



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 Madina

District Dadu Tehsil: Johi	Union Council  Johi	Date of Formation  31 2018	Total Households in Union Council  5,735	Organised Households  3,055
Coverage  53%	Number of Community Organisations (COs)  153 <small>(all women's)</small>	Number of Village Organisations (VOs)  17 <small>(all women's)</small>	Number of General Body Members  30 <small>(all women)</small>	Number of Executive Committee Members  6 <small>(all women)</small>

Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme

 LSO managing CIF Amount of PKR 4,884,000 Initial sub-grant as CIF	 Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of PKR 6,607,000 disbursed to 253 households
 Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR 7,046,000 benefited 340 households	 Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting 737 people/population covered
 Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited 09 male and 83 female beneficiaries	 Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI): 15 schemes (All schemes completed)



Adult Literacy and Numeracy Skills (ALNS)
 educating **641** female beneficiaries through
25 learning Centres



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

1. Conducted **60 sessions** educating **16,000 individuals** on various health and educational topics
2. Planted **3,000 trees** in different villages of the UC
3. Enrolled **1,100 children (400 boys and 700 girls)** in school
4. Facilitated the vaccination of **1,200 individuals** against COVID-19
5. Registered **1,800 CNICs, 2,000 B-forms, 900 Nikkah Namas, 450 death certificates** and **1,200 electoral votes** in the Union Council
6. Vaccinated **5,500 animals** with the help of Livestock Department
7. Treated **1,580 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of Government Health Department
8. Facilitated **3,500 women** at hospitals for safe deliveries
9. Reopened **4 formerly closed schools** in the UC
10. Distributed ration bags to **50 households** in the UC, during COVID-19 pandemic
11. Supported **25 deserving women** and **4 men** with medical billing
12. Constructed **600 washrooms** and **5 water tanks** in the UC
13. Distributed **5 sewing machines** and **20 solar panels** to the needy community in the UC
14. Assisted **15 girls** in starting small businesses

Women leaders of the **LSO Madina** 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.

Assuring Quality Education

The enrolment in government schools of the Union Council (UC) Johi was around 1,100 students. However, these schools lacked professional teachers, who have been receiving salaries being government employees yet not shown up to the schools. Leaders of the Local Support Organisation (LSO) Madina held a meeting on this issue and as a prompt solution decided to hire volunteer teachers from the community. Whereas to pay them the LSO leaders requested the LSO members to contribute as per their capacity. Meanwhile, the LSO leaders contacted the Government Education Department in order to appoint professional teachers for the schools. The government officials took action and as a result, multiple teachers were appointed to four different schools within the UC Johi. This has increased school attendance and more families enrolled their children in these schools.



COVID-19 Vaccination Camp Arranged by Leaders of the LSO Madina



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