



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 Shah Alam Shah Ji Wasi

<p>District Matari</p> <p>Tehsil: Matyari</p>	<p>Union Council Shah Alam Shah Ji Wasi</p>	<p>Date of Formation Aug 03 2017</p>	<p>Total Households in Union Council 1,894</p>	<p>Organised Households 1,394</p>
<p>Coverage 74%</p>	<p>Number of Community Organisations (COs) 73 (all women's)</p>	<p>Number of Village Organisations (VOs) 6 (all women's)</p>	<p>Number of General Body Members 10 (all women)</p>	<p>Number of Executive Committee Members 15 (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 11,299,000 disbursed to 304 households</p>
 <p>Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR 1,200,000 benefited 98 households</p>	 <p>Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting 13,695 people/population covered</p>
 <p>Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited 57 male beneficiaries</p>	 <p>Adult Literacy and Numeracy Skills (ALNS) educating 68 female beneficiaries through 04 learning Centres</p>



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



Women leaders of the **LSO Shah Alam Shah Ji Wasi** 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.

Encouraging the Civil Registration

Most villagers from the Union Council (UC) Shah Alam Shah Ji Wasi had not possessed Computerized National Identity Cards (CNICs). It was when the leaders of the Local Support Organisation (LSO) Shah Alam Shah Ji Wasi apprised the community members about its benefits, then they decided to get their CNICs from the NADRA office. To assist them, the LSO leaders sent an application to the NADRA officials and requested them for arranging conveyance for the poor community members. The NADRA officials agreed and sent vans to different villages of the UC, through which many people were able to register themselves as citizens of Pakistan. Now, these villagers can take loans, buy lands, cast votes, and avail all other benefits that come with Pakistani citizenship.



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