



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 Dando

<p>District Tando Mohammad Khan</p> <p>Tehsil: Tando Ghulam Haider</p>	<p>Union Council Dando</p> 	<p>Date of Formation Oct 21 2017</p> 	<p>Total Households in Union Council 2,173</p> 	<p>Organised Households 1,534</p> 
<p>Coverage 71%</p> 	<p>Number of Community Organisations (COs) 72 (all women's)</p> 	<p>Number of Village Organisations (VOs) 08 (all women's)</p> 	<p>Number of General Body Members 24 (all women)</p> 	<p>Number of Executive Committee Members 15 (all women)</p> 

Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme

 <p>LSO managing CIF Amount of PKR 4,601,000 Initial sub-grant as CIF</p>	 <p>Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of PKR 12,660,000 disbursed to 271 households</p>
 <p>Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR 1,353,000 benefited 95 households</p>	 <p>Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting 337 people/population covered</p>
 <p>Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited 443 female beneficiaries</p>	 <p>Adult Literacy and Numeracy Skills (ALNS) educating 98 female beneficiaries through 04 learning Centres</p>
 <p>Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI): 07 schemes (05 schemes completed and 02 are ongoing)</p>	



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

1. Conducted **2,603 awareness sessions** educating **52,060 individuals** on family planning, health and sanitation, education, MR vaccination, and COVID-19 vaccination.
2. Planted **834 trees** in different villages of the UC
3. Enrolled **1,236 children (865 boys and 371 girls)** in school
4. Facilitated the vaccination of **1,267 individuals** against COVID-19
5. Registered **1,494 CNICs, 1,289 B-forms, 1,304 Nikkah Namas,** and **764 death certificates** in the Union Council
6. Vaccinated **1,089 animals** with the help of Livestock Department
7. Treated **1,285 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of Government Health Department

Women leaders of the **LSO Dando** 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 also taking self-initiatives to improve their lives.

Assisting COVID-19 Effected Households

The COVID-19 Pandemic had severely affected the Union Council (UC) Dando's poorest households. Being daily wagers, they could not find work due to the imposed mobility restrictions by the government. Therefore, leaders of the Local Support Organization (LSO) Dando decided to support these households by fulfilling their basic food needs during the pandemic COVID-19. For this, the LSO leaders contacted the UC Chairman and requested his financial assistance. On his agreement, the LSO members immediately bought food ration packs and distributed them among the needy. This helped them to survive their unemployment period.



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