



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 Sindhu Darya

<p>District Larkana</p> <p>Tehsil: Dokri</p>	<p>Union Council Gaji Dero</p>	<p>Date of Formation Dec 25 2018</p>	<p>Total Households in Union Council 2,882</p>	<p>Organised Households 1,804</p>
<p>Coverage 63%</p>	<p>Number of Community Organisations (COs) 88 (all women's)</p>	<p>Number of Village Organisations (VOs) 14 (all women's)</p>	<p>Number of General Body Members 28 (all women)</p>	<p>Number of Executive Committee Members 7 (all women)</p>

(LSO Profiles up to 31 July 2021)

Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme

<p>LSO managing CIF Amount of PKR 6,336,649 Initial sub-grant as CIF</p>	<p>Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of PKR 7,423,000 disbursed to 501 households</p>
<p>Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR 2,766,200 benefited 207 households</p>	<p>Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided to 344 households benefitting 26 people/population covered</p>
<p>Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited 4 male and 112 female beneficiaries</p>	<p>Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI): 10 schemes (9 schemes completed and 01 are ongoing)</p>
<p>Enterprise Development Supporting 0 male and 41 female beneficiaries through the formation of 04 Business Development Group (BDGs)</p>	<p>Adult Literacy and Numeracy Skills (ALNS) educating 144 female beneficiaries through 07 learning Centres</p>



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

1. Conducted **24 awareness** sessions educating **600 individuals** on COVID-19
2. Conducted **100 sessions** educating **2,000 individuals** on hygiene and cleanliness
3. Planted **3,000 trees** in different villages of the UC
4. Enrolled **3,331 children (400 boys and 600 girls)** in school
5. Facilitated the vaccination of **6,500 individuals** against COVID-19
6. Registered **2,280 CNICs, 1,025 B-forms, 600 Nikkah Namas,** and **48 death certificates** in the Union Council
7. Vaccinated **4,000 animals** with the help of the Livestock Department
8. Treated **2,000 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of the Government Health Department

Women leaders of LSO Sindhu Darya 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.

Brightening the Lives of Poor through Solar Power

In a regular meeting of LSO Sindhu Darya, the issues of poor community members were brought into notice of LSO leaders. In the villages of Gaji Dero and Qazi Darah, there are poor households who struggle to earn their bread and butter and cannot afford luxuries such as access to solar powered fans to survive during peak summer months. The LSO leaders decided to write an application to the local government for the provision

of solar plates and solar fans for these poor community households. After a month, the request was approved agreeing to provide 14 solar plates and solar fans, each to the village Gaji Dero and 8 solar plates and solar fans, each to the village Qazi Darah. This self-initiative by the LSO leaders brightened the lives of poor community members through solar power by bringing them ease and peace on hot summer days.



Provision of Solar Plates and Fans to Poor Households in LSO Sindhu Darya



Women Community Members Showing their Registered Nikkah Namas (Marriage Certificates)



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