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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 Qaboolpur**

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Coverage



12%

Union Council



Number of Community Organisations (COs)



(all women's

Date of Formation



2017

Number of Village Organisations (VOs)



08 all women's Total Households in Union Council



2,032

Number of General Body Members



28 (all women)

Organised Households



1,454

Number of Executive Committee Members



15 (all women

### Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme



LSO managing CIF Amount of PKR **4,460,000**Initial sub-grant as CIF



Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of PKR 13,433,000 disbursed to 235 households



Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR  $840,\!000$  benefited

61 households



Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting 222 people/population covered



Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited 24 male and 400 female beneficiaries



Adult Literacy and Numeracy Skills (ALNS) educating 104 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 **2,663 awareness sessions** educating **66,575 individuals** on family planning, health and sanitation, education, MR vaccination, Covid-19 vaccination.
- 2. Planted 847 trees in different villages of the UC
- 3. Enrolled **1,373 children (893 boys and 480 girls)** in school
- 4. Facilitated the vaccination of **1,267 individuals** against COVID-19
- 5. Registered **1,317 CNICs**, **1,403 B-forms**, **1,294 Nikkah Namas**, and **564 death certificates** in the Union Council
- 6. Vaccinated **798 animals** with the help of Livestock Department
- 7. Treated **986 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of Government Health Department

Women leaders of the **LSO Qaboolpur** 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.

#### **Facilitation in CNIC Registration**

Computerized National Identity Card (CNIC) is compulsory to get one's civic rights. Most of the women were uninformed about the significance of having a CNIC because of the low literacy rates and lack of awareness in rural communities. Some of those who were informed or understood the importance of CNICs did not have the resources to go to the NADRA Office for registration. Hence, leaders of the Local Support Organisation (LSO) Qaboolpur went to the NADRA office and requested them to arrange a mobile registration van service for the people of their LSO. However, a mobile registration van from NADRA was sent to the Union Council and almost 1,317 CNICs were registered.





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