



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 Maqsad Khushali

District Kambar Shahdatkot Tehsil: Miro Khan	Union Council Tharo Wadho	Date of Formation Dec 07 2018	Total Households in Union Council 2,858	Organised Households 1,598
Coverage 80%	Number of Community Organisations (COs) 72 (all women's)	Number of Village Organisations (VOs) 10 (all women's)	Number of General Body Members 20 (all women)	Number of Executive Committee Members 8 (all women)

Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme

 <p>LSO managing CIF Amount of PKR 6,955,997 Initial sub-grant as CIF</p>	 <p>Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of PKR 15,413,100 disbursed to 848 households</p>
 <p>Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR 3,746,400 benefited 224 households</p>	 <p>Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided to 402 households benefitting 20 people/population covered</p>
 <p>Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited 1 male and 89 female beneficiaries</p>	 <p>Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI): 9 schemes (8 schemes completed and 01 are ongoing)</p>
 <p>Enterprise Development Supporting 0 male and 28 female beneficiaries through the formation of 01 Business Development Group (BDGs)</p>	 <p>Adult Literacy and Numeracy Skills (ALNS) educating 81 female beneficiaries through 04 learning Centres</p>



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

1. Conducted **58 sessions** educating **1,056 individuals** on Breast Cancer, COVID-19 and Cleanliness
2. Planted **6,500 trees** in different villages of the UC
3. Enrolled **3,000 children (2,500 boys and 500 girls)** in school
4. Facilitated the vaccination of **10,000 individuals** against COVID-19
5. Registered **6,500 CNICs, 3,000 B-forms, 700 Nikkah Namas,** and **50 death certificates** in the Union Council
6. Vaccinated **8,000 animals** with the help of the Livestock Department
7. Treated **2,000 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of the Government Health Department
8. Provided stipend worth **PKR 14,000** to **99 households** by the help of Benazir Income Support Programme
9. Distributed food ration packs to **100 households** by the help of UC Chairman

Women leaders of **LSO Maqсад Khushhali** 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 realizing the power they gain from collective action. The organized women are gaining awareness about their rights, making the service providers accountable, and are also taking self-initiative to improve their lives.

Toilet Construction by Mangi Memorial Trust

Open defecation had become a major problem for the villagers of Shahpur Sikandarabad by causing severe health insecurities. Considering the sensitivity of the issue, members of the Local Support Organisation (LSO) Maqсад Khushhali decided to work on it immediately. The LSO members held several meetings, came up with the formation of a committee, and assigned it the task to approach Mangi Memorial Trust requesting their aid in the cause. The committee then had meetings with the Trust, laid out the circumstances, and appealed for construction of toilets in the village. The Mangi Memorial Trust after visiting the Union Council (UC) approved their request and constructed 18 toilets in village Shahpur Sikandarabad. Availability of the toilets helped the villagers being rid of outbreaks and allowed them enjoy a clean pleasant environment.



LSO member standing in front of the toilet provided by the Mangi Memorial Trust



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