

“My Livestock is My Children”

Peerani – Income Generating Grant Beneficiary Khuzdar

In Balochistan, nearly one in five widows live in extreme poverty. As women, they have specific needs, but their voices and experiences are often absent from policies that impact their survival.

European Union is working to encourage action in achieving full rights for widows, highlighting the need for more power to the widows, who have suffered from violence, discrimination and poverty and develop policies and programmes to address these problems with the support of Government of Balochistan. European Union in Pakistan aims to uplift the marginalised communities by providing them Income Generating Grants (IGG).

Peerani from Village Shehri in Union Council Bhalonk is a widow with no children. With a Poverty Score of 16, she received 3 goats in July 2019 with the assistance of Balochistan Rural Support Programme under Balochistan Rural Development and Community Empowerment (BRACE) Programme. One night, during a violent hailstorm, her goats got injured. She cried a lot and told her family that these goats are all that she has. "My livestock is my children", says Peerani. She is very proud of her asset and works hard daily to ensure they increase.



