









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 Bakh

District Kambar Shahdaktot Tehsil: Kambar	Union Council Nawab Shabir Chandio	Date of Formation  29 2017	Total Households in Union Council  2,383	Organised Households  1,668
Coverage  70%	Number of Community Organisations (COs)  104 <small>(all women's)</small>	Number of Village Organisations (VOs)  21 <small>(all women's)</small>	Number of General Body Members  42 <small>(all women)</small>	Number of Executive Committee Members  7 <small>(all women)</small>

(LSO Profiles up to 31 July 2021)

Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme



LSO managing CIF Amount of
PKR **8,474,012**
Initial sub-grant as CIF



Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of
PKR **16,024,400** disbursed to
1,072 households



Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of
PKR **2,323,700** benefited
155 households



Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided to
896 households benefitting
80 people/population covered



Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST)
benefited **06** male and **150** female
beneficiaries



Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI):
18 schemes
(All schemes completed)



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

1. Conducted **242 sessions** educating **3,770 individuals** on COVID-19, family planning and cleanliness and hygiene
2. Planted **17,000 trees** in different villages of the UC
3. Enrolled **8,000 children** (4,000 boys and 4,000 girls) in school
4. Facilitated the vaccination of **18,000 individuals** against COVID-19
5. Registered **6,000 CNICs, 1,050 B-forms, 550 Nikkah Namas,** and **100 death certificates** in the Union Council
6. Vaccinated **15,000 animals** with the help of the Livestock Department
7. Treated **1,800 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of the Government Health Department
8. Provide stipend worth **PKR 12,000 to 2,200 households** by the help of Benazir Income Support Programme
9. Provided ration packs to **1,000 households** by the help of UC Chairman

Women leaders of **LSO Bakh** 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.

Empowering the Impoverished

The lack of modern-day electricity supply in the rural communities of Union Council (UC) Nawab Shabir Chandio, served as a key obstacle in improving the living conditions of the residents. Being unable to afford electricity the villagers could not demand for the installation of electric cables. Therefore, the leaders of Local Support Organisation (LSO) Bakh, in their monthly meeting, proposed the use of renewable energy as a practical solution to power lightbulbs and fans. As a result, a committee to survey and identify the poorest households of the community was formed by the LSO and a list of fifty households was prepared. This data was then provided to the UC Chairman and assistance was requested. The UC chairman accepted their request and solar panels were provided to these fifty households. These families now enjoy their leisure time and the domestic benefits of electricity by lighting bulbs, using fans, and charging their mobile phones.



Women from UC Nawab Shabir Chandio Standing Beside the Solar Panel Provided by the UC Chairman



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