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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 Jinhan Soomro

District **Tando Mohammad Khan** Tehsil:

Bulri Karim Shah

Coverage



80%

Union Council



Jinhan Soomro

Number of Community Organisations (COs)



70 (all women Date of Formation



2017

Number of Village Organisations (VOs)



06 all women's Total Households in Union Council



1,723

Number of General Body Members



18 (all women) Organised Households



1,242

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 7,955,000 disbursed to 158 households



Income Generating Grant (IGG) amount of PKR 1,161,000 benefited 86 households



Micro Health Insurance (MHI) provided benefitting 281 people/population covered



Technical and Vocational Skills Training (TVST) benefited 76 male and 01 female beneficiaries



Adult Literacy and Numeracy Skills (ALNS) educating 89 female beneficiaries through 04 learning Centres



Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI):

06 schemes

(05 schemes are completed and 01 is ongoing)

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

- 1. Conducted **3,041 awareness sessions** educating **76,025 individuals** on family planning, health and sanitation, education, MR vaccination, Covid-19 vaccination, basic rights.
- 2. Planted 873 trees in different villages of the UC
- 3. Enrolled **563 children** (boys **450 and girls 112)** in school
- 4. Facilitated the vaccination of **1,162 individuals** against COVID-19
- 5. Registered **993 CNICs, 764 B-forms, 967 Nikkah Namas,** and **654 death certificates** in the Union Council
- 6. Vaccinated **1,217 animals** with the help of Livestock Department
- 7. Treated **906 patients** for free through a medical health camp with the help of Government Health Department

Women leaders of the **LSO Jinhan Soomro** 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.

Tree Plantation

Members of the Local Support Organisation (LSO) Jinhan Soomro have always been promoting tree plantation drives, buying plants using the LSO savings and encouraging the community members for the same cause. The LSO members with the support of the government as well as non-government organisations have started a plantation drive utilizing their resources and planted 873 plants in different villages of the Union Council (UC). The leaders of the LSO had also assigned a task to the community members to take care of those plants, protect them from the livestock and water them regularly to ensure their growth. The plants have now become big trees and the community members as well as the livestock are benefiting from them.



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