

### **Project Success Story**

The Embankment of VDMC Takar Khario (District Thatta) was destroyed by sea water on 26<sup>th</sup> May 2013 at mid night. It affected almost 90 households of the two adjacent settlements namely *Mero Dablo (54 households)* and *Yousaf Dablo (36 households)*. Water hit the two settlements at mid night. At that time Mr. *Siddique Roonjho* member of VDMC called President and focal person *Muhammad Ilyas Samo* of the UDMC *Keti Bander* for help. Shortly after sharing the information with UDMC they were able to gather other members in order to be able to reenact the broken end of embankment with sand bags and stones. Meanwhile the members of U-VDMC demanded the government to supply them food items, which were later provided to them. Upon receiving the supplies the VDMC president managed to distribute food items and drinking water among the affected household members while maintaining a complete list of all the distributed items.



Creeks area, the place where incident took place

Later the V-UDMC members while expressing their feelings paid much thanks to USAID, RSPN and NRSP for launching Tahafuz project. They said the project helped in enhancing capacities of communities and enabled them as how to respond to emergency situation.

Considering the whole exercise what made this incident a success story was the way community and VDMC members timely responded to the hazardous situation. They all work together as a team, delegated

duties among themselves, maintained list of all the distributed items as well as timely coordinated with government department to gain their support and assistance.