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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 Ali Mola



Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme



LSO managing CIF Amount of PKR **3,620,914** Initial sub-grant as CIF



Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of PKR **3,526,000** disbursed to **121** households



Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR **2,178,000** benefited **99** households



Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting **206** people/population covered



Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI): **09** schemes

(All schemes completed)

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

- 1. Conducted 60 sessions educating 3,615 individuals on various health and education topics
- 2. Planted 100 trees in different villages of the UC
- 3. Enrolled 5,065 children (3,214 boys and 1,851 girls) in school
- 4. Facilitated the vaccination of 3,857 individuals against COVID-19
- 5. Registered **3,500 CNICs**, **5,067 B-forms**, **7,050 Nikkah Namas**, **4,724 death certificates** and registered **1,260 votes** in the Union Council
- 6. Vaccinated 3,452 animals with the help of Livestock Department
- 7. Treated **3,485 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of Government Health Department
- 8. Facilitated **135 women** reaching out to the health centres for safe deliveries.

Women leaders of **LSO Ali Mola** 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.

Registration of CNICs

The Computerised National Identity Card (CNIC) is an important document, which every citizen both male and female should have at the age of 18 years, but unfortunately, some people do not have access to it being unable to go through the registration process. Particularly in the rural areas where people had to travel miles and had been bearing the travel costs, to go to the NADRA office in the town. Similarly, before the formation of local Support Organisations (LSOs), people were unaware of the significance of having a CNIC; however, when the LSOs formed and conducted Community Awareness Toolkit (CAT) sessions the community realized its importance. Members of the LSO Ali Mola requested the NADRA officials to send a mobile van to the Union Council (UC) Phulji since the majority of the people cannot afford to go to the NADRA office themselves. However, at their request, a mobile van came to the UC and the community registered their CNICs.

