

### 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 Jhoke Sharif

<p>District <b>Sujawal</b></p> <p>Tehsil: <b>Mirpur Bathoro</b></p>	<p>Union Council <b>Jhoke Sharif</b></p>	<p>Date of Formation Oct <b>28</b> 2017</p>	<p>Total Households in Union Council <b>2,452</b></p>	<p>Organised Households <b>1,823</b></p>
<p>Coverage <b>74%</b></p>	<p>Number of Community Organisations (COs) <b>103</b> (all women's)</p>	<p>Number of Village Organisations (VOs) <b>11</b> (all women's)</p>	<p>Number of General Body Members <b>27</b> (all women)</p>	<p>Number of Executive Committee Members <b>15</b> (all women)</p>

### Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme

 <p>LSO managing CIF Amount of PKR <b>4,000,000</b> Initial sub-grant as CIF</p>	 <p>Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of PKR <b>9,235,000</b> disbursed to <b>545</b> households</p>
 <p>Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR <b>2,288,000</b> benefited <b>176</b> households</p>	 <p>Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting <b>465</b> people/population covered</p>
 <p>Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited <b>10</b> male and <b>116</b> female beneficiaries</p>	 <p>Adult Literacy and Numeracy Skills (ALNS) educating <b>98</b> female beneficiaries through <b>04</b> learning Centres</p>





 Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI):  
**09** schemes  
 (06 schemes are completed and 3 are ongoing)



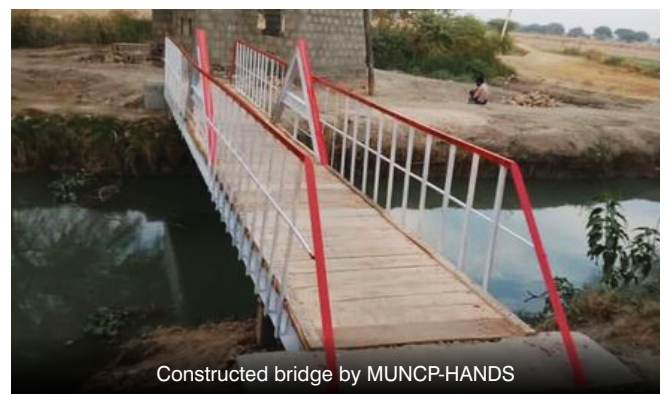
## Activities implemented through self-help and in collaboration with Government and other development agencies:

1. Conducted **1,219 awareness sessions** educating **30,475 individuals** on family planning, health and sanitation, education, MR vaccination, Covid-19 vaccination.
2. Planted **15,900 trees** in different villages of the UC
3. Enrolled **1,155 children (693 boys and 462 girls)** in school
4. Facilitated the vaccination of **4,190 individuals** against COVID-19
5. Registered **6,189 CNICs, 630 B-forms, 6,300 Nikkah Namas,** and **150 death certificates** in the Union Council
6. Vaccinated **10,300 animals** with the help of Livestock Department
7. Treated **310 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of Government Health Department

Women leaders of the **LSO Jhoke Sharif** 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.

## Bridge Construction in the Union Council Jhoke Sharif

Many people in the village Gul Mohammad Rahu of the Union Council (UC) Jhoke Sharif had to quit their labour and other earning opportunities for not being able to walk miles and walking through water daily to reach the other UCs for work since the water flow has increased due to the heavy rains. Members of the Village Organisation (VOs) brought to the notice of the leaders of Local Support Organisation (LSO) Jhoke Sharif that many breadwinners had lost their earnings who used to work in the nearest UCs. Utilising the linkages with HANDS a Non-Government Organisation, the LSO leaders requested their assistance in constructing a bridge. Soon after their request, officials of the HANDS facilitated them and started the construction of the bridge at Village Gul Mohammad Rahu District Sujawal, under Model Union Council Project MUCP by HANDS. Currently, local people of the LSO Jhoke Sharif walk easily and cover the long distance shortly, reach their workplaces safely and on time.



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