












### 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 Mohabat Shah

<b>District</b> <b>Dadu</b> Tehsil: <b>K.N Shah</b>	Union Council  <b>Kakar</b>	Date of Formation  <b>Sep 26 2018</b>	Total Households in Union Council  <b>2,443</b>	Organised Households  <b>1,896</b>
Coverage  <b>78%</b>	Number of Community Organisations (COs)  <b>80</b> (all women's)	Number of Village Organisations (VOs)  <b>11</b> (all women's)	Number of General Body Members  <b>19</b> (all women)	Number of Executive Committee Members  <b>6</b> (all women)

## Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme

 LSO managing CIF Amount of <b>PKR 5,500,000</b> Initial sub-grant as CIF	 Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of <b>PKR 10,130,000</b> disbursed to <b>282</b> households
 Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of <b>PKR 3,986,000</b> benefited <b>188</b> households	 Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting <b>387</b> people/population covered
 Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited <b>24</b> male and <b>02</b> female beneficiaries	 Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI): <b>09</b> schemes (All schemes completed)



Adult Literacy and Numeracy Skills (ALNS)  
educating **751** female beneficiaries through  
**30** learning Centres



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

1. Conducted **55 sessions** educating **1,785 individuals** on various health and educational topics
2. Planted **1,640 trees** in different villages of the UC
3. Enrolled **345 children (200 boys and 145 girls)** in school
4. Facilitated the vaccination of **2,746 individuals** against COVID-19
5. Registered **1,885 CNICs, 15 B-forms, 57 Nikkah Namas, 120 death certificates** and **170 electoral votes** in the Union Council
6. Vaccinated **6,354 animals** with the help of Livestock Department
7. Treated **2,456 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of Government Health Department
8. Facilitated **265 women** at hospitals for safe deliveries

Women leaders of the **LSO Mohabat Shah** 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.

## Endorsing Education and Literacy

The unavailability of teachers in the Union Council (UC) Kakar was holding children from attending school and advancing their years of education. Being unaware of the school complaining processes, the community members approached the leaders of the Local Support Organisation (LSO), Mohabat Shah, for their assistance. The LSO leaders in response invited the UC Chairman and Deputy Commissioner (DC) for a meeting on this matter, where the decision to visit the Government's Education Department was made. On visiting the Education Department, the government officials appreciated the efforts of the LSO leaders, and ensured the appointment of teachers in the two schools of the UC. Within two weeks' teachers were appointed and the classes began. This increased school enrolment and the community now feels fulfilled for having overcome this issue.



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