shift shelter for the past few months has been very arduous for them. Although it is a one room shelter, Sanam believes this will improve the basic hygienic conditions and instill a sense of security into her and her children.

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