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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 Khiral

District
Sujawal
Tehsil:

Sujawal

Coverage



12%

Union Council



Khiral

Number of Community Organisations (COs)



(all women's

Date of Formation



2017

Number of Village Organisations (VOs)



09 all women's Total Households in Union Council



2,558

Number of General Body Members



27 (all women)

Organised Households



1,867

Number of Executive Committee Members



15 (all women

Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme



LSO managing CIF Amount of PKR **4,000,000**Initial sub-grant as CIF



Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of PKR 9,355,000 disbursed to 504 households



Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR 1,521,000 benefited 117 households



Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting 362 people/population covered



Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited 24 male and 110 female beneficiaries



Enterprise Development Supporting

06 female beneficiaries through the formation of

01 Business Development Groups (BDGs)



Adult Literacy and Numeracy Skills (ALNS) educating 107 female beneficiaries through 04 learning Centres



Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI):

06 schemes

(2 schemes completed and 04 are ongoing)

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

- 1. Conducted **3,352 awareness sessions** educating individuals on family planning, health and sanitation, education, MR vaccination, Covid-19 vaccination.
- 2. Planted **2,000 trees** in different villages of the UC
- 3. Enrolled 2,300 children (1,500 boys and 800 girls) in school
- 4. Facilitated the vaccination of **2,322 individuals** against COVID-19
- 5. Registered **6,746 CNICs**, **150 B-forms**, **200 Nikkah Namas**, and **430 death certificates** in the Union Council
- 6. Vaccinated **745 animals** with the help of Livestock Department
- 7. Treated **78 patients** free through a medical health camp with the help of Government Health Department

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

Live Stock Vaccination in the UC Khiral

Livestock is considered one of the main sources of livelihood in rural communities; people would largely rely on their livestock for meeting the basic needs. However, because of lack of awareness, people generally do not know what forage and what nutrients are required for their livestock, thus resulting in various serious diseases among the livestock. Moreover, the owners leave their animals without any treatment when they get ill. This had been a major issue in the Union Council (UC) Khiral. However, leaders of the Local Support Organisation (LSO) Khiral in District Sujawal revealed the issue to the officials from the Government Livestock department and requested arranging Livestock Vaccination Camps in the UC. With the help of livestock department, they were able to vaccinate 745 animals in the UC Khiral.



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