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An update on the work of Local Support Organisations



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 Shaikh Mosa

Tando Allahyar
Tehsil:

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Coverage

80%

Union Council



Number of Community Organisations (COs)



129 (all women's) Date of Formation



2017

Number of Village Organisations (VOs)



10 .ll women's) Total Households in Union Council



3,398

Number of General Body Members



16 (all women) Organised Households



2,703

Number of Executive Committee Members



15 (all women

Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme



LSO managing CIF Amount of PKR **4,000,000**Initial sub-grant as CIF



Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of PKR 17,857,000 disbursed to





Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR 2,203,000 benefited 147 households



Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting 21,578 people/population covered



Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited 32 male beneficiaries



Adult Literacy and Numeracy Skills (ALNS) educating 100 female beneficiaries through 04 learning Centres



Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI):

8 schemes

(2 schemes completed and 6 are ongoing)

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

- 1. Planted **1,610 trees** in different villages of the UC
- 2. Enrolled 640 children in schools
- 3. Facilitated the vaccination of **2,400 individuals** against COVID-19
- 4. Registered **1,200 CNICs**, **390 B-forms**, **80 Nikkah Namas**, and **40 death certificates** in the Union Council
- 5. Vaccinated **2,460 animals** with the help of Livestock Department
- 6. Treated **460 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of Government Health Department

Women leaders of the **LSO Shaikh Mosa** 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.

Preparation of Computerised National Identity Cards

Like many other Local Support Organisations (LSOs), women in the LSO Shaikh Mosa also did not have access to Computerised National Identity Cards (CNICs). The reasons were also the same, as the poor households were unable to pay for transportation to go urban areas for preparing their CNICs. Also, a large segment of the community did not know the significance of CNICs. However, leaders of the LSO supported them throughout the process. They approached the NADRA office and requested a vehicle for the women who needed to get their CNICs registered. However, on their appeal, a vehicle from the NADRA office was sent to facilitate those women. This way many women were able to register their CNICs from NADRA.



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