











### 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 Sikanderabad

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| District<br><b>Matiari</b><br>Tehsil:<br><b>Saeedabad</b>  | Union Council<br><b>Sikanderabad</b>  | Date of Formation<br> April<br><b>28</b> 2018                         | Total Households in Union Council<br> <b>2,377</b>            | Organised Households<br> <b>1,678</b>                                |
| Coverage<br> <b>71%</b> | Number of Community Organisations (COs)<br> <b>76</b><br>(all women's) | Number of Village Organisations (VOs)<br> <b>9</b><br>(all women's) | Number of General Body Members<br> <b>16</b><br>(all women) | Number of Executive Committee Members<br> <b>15</b><br>(all women) |

### Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme

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|  LSO managing CIF Amount of<br><b>PKR 4,000,000</b><br>Initial sub-grant as CIF                  |  Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of<br><b>PKR 5,085,000</b> disbursed to<br><b>182</b> households                     |
|  Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of<br><b>PKR 630,000</b> benefited<br><b>49</b> households |  Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided<br>benefitting <b>15,669</b> people/population covered                                |
|  Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST)<br>benefited <b>21</b> female beneficiaries     |  Adult Literacy and Numeracy Skills (ALNS)<br>educating <b>57</b> female beneficiaries through<br><b>04</b> learning Centres |



 Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI):  
**7** schemes  
 (4 schemes completed and 3 are ongoing)



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

1. Planted **280 trees** in different villages of the UC
2. Enrolled **4,256 children** in schools
3. Facilitated the vaccination of **1,386 individuals** against COVID-19
4. Registered **1,500 CNICs, 2,648 B-forms** and **1,846 Nikkah Namas** in the Union Council
5. Vaccinated **510 animals** with the help of the Livestock Department

*Women leaders of the **LSO Sikanderabad** 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.*

## Mitigating the Water Stagnation Issues

During the monsoon season in the months of June and July 2022, the low spots in the Union Council (UC) Sikanderabad were filled due to excessive rain. This resulted in water stagnation and welcoming different waterborne diseases. When multiple children started having fevers, leaders of the Local Support Organisation (LSO) Sikanderabad, visited the UC chairman and requested help with the issue. As the UC chairman agreed, he arranged for a drainage pump in the UC through which all the stagnant water was drained out into the free spaces. Whereas, to avoid this issue in the long run the LSO leaders united the community members and filled all the holes and levelled the surfaces of the field. Now the water does not stand, and the risk of water-borne diseases has also been reduced.



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