

# DA HAWWA LUR

Monthly Newsletter for Da Hawwa Lur Employees



## IN THIS ISSUE:

CEOs Message – 1

Activities At Glance – 3

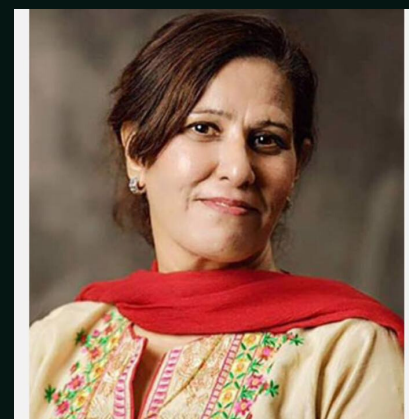
Success Story Of The Month - 3

## A MESSAGE FROM THE CEO

by Khurshid Bano

I take this opportunity to present you the first edition of Da Hawwa Lur's Newsletter. On behalf of the Board of Directors of Da Hawwa Lur, I would like to thank all the staff, volunteers and partners for their hard work. Through your work and dedication, Da Hawwa Lur will keep on empowering communities and bringing women and transgender persons to the forefront of the decision making processes.

During the month of March, Da Hawwa Lur has been able to significantly expand its community intervention and sensitization on the issues of inclusion of transgender persons, SRHR, sexual and gender based violence, girl's secondary education and feminist movement building in its target districts of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. However keeping the current scenarios of Covid-19, Da Hawwa Lur has postponed all its meetings/consultations/sessions to ensure the safety of the communities we work with and the team members. We pray and hope for a better world.



# ACTIVITIES AT GLANCE:

- **SENSITIZATION SESSION ON GIRL'S EDUCATION FOR COMMUNITY WOMEN:**
- **AWARENESS SESSIONS FOR TRANSGENDER COMMUNITY:**
- **GATEKEEPERS ORIENTATION SESSION AND ACTION PLAN DEVELOPMENT MEETING:**

One day sensitization session organized for Community Women for their capacity building on importance of girls' education, impacts of early child marriages, pro-women legislations and their involvement in the process of enrolment of girls at local level. The session proved to be very fruitful and a positive feedback was given by the participants of the session. Community women showed genuine commitment to engage themselves in the enrolment campaign after attending the session.

Da Hawwa Lur has mobilized and sensitized around 41 transgender through awareness sessions conducted in different Dhera's of transgender located in Peshawar. The awareness aimed to increase awareness among transgender community on psycho-legal services provided by Da Hawwa Lur, pro-trans legislations, need and necessity of HIV screening tests and improvement of their well-being through linkage with service providers.

One day session was conducted to improve the reproductive health rights of women and SRHR. DHL oriented the Gate Keepers on reproductive health rights network of KP on 3rd March. Action plans are meant to be implemented for community interventions. This action Plan Meeting was conducted on 9th March in which Gatekeepers were asked to conduct awareness /sensitization session with the targeted communities to make people aware about the Reproductive Health Rights and SRHR.



- **COMMUNITY AWARENESS/SENSITIZATION SESSION:**

Awareness/Sensitization sessions were organized by Gatekeepers in which women from targeted communities got awareness about the importance of Reproductive Health Rights and SRHR. They shared their experiences and difficulties which they face while needing assistance from hospital. Some of the women were unaware about the treatment process during pregnancy. In some areas there were no visits of LHW. Women from the community also got awareness related to Personal hygiene and risks of child birth.





## • **FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES AT GLANCE:**

Orientation session with respected team on standard operational procedures. This happens every time when someone needs it, our Financial Manual is quite easy to understand. During monthly and weekly meetings, we initiated Web based reporting; we created some **dashboards** and started online reporting. We created departmental organograms, official face book and updated our calendars for meetings. I also worked on Financial Reporting and created some templates for our Budget Follow-up reports.

## **SUCCESS STORY OF HIRA:**

**“As champion of girls’ education, I raise my voice so that every girl with big dreams can fulfill her wish to complete her education, which I couldn’t.”**

Hira, eighteen years old, is a resident of village Chowa Gujjar of Chamkani where girl’s education i.e. formal/ technical is not appreciated. Girls in her village face restrictive mobility due to prevailing socio-culture norms. Though Hira was passionate to carry her education after matric but she could hardly find any resources to complete her education. Her father is jobless and mother is a home-based worker. Due to low-economic conditions of the family, Hira started doing short courses for teaching. She started teaching in a local school in Musazai but was disappointed to see the low enrolment rate of girls.



**“I encourage parents to let their girls come to school and talk about the value of education and knowledge. I convince them to remove the barriers that stand in front of girl’s education in Musazai. It’s my strong desire to see girl’s future secure”**