



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 Ajan Shah

District Matiari Tehsil: Hala	Union Council Ajan Shah	Date of Formation Dec 29 2016	Total Households in Union Council 2,949	Organised Households 1,860
Coverage 61%	Number of Community Organisations (COs) 85 (all women's)	Number of Village Organisations (VOs) 7 (all women's)	Number of General Body Members 30 (all women)	Number of Executive Committee Members 15 (all women)

Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme

 LSO managing CIF Amount of PKR 4,000,000 Initial sub-grant as CIF	 Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of PKR 8,131,800 disbursed to 274 households
 Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR 1,507,000 benefited 116 households	 Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting 20,835 people/population covered
 Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited 70 male beneficiaries	 Adult Literacy and Numeracy Skills (ALNS) educating 70 female beneficiaries through 04 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 **1,979 sessions** educating **1,685 individuals** on COVID-19, Family planning and Cleanliness
2. Planted **1,220 trees** in different villages of the UC
3. Enrolled **510 children (215 boys and 295 girls)** in schools
4. Facilitated the vaccination of **1,415 individuals** against COVID-19
5. Registered **1,375 CNICs, 912 B-forms** and **1,145 Nikkah Namas** in the Union Council
6. Vaccinated **1,035 animals** with the help of the Livestock Department
7. Treated **928 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of the Government Health Department

Women leaders of the **LSO Ajan Shah** are planning and implementing development activities both on a self-help basis as well as in collaboration with government agencies. The EU-funded **SUCCESS** program is empowering rural women in Sindh by realizing the power they gain from collective action. The organized women are gaining awareness about their rights, making the service providers accountable, and are also taking self-initiative to improve their lives.

Supplying Toilet Facility to Dwellers of the Union Council Ajan Shah

People in the villages of Union Council (UC) Ajan Shah were struggling with the challenges caused by open defecation, especially those who were not privileged enough to construct toilets on their own. Being cognizant of the situation, leaders of the Local Support Organisation (LSO) Ajan Shah offered their services and decided to help the community out. They approached the UC Chairman and highlighted the circumstances. Knowing the severity of the issue the UC Chairman provided 10 toilets where needed the most. This helped in maintaining hygiene and minimized the risks of health issues in the community.



Toilet and its Drainage Provided by the UC Chairman in the UC Ajan Shah



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