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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 Bau Khan Pathan

District Matiari <sup>Tehsil:</sup> Matiari	Union Council	Date of Formation	Total Households in Union Council 2,606	Organised Households 2,028	
Coverage	Number of Community Organisations (COs)	Number of Village Organisations (VOs)	Number of General Body Members 15 (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 **10,294,000** disbursed to **268** households



Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR **1,095,000** benefited **83** households



Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting **19,477** people/population covered



Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited **52** female beneficiaries



Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI):

**6** schemes (4 schemes completed and 2 are ongoing)

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

- 1. Planted 452 trees in different villages of the UC
- Facilitated the vaccination of 2,460 individuals against COVID-19 2.
- Registered 620 CNICs in the Union Council З.

Women leaders of LSO Bau Khan Pathan 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.

### Vaccinating Livestock in the Union Council Bau Khan Pathan

Members of the Local Support Organisation (LSO) Bau Khan Pathan made use of their internal linkages to get the livestock vaccination at their Union Council (UC) to avoid diseases in cattle. They went to the nearest livestock department at Oderolal station and discussed the need for livestock vaccination with the officials. The department then sent their teams to the UC and vaccinated more than five hundred animals. The initiative helped the livestock defend against various diseases and helped the poor households who could not afford the vaccination on their own.





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