



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 Lal Qalander

District Dadu Tehsil: Dadu	Union Council Mondar	Date of Formation Feb 27 2018	Total Households in Union Council 1,569	Organised Households 1,326
Coverage 85%	Number of Community Organisations (COs) 54 (all women's)	Number of Village Organisations (VOs) 7 (all women's)	Number of General Body Members 15 (all women)	Number of Executive Committee Members 6 (all women)

Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme

 LSO managing CIF Amount of PKR 4,901,000 Initial sub-grant as CIF	 Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of PKR 10,351,000 disbursed to 267 households
 Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR 3,706,000 benefited 177 households	 Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting 294 people/population covered
 Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited 11 male and 97 female beneficiaries	 Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI): 07 schemes (All schemes completed)



Adult Literacy and Numeracy Skills (ALNS)
educating **239** female beneficiaries through
06 learning Centres



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

1. Conducted **90 sessions** educating **7,500 individuals** on various health and educational topics
2. Planted **6,000 trees** in different villages of the UC
3. Enrolled **2,000 children (1,200 boys and 800 girls)** in school
4. Facilitated the vaccination of **10,000 individuals** against COVID-19
5. Registered **5,000 CNICs, 700 B-forms, 900 Nikkah Namas, 270 death certificates** and **5,000 electoral votes** in the Union Council
6. Vaccinated **5,000 animals** with the help of Livestock Department
7. Treated **3,000 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of Government Health Department
8. Facilitated **7,500 women** at hospitals with safe deliveries
9. Distributed ration bags to **20 households** in the UC, during COVID-19 pandemic
10. Installed **20 water pumps**, constructed **10 rooms** and provided **10 sewing machines** and **15 beautician kits** by the help of IRC
11. Renovated **1 school** in the UC
12. Provided **5 wheelchairs** and **20 crutches** to physically impaired individuals in the UC

Women leaders of the **LSO Lal Qalandar** 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.

Going Green: Promoting Plantation

The absence of trees in the Union Council (UC) Mondar resulted in extremely hot weather and no place to rest during hot days of the summer. Villagers had no choice but to go out and work under the sun, which led to frequent cases of heat stroke. To solve this issue, the Local Support Organisation (LSO) Lal Qalandar's leaders arranged a monthly meeting and a drive for tree plantation was planned. Whereas for assistance Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) was approached by the LSO leaders. In collaboration with FAO, awareness sessions on the importance and methods of tree plantation were organised and later the community members were provided with seeds as well. As a result, the villagers planted multiple trees. The community now looks after these plants and feels satisfied by contributing to a cooler environment for the generations to come.



A Medical Camp Arranged by the LSO Leaders in the UC Mondar



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