

### 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 Jiandal Kot

<p>District <b>Matari</b></p> <p>Tehsil: <b>Matyari</b></p>	<p>Union Council <b>Jiandal Kot</b></p>	<p>Date of Formation April <b>17</b> 2018</p>	<p>Total Households in Union Council <b>2,099</b></p>	<p>Organised Households <b>1,242</b></p>
<p>Coverage <b>67%</b></p>	<p>Number of Community Organisations (COs) <b>76</b> (all women's)</p>	<p>Number of Village Organisations (VOs) <b>6</b> (all women's)</p>	<p>Number of General Body Members <b>11</b> (all women)</p>	<p>Number of Executive Committee Members <b>15</b> (all women)</p>

## Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme

 <p>LSO managing CIF Amount of PKR <b>4,000,000</b> Initial sub-grant as CIF</p>	 <p>Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of PKR <b>6,759,000</b> disbursed to <b>244</b> households</p>
 <p>Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR <b>285,000</b> benefited <b>23</b> households</p>	 <p>Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting <b>15,214</b> people/population covered</p>
 <p>Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited <b>20</b> female beneficiaries</p>	 <p>Adult Literacy and Numeracy Skills (ALNS) educating <b>33</b> female beneficiaries through <b>04</b> learning Centres</p>



 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 **600 trees** in different villages of the UC
2. Enrolled **1,600 children** in schools
3. Registered **2,300 CNICs** and **1,120 Nikkah Namas** in the Union Council
4. Vaccinated **1,500 animals** with the help of the Livestock Department

Women leaders of the **LSO Jiandal Kot** 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.

## Ensuring Filtered Water Supply

Water scarcity was a major concern in a few villages of the Union Council (UC) Jiandal Kot. The community individuals would rely on poor water sources like ponds, and rainwater collected in contaminated pots or would have to travel long distances to collect water from hand pumps installed in the neighbouring villages. To ease their difficulties, the Local Support Organisation (LSO) Jiandal Kot leaders contacted the UC Chairman, who apprised them of an organisation installing Reverse Osmosis (RO) filtration plants in the neighbouring UCs. As a result, the LSO leaders sent an application to the officials of the organisation and requested the installation of the RO plant in the village Ghulam Haider. Due to approval delay, it took around a year for the RO plant to be installed and become functional in the villages. However, since then it not only has been able to meet the villagers' water needs but also helped the dwellers from neighbouring villages.



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