










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 Shaheed Makhdoom Bilawal

District Dadu Tehsil: Dadu	Union Council  Makhdoom Bilawal	Date of Formation  Sep 18 2018	Total Households in Union Council  1,994	Organised Households  1,776
Coverage  89%	Number of Community Organisations (COs)  98 (all women's)	Number of Village Organisations (VOs)  7 (all women's)	Number of General Body Members  16 (all women)	Number of Executive Committee Members  6 (all women)

Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme

 LSO managing CIF Amount of PKR 2,772,000 Initial sub-grant as CIF	 Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of PKR 6,966,000 disbursed to 168 households
 Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR 1,197,000 benefited 56 households	 Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting 149 people/population covered
 Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited 03 male and 09 female beneficiaries	 Adult Literacy and Numeracy Skills (ALNS) educating 103 female beneficiaries through 04 learning Centres



 Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI):
07 schemes
 (All schemes completed)



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

1. Conducted **60 sessions** educating **3,000 individuals** on various health and educational topics
2. Planted **4,320 trees** in different villages of the UC
3. Enrolled **1,550 children (900 boys and 650 girls)** in school
4. Facilitated the vaccination of **1,500 individuals** against COVID-19
5. Registered **1,200 CNICs, 500 B-forms, 550 Nikkah Namas, 300 death certificates** and **2,000 votes** in the Union Council
6. Vaccinated **5000 animals** with the help of Livestock Department
7. Treated **3,000 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of Government Health Department
8. Facilitated **1,900 women** in the health centres for safe deliveries.
9. Installed **15 water pumps** in the UC with the help of Government.
10. Constructed **cemented road** with the help of Government.

Women leaders of the **LSO Shaheed Makhdoom Bilawal** 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.

Tree Plantation

Keeping in view the importance of trees as an asset to the environment such as providing shade in hot weather, providing fodder to domestic animals and purifying air etc, leaders of the Local Support Organisation (LSO) Shaheed Maqdoom Bilawal decided to work with the Government of Sindh to plant trees in the Union Council (UC) to deal with the hot weather and shade for the domestic animals. The LSO leaders arranged Community Awareness Toolkit (CAT) Sessions which were conducted by the Community Resource Persons (CRPs) in the LSO to aware the community members of the benefits and significance of tree plantation. The Village Organization (VO) submitted the demand for plant sampling to the LSO Leaders who further approached the Forest Department and appealed for the provision of rooted trees to be distributed among the community members. However, with the efforts of the LSO leaders, 4,320 trees were planted in different areas of the UC.



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