








What are LSOs?







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 Shah Sachal

District Dadu Tehsil: Mehar	Union Council  Kolachi	Date of Formation  Sep 12 2018	Total Households in Union Council  3,141	Organised Households  1,918
Coverage  61%	Number of Community Organisations (COs)  98 (all women's)	Number of Village Organisations (VOs)  12 (all women's)	Number of General Body Members  32 (all women)	Number of Executive Committee Members  6 (all women)

Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme

 <p>LSO managing CIF Amount of PKR 6,106,112 Initial sub-grant as CIF</p>	 <p>Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of PKR 13,691,000 disbursed to 305 households</p>
 <p>Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR 4,349,000 benefited 212 households</p>	 <p>Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting 495 people/population covered</p>
 <p>Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited 34 male and 43 female beneficiaries</p>	 <p>Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI): 11 schemes (All Schemes are completed)</p>



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

1. Conducted **51 sessions** educating **2,950 individuals** on various health and educational topics
2. Planted **3,200 trees** in different villages of the UC
3. Enrolled **3,600 children (2,000 boys and 1,600 girls)** in school
4. Facilitated the vaccination of **2,381 individuals** against COVID-19
5. Registered **2,802 CNICs, 2,310 B-forms, 720 Nikkah Namas, 530 death certificates** and **3,713 Votes** in the Union Council
6. Vaccinated **2,730 animals** with the help of Livestock Department
7. Treated **2,512 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of Government Health Department
8. Facilitated **1,480 women** in the health centres for safe deliveries

Women leaders of the **LSO Shah Sachal** 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.

CNIC Registration

People in the Local Support Organisation (LSO) Sachal Union Council (UC) Kolachi had restricted access to their civic rights, in particular casting their votes and getting financial aid and medical facilities from government hospitals just because of not having Computerised National Identity Cards (CNICs). After forming the LSO, the leaders decided to work on resolving the issue on an instant basis. Before going for the registration of CNICs, the leaders planned to inform the community of the significance of CNICs. For that purpose, the Community Awareness Toolkit (CAT) Sessions with a special focus on CNIC registration were conducted by the Community Resource Persons (CRPs). As a result, dwellers of the UC were motivated to go for their registration and documentation. Many people were unable to travel to the NADRA Office, thus requesting the LSO leaders to arrange a mobile registration van for them. LSO leaders went to the NADRA office and requested the provision of a mobile registration van. An official mobile van from the NADRA office was sent to the community and registered 2,802 individuals in the UC.



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