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A case Study of Mouza Waan Patafi Basti NoorDeen

District Muzafar Garh

Students could be change agents for their communities

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CHALLENGE

I am government primary school teacher since last 4 years. After primary our children have no access to education. High school is located at distance and timely transport is not available so most of the people stop after primary as they can not afford. People are dependent on agriculture that too is not very good and people have to do other labor work to meet their daily expenses.

In flood of 2010, 90% of the houses collapsed and the rest were also damaged. As an educated person and teacher I became community activist representing my community at different forums and volunteered my services. Later friends' foundation appeared and announced a 2 days training on health and hygiene. I was nominating female community members for training and also attended the training. They talked about many things in training but I liked water purification the most.

INITIATIVE

I started talking about the contents of training in school with teachers and students. It generated discussion in each class and slowly at each family. Students took the message to the families along with benefits of proper hand washing and water purification. Now if you visit houses, will find 80% families talking about hand washing with soap and water purification and they are really implementing.

RESULTS

People are on their way to adopt safe behaviors and are becoming healthier.

Children are taking interest and less absent from school.