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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 Rehmani Nangar

District **Dadu**Tehsil:

Tehsil: K-N Shah

Coverage



75%

Union Council



Parya

Number of Community Organisations (COs)



(all women's

Date of Formation



2018

Number of Village Organisations (VOs)



11 II women's) Total Households in Union Council



1,876

Number of General Body Members



21 all women) Organised Households



1,399

Number of Executive Committee Members



(all women)

Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme



LSO managing CIF Amount of PKR 3,590,000 Initial sub-grant as CIF



Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of PKR 3,512,000 disbursed to 137 households



Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR 1,493,000 benefited 70 households



Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting 195 people/population covered



Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited 29 male beneficiaries



Adult Literacy and Numeracy Skills (ALNS) educating **754** female beneficiaries through **31** 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 **59 sessions** educating **2,380 individuals** on various health and educational topics
- 2. Planted 8,00 trees in different villages of the UC
- 3. Enrolled 3,790 children (2,650 boys and 1,140 girls) in school
- 4. Facilitated the vaccination of **2,967 individuals** against COVID-19
- Registered 470 CNICs,890 B-forms, 2,210 Nikkah Namas, 590 death certificates and
 1,912 Votes in the Union Council
- 6. Vaccinated **6,967 animals** with the help of Livestock Department
- 7. Treated **1,983 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of Government Health Department
- 8. Facilitated **457 women** in the health centres for safe deliveries

Women leaders of the **LSO Rehmani Nangar** 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.

Support During the COVID-19 Pandemic

Due to illiteracy and lack of access to the right information, the outbreak of COVID-19 was not taken seriously in the Union Council (UC) Parya and people were not taking the precautionary measures and were not following the SOPs provided by the Government. Leaders of the Local Support Organisation (LSO) Rehmani Nangar stepped out to raise awareness among the community members. They engaged the Community Resource Persons (CRPs) to deliver sessions on the precautionary measures and SOPs of COVID-19 during the Community Organisation's (CO's) meetings. These sessions were made an important part of the Community Awareness Toolkits (CAT) sessions delivered by the CRPs. SOPs were strictly followed in these sessions and social distancing was maintained. The initiative disseminated awareness at a mass level and controlled the fast spread of the Coronavirus.



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