



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 Manzil

<p>District Dadu</p> <p>Tehsil: Dadu</p>	<p>Union Council Pyaro Station</p>	<p>Date of Formation Feb 28 2018</p>	<p>Total Households in Union Council 2,663</p>	<p>Organised Households 2,316</p>
<p>Coverage 86%</p>	<p>Number of Community Organisations (COs) 85 (all women's)</p>	<p>Number of Village Organisations (VOs) 8 (all women's)</p>	<p>Number of General Body Members 11 (all women)</p>	<p>Number of Executive Committee Members 6 (all women)</p>

Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme

 <p>LSO managing CIF Amount of PKR 5,562,000 Initial sub-grant as CIF</p>	 <p>Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of PKR 14,137,000 disbursed to 363 households</p>
 <p>Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR 6,060,000 benefited 293 households</p>	 <p>Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting 503 people/population covered</p>
 <p>Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited 10 male and 138 female beneficiaries</p>	 <p>Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI): 07 schemes (All schemes completed)</p>



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

1. Conducted **48 sessions** educating **1,296 individuals** on various health and education related topics
2. Planted **1,200 trees** in different villages of the UC
3. Enrolled **1,000 children (600 boys and 400 girls)** in school
4. Facilitated the vaccination of **1,230 individuals** against COVID-19
5. Facilitated the vaccination of **1,200 children** against polio
6. Registered **960 CNICs, 2,000 B-forms, 590 Nikkah Namas, 700 death certificates** and **3,000 electoral votes** in the Union Council
7. Vaccinated **16,000 animals** with the help of Livestock Department
8. Treated **25,000 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of Government Health Department
9. Facilitated **540 women** at hospitals with safe deliveries
10. Installed **1 electricity transformer** and **4 water hand pumps** in the UC
11. Constructed **600 washrooms** in the UC

Women leaders of the **LSO Manzil** 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.

Protecting the Community against COVID-19

With the COVID-10 pandemic came multiple myths and misconceptions regarding the coronavirus and its vaccination. Such fallacies were common among the dwellers of the Union Council (UC) Pyaro Station as well. Therefore, to mobilise the community for vaccination against COVID-19, Leaders of the Local Support Organisation (LSO) Manzil felt it necessary to educate the community on the importance of COVID-19 vaccination first. For this reason, the LSO leaders arranged Community Awareness Toolkit (CAT) sessions on COVID-19 as well. Once the community understood the need for immunisation and was convinced for being vaccinated, the government's COVID-19 vaccination team was called to the UC. Through these initiatives, the LSO leaders were able to facilitate the vaccination of the 1,230 individuals (730 females and 500 males). In addition, the community now comply with the COVID-19 precautions as well.



A Community Member from the UC Pyaro Station Getting COVID-19 Vaccination by The Vaccination Team



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