

### 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 Khando

<p>District <b>Matiari</b></p> <p>Tehsil: <b>Hala</b></p>	<p>Union Council <b>Khando</b></p> 	<p>Date of Formation</p> <p>Dec <b>29</b> 2017</p> 	<p>Total Households in Union Council</p> <p><b>2,997</b></p> 	<p>Organised Households</p> <p><b>2,108</b></p> 
<p>Coverage</p> <p><b>70%</b></p> 	<p>Number of Community Organisations (COs)</p> <p><b>96</b> (all women's)</p> 	<p>Number of Village Organisations (VOs)</p> <p><b>9</b> (all women's)</p> 	<p>Number of General Body Members</p> <p><b>13</b> (all women)</p> 	<p>Number of Executive Committee Members</p> <p><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>10,820,000</b> disbursed to <b>388</b> households</p>
 <p>Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR <b>1,905,000</b> benefited <b>150</b> households</p>	 <p>Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting <b>21,104</b> people/population covered</p>
 <p>Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited <b>33</b> male beneficiaries</p>	 <p>Adult Literacy and Numeracy Skills (ALNS) educating <b>48</b> female beneficiaries through <b>04</b> learning Centres</p>



 Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI):  
**9** schemes  
 (6 schemes completed and 3 are ongoing)



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

1. Conducted **465 sessions** educating **1,289 individuals** on COVID-19, Family planning and Cleanliness, education
2. Planted **1,590 trees** in different villages of the UC
3. Enrolled **1,510 children (1,100 boys and 410 girls)** in schools
4. Facilitated the vaccination of **1,470 individuals** against COVID-19
5. Registered **1,430 CNICs, 1,680 B-forms, 370 Nikkah Namas,** and **110 death certificates** in the Union Council
6. Vaccinated **1,950 animals** with the help of the Livestock Department
7. Treated **567 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of the Government Health Department

Women leaders of the **LSO Khando** 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.

## Provision of Clean Drinking Water

People in the village Achi Masjid of the Village Organisation (VO) Salaro had lacked clean drinking water for many years. The contaminated water was affecting the community adversely, causing outbreaks of infections and skin diseases. Taking note of the alarming situation, leaders of the local Support Organisation (LSO) Khando decided to take an initiative to resolve the matter. The LSO leaders gathered community women, went to the chairman Union Council (UC), and demanded the provision of clean and filtered water to the community. On their demand, the UC chairman went to the village and tested the water dwellers have been drinking. However, after testing it, the UC chairman approved their appeal and provided them with a filter plant. The initiative has helped the community overcome the outbreaks and other health insecurities.



The Filtered Water Plant Provided by the UC Chairman in Achi Masjid



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