ASSOCIATION FOR HUMANITARIAN DEVELOPMENT

Ending Poverty Through Climate Resilience

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For under US $3,000, AHD can permanently transform a rural village of 30 families. This is how — and why it works.

The Crisis in Numbers

Poverty in Pakistan is not just persisting — it is accelerating. Each flood season wipes out years of progress. Families who were almost out of poverty are pulled back under.

39.4%

of Pakistanis
now live in poverty

Up from 34.2% in a single year

33M

people affected
by 2022 floods

1 in 3 Pakistanis in affected areas

1,750

lives lost
in the 2022 floods

8 million people displaced

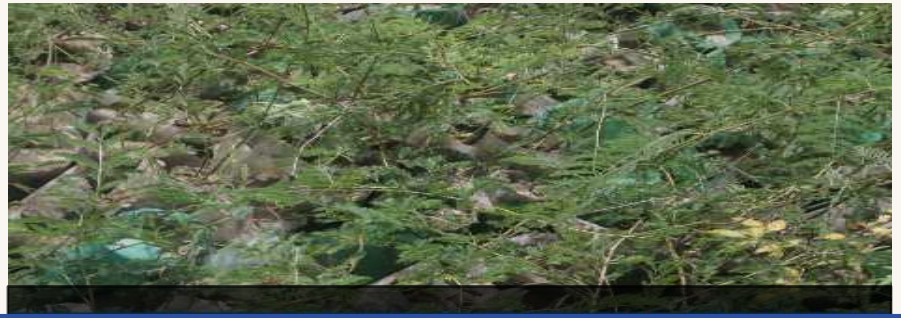
OUR SOLUTION

Simple solutions. Life-changing results.

AHD's IVDM bundles four low-cost, community-built interventions that tackle the root causes of rural poverty together — because solving one problem at a time isn't enough.

Safe Drinking Water

Clean Cooking Stoves



One third of Pakistan underwater.

When disaster struck, AHD was already on the ground — deploying the IVDM model to help communities survive, adapt, and rebuild stronger than before.

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WHAT WE DO

Our 7-Program Approach

No single intervention ends poverty. IVDM works because all seven programs are delivered together — each one reinforcing the others.

1	Community leadership & climate change awareness
2	Safe drinking water via the Nadi Filter
3	Smoke-free climate smart cooking stoves
4	Kitchen gardens for nutrition & income
5	Livestock & backyard poultry for women
6	Climate-smart agriculture & tree planting
7	Vocational training & entrepreneurship

PROGRAM 1

Community Leadership & Climate Awareness

Real change starts when communities lead themselves. AHD builds that capacity from within.

1,295 community organisations formed

540 female-led and 755 male-led CBOs across Pakistan.

Trained in climate awareness

Skills-based leadership and volunteer training at village level.

Communities solve their own problems

CBOs select beneficiaries, resolve disputes, and drive local change.

PROGRAM 2

Nadi Filter: Safe Water for All

Dirty water kills. The Nadi Filter gives every family a clean water solution they can build themselves — for free.

Clay-based, zero cost to make

Built from locally available clay pots — communities need no money to get started.

Prevents all waterborne diseases

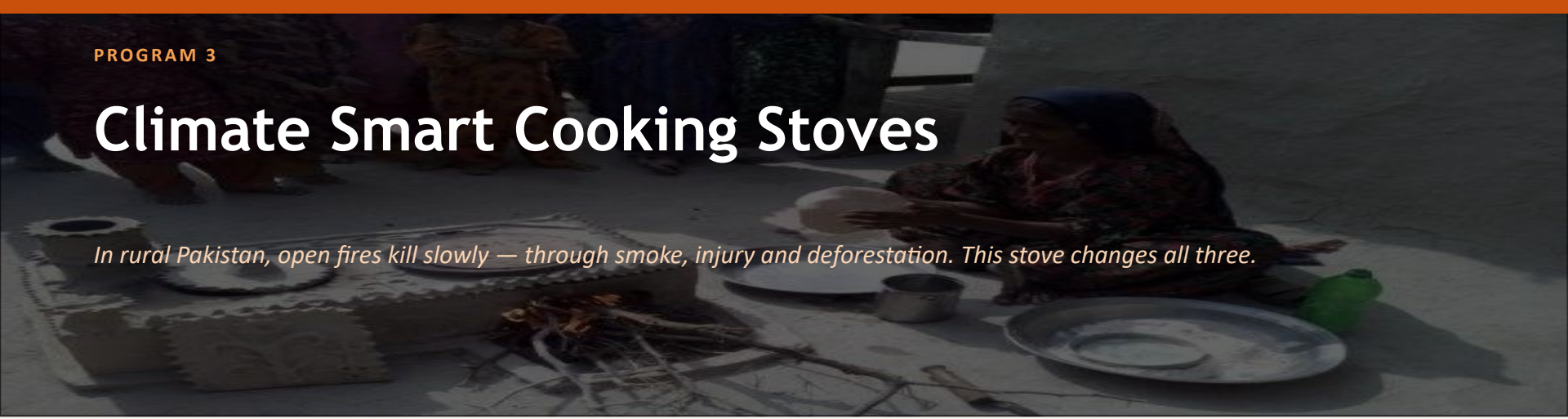
Proven clean water solution for rural and urban settings alike.

100% community-led and replicable

Adaptable worldwide — communities can make, maintain and share the technology.

PROGRAM 3

Climate Smart Cooking Stoves



In rural Pakistan, open fires kill slowly — through smoke, injury and deforestation. This stove changes all three.

50% less wood consumed

Dual-stove design runs two pots at once, cutting fuel in half.

Safer for women & children

Eliminates open fire hazards and harmful smoke inside the home.

Free — built from local materials

AHD trains communities to construct their own stoves at no cost.

PROGRAM 4

Kitchen Gardens: Nutrition & Income for Women

A small patch of land behind the home becomes a family's most reliable source of food — and income.

Fresh food grown at home

Vegetables and fruits year-round, directly cutting malnutrition in children.

A source of income for women

Surplus produce sold locally raises household earnings.

Women's confidence & skills built

Training in nutrition, crop management and climate-smart growing.

PROGRAMS 5–6

Climate-Smart Agriculture & Tree Planting

Pakistan's farmland is shrinking. Floods erode soil; deforestation worsens floods. AHD breaks this cycle.

Diversified farming for resilience

AHD promotes crops that withstand climate shocks and protect income.

Trees planted around homes & land

Reversing deforestation and restoring ecological balance across villages.

Sustainable livelihoods created

Climate-adapted farming ensures stable yields and long-term food security.

The Difference IVDM Makes

When the full model is implemented, communities don't just cope — they thrive independently. CBOs that AHD supported years ago are still operating without any outside assistance.

Families access clean water

No more waterborne illness from unfiltered sources.

Women's health improved

Smoke-free kitchens and better nutrition for children.

Communities self-organise

CBOs lead their own development without outside dependency.

Poverty pathways broken

Vocational skills and enterprise open new income sources.

Deforestation reversed

Trees planted around homes and farmland restore ecosystems.

Youth gainfully employed

Tailoring, carpentry, barber and handicraft training creates jobs.

INVESTMENT

One Village. 30 Families.

Total investment: US $2,630

for a complete village transformation — water, food, cooking, farming and leadership all covered.

#	Activity	Units	Unit Cost (PKR)	Total (PKR)	Total (US$)
1	Nadi Water Filter Units	30	12,500	375,000	$1,340
2	Climate Smart Cooking Stoves	30	2,800	84,000	$300
3	Kitchen Gardening Kits (women)	10	18,500	185,000	$660
4	Tree Planting & Smart Agriculture	150	280	42,000	$150
5	CBO Formation & Community Mobilisation	1	50,000	50,000	$180
	TOTAL — 1 Village (30 Families)				**PKR 736,000**

Partner With Us

Every village AHD reaches is a community that gains the tools, skills, and organisation to stay out of poverty — even when the next flood comes.

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