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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 Pako Seeta

District Dadu Tehsil: Dadu II	Union Council Pako Seeta	Date of Formation	Total Households in Union Council 1,467	Organised Households 1,253	
Coverage	Number of Community Organisations (COs)	Number of Village Organisations (VOs)	Number of General Body Members 6 (all women)	Number of Executive Committee Members 6 (all women)	

Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme



LSO managing CIF Amount of PKR **5,502,000** Initial sub-grant as CIF



Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of PKR 5,560,000 disbursed to 170 households



Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR **5,440,000** benefited **246** households



Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting **408** people/population covered



Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited **40** male beneficiaries



Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI):

6 schemes (All Schemes are completed)

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

- 1. Conducted **52 sessions** educating **2,600 individuals** on various Health and educational topics
- 2. Planted 2,464 trees in different villages of the UC
- 3. Enrolled 2,340 children (1,340 boys and 1,000 girls) in school
- 4. Facilitated the vaccination of 2,300 individuals against COVID-19
- 5. Registered **2,700 CNICs, 1,500 B-forms, 450 Nikkah Namas, 720 death** certificates and 2,690 Votes in the Union Council
- 6. Vaccinated 2,312 animals with the help of Livestock Department
- 7. Treated **2,100 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of Government Health Department
- 8. Facilitated 1,200 women in the health centres for safe deliveries

Women leaders of the **LSO Pako Seeta** are planning and implementing development activities both on selfhelp 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.

Livestock Vaccination

After agriculture, livestock is the second major source of income for most of the rural population in Pakistan. For some families, it is the only source of income. Many livestock owners treat their animals themselves without any training or avail of the services of quick vets. There is little or no understanding of livestock vaccination which impacts their health. Considering the severity of the issue, Leaders of the Local Support Organisation (LSO) took the initiative to address the issue by making the LSO's community members seek training on livestock care. On the appeal of the LSO leaders, the Livestock Department teams went to the doorstep of every community member for Livestock vaccination of all animals, treated the sick animals and guided the owners. This initiative has developed awareness among the community members regarding diseases in livestock. It also minimised the loss of livestock.

