Mohammad Ibraheem, is a resident of village Chodhayo Sadhayo in UC Humayoon in District Shikarpur. The flood hit was so severe in the village that the entire village migrated to a nearby safe place. Ibraheem also moved with his family. After a couple of months, when the people started returning back to their home villages, they saw nothing but their devastated homes and washed away fields. Ibraheem, soon after returning to his village, strived to manage a shelter for his family to live in. Furthermore, a major concern for him was a safe place for a proper sanitation. After the devastation, his only resources were being utilized for a proper shelter, so a latrine was needed desperately by a helping hand. This was the time when SRSO reached Ibraheem with the much needed help.

According to Ibraheem, one day when he was sitting worried in his home, the female members of Village Organization (VO) Chodhayo Sadhayo called his wife to attend a meeting aimed at providing latrines to the needy households in the village. Ibraheem was one of the registered beneficiaries for Komak latrines at the decision of the VO. The Komak hygiene sessions were conducted in the village before the latrines were constructed where the importance of personal and environmental hygiene was highlighted. Mrs Ibraheem attended one of these sessions and later on a latrine was constructed for the family. “It can hardly believe that I have a latrine today that is bricked and cemented, and my family now knows how to be least vulnerable to hygiene-borne diseases”, says Ibraheem, “I am very optimistic that all my problems would be solved with time and with the help of organizations like SRSO”.

Figure 1: Mohammad Ibraheem in Shikarpur - Beneficiary of Komak Latrine