

### 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 Azadi

District <b>Kambar Shahdaktot</b> Tehsil: <b>Shahdatkot</b>	Union Council <b>Lighari</b>	Date of Formation Jan <b>27</b> 2018	Total Households in Union Council <b>1,826</b>	Organised Households <b>1,278</b>
Coverage <b>70%</b>	Number of Community Organisations (COs) <b>76</b> (all women's)	Number of Village Organisations (VOs) <b>13</b> (all women's)	Number of General Body Members <b>26</b> (all women)	Number of Executive Committee Members <b>07</b> (all women)

(LSO Profiles up to 31 July 2021)

### Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme

 LSO managing CIF Amount of PKR <b>7,474,862</b> Initial sub-grant as CIF	 Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of PKR <b>19,325,119</b> disbursed to <b>1,228</b> households
 Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR <b>2,886,310</b> benefited <b>206</b> households	 Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided to <b>629</b> households benefitting <b>134</b> people/population covered
 Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited <b>1</b> male and <b>40</b> female beneficiaries	 Adult Literacy and Numeracy Skills (ALNS) educating <b>29</b> female beneficiaries through <b>1</b> learning Centres



Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI):  
**12** schemes  
(All schemes completed)



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

1. Conducted **148 sessions** educating **3,300 individuals** on various informative topics
2. Planted **5,000 trees** in different villages of the UC
3. Enrolled **7,000 children** (4,000 boys and 3,000 girls) in school
4. Facilitated the vaccination of **14,000 individuals** against COVID-19
5. Registered **800 CNICs, 500 B-forms, 350 Nikkah Namas,** and **50 death certificates** in the Union Council
6. Vaccinated **2,500 animals** with the help of the Livestock Department
7. Provide stipend worth **PKR 12,000 to 800 households** by the help of EHSAAAS Programme
8. Provided ration packs to **200 households** by the help of UC Chairman

Women leaders of **LSO Azadi** 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.

## Hand Pump Installation in UC Lighari

The Union Council (UC) Lighari suffered from water scarcity. The dwellers were deprived of sufficient water to drink, water crops or maintain a clean environment. This encouraged the spread of multiple diseases in the community, thus compromising health and wellbeing of villagers. To ensure access to clean drinkable water, the leaders of Local Support Organisation (LSO) Azadi decided to meet with the UC Chairman. Upon meeting, they requested hand pumps installation in their UC. The request was accepted by the UC chairman who provided funds to the LSO leaders for hand pumps installation. As a result, multiple hand pumps at different sites of UC were set up. The villagers now use clean water for multiple tasks, which has decreased the diseases outbreak and promoted a culture of cleanliness in the UC.



LSO Member with a Water Hand Pump Installed with the Help of UC Chairman



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