



Success Story: A Community United to Protect Dhadaar from Floods

The village of Dhadaar had been living under the constant threat of seasonal rains and floods, which damaged homes, destroyed crops, and left people anxious year after year. The flooding was relentless, and the soil erosion worsened with every storm. For the families who called Dhadaar home, it felt like devastation was always just around the corner. They needed a solution that would keep their homes, farmlands, and livelihoods safe for good.

That's when Tayo Sustainable Solutions (TSS) came in, bringing not just a project, but hope. Their plan was simple but powerful: build a gabion wall—a barrier of stones secured in wire mesh—designed to hold back floodwaters and prevent the soil from eroding. This wall would be Dhadaar's defense against the floods.

But what happened next was truly remarkable.

A Community Takes Charge

As the TSS team began constructing the wall, something amazing unfolded. The people of Dhadaar didn't just stand by watching—they got involved. They saw the importance of the project, and more than that, they believed in it. Together, they rolled up their sleeves and worked side by side with TSS.

The gabion wall wasn't just a construction project; it became a community effort, a symbol of hope.

The wall was completed as planned, but the story didn't end there. The villagers, realizing how much it could protect them, decided to go even further. On their own, without any extra funding or outside help, they built an additional five meters of gabion wall. This extension, done entirely by the community, showed their deep commitment to making sure their village was safe from future floods.

A New Beginning

With the wall completed, the people of Dhadaar could finally breathe a sigh of relief. For the first time in years, they didn't have to fear the rainy season. They didn't have to worry about floods washing away their homes or their crops. The wall gave them something precious—security.

Elder Ahmed captured the spirit of the village when he said:

"It is an excellent intervention that will bring enormous benefit to us living in Dhadaar. In addition to being no longer in danger, we will finally have the chance to start making long-term plans, instead of having to rebuild everything every year because of floods that swept away our homes and crops every rainy season."

A Lesson in Resilience

This project didn't just protect Dhadaar from floods—it strengthened the community itself. The villagers took ownership of the solution, proving that when a community believes in something, they can go beyond expectations and create lasting change.

The gabion wall is now a symbol of resilience. It represents not only a defense against nature but also the power of what a united community can achieve. Thanks to TSS's intervention and the people of Dhadaar's dedication, the village is now better prepared to face the future, and the community is stronger than ever.

This is more than just a story of flood protection—it's a story of hope, self-reliance, and collaboration that will inspire others for years to come.

PHOTOS

1. BEFORE



2. DURING THE WORK



3.AFTER WORK



4. YEARS LATER

