



ACCESS TO CLEAN ENERGY AT HAWA & JPL

Both Hawa /JPL projects have provided solar panels to the neighboring villages. The solar panel sets consist of a 150-watt solar panel, battery, pedestal fan, and four lightbulbs. Over 60 panels have been distributed thus far with the distribution being accompanied by training on their use to create a sense of ownership by the community members.

The provision of solar panels has improved the community members' ability to maintain sustainable livelihoods in the villages and have enabled them to transition from a nomadic lifestyle to a largely sedentary lifestyle. Sedentary living has had positive effects for women in particular, who would previously shoulder the physical burden of seasonal moves, and sometimes suffered pregnancy complications due to the stress of relocating.

"Before receiving the solar panels, we could not do anything after sunset; even having our meals in the dark. Now, after receiving the solar panels, we have light in our kitchens, can charge our cellphones, and even watch television. We feel safer now as we can see when there is danger around, such as snakes entering our homes. Importantly, our children can now do their homework with light! We are thankful to the JPL project for providing us with these solar panels."

Muhammad Aslam Brohi, Dhani Bux Brohi Village



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