



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 Talib Shah

District Dadu Tehsil: Dadu	Union Council Siyal	Date of Formation Sep 29 2018	Total Households in Union Council 3,502	Organised Households 3,338
Coverage 95%	Number of Community Organisations (COs) 166 (all women's)	Number of Village Organisations (VOs) 12 (all women's)	Number of General Body Members 40 (all women)	Number of Executive Committee Members 6 (all women)

Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme

 LSO managing CIF Amount of PKR 5,500,000 Initial sub-grant as CIF	 Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of PKR 13,190,000 disbursed to 344 households
 Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR 9,449,000 benefited 446 households	 Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting 538 people/population covered
 Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited 01 male and 221 female beneficiaries	 Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI): 12 schemes (All schemes completed)



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

1. Conducted **48 sessions** educating **2,600 individuals** on various health and education related topics
2. Planted **2,235 trees** in different villages of the UC
3. Enrolled **2,350 children (1,750 boys and 600 girls)** in school
4. Facilitated the vaccination of **800 individuals** against COVID-19
5. Registered **1,100 CNICs, 500 B-forms, 850 Nikkah Namas, 400 death certificates** and **3,000 electoral votes** in the Union Council
6. Vaccinated **5,000 animals** with the help of Livestock Department
7. Treated **1,275 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of Government Health Department
8. Provided **700 households** with ration bags during COVID-19 pandemic
9. Reopened **1 formerly** closed school in the UC
10. Arranged **2 routine vaccination camps** for children in the UC
11. Purchased **2 electric transformers** through joint community contribution

Women leaders of the **LSO Talib 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.

Health Promotion and Disease Prevention

Childhood immunisation protects from the lifetime risk of diseases. However, due to the widespread cultural myths in the Union Council (UC) Siyal, most villagers refused to get their children vaccinated, who then fell prey to fatal ailments. To end the health fallacies and bring behavioural change in the community, leaders of the Local Support Organisation (LSO) Talib Shah decided to educate families on the importance of immunisation by going door to door. Whereas to cover the missed children, Government Health Department was invited to the refusal villages. The LSO leaders further facilitated this vaccination event by gathering the children and their families at a dedicated site. As a result, more than 300 children were vaccinated at the UC. This drive was successful in creating a culture of health promotion in the community, where families have now ensured that all their children follow routine immunisation.



A Medical Camp for Children Arranged by the Help of Government Health Department in the UC Siyal



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