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An update on the work of Local Support Organisations



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 Tarkyati Tanzeem Hamdard

District **Dadu**Tehsil: **Johi**

Coverage



67%

Union Council



Number of Community Organisations (COs)



104 (all women's) Date of Formation



2018

Number of Village Organisations (VOs)



13 (all women's) Total Households in Union Council



2,920

Number of General Body Members



24 all women) Organised Households



1,960

Number of Executive Committee Members



(all women)

Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme



LSO managing CIF Amount of PKR **5,238,000**Initial sub-grant as CIF



Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of PKR 13,165,000 disbursed to 313 households



Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR 6,983,000 benefited 330 households



Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting 458 people/population covered



Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited 02 male and 87 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 **60 sessions** educating **7,500 individuals** on various health and education topics
- 2. Planted 8,000 trees in different villages of the UC
- 3. Enrolled **5,500 children** (1,500 boys and 4,000 girls) in school
- 4. Facilitated the vaccination of **3,000 individuals** against COVID-19
- 5. Registered **4,200 CNICs, 2,300 B-forms, 3,000 Nikkah Namas, 1,500 death certificates** and **4,200 electoral votes** in the Union Council
- 6. Vaccinated **15,000 animals** with the help of Livestock Department
- 7. Treated **7,000 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of Government Health Department
- 8. Facilitated **780 women** at hospitals with safe deliveries
- 9. Distributed ration bags to **20 households** in the UC, during COVID-19 pandemic
- 10. Installed 6 water hand pumps and 12 water tanks in the UC through government's help
- 11. Constructed a **2km concrete cemented road** in the UC
- 12. Provided stipend worth **PKR 5,000 to 600 individuals** by the help of Benazir Income Support Programme

Women leaders of the **LSO Tarkyati Tanzeem Hamdard** 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. men are gaining awareness about their rights, making the service providers accountable and are taking self-initiatives to improve their lives.

Improving Connections between the Rural and Urban Areas

Many villagers from the UC Kamal Khan had to travel to Johi city on daily basis for work, schooling, shopping or for medical causes. However, due to the lack of proper pathways, they faced multiple troubles like; delays, accidents due to slippery trails after rain and unavailability of rides. Therefore, to get a newly constructed road, the community members approached the Local Support Organisation (LSO) Tarkyati Tanzeem Hamdard members for help and consequently, an LSO meeting

time and after a few follow-up meetings, the road construction began. Within two months, a 2km linked road connecting the rural areas to Johi City was functional. This eased the many worries of the villagers, who now travel in and out of the villages easily.





was held in this regard. After the LSO meeting, an application

was sent to the Deputy Commissioner (DC) office demanding

linked road construction. The request was permitted within no



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