Balochistan on Path of Development - BRSP’s 25 Years Journey

is a landmark in BRSP’s history, as this year BRSP completes 25 years of its formation. The Organisation, through its journey of two and half decades, not only realised the set vision and goals but also expanded the scale and scope of rural development activities in 211 Union Councils of 25 districts of the province by organising and building the capacities of communities at the grassroots level to pursue their own development agenda through integrated sectorial, need based and sustainable interventions.

Being part of Rural Support Programme Network that leads the way in Community-driven and participatory Development in Pakistan, BRSP believes:

- the poor have the potential to change their lives and end poverty, if they are organised, save their resources and hone their skills, and;
- the achievement of desired impact of every intervention rely on coordinated efforts.

This belief resulted in successful completion of various projects focusing on health, education, water, sanitation, community physical infrastructure, livelihoods, natural resource management, governance and human resource development contributing towards improving living standard of rural poor in sustainable manner. And; enabled BRSP in demonstrating successful models of public-private partnerships wherein Government Departments’ staff and BRSP team jointly planned, implemented, monitored and completed mega projects in the province. These partnerships, with Federal and Provincial Governments, Civil Society Organisation and Academia, vitalised to expand the scope of development project from conventional to unique and innovative approaches for addressing the basic needs of the communities.

Moreover, capitalising on its vast-outreach BRSP supplemented Government’s efforts by participating in large scale emergency operations to respond to three major natural catastrophes that hit Balochistan which include cyclone Yemyin, earthquakes and devastating flash floods in 14 districts of Balochistan where besides contributing in rescue, relief and early recovery intervention support was also extended to strengthen coordination by establishing Coordination and Information Cells. As a result, humanitarian work along with development has become a core competency of the organisation.

We feel proud that as result of continuous efforts for last 25 years, today, BRSP is one of the largest organisations in the province as it has in place well-developed policies and procedures, strengthened its systems and advancing with the use of emerging evolution of Information Technology for efficient and effective programme delivery in more transparent mode.

We recognise that accomplishments of BRSP are indeed the achievement of the rural communities of the province, whose willingness and devotion gives us strength to work hard, leverage resources and claim that people have ability to succeed even if they are provided with little assistance.

We are grateful to Federal Government of Pakistan, Government of Balochistan, our National and International Donors and UN agencies for their continuous technical, financial and moral support. And; we anticipate that these support will be persistent for continuing unanimous efforts to make prosperous and enlightened Balochistan where people especially the poor and women are provided with equal livelihood opportunities and are not socially and economically excluded.
### Social Mobilization

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<th>Presence in 211 UCs of 25 Districts</th>
<th>220,870 HHs organised in 14,039 COs 9,701 MCOs 4,283 WCOs 55 Mix COs</th>
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<td>2,135 Village Organisations</td>
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<td>1,611 MVOs 500 WVOs 24 Mix VOs</td>
<td>21 Associations, represented by 133 Village Specialists</td>
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<td>458 Farmers’ Associations with 6,219 Members</td>
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<td>104 Village Health Committees (VHCs) including 36 Women VHCs</td>
<td>159 Parent Education Committees (PECs)</td>
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### Human Resource Development

| 260,208 Members of Community Institutions trained in 10,234 training events |
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| 155 Trainings for 1,558 Staff Members | Internship Opportunity provided to 142 Graduates |
| Trained 230 elected representatives of local bodies on Participatory Development and Village/UC Development Planning |

### Livelihood

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<th>7754 Individuals trained in 287 training events on Enterprise Development Skill</th>
<th>3,996 Youths trained on different technical and vocational skills in 130 training events</th>
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<td>1,497 training events for 55,288 farmers on Livestock Management Skill</td>
<td>571 training events for 26,042 farmers on Agriculture Management Skill</td>
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<td>274 Common Interest Groups formed, and; 2,392 CIGs’ members trained in 100 Events</td>
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<td>69 Life Skills Trainings for 2044 Individuals</td>
<td>Established 3,290 Micro Enterprises</td>
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### Water Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)

| 1,011 Drinking Water Supply Schemes, including Rehabilitation and/or Construction of 208 Large and Medium, and Construction of 803 small DWSS, benefiting 849,263 rural communities |
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| Construction of 3,993 latrines for Ultra and Vulnerable HHs | 1,687 Health in Hygiene Session for 141,165 community members |
| 342 formal and traditional institutions provided with WASH facilities benefiting 56,414 teachers and students |
### Physical Infrastructure and Technological Development

- **1,601 Community-led Physical Infrastructure Schemes** benefiting to 524,889 individuals of 704,422 HHs
- **59 Karez Rehabilitation/Extension Schemes**
- **04 Model Villages**
- **550 Irrigation Schemes**
- **72 Land Reclamation and Protective works**
- **PKR 131,482,258** contributed by communities and the completed schemes are effectively being operated and managed by Community Institutions in completed CPI schemes, and 1.6 are contribution from community for maintenance of different schemes.

### Education

- **Formation and Capacity Building of 350 School Management Committees (SMCs)**
- **Capacity Building of 312 Teachers**
- **Net Student retention rate in a primary education cycle in targeted schools of at least 80% per annum maintained**
- **At least 50% of students of targeted schools are girls**
- **Repaired and Renovated 419 Government Schools/Madrasa**
- **Established and Equipped 66 Science and Computer Labs**
- **Provision of basic facility ensured 92% students’ retention rate**

### Health

- **1 million people facilitated through Mobile Health Service Units.**
- **175,407 Individuals facilitated at targeted Health Facilities.**
- **1,532 Severely and moderately malnourished children diagnosed and treated**
- **305 health personnel trained on Malaria Outbreak Reporting and Surveillance MIS**
- **Improvement of infrastructure and provision of medicines & equipment in 114 Health Facilities.**
- **4,554 Lactating and pregnant women treated for malnutrition**
- **Capacity enhancement of 390 health care providers, 714 TBAs, 252 CHEs and 320 LHWs**
93 Technical health staff capacitated on microscopy

Protected more than 20,410 HHs from Malaria through Indoor Residual Spray (IRS)

Distributed 109,900 Long Lasting Insecticidal Nets (LLINs) in Kharan, Washuk and Chaghi

Awareness provided to 225,062 individuals through BCC on Malaria prevention

Honour and Recognition:

- BRSP received its first Pakistan Centre for Philanthropy - PCP certification in 2005 and has been receiving the certification consecutively. The last certification was received in January, 2016. PCP certification is given to an organization on the basis of its performance in achieving its objectives and goals, financial management, parameters of internal government and programme delivery.

- BRSP has also been conferred with Award by African-Asian Rural Development Organization (AARDO) in recognition of its services for development of rural areas particularly providing basic facilities like improved and sustainable water and sanitation services in the province.

- ISO Certification
  After the assessment of Quality Management System, BRSP has been awarded with ISO 9001:2008 Certificate.

Unswerving Dedication to the cause of Rural Development

BRSP confronted more than 14 incidences claiming lives of 06 staffs, however nothing stops its dedicated and committed staff from continuing struggle to alleviate sufferings of poor populace.

25 Years Journey - at a Glance

1991-2000

The history of BRSP goes back to "Pak-German Self-Help Project" which was initiated in 1983 with the technical and financial support of GTZ (German Agency for Technical Co-operation) to pilot an integrated rural development (IRD) project in Balochistan. Local government department of Government of Balochistan was responsible to implement this project in 13 districts of the province. The successful piloting of the project paved the way for transformation of the project into Balochistan Rural Support Program. BRSP was established in 1991 with the technical and financial support of GTZ and was registered under Section 42 of Companies' Ordinance of 1984.

During the initial phase, BRSP made efforts to mobilise and organise communities at the grassroots level into Village Organizations (VOs) and build their capacity to pursue their own development agenda through integrated
social services and developmental interventions including community physical infrastructure, plants production, animal health, agro-forestry, rangeland, microfinance, marketing, health, education, water, sanitation and human resource development at village level. BRSP remained successful to organize and strengthen 473 village-based organizations during these eight years of untiring efforts. However, the program had to be scaled down substantially in the subsequent years as GTZ withdrew its support.

2001-2006

BRSP has been able to regain momentum in 2001 by revitalizing its programmes in district Mastung, which was badly affected by seven years of prolonged drought. With the financial support of Pakistan Poverty Alleviation Fund (PPAF), BRSP organized rural communities in 2,382 Community Organizations (1421 men and 917 women) to support grassroots level development through self-help approach. Further, these COs were engaged in livelihoods activities through micro-financing by BRSP. These organized communities were also empowered through enabling them to implement 135 community physical infrastructure schemes (CPIs) to improve natural resources management, water, health, education and sanitation services.

2007-2012

After 2007, BRSP emerged as a lead organisation of Balochistan due to its optimal outreach and quality and range of services delivered to uplift the poor rural communities. In 2007, BRSP expanded its outreach to four more districts with financial support of Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock (MINFAL) to contribute in livelihoods of small livestock farmers. Moreover, two model villages were developed with financial support of Ministry of Local Government and Rural Development (LG&RD). In year 2008, agreement was signed with PPAF to strengthen and expand social mobilization coverage in three districts to lay-down foundation for other development initiatives. With the financial support of Asia Foundation (AF), BRSP initiated to promote peace and security in Pak-Afghan bordering districts to bring public and police together in two districts through Community Policing Project. Further, an agreement was signed with MINFAL to contribute in improving the livelihoods of poor and small agricultural farmers through crops maximization project in three districts.

In 2009, European Union (EU) funded BRSP to implement “Improved Sexual and Reproductive Health status of women, men, and adolescents in Pakistan”, in Pishin, Mastung and Loralai districts which was completed in September, 2013.

In year 2010-11, BRSP continued to serve the rural communities of Balochistan through organizing, up scaling and strengthening community institutions focusing on three tiers of social mobilization. During this period, BRSP entered into agreement with KfW-German Development Bank to partnership with Public Health Engineering
Department (PHED) to provide durable drinking water schemes to communities in suburbs of Quetta. BRSP signed three project agreements with PPAF including a. to develop entrepreneurship skills of deserving entrepreneurs through Human Institution Development (HID) in one district, b. to facilitate communities to visit other provinces to gain knowledge, experience and ideas to learn and replicate development initiative in their own areas and c. initiative to improve access and demand for quality health and education services in three districts. BRSP also partnered with Mercy Corps (MC) to improve delivery of drinking water and sanitation situation in Refugee Affected Areas funded by European Union (EU). In the same year, with the financial support of United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR), BRSP initiated a project to protect the refugee’s rights and support to compensate the hosting communities for the social and economic burden on the local resources.

Moreover, during this period, BRSP initiated large scale emergency relief operations to respond to three major natural catastrophes hitting Balochistan including cyclone Yemyin, Ziarat and Pishin earthquake and devastating flash floods in 14 districts of Balochistan. BRSP was empowered and supported by several national and international donors, such as GoP, UN agencies, USAID and other International NGOs to contribute in alleviating the sufferings of affected population by providing them food, services in health, education, water, sanitation, shelter, counselling and other non-food items and support provision. In addition, BRSP also facilitated the humanitarian agencies in coordination of relief operations through conducting damage and need assessments in affected areas and IDP camps management for regular sector-wise data dissemination regarding IDPs needs and movements to all stakeholders with the financial support of UNHCR.

2012-2015

During this period, BRSP continued its operations with the financial support of Pakistan Poverty Alleviation Fund (PPAF), European Union (EU), KfW German Development Bank, United Nations Development Program (UNDP), PATRIP Foundation, Benazir Income Support Program (BISP), GIZ and Balochistan Education Foundation (BEF) in 18 districts of Balochistan and under partnership and support of government departments including Public Health Engineering Department (PHED), Health, Education, Agriculture/Livestock, Local Government and Rural Development (LGRD) departments, Provincial and District Disaster Management Authority (PDMA/DDMAs) and various other line departments. The range of these interventions benefitted 179,308 households in Balochistan. In 2012, BRSP initiated a project funded by PATRIP Foundation to focus on the development and rehabilitation of social and economic infrastructure in cross-border and close border areas of Balochistan. The program aims to provide increased economic opportunities to communities in these border areas, encourage connections to markets and help develop services. This will enable the utilization of social and economic infrastructure on both sides of the border which will enhance economic development and improve the living conditions of the rural population which were isolated and neglected to mainstream development. With an aim to contribute to peace-building and stability in Balochistan by fostering an enabling environment for religious tolerance and harmony for a peaceful coexistence and to achieve the objectives of bridging gap between the Traditional Religious (madrasa-based) and Formal Education Systems, BRSP entered into partnership with PATRIP Foundation in the year 2013 to implement “Youth Empowerment Project (YEP”). Its outcome and results have been envisaged as an action-research based long term program and keeping in view the fact that Pakistan is a 3rd nation having 20 million youth after China and India only.
BRSP also successfully completed the GIZ funded project titled “Social Cohesion and Stabilization through sustainable water management in the refugee hosting area of district Killa Abdullah. The main objective of the project was “To improve livelihoods, rehabilitate environment and enhance social cohesion within communities of refugee hosting areas” This project effectively addressed the dire issue of water resource management at local level and emerged as demonstrative model project on sustainable water resource management in such highly arid and hyper-arid region of Balochistan.

European Union that has been supporting BRSP since 2008, awarded BRSP a major 36-month’s duration programme titled, “Balochistan Community Development Programme (BCDP)” that is being implemented in 40 union councils of 4 districts of Balochistan in collaboration with Local Government and Rural Development Department.
60 Local Support Organizations (LSOs)

2,135 Village Organizations (VOs)

14,039 Community Organizations (COs)