







## **Annual Report 2013**

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I am happy to see that Bright Star Development Society Balochistan (BSDSB) is going to achieve their objectives and going day to day in the more straggle for more achievements. I remember here that BSDSB was established in October 1994 in a small village Haji Shaher of District Kachhi (Bolan) as Community Based Organization (CBO). In these days, I am proud to see BSDSB progressing despite many challenges it faced during early days of the establishment. The revival of this Organization which started in early 2007, after a period of inactivity depended almost entirely on financial assistance extended by Save the Children and on the strong moral and technical support given by Save the Children and SPO. But with the courage and commitment, the management, staff and volunteers demonstrated their best capacities to attract more partners thus enabling it to extend its operations to three other Districts Jhal Magsi, Naseerabad and Jaffarabad from 2010.

In flood emergency 2010 and 2012 projects and other core programs of BSDSB have benefited more than 20000 families (140000 individuals) till the end of the year 2013. The investment made in the early recovery, agriculture and water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) programs has contributed significantly to improve the livelihoods and lives of the community members.

The social mobilization and advocacy component of BSDSB has helped many communities to organize themselves as community Organizations, a platform to initiate self-help endeavors. Creation of more 6000 Change Makers in we can end Violence against women campaign towards achieving the goal of reducing the violence against women in the region.

Leadership along with the dedicated staff members and volunteers started new initiatives and extended the program coverage.

All this could not have been possible without the support by local communities, philanthropists, donors and aid organizations. I am also thankful to the dedicated members of Board of Directors, staff members and volunteers of BSDSB for their commitment and hard work.



#### **Massage from Chief Executive**

Bright Star Development Society Balochistan (BSDSB) is a nonprofit, non-political and local organization of Balochistan. BSDSB has been working for the past 15 year in Sibi, Kachhi (Bolan), Jhal Magsi, Naseerabad, Jaffarabad and Ouetta Districts of Balochistan. BSDSB has been working in the sectors of Social Mobilization, Advocacy, Community Physical Infrastructures (CPI), Education, Health, Agriculture, Water & Sanitation, Emergencies, and human rights. The promotion of traditional handicrafts and are sub sectors of our alternate livelihoods projects. BSDSB is proud to be one of the few local organizations working in southern Balochistan on the above mentioned projects, and considers social mobilization as the back bone of the organization, that forms an integral part of all its activities. BSDSB has a trained and committed board of directors, volunteers and staff, work since several years to achieve the Organizational Goal and objectives.

Bright Star Development Society Balochistan (BSDSB) having its vision to see peaceful just Society, have been working, since the establishment, with participatory approaches to organized and educate them towards intended objectives during different interventions implemented in collaboration with different donors in Social Mobilization, advocacy, research, education, health, livelihoods, Agriculture, human right and WASH sectors. Conducting base line and sharing information with all major stakeholders including Govt Line Agencies and communities were remained an essence an every project. BSDSB since its establishment has experience to motivate the communities to be active recipient and participants. In the future initiatives, projects and programs will further strengthen vision of BSDSB about stronger rural community.

In Balochistan 24 out of 30 districts are the poorest districts of the country and socio-economic indicators lag far behind the rest of the country with nearly 60 percent of the population living below the poverty line of US\$ 1 per day. Given the situation there is a greater need to invest in the province to actualize the targets given in PRSP and MDGs.

I would like to extend my humble gratitude to all our wellwishers, donors, and partners for their valuable support and I assure them of our full commitment and conviction to the cause of human development and sustainable livelihood.

#### **History/Introduction of BSDSB**

Bright Star Development Society Balochistan (BSDSB) was established in October 1994 at Sub Tehsil Bala Nari Haji, Shaher, District Kachhi (Bolan) by the young professionals and volunteers of the area. BSDSB was registered on August, 1995 as Voluntary Organization under the Voluntary Social welfare act 1961 in August 1995 and Under Societies 1860 in January 2010

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**Vision:** A healthy and prosperous society based on equity, equality.

**Mission:** Safeguard and ensure the protection of poor and needy people by improving the quality of life of underprivileged communities, in particular women and children. BSDS will undertake risk to respond to calamities.

#### **Objectives**

- 1. Contributing towards the betterment of the most vulnerable community especially women and children through skill development, health, education and income generation services.
- 2. Ensuring the participation of community in the development of their areas.
- 3. To improve the living standards of the community of underprivileged people.
- 4. To provide Humanitarian Assistance during natural calamities.
- 5. To raise awareness of communities on their basic rights.
- 6. To struggle and provide the basic needs of life to the poor and needy peoples.

## **Social Mobilization and Advocacy**

Social Mobilization and Advocacy is a broad scale movement to engage people's participation in achieving a specific development goal through self-reliant efforts. It involves all relevant segments of society: decision and policy makers, opinion leaders, bureaucrats and technocrats, professional groups, religious associations, commerce and industry, communities and individuals. It is a planned decentralized process that seeks to facilitate change for development through a range of players engaged in interrelated and complementary efforts. It takes into account the felt needs of the people, embraces the critical principle of community involvement, and seeks to empower individuals and groups for action.

For this BSDSB is the active part of the Social Mobilization and Advocacy campaign with the collaboration of SPO in District Kachhi (Bolan). In 2013 BSDSB has organized seminars, community dialogues, walks/rallies and corner meetings for the social mobilization and advocacy in the region.

For the active participation of community BSDSB has formed Community organizations and community groups on village and Union Council level in the region within their limited resources.

BSDSB was continued its support the groups in the formation of legal documents like Birth registration, CNIC and local Certificates. Groups were linked with local government departments and PMAs/MNAs for the solution of their problems in their respective villages and areas.

BSDSB staff and volunteers supported to the male and female voters in General Election 2013 for the using of their vote in right way for positive change in the society.

## **Summary of completed projects 2013**

S#	Name of Project	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>	Donor
1	Flood emergency response through	15-01-2013	14-01-	Concern Worldwide
	winterization Kits (NFIs) and Shelter		2013	Pakistan/ USAID
	Kits distribution to most vulnerable			
	families of district Jaffarabad of			
	Balochistan Province			
2	Restoration of livelihood of vulnerable	23-04-2013	22-07-	Concern Worldwide
	flood affected communities in District		2013	Pakistan/ USAID
	Jaffarabad, Balochistan			
3	Free Eye Camps	01-02-2013	15-04-	HelpAge International
			2013	
4	Mobilization Campaign to Enhance	11-03-2013	10-07-	Citizen Voice Project
	Female Voters Registration and		2013	(CVP/TDEA/USAID/TAF)
	Turnout in district Sibi, Balochistan			
5	Early Recovery Livelihoods Support	01-09-2013	30-11-	Concern Worldwide
	for Flood-Affected Populations in		2014	Pakistan/ USAID
	Sindh and Balochistan, Pakistan			

## Flood emergency response through winterization Kits (NFIs) and Shelter Kits distribution to most vulnerable families of district Jaffarabad of Balochistan **Province**

In the response of Floods 2012 Bright Star Development Society Balochistan (BSDSB) was implemented winterization Kits (NFIs) and Shelter Kits distribution RAPID Fund project in flood affected Union Councils Band Manik and Khudaidad of District Jaffarabad with collaboration of Concern Worldwide Pakistan/USAID-OFDA. The objective of the project was To facilitate the speedy delivery of necessary non-food items to 2700 flood affected vulnerable families of UC BAND MANIK and Khudaidad of Jaffarabad district of Balochistan.

## Summary of the major project activities

S#	Name of Activity	Targets	Achieved	No. of Families benefited	No. of Individuals benefited
1	Baseline survey	1	1		
2	Village Committees	100	104	2700	18900
	Formation				
3	Registration of	2700	2700	2700	18900
	beneficiaries				
4	Distribution of	2000	2000	2000	14000
	Witerazation Kits (NFIs)				
	and Emergency Shelter				
	Kits				
5	Distribution Emergency	700	700	700	4900
	Shelter kits				
	Total Direct project benef	ficiaries		2700	18900

## Restoration of livelihood of vulnerable flood affected communities in District Jaffarabad, Balochistan

In the response of Floods 2012 Bright Star Development Society Balochistan (BSDSB) was implemented Early Recover and Market Systems (ERMS) RAPID Fund project in flood affected Union Council Khudaidad of District Jaffarabad with collaboration of Concern Worldwide Pakistan/USAID-OFDA. The objective of the project was Improvement and restoration of livelihood systems of 2000 most flood affected and poorest vulnerable families through integrated approaches Vouchers scheme and Cash for Work (CFW) in UC Khudaidad District Jaffarabad in the period of three Months.

## Summary of the major project activities

S#	Name of Activity	Targets	Achieved	No. of Families	No. of
				benefited	Individuals
					benefited

1	Baseline survey	1	1		
2	Village Committees	60	71	2539	17773
	Formation				
3	Registration of	2550	2539		17773
	beneficiaries				
4	Distribution of Certified	1700	1772	1772	12404
	Rice Seeds (200 Kgs per				
	family) through vouchers				
	scheme				
5	Distribution of Tractor	100	100	100	700
	Hours (20 Tractors Hours				
	per family) through				
	voucher scheme				
6	Distribution of Cash				
	Grants/ small shops at				
	village level				
	(PKR.15,000) per family				
	Total Direct project beneficiaries			2539	17773

#### Free Eye Camps

Bright Star Development Society Balochistan (BSDSB) with collaboration of HelpAge International was organized 9 Free Eye Health Camps for 15 days in district Jaffarabad. With the permission and coordination the Free Eye Camps were organized in Government Health Institution like in DHQ, THQ, RHCs and BHUs. On the occasion free medicines and Glasses were provided to patients.

#### Summary for detail of patients medicine and glasses provided Gender bases

Medicines Detail	Male	Female	Total	<b>Total Screened</b>
Only Medicine Provided	1192	767	1959	
Glasses and medicine provided	358	142	500	2859 Patients
only glasses provided	181	219	400	
G.Total	1731	1128	2859	

### Mobilization Campaign to Enhance Female Voters Registration and Turnout in district Sibi, Balochistan

The key point of the proposed project was that it contributes in the national and international efforts for democracy, gender balance, women empowerment and public accountability. The main objective of the project is to strengthen women's voice to change social practices and behaviors for the improvement of women's participation in electoral process. Women's participation in elections always remained less than men in all over the country because of multiple social and administrated flaws. These flaws contribute in bogus votes in elections and women's under representation causes various discriminations against them. Thus the project objective focuses the improvement in women's electoral participation by eliminating social barriers and institutional flaws. Following activities were organized and completed.

## Summary of the major project activities

S#	Name of Activity	Targets	Achieved	<b>Participants</b>
1	Baseline survey	1	1	
2	Coordination with Government line	8	8	80
	departments			
3	Establishing of Citizen's Voter Groups (CVG)	33	33	825
4	Capacity building workshops of CVGs	17	17	340
5	Community meetings	33	33	3300
6	Formation of Vigilance Committee (VC)	1	1	25
7	Weekly Meetings of VCs	6	6	60
8	Letter Writing Campaign	4500	3000	3000
9	Documentation of Complaints (CVGs)	33	33	330
10	Documentation of Complaints (VCs)	1	1	10
11	Awareness of Complaint Mechanism (VCs)	2	2	20
12	Press Conference	1	1	35
13	Pro-female Voting Agreement Meeting	4	4	40
14	Stalls at Prominent Places	10	10	1000
15	FM Radio Awareness Campaign	1 month	1 month	5000
	Total Direct project beneficiaries			14065

## Early Recovery Livelihoods Support for Flood-Affected Populations in Sindh and Balochistan, Pakistan

In 2012, Pakistan experienced the worst internal displacement crisis of its history when Up to Thousands individuals were forced to leave their homes also in Jaffarabad District. Responding to this IDP (Internally displaced person) crisis, Concern Worldwide funded BSDSB to implement Rehabilitation of Livelihoods project in District Jaffarabad. Based on the need assessment by BSDSB the said project was designed for restoration of livelihood means to preconflict status for long term economic sustainability of the area and its inhabitants. The project was started from September 2013 and will be ended on November 2014. This project is multi sectorial activities for restoration of livelihoods of the vulnerable flood affected community of three targeted Union Councils Naseerabad, Khudaidad and Dirgi of district Jaffarabad.

## Summary of the major project activities

S#	Name of Activity	Targets	Achieved	No. of Families benefited	No. of Individuals benefited
1	Baseline survey	1	1		
2	Village Committees	200	150	4500	31500

	(VCs) Formation						
3	Distribution of Wheat seeds and Fertilizers	2400	2400	2400	16800		
4	Rabi vegetables Seed Package (Seed and farming tools kit)	1000	1000	1000	7000		
5	Provision of information on improved Agriculture and Livestock management practices to farmer (sessions)	62	18	450	3150		
6	Distribution of Goat and feeds	800	300	300	2100		
7	Cash for Work scheme	101	30	900	6300		
8	DRR Trainings	80	20	500	3500		
Tot	Total Direct beneficiaries 10050 70350						
Oth	Other major project activities have planned in 2014 onward						

#### We Can End Violence Against Women Campaign

Bright Star Development Society Balochistan (BSDSB) has worked as lead partner in District Kachhi (Bolan) in "we can end violence against women campaign" from 2005 to 2012, with the financial and technical support for OXFAM (GB), SEHER and SPO. BSDSB mandate is to raise awareness to help reduce violence and crimes against women, through campaigns innovated activities.

For the this purpose a number of events have been undertaken, school awareness raising programs, Teachers sessions, Meetings with line departments, Trainings of Connectors and Change Makers, District Allies meetings, Change Makers membership campaign, Tehsil and District level Change Makers assemblies, festivals, street theaters, study circles, celebration of especial days, Signature campaign, corner meetings and other campaign related activities.

BSDSB is the lead and Focal organization in District Kachhi (Bolan) to carry out these activities with other NGOs/CBOs of District level alliance of District Kachhi.

District Kachhi of Balochistan is the one of most tribal system holder District. Due to this the BSDSB was felt problems in the initial stage of campaign for the implementation of the We can campaign activities, however BSDSB was reduced and covered these problems due to the our strategic planning and with the help of partner organizations in the District and line Departments, specially the Community Development Department of District Bolan, community representatives and Local Government representatives like Nazims of Union Councils and Councilors.

After the end of funding from Oxfam GB the activities of the campaign are ongoing on self-help basis through the We can campaign and human rights activities throughout District Kachhi on self-help basis and with help of members of District Allies, NGOs/CBOs, Social Activists and Change Makers of the campaign.

#### Livelihood program

Balochistan is rich in local handicraft that has international markets worth millions, but due to illiteracy and lack of knowledge less is done in this sector and with the passage of time the local artisans and interest to promote handy craft is vanishing as the common man today is struggling to survive and looks at alternate means for livelihood.

BSDSB, has included local handicraft as a cross cutting theme in all its programs and is working to develop this sector, through trainings of local artisans and marketing linkage development, BSDSB has completed two projects of Balochi leather Embridery and Balochi Mirror work projects with the collaboration of Aik Hunar Aik Nagar (AHAN) in District Kachhi (Bolan).

The conservation of this sector, is therefore of vital importance and much is needed to be done not only to preserve the local trade but to also enhance the livelihood of the people with trade. A number of events have been launched since 1998 to date; these include exhibition, Sibi festival (Mela) and Lokk Virsa in Islamabad and other local events.

During 2013 in Sibi, Kachhi and Jaffarabad BSDSB was completed many activities on self-help basis included the trainings/capacity building of male and female Artisans. Help in Linkages and marketing of handicrafts products in local and national markets. From these efforts the local poor male and female Artisans were able to sale their products and earn money for life needs. In district Jaffarabad BSDSB is implementing Livelihoods and Early Recovery Project with the collaboration of Concern Worldwide Pakistan and supporting to local poor communities in skill development and promotion of local Traditional Handicrafts.

BSDSB will continue these efforts for the promotion of traditional handicrafts of Balochistan and for promotion and help of poor male and female Artisans.

## **Capacity Building**

Bright Star Development Society Balochistan (BSDSB) always gives importance to capacity building of their staff, volunteers and partner NGOs/CBOs.

In this purpose many training workshops were organized by BSDSB included one day training organized on "Social Mobilization and Advocacy" for BSDSB staff volunteer, Partners Community Based Organizations (CBOs) and Social Activists at District Sibi. One day training was organized on "Humanitarian Principals" for BSDSB staff and volunteers at district Jaffarabad.

BSDSB was signed MOU with SPO for capacity building of staff and volunteers, in the response of this MOU BSDSB staff and volunteers are attending a series of the Trainings/Workshops like Social Mobilization, Advocacy, Proposal and report writing, Administration, Finance and Logs.

BSDSB staff was participated in capacity building training and workshops at Islamabad and Quetta organized by Concern Worldwide Pakistan.

#### **Coordination and Linkages development**

BSDSB gives importance and value to coordination and linkages development. BSDSB has strong linkages and coordination with local communities of their working target area, government line departments, National and International NGOs.

BSDSB is the member of Civil Society Network, Balochistan NGOs Federation and district level networks of NGOs/CBOs. BSDSB is the member of many UN emergency clusters like WASH, Shelter and Food & Security clusters and attends regular meetings of these clusters on provincial and district level.

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## **Picture Gallery**











