









### 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 Makhdooan Joon Landhiyon

District <b>Matiari</b> Tehsil: <b>Hala</b>	Union Council <b>Makhdooan Joon Landhiyon</b>	Date of Formation  <b>26</b> May 2018	Total Households in Union Council  <b>2,671</b>	Organised Households  <b>2,186</b>
Coverage  <b>82%</b>	Number of Community Organisations (COs)  <b>105</b> (all women's)	Number of Village Organisations (VOs)  <b>9</b> (all women's)	Number of General Body Members  <b>13</b> (all women)	Number of Executive Committee Members  <b>15</b> (all women)

### Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme

 LSO managing CIF Amount of <b>PKR 4,000,000</b> Initial sub-grant as CIF	 Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of <b>PKR 9,031,000</b> disbursed to <b>431</b> households
 Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of <b>PKR 1,645,000</b> benefited <b>158</b> households	 Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting <b>17,340</b> people/population covered
 Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited <b>37</b> male beneficiaries	 Adult Literacy and Numeracy Skills (ALNS) educating <b>103</b> female beneficiaries through <b>04</b> learning Centres



 Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI):  
**5** schemes  
 (4 schemes completed and 1 is ongoing)



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

1. Planted **1,020 trees** in different villages of the UC
2. Enrolled **2,404 children** in schools
3. Facilitated the vaccination of **2,135 individuals** against COVID-19
4. Registered **1,010 CNICs, 2,600 B-forms** and **1,953 Nikkah Namas** in the Union Council
5. Vaccinated **1,180 animals** with the help of the Livestock Department

*Women leaders of the **LSO Makhdooman Joon Landhiyon** 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.*

## Creating Earning Opportunities for Women

The Union Council (UC) Makhdooman Joon Landhiyon had a local training centre for sewing and tailoring work. Therefore, leaders of the Local Support organisation (LSO) mobilised all the community women to utilise this opportunity and learn tailoring. However, due to poverty they were unable to buy sewing machines to earn. To help these women out, the LSO leaders contacted the UC chairman and asked for financial support. After having multiple meetings with the UC chairman, the LSO leaders were finally able to get approved their demand. Around 40-50 sewing machines were provided to the poorest households. Through the initiative, the women feel contented, as they are helping their family's livelihood sustainability since they are now able to apply their learnt skills, they stitch clothes and sell it for PKR 200-250 per suit.



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