



### What are LSOs?

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 Suhni Dharti


District <b>Kamber Shahdaktot</b> Tehsil: <b>Mero Khan</b>	Union Council <b>Karira</b>	Date of Formation Jan <b>14</b> 2019	Total Households in Union Council <b>2,543</b>	Organised Households <b>1,975</b>
Coverage <b>78%</b>	Number of Community Organisations (COs) <b>95</b> (all women's)	Number of Village Organisations (VOs) <b>12</b> (all women's)	Number of General Body Members <b>24</b> (all women)	Number of Executive Committee Members <b>7</b> (all women)

### Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme

 <p>LSO managing CIF Amount of <b>PKR 7,354,803</b> Initial sub-grant as CIF</p>	 <p>Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of <b>PKR 13,172,300</b> disbursed to <b>713</b> households</p>
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 <p>Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of <b>PKR 1,246,200</b> benefited <b>75</b> households</p>	 <p>Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting <b>708</b> people/population covered</p>
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 <p>Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited <b>02</b> male and <b>74</b> female beneficiaries</p>	 <p>Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI): <b>10</b> schemes (8 schemes completed and 2 are ongoing)</p>
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 <p>Adult Literacy and Numeracy Skills (ALNS) educates <b>104</b> female beneficiaries through <b>05</b> learning Centres</p>
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## Activities implemented through self-help and in collaboration with Government and other development agencies:

1. Conducted **90 sessions** educating **700 individuals** on COVID-19, menstrual Health and cleanliness.
2. Planted **4,800 trees** in different villages of the UC
3. Enrolled **800 children (300 boys and 500 girls)** in school
4. Facilitated the vaccination of **4,500 individuals** against COVID-19
5. Registered **2,500 CNICs, 500 B-forms, 50 Nikkah Namas,** and **100 death certificates** in the Union Council
6. Vaccinated **500 animals** with the help of the Livestock Department
7. Treated **500 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of the Government Health Department
8. Distributed **150 packs** of ration to households by their savings

Women leaders of **LSO Suhni Dharti** 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.

## Reopening of a Hospital

People's Primary Healthcare Initiative (PPHI) hospital in the Local Support Organisation (LSO) Suhni Dharti was closed due to the inaccessibility of the staff. All the nearby villagers had to go to the hospitals in the other Union Councils (UCs) for treatment. They had been encountering various challenges for not having an access to the hospital in their LSO. The LSO members discussed this matter in their meeting and came up with the solution that despite having a hospital at their doorsteps and rather than taking advantage of it they should not be going to the other LSOs for treatment. However, in reference to reopening the existing hospital, the LSO members held a meeting with the health department and demanded the provision of the hospital staff. The department approved their request and arranged staff along with the missing infrastructure for the hospital. The initiative of the reopening of the hospital has helped the people largely. It has saved their time and money, which they had been utilizing in order to go to the hospital in other LSOs.



The Hospital Which Was Reopened by the Help of Government's Health Department



A Woman Getting Treatment from the Hospital Which Was Facilitated by the Government's Health Department



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