**Project Success Story**

Ms. Soomari is a resident of village Makhyaro. The village is situated in Union council Kharoro Syed which is situated 18 kilometers away from the Umerkot’s Headquarter. The village comprise of 70 households with an approximated population size of 560. The majority of local people rely on agricultural activities for income generation.

Ms. Soomari is a house wife and she spends her day in house chores and looking after her family. Despite her commitment to her family she showed a keen interest in becoming part of the program in order to be able to learn new techniques and skills. Ms. Makhyaro remained very active and participated in various training activities. She has also been committed to share the knowledge gained with other members of her village.

Recently one day when she was busy in her household chores she heard some disturbing noises from her neighbor. She instantly went to learn about the incident and found that her neighbor Ms. Motan house “Chowro” a round shaped structure of the house that is preferred locally was on fire. She instantly mobilized other VDMC members and then worked jointly to put off fire by throwing water and sand. Luckily, they managed to extinguish fire within 15 minutes, which eventually resulted in discontinuing fire spread to nearby Chowros.

Ms. Soomari added that the achievement of saving human and economic loss has greatly increased her confidence. Community people and Ms. Soomari paid thanks to USAID - RSPN initiative and TRDP for enabling them to cope with disastrous situation.