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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 Sach



Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme



LSO managing CIF Amount of PKR **5,026,500** Initial sub-grant as CIF



Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of PKR **2,244,600** disbursed to **292** households



Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR **958,000** benefited **158** households



Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting **135** people/population covered



Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited **71** female beneficiaries



Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI): **01** schemes

(Ongoing)

Enterprise Development Supporting

09 female beneficiaries through the formation of

02 Business Development Group (BDGs)

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

- 1. Conducted 48 sessions educating 960 individuals on COVID-19
- 2. Planted 8,000 trees in different villages of the UC
- 3. Enrolled 5,000 children (2,000 boys and 3,000 girls) in school
- 4. Facilitated the vaccination of 5,000 individuals against COVID-19
- 5. Registered 3,000 CNICs, 500 B-forms, 150 Nikkah Namas, and 40 death certificates in the **Union Council**
- 6. Vaccinated 5,000 animals with the help of Livestock Department
- 7. Treated 2,000 patients free through a medical health camp with the help of Government Health Department.

Women leaders of LSO Sach 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.

Constructing Houses for the Deprived Individuals

Many families in the Union Council (UC) Agil did not have proper houses to live in. They resided in huts that would fail to provide protection against the summer heat and would frequently break down due to rainstorms. To help these poor households, the leaders of the Local Support Organisation (LSO) Sach called in a meeting to discuss potential solutions at hand and as a result, a decision to approach Shaheed Benazir Bhutto Housing Cell (SBBHC), an initiative by the Government of Sindh, was made. Subsequently, an application for the construction of houses for the poor was given to the SBBHC officials, who after confirming the need for the houses, approved their request and funded the construction of eight houses in the UC. Now, these eight families live in their newly constructed houses and feel safe to have a proper roof over their heads.



Constructed House by the Help of SBBHC

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