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An update on the work of Local Support Organisations



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 Hoslo

District Larkana Tehsil: Bakrani

Coverage



Union Council Mehrabpur





Date of Formation



2018

Number of Village Organisations (VOs)



Total Households in Union Council



Number of General **Body Members**



Organised Households



1,052

Number of Executive Committee Members



Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme



LSO managing CIF Amount of PKR 5,592,300 Initial sub-grant as CIF



Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of PKR **3,748,375** disbursed to 345 households



Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR 1,675,000 benefited 158 households



Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting 265 people/population covered



Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited 164 female beneficiaries



Enterprise Development Supporting 164 female beneficiaries through the formation of 06 Business Development Group (BDGs)

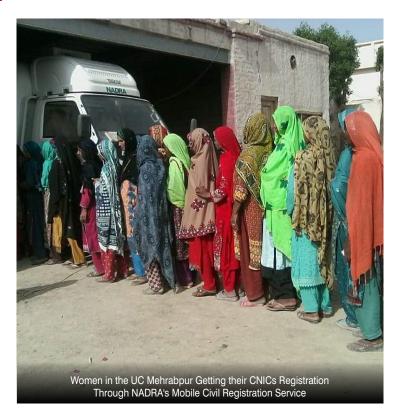
Activities implemented through self-help and in collaboration with Government and other development agencies:

- 1. Conducted **120 sessions** educating **3,000 individuals** on immunization and family Planning
- 2. Planted 4,000 trees in different villages of the UC
- 3. Enrolled 1,500 children (1,000 boys and 500 girls) in school
- 4. Facilitated the vaccination of **4,500 individuals** against COVID-19
- 5. Registered **600 CNICs, 500 B-forms, 225 Nikkah Namas,** and **05 death certificates** in the Union Council
- 6. Vaccinated **1,500 animals** with the help of the Livestock Department
- 7. Treated **2,500 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of the Government Health Department

Women leaders of **LSO Hoslo** 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.

Mobilising Community for Civil Registration

The poor community in the Union Council (UC) Mehrabpur had neither their Computerised National Identity Cards (CNICs) nor birth certificates due to less access to the National Database and Registration Authority (NADRA) office. Because of this reason, they were unable to enjoy governmental cash benefits like scholarships and grants and were unable to get themselves registered for work, schools, electoral votes, hospitals, banks, or driving licence. Therefore, a committee to help the community individuals get registered for the CNICs was created by the leaders of the Local Support Organisation (LSO) Hoslo. Subsequently, this committee called "Registration Committee", comprising LSO members, approached the NADRA officials for the cause. After several meetings, representatives from the NADRA decided to facilitate the UC through the provision of the NADRA mobile van service. The NADRA van visited the UC multiple times and this resulted in the successful registration of 600 CNICs and 500 Birth Certificates in the UC. This has mobilised the community members in attaining several benefits provided by the government.





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