



### 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 Lakhi Mirwah

<p>District <b>Tando Mohammad Khan</b></p> <p>Tehsil: <b>Tando Ghulam Haider</b></p>	<p>Union Council <b>Lakhi Mirwah</b></p>	<p>Date of Formation Jan <b>26</b> 2017</p>	<p>Total Households in Union Council <b>2,805</b></p>	<p>Organised Households <b>1,956</b></p>
<p>Coverage <b>70%</b></p>	<p>Number of Community Organisations (COs) <b>100</b> (all women's)</p>	<p>Number of Village Organisations (VOs) <b>13</b> (all women's)</p>	<p>Number of General Body Members <b>35</b> (all women)</p>	<p>Number of Executive Committee Members <b>15</b> (all women)</p>

## Activities implemented through the EU funded SUCCESS Programme

 <p>LSO managing CIF Amount of PKR <b>48,33,000</b> Initial sub-grant as CIF</p>	 <p>Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount of PKR <b>11,364,000</b> disbursed to <b>363</b> households</p>
 <p>Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR <b>2,77,2,000</b> benefited <b>206</b> households</p>	 <p>Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting <b>503</b> people/population covered</p>
 <p>Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited <b>27</b> male and <b>535</b> female . beneficiaries</p>	 <p>Adult Literacy and Numeracy Skills (ALNS) educating <b>107</b> female beneficiaries through <b>04</b> learning Centres</p>

  Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI):  
**07** schemes  
(04 schemes completed and 03 are ongoing)



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

1. Conducted **4,309 awareness sessions** educating **107,725 individuals** on family planning, health and sanitation, education, MR vaccination and COVID-19 vaccination
2. Planted **763 trees** in different villages of the UC
3. Enrolled **1,288 children (837 boys and 450 girls)** in school
4. Facilitated the vaccination of **1,573 individuals** against COVID-19
5. Registered **1,769 CNICs, 1,807 B-forms, 1,329 Nikkah Namas,** and **764 death certificates** in the Union Council
6. Vaccinated **1,269 animals** with the help of Livestock Department
7. Treated **1,453 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of Government Health Department

Women leaders of the **LSO Lakhi Mirwah** 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.

## Promoting Ground Water Use

Most of the villages in the Union Council (UC) Lakhi Mirwah were deprived of safe drinking water. The community individuals initially made self-efforts to access clean potable water, however with no fruitful results; they approached leaders of the Local Support Organisation (LSO) Lakhi Mirwah for help. The LSO leaders in response invited the officials of an NGO, Qatar Charity to their UC and requested the provision of water hand pumps. The NGO officials agreed and multiple hand pumps were installed in the disadvantaged villages. Through those hand pumps, the community individuals can now drink and use safe and clean water easily near their houses.



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