

### What are LSO?

LSOs or Local Support Organisations are a Union Council level federation of Community Institutions. In a bid to reduce poverty at the household level and empower marginalised people (esp. women), they carry out community-led development and develop linkages with government and non-government organisations.









## LSO Initiatives

### Local Support Organisation MashaAllah

<b>District</b> <b>Larkana</b> Tehsil: <b>Bakrani</b>	Union Council  <b>Mehar Wada</b>	Date of Formation  <b>July 29 2017</b>	Total Households in Union Council  <b>2,362</b>	Organised Households  <b>1,918</b>
Coverage  <b>81%</b>	Number of Community Organisations (COs)  <b>96</b> <small>(all women's)</small>	Number of Village Organisations (VOs)  <b>13</b> <small>(all women's)</small>	Number of General Body Members  <b>26</b> <small>(all women)</small>	Number of Executive Committee Members  <b>7</b> <small>(all women)</small>

(LSO Profiles up to 31 July 2021)

### Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme

 LSO managing CIF Amount of <b>PKR 5,526,600</b> Initial sub-grant as CIF	 Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of <b>PKR 3,742,500</b> disbursed to <b>817</b> households
 Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of <b>PKR 2,019,500</b> benefited <b>158</b> households	 Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided to <b>342</b> households benefiting <b>23</b> people/population covered
 Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited <b>84</b> male and <b>100</b> female beneficiaries	 Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI): <b>11</b> schemes (11 schemes completed and 0 are ongoing)
 Enterprise Development Supporting <b>01</b> male and <b>146</b> female beneficiaries through the formation of <b>04</b> Business Development Group (BDGs)	 Adult Literacy and Numeracy Skills (ALNS) educating <b>02</b> female beneficiaries through <b>40</b> learning Centres



## Activities implemented through self-help and in collaboration with Government and other development agencies:

1. Conducted **128 awareness** sessions educating **1280 individuals** on COVID-19
2. Conducted **8 sessions** educating **500 individuals** on hygiene and cleanliness
3. Planted **2,000 trees** in different villages of the UC
4. Enrolled **700 children (500 boys and 200 girls)** in school
5. Facilitated the vaccination of **3,000 individuals** against COVID-19
6. Registered **350 CNICs, 700 B-forms, 100 Nikkah Namas,** and **100 death certificates** in the Union Council
7. Vaccinated **250 animals** with the help of the Livestock Department
8. Treated **500 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of the Government Health Department

Women leaders of LSO MashaAllah are planning and implementing development activities both on a self-help basis as well as in collaboration with government agencies. The EU-funded SUCCESS program is empowering rural women in Sindh by realising the power they gain from collective action. The organised women are gaining awareness about their rights, making the service providers accountable, and are also taking self-initiative to improve their lives.

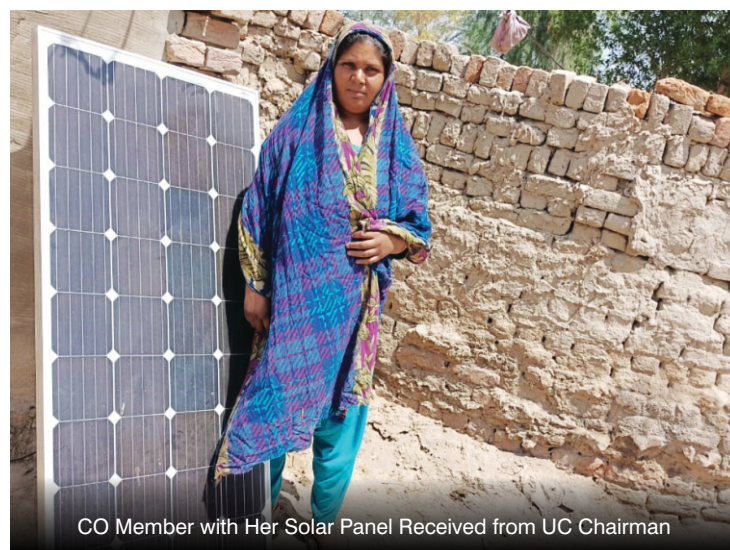
## Street Construction in Collaboration with Local Government

The villages Mahlai Shaikh and Mehbook Shaikh of Union Council Mehar Wada did not have properly paved streets. This caused a lot of difficulty for the locals, especially during the rainy days when they needed to cross the streets for their work and necessities. Taking notice of the issue, the leaders of LSO MashaAllah took up the initiative of discussing the issue with the local government and resolving the matter. Several meetings

were conducted between LSO leaders and the local government representatives for this purpose. The request was, then, approved by the government and the construction of street pavements was completed to facilitate the residents. This brought ease and relief for the residents as they do not have to suffer daily now.



Streets Constructed at VO Mahlai Shaikh with the Collaboration of Local Government



CO Member with Her Solar Panel Received from UC Chairman



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