

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 Sindhu

<p>District Larkana</p> <p>Tehsil: Bakrani</p>	<p>Union Council Purano Abad</p>	<p>Date of Formation April 23 2018</p>	<p>Total Households in Union Council 3,264</p>	<p>Organised Households 2,496</p>
<p>Coverage 76%</p>	<p>Number of Community Organisations (COs) 104 (all women's)</p>	<p>Number of Village Organisations (VOs) 22 (all women's)</p>	<p>Number of General Body Members 44 (all women)</p>	<p>Number of Executive Committee Members 7 (all women)</p>

Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme

 <p>LSO managing CIF Amount of PKR 7,421,400 Initial sub-grant as CIF</p>	 <p>Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of PKR 20,868,200 disbursed to 1,199 households</p>
 <p>Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR 2,865,500 benefited 204 households</p>	 <p>Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting 33 people/population covered</p>
 <p>Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited 03 male and 112 female beneficiaries</p>	 <p>Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI): 15 schemes (All schemes completed)</p>

 Enterprise Development Supporting **01** male and **86** 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 **240 sessions** educating **4,320 individuals** on COVID-19, Family Planning and cleanliness
2. Planted **17,000 trees** in different villages of the UC
3. Enrolled **2,670 children (1,500 boys and 1,170 girls)** in school
4. Facilitated the vaccination of **15,000 individuals** against COVID-19
5. Registered **1,000 CNICs, 500 B-forms, 250 Nikkah Namas,** and **50 death certificates** in the Union Council
6. Vaccinated **5,000 animals** with the help of the Livestock Department
7. Treated **700 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of the Government Health Department
8. Provide Stipend worth **PKR 12,000** to **180 households** by the help of Benazir Income Support Programme (BISP)

Women leaders of **LSO Sindhu** 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.

Reducing the Risk of Cholera

Cholera was widespread in the Union Council (UC) Purano Abad. It was due to the usage of contaminated water for drinking and sanitation purposes. Leaders of the Local Support Organisation (LSO) Sindhu were conscious of the UC's water crises however; due to the lack of funds, they were unable to install water hand pumps. Once the LSO leaders learned that the UC Chairman had received funds for the installation of water hand pumps in the UC, they immediately surveyed their community and listed down the numbers and sites where the water hand pumps were required. After this inquiry, they arranged a meeting with the UC chairman to discuss their appeal. Accordingly, a decision to buy and install 30 hand pumps were made and this initiative took a month to be completed. Since then people, use clean and tested the water for drinking and sanitation. This practice has also reduced the prevalence of cholera at the UC.



A LSO Leader Standing with a Water Hand Pump Installed by the Efforts of the LSO Leaders and the Chairman of UC Purano Abad



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