

For Mallam Ahmadu, the sorry tales of yesterday have taken a turn for the better.

"this road makes transportation easier for my family to access healthcare at the General Hospital in Roni. Even our local clinic is now functional as health workers find it easier to access our community".

The secondary school children of Nanumawa now have prospects for a brighter future, finding it easier to get to school, while farmers have better access to markets. *"Transporting my farm produce to the nearby market has been a lot easier due to the new road. My harvest has also increased from the two bags of millet in the previous year to more than 16 bags this year, amounting to more for me and my family,"* says Mallam Ahmadu.

For Mallam Ahmadu and other residents of the community, the agonies of the past have been eased. A community once marred by challenges, now exemplifies the positive outcomes that arise when careful planning and efficient resource management converge with community resilience. PERL continues to deepen its work and strengthen its partnership with Jigawa State to ensure that policies and plans address the needs of the people.

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