

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 Aikhta

District Jamshoro Tehsil: Manjhand	Union Council Lakha	Date of Formation Nov 09 2017	Total Households in Union Council 2,460	Organised Households 2,018
Coverage 82%	Number of Community Organisations (COs) 127 (all women's)	Number of Village Organisations (VOs) 11 (all women's)	Number of General Body Members 30 (all women)	Number of Executive Committee Members 6 (all women)

Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme

 LSO managing CIF Amount of PKR 5,158,000 Initial sub-grant as CIF	 Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of PKR 12,405,000 disbursed to 301 households
 Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR 2,348,000 benefited 109 households	 Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting 297 people/population covered
 Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited 04 male and 133 female beneficiaries	 Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI): 10 schemes (All schemes completed)



Adult Literacy and Numeracy Skills (ALNS)
educating **248** female beneficiaries through
10 learning Centres



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

1. Conducted **70 sessions** educating **5,000 individuals** on various health and education related topics
 2. Planted **6,000 trees** in different villages of the UC
 3. Enrolled **3,750 children (1,750 boys and 2,000 girls)** in school
 4. Facilitated the vaccination of **3,000 individuals** against COVID-19
 5. Registered **5,890 CNICs, 2,000 B-forms, 3,000 Nikkah Namas, 2,000 death certificates** and registered **5,890 electoral votes** in the Union Council
 6. Vaccinated **20,000 animals** with the help of Livestock Department
 7. Treated **6,000 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of Government Health Department
 8. Repaired **1 collapsed** bridge with government's help
 9. Distributed **150 sheep** and **250 hens** to the needy community in the UC
- Supported **1 woman** in setting up a stitching business

Women leaders of the **LSO Aikhta** are planning and implementing development activities both on self-help basis as well as in collaboration with government agencies. The EU-funded SUCCESS programme is empowering rural women in Sindh by realising the power they gain from collective action. The organised women are gaining awareness about their rights, making the service providers accountable and are taking self-initiatives to improve their lives.

Improving living standards Through Infrastructure Schemes

The long-standing water crises in the Union Council (UC) Lakha had left the fertile land barren, decreased food production and pushed families into economic despair due to low agricultural yields. As farming was the main source of income in the UC therefore, to improve the earnings of the villagers, the leaders of the Local Support Organisation (LSO) Aikhta decided to meet the government's agriculture department for support. On meeting the government officials, significance of the issue was explained and a request for the provision of water supply was placed. As a result, the agricultural department repaired water connection in the UC, which now provides sufficient water to meet the villagers' agricultural and drinking needs of the livestock.



A LSO Leader at The Site of Repaired Water Connection Through Government Agricultural Department



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