Project title: **saving Allayar ja kubo cultural heritage from flash flood and gold hunters threat**

Save cultural heritage Site in Kachho

Summary:

Small Support can save historical cultural heritage site would be saved from damage of Torrential stream related flash and greedy grave digger who ravage the old graves and mausoleums with beautiful paintings in false belief of gold buried in the graves. Under this support a stone pitching would be extend from the most vulnerable point to check the flood water and strong bar doors would be fixed to mausoleums to all visitor to view the beautiful scenery and the same time stop the entering of grave diggers at night cause further damage and fill the large holes by diggers with soil filling as well as train local volunteers to protect the site.

Challenge:

Kachho, as semi desert in west of Sindh province with population of 130000, is a semi desert area, people depend on rain dependent agricultural and livestock. But this area is rich in natural beauty and several historical and archeological sites. Mir Allahyar jo Qubo is one historical graveyard with high tourism potential.

This historical graveyard is under threat from three fronts; in its west it is threatened by Mighty Nai Gaj (main torrential stream) the powerful flash floods have already damaged this cultural heritage. And there is imminent danger that next flow or series of flows may play havoc with this heritage. Second and equally serious threat is from the superstitious individuals who dig the graves in dead of the night in a false belief that there might be gold buried along with dead.

And if the action under proposed project is not taken, the each successive flash floods would eat away the major portion of this cultural heritage and if persevering measures for filling the ditches made by heavy rain and make slop for rain water smooth drainage as well as fill the dug graves and mausoleums by gold hunter and take preventive and security measure to prevent future attempt of gold hunters the heritage would loss its status of cultural heritage preservation site and tourist attraction

There is art/paining, necropolis designs, excellent architecture and local cultural symbols panted in the inside of 14 mausoleum have great attraction for local and national tourist and have immense potential to attract international tourists.

**Solution:**

With this support HHELP would put in place 100 feet stone pitching to check damage from successive Toenail stream flows, strong iron doors with bar in Mausoleums to check damage to the inner beauty and by grave diggers who ravage graves in search of gold, fill most big hole with soil made by rain and grave diggers and motivate and train local volunteers for protection of the mausoleum, falcate media visit for further highlighting issue and mobilize concerned department n for further work

**Wider cultural value of the heritage:**

Saving this cultural heritage from damage would preserve this cultural, historical and artistic heritage for coming generation and would have high tourism potential which will help the people of the area.

HHELP is working in this area to provide education to the most deprived children. From this support

**Activities:**

1. Detail assessment and digitization of the information about the number of mausoleums , graves, their history and cultural value of the sight
2. Installing big sigh board with history and brief information about the site
3. Putting 100 feet stone pitching line from most vulnerable point in the east of the graveyard
4. Filling the lower parts and ditches with loamy earth for smooth flow of the rain water and prevent more ditches
5. Fix 5 wooden strong iron doors with bars to the mausoleum to prevent gold hunters from digging the graves
6. one day capacity building training of local community volunteers with
7. exposure visit of print and electronic media