












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 Jarki

<p>District Tando Allahyar</p> <p>Tehsil: Chamber</p>	<p>Union Council Jarki</p> 	<p>Date of Formation March 11 2016</p> 	<p>Total Households in Union Council 3,201</p> 	<p>Organised Households 2,444</p> 
<p>Coverage 76%</p> 	<p>Number of Community Organisations (COs) 118 (all women's)</p> 	<p>Number of Village Organisations (VOs) 11 (all women's)</p> 	<p>Number of General Body Members 18 (all women)</p> 	<p>Number of Executive Committee Members 12 (all women)</p> 

Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme

 <p>LSO managing CIF Amount of PKR 4,000,000 Initial sub-grant as CIF</p>	 <p>Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of PKR 15,220,000 disbursed to 493 households</p>
 <p>Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR 1,680,000 benefited 112 households</p>	 <p>Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting 20,883 people/population covered</p>
 <p>Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited 186 female beneficiaries</p>	 <p>Adult Literacy and Numeracy Skills (ALNS) educating 201 female beneficiaries through 04 learning Centres</p>



 Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI):
5 schemes
 (3 schemes completed and 2 are ongoing)



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

1. Planted **900 trees** in different villages of the UC
2. Enrolled **755 children** in schools
3. Facilitated the vaccination of **12,425 individuals** against COVID-19
4. Registered **680 CNICs, 4,848 B-Forms** and **542 Nikkah Namas** in the UC
5. Vaccinated **620 animals** with the help of Livestock Department
6. Treated **700 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of Government Health Department

Women leaders of the **LSO Jarki** 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.

Safeguarding Survival of the Poorest Households

The pandemic of COVID-19 put the poorest households into further challenges following the lockdown. The president of the Local Support Organisation (LSO) Jarki made earnest efforts to help the deserved households who were in financial crisis and did not have any source of income. The LSO president connected with the Chairman Union Council (UC) and individually requested his assistance in helping the needy households. However, finding out the situation, the UC Chairman provided those households with monthly ration bags and distributed stitching machines to the deserving women of the LSO Jarki who possessed skills in stitching clothes. The initiative protected them from starvation and provided an opportunity to earn some income by stitching clothes.



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