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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 Jeejal

District **Larkana** Tehsil: **Ratodero**

Coverage



58%

Union Council

Danguldero





(all women's

Date of Formation



2017

Number of Village Organisations (VOs)



9 Il women's) Total Households in Union Council



2,525

Number of General Body Members



18 (all women) Organised Households



1,470

Number of Executive Committee Members



5 (all women

Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme



LSO managing CIF Amount of PKR **4,718,700**Initial sub-grant as CIF



Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of PKR 9,521,140 disbursed to





Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR 2,028,600 benefited 149 households



Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting 260 people/population covered



Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited 01 male and 85 female beneficiaries



Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI):

08 schemes (All schemes completed)



Enterprise Development Supporting

73 female beneficiaries through the formation of

03 Business Development Group (BDGs)

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

- 1. Conducted **58 sessions** educating **1,000 individuals** on COVID-19 and cleanliness
- 2. Planted **3,510 trees** in different villages of the UC
- 3. Enrolled **12,000 children** (**7,000 boys and 5,000 girls**) in school
- 4. Facilitated the vaccination of **6,000 individuals** against COVID-19
- 5. Registered **2,400 CNICs, 5,000 B-forms, 450 Nikkah Namas,** and **100 death certificates** in the Union Council
- 6. Vaccinated **8,000 animals** with the help of the Livestock Department
- 7. Treated **1,850 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of the Government Health Department
- 8. Provided stipend worth **PKR 12,000** to **900 households** by the help of Benazir Income Support Programme

Women leaders of **LSO Jeejal** 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.

Installation of Water Hand Pumps in the UC Banguldero

The Union Council (UC) Banguldero had only a few water hand pumps installed. These were located far from the houses of the inhabitants, who would travel long distances to collect water multiple times a day. This wasted a lot of their time and resulted in insufficient water to meet the household needs. The villagers anticipated the installation of water hand pumps nearby their houses, and so for help in this matter, the leaders of the Local Support Organisation (LSO) were approached. The LSO leaders discussed this plan in their monthly meetings and to bring the desired action they contacted the officials of Mangi Memorial Trust. The representatives from Mangi Memorial Trust visited the UC to observe the situation closely and once convinced of the gravity of the issue, a decision for the provision and installation of 70 water hand pumps in the UC was made by the trust. As of now, the villagers can access drinkable water right outside their homes. This has helped improve the hygiene and sanitation of the UC as well.





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