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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 Kawish

District
Dadu
Tehsil:
Mehar

Coverage



88%

Union Council



Magsi

Number of Community Organisations (COs)



81 (all women's) Date of Formation



2017

Number of Village Organisations (VOs)



11 (all women's) Total Households in Union Council



1,718

Number of General Body Members



31 all women) Organised Households



1,504

Number of Executive Committee Members



(all women)

Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme



LSO managing CIF Amount of PKR **5,235,000**Initial sub-grant as CIF



Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of PKR 9,061,000 disbursed to 206 households



Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR 1,915,000 benefited 100 households



Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting 216 people/population covered



Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited 16 male and 21 female beneficiaries



Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI):

10 schemes
(All schemes completed)

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

- 1. Conducted **60 sessions** educating **2,314 individuals** on various health and education topics
- 2. Planted **225 trees** in different villages of the UC
- 3. Enrolled 872 children (525 boys and 347 girls) in school
- 4. Facilitated the vaccination of 2,314 individuals against COVID-19
- 5. Registered **1,290 CNICs, 39 B-forms, 89 Nikkah Namas, 137 death certificates** and **1,287 electoral votes** in the Union Council
- 6. Vaccinated **2,563 animals** with the help of Livestock Department
- 7. Treated **3,214 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of Government Health Department
- 8. Facilitated **93 women** at hospitals with safe deliveries

Women leaders of the **LSO Kawish** 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.

Ensuring a better Health of the Livestock

Livestock farming, for producing dairy products is the most common source of income in the Union Council (UC) Magsi. However, due to the high prevalence of diseases among livestock, the productivity and the income generated would decrease. Therefore, to prevent such risks, the leaders of the Local Support Organisation (LSO) Kawish held a meeting and decided to get all the animals vaccinated. For this reason, the LSO leaders sent a letter to the Government Livestock Department, and requested for livestock vaccination coverage in the UC. With the approval of the request the government officials and vaccination team visited the UC, as a result all the livestock in the UC were vaccinated free of cost. This has decreased the occurrence of diseases among the livestock, whereas all the farming work continued without any hurdle and challenges.





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