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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 Pireh



### Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme



LSO managing CIF Amount of PKR **3,060,000** Initial sub-grant as CIF



Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of PKR **2,691,000** disbursed to **109** households



Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR **1,918,000** benefited **93** households



Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting **209** people/population covered



Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited 34 male and 66 female beneficiaries



Adult Literacy and Numeracy Skills (ALNS) educating **656** female beneficiaries through **26** learning Centres



Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI):

**04** schemes (All schemes completed)

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

- 1. Conducted 52 sessions educating 2,300 individuals on various health and educational topics
- 2. Planted **2,800 trees** in different villages of the UC
- 3. Enrolled 2,950 children (1,950 boys and 1,000 girls) in school
- 4. Facilitated the vaccination of **2,650 individuals** against COVID-19
- Registered 3,500 CNICs, 960 B-forms, 520 Nikkah Namas, 320 death certificates and 3,980 Votes in the Union Council
- 6. Vaccinated 2,400 animals with the help of Livestock Department
- 7. Treated **2,980 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of Government Health Department
- 8. Facilitated 2,000 women in the health centres for safe deliveries

Women leaders of the **LSO Pireh** 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.

### **B-Form Registration**

Sindh Education initiated a scholarship program to encourage the students of Sindh Province and to link them with quality institutes across Pakistan to pursue higher education. The students across the Union Council (UC) Rahooja were unable to receive the monthly stipend due to not having B-Forms which was a prerequisite for availing of the opportunity. The issue was raised in the Village Organisation's (VO's) monthly meeting. However, the matter was then taken to the Local Support Organisation (LSO) Pireh. Leaders of the LSO discussed it and decided to approach the NADRA office and seek their assistance. After receiving the right information about the registration of B-Farms from the NADRA office, the LSO leaders guided and instructed the VO members to inform and motivate the community members to register the B-Forms from the NADRA office. Through the outstanding efforts of the LSO leadership, 960 B-Forms have been registered with NADRA. The initiative has helped many students in availing of the scholarship opportunity.

