

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 Naseer Khan Chang

District Tando Mohammad Khan Tehsil: Tando Ghulam Haider	Union Council  Naseer Khan Chang	Date of Formation  Jan 28 2017	Total Households in Union Council  2,305	Organised Households  1,609
Coverage  70%	Number of Community Organisations (COs)  84 <small>(all women's)</small>	Number of Village Organisations (VOs)  09 <small>(all women's)</small>	Number of General Body Members  24 <small>(all women)</small>	Number of Executive Committee Members  15 <small>(all women)</small>

Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme

 LSO managing CIF Amount of PKR 4,712,000 Initial sub-grant as CIF	 Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of PKR 11,802,000 disbursed to 301 households
 Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR 2,310,000 benefited 154 households	 Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting 363 people/population covered
 Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited 12 male and 418 female beneficiaries	 Enterprise Development Supporting 03 female beneficiaries through the formation of Business Development Groups (BDGs)
 Adult Literacy and Numeracy Skills (ALNS) educating 99 female beneficiaries through 04 learning Centres	 Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI): 08 schemes (04 schemes completed and 04 are ongoing)



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

1. Conducted **3,375 awareness sessions** educating **77,625 individuals** on family planning, health and sanitation, education, MR vaccination, COVID-19 vaccination.
2. Planted **1,164 trees** in different villages of the UC
3. Enrolled **976 children (510 boys and 466 girls)** in school
4. Facilitated the vaccination of **1,493 individuals** against COVID-19
5. Registered **1,259 CNICs, 857 B-forms, 1,384 Nikkah Namas,** and **635 death certificates** in the Union Council
6. Vaccinated **1,469 animals** with the help of Livestock Department
7. Treated **1,396 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of Government Health Department

Women leaders of the **LSO Naseer Khan Chang** 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.

Distribution of Water hand pumps and solar plates by the help of Qatar Charity

Lack of access to clean drinking water and electricity are critical issues in rural areas. Most of the households could not afford to install water handpumps. They had to walk miles to fetch clean drinking water, consuming time, and energy. Similarly, due to the absence of required resources for the installation of solar panels, poor households have suffered a lot, especially on hot summer days and nights. However, leaders of the Local Support Organisation (LSO) Naseer Khan Chang developed their linkages with the government and non-government organisations (NGOs) to access their services and resources for helping their community members. Since the Qatar Charity has started schemes of distributing water hand pumps and solar plates, the LSO leaders requested them to provide those to the households at their LSO as well. Through the efforts of the LSO leaders, many households in the LSO Naseer Khan Chang have received water hand pumps and solar panels. This act brought ease to the lives of the dwellers.



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