“From 6 Sheep to 12”

Walat Bibi – Income Generating Grant Beneficiary from Zhob

54-year-old Walat Bibi belongs from Union Council Garda Babar in District Zhob, Balochistan. She lives in a household of 12 members. She has 4 sons and 4 daughters. Her house has a Poverty Score of 15, making her very poor. Her son is a daily wage worker, while her 61-year-old husband Ibrahim, works on others’ agricultural land, earning 9000 PKR a month. With only these two sources of income, the family was struggling very hard to make ends meet. They even had to take debt from their neighbours on days when Ibrahim and his son could not find work.

Two years ago, Walat Bibi was nominated for the Income Generating Grant by her Community Organisation, Islam under European Union funded Balochistan Rural Development and Community Empowerment (BRACE) Programme.

In October 2019, she received 6 sheep. Since then, she has worked very hard on increasing the number of sheep and is now the proud owner of 12 sheep! Walat Bibi proudly claims that 6 of them are expecting again.

She shares that the sheep give a lot of milk (over 2 kilos every day) which is used to make traditional lassi and yogurt for the big family to consume. Walat bibi plans on increasing the herd, so she can rely on this source of income in future.