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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 Nango Shah



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 5,935,000 disbursed to 135 households



Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR 792,000 benefited 98 households



Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting **273** people/population covered



Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited **297** female beneficiaries



Adult Literacy and Numeracy Skills (ALNS) educating **109** female beneficiaries through **04** learning Centres



Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI):



07 schemes (05 schemes completed and 02 are ongoing)

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

- 1. Conducted **3,180 awareness sessions** educating **79,500 individuals** on family planning, health and sanitation, education, MR vaccination, Covid-19 vaccination.
- Planted 976 trees in different villages of the UC 2.
- Enrolled 1,164 children (756 boys and 407 girls) in school З.
- Facilitated 1,463 the vaccination of individuals against COVID-19 4.
- Registered 1,502 CNICs, 1,613 B-forms, 1,250 Nikkah Namas, and 743 death certificates 5. in the Union Council
- 6. Vaccinated **1,067 animals** with the help of Livestock Department
- 7. Treated 1,352 patients for free through a medical health camp with the help of Government Health Department

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

Mobilizing the Community for Polio Campaign

Leaders of the Local Support Organisation (LSO) Nango Shah have been committed to helping their community on a priority basis. They never missed an opportunity to take support and sustain resources for the residents by using their linkages with the government and non-government organisations. One of the major initiatives the leaders of the LSO had taken was to mobilise the community during the polio campaign and cover the refused households. Aga Khan University Hospital (AKUH) Karachi had started a campaign for polio vaccination in rural communities and the LSO leaders have been engaged throughout the campaign. They helped the AKUH reach out to the polioaffected areas. Consequently, up to 976 households benefited from the campaign. After this mobilization during the campaign, people understood the importance of the polio vaccination, since previously, people used to refuse to get their children vaccinated against polio.



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