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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 Rajo Nizamani



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 6,058,000 disbursed to 91 households



Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR **534,000** benefited **56** households



Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting **199** people/population covered



Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited $fab{88}$ male and f17 female beneficiaries



Adult Literacy and Numeracy Skills (ALNS) educating **104** female beneficiaries through **04** learning Centres



Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI):

07

07 schemes (04 schemes completed and 03 are ongoing)

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

- 1. Conducted **4,037 awareness sessions** educating **100,925 individuals** on family planning, health and sanitation, education, MR vaccination, Covid-19 vaccination.
- 2. Planted 946 trees in different villages of the UC
- 3. Enrolled 425 children (263 boys and 162 girls) in school
- 4. Facilitated the vaccination of 854 individuals against COVID-19
- 5. Registered **1456 CNICs**, **1,352 B-forms**, **1,243 Nikkah Namas**, and **784 death certificates** in the Union Council
- 6. Vaccinated 1,423 animals with the help of Livestock Department
- 7. Treated **1,672 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of Government Health Department

Women leaders of the **LSO Rajo Nizamani** 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. Iso taking self-initiatives to improve their lives.

Ensuring Facilities for Girls at Schools

The local Support Organisation (LSO) Rajo Nizamani has taken educational initiatives in collaboration with the government's education department. Most of the villages in the LSO were deprived of proper facilities thus limiting girls' enrolment in the schools. However, to resolve educationrelated issues in the Union Council (UC), leaders of the LSO conducted several meetings with the parents who wanted their daughters to get an education but not having the required facilities at schools they were reluctant to send them to schools. The leaders also contacted the local government and education department for finding a practical solution. However, after the consistent efforts of the LSO leaders, the missing facilities including the availability of separate washrooms and boundary walls were made sure in the schools. Because of this initiative, many girls have got an opportunity to get an education.



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