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Districts of Shikarpur, Kashmore & Jacobabad

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## **Executive Summary**

The Union Council Based Poverty Reduction Program (UCBPRP) is a groundbreaking program of the Government of Sindh aimed at reducing poverty by tapping into the potential of the people. It is being implemented by Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) and was initiated on February 1, 2009 in two districts: Shikarpur and Kandhkot-Kashmore. After analyzing the performance in both districts, Government of Sindh initiated this program in Jacobabad district as well in June, 2010. The UCBPRP aims at improving the quality of life of the rural communities, especially that of the poorest of the poor, through the conceptual package of social mobilization.

This entails organizing rural communities into "organizations of the poor" at the community, village and union council level. In order to accomplish this, SRSO conducted "Poverty Score Card" exercise in 116 union councils in Shikarpur, Kashmore-Kandhkot and Jacobabad to help identify the poor and the poorest.

Due to the flood few months, overall activities of the UCBPRP remained halted, after that this programwas extended for a year.

### Social Mobilization

As of July, 2012 total 267,544 households had been organized into 15,630 community organizations, clustered into 5,294 village organization and federated into 63 Local Support Organizations in three districts-e Shikarpur, Kashmore-Kandhkot and Jacobabad. After three years the Community/Village Organizations has been developing their governance systems as they undertake more and more development activities. Their institutional maturity and their ability to influence government and other stakeholders have been built over time. The RSP experience has shown that a mosaic of civil society organizations has developed where mobilization has taken place. The clustering of Community Organizations leads to the formation of Village Organizations. The clustering of Village Organizations leads to the formation of clusterlevel Local Support Organizations (LSOs) which represent the second generation social mobilization.

### **Capacity Building:**

As such, the project as part of human resource development of these three tiers has imparted the trainings for the capacity building of the office bearers of the Cos, VOs and LSOs; the CO is the ideal grass-roots organization for identifying potential recipients for various household level interventions under each PSC band. It is very much essential that the capacity building of office bearers of the COs is carried out to make them fully functional because unless this is not done an effective mechanism for delivery and monitoring of services. As of July, 2012 total 53,955 CO, 35,814 VO and 600 LSO members trained in management and CIF record keeping trainings.

### **Vocational Skills Training:**

The UCBPRP also includes a component whereby youth from extremely poor and chronically poor households will be identified and provided scholarships for receiving vocational skills training. As of July, 2012 total 31,002 participants had been trained in different trades.

### **Income Generating Grant:**

The lower band i.e. the poorest of the poor (PSC Band 0-11) including widows and people live with chronic disabilities. The basic objective of IGG is to provide grants for purchasing of Livestock, Agriculture. It ensures proper and productive use of grants and lots of IGG beneficiaries are able to take CIF, which shows that they are out of the box of the poorest of the poor in 0-11 band and will graduate to the next level. As of June, 2012 Income Generating Grant had been given to 7,455 members.

#### Community Investment Fund:

The most appropriate intervention is setting up of a village based revolving fund at the community level called "Community Investment Fund" (CIF). The CIF is managed by an organized community and provides interest free loans for 0-18 households. As of July, 2012 a total of 87,551 beneficiaries have been benefited from CIF.

#### Community Physical Infrastructure:

VOs are to be given scheme of Community Physical Infrastructure (CPI), which may include sanitation and drinking water supply as a grant. Shelter support is being provided in terms of Low Cost Houses to the extremely poor households who live in thatched huts and require shelter. As of July, 2012 total 801 drinking water supply schemes have been completed.

### **Low Cost Houses Schemes:**

Shelter support is being provided in terms of Low Cost Houses to the extremely poor households who in thatched huts and require shelter. As of July, 2012 a total of 5,572 Low Cost Houses have been completed.

### Micro Health Insurance:

The Micro Health Insurance package allows all family members irrespective of age to avail hospitalization, accident and disability insurance for up to 25,000 each for day care, diagnostic services, and hospitalization (for more than 24 hours' stay) and obstetric care. This social safety net measure is being provided to households that are in the 0-18 poverty band in order to pre-empt health accidents which result in reversal of the poverty alleviation efforts because households fall into vulnerability and poverty when one of their family members gets hospitalized. The package also includes an accidental cover (disability compensation) and financial support of a sum of Rs.2, 5000/ as Funeral Charges in case of death of a breadwinner of the family. As of July, 2012 total 4,652 patients had been treated.

### Village Rehabilitation:

After the flood the pilot activity for UCBPRP was temporarily suspended until the flood subsided. Since the flood changed the overall scenario, GoS extended its support to flood affected people in relief and rehabilitation while providing shelter for them on priority basis. As of July, 2012 work has been initiated over 7,003 houses and all houses had been completed.

	District Wise Achievement as of July, 2012 (District Shikarpur, Kashmore & Jacobabad)										
S.			Revised	As of Ju	As of June, 2012		,, 2012	As	of July, 2012		
No	Activity	District	Project Targets	Targets as of June, 12	Achieved as of June, 12	Targets for the July, 12	Achievement for the July, 12	Targets as of July, 12	Achieved as of July, 12	%	
1	Poverty Score Card	Shikarpur	50	50	50	-	-	50	50	100	
	Card	Kashmore	37	37	37	-	-	37	37	100	
		Jacobabad	29	29	29	-	-	29	29	100	
	Sub-Total		116	116	116	-	-	116	116	100	
2	Households	Shikarpur	102,306	102,306	102,306	-	-	102,306	102,306	100	
	Organized	Kashmore	80,345	80,345	80,345	-	-	80,345	80,345	100	
		Jacobabad	73,830	73,830	84,893	-	-	73,830	84,893	100	
	Sub-Total		256,481	256,481	267,544	-	-	256,481	267,544	100	
3	CO Formation	Shikarpur	5,846	5,846	5,846	-	-	5,846	5,846	100	
		Kashmore	4,710	4,710	4,710	-	-	4,710	4,710	100	
		Jacobabad	4,922	4,922	5,074	-	-	4,922	5,074	100	
	Sub-Total		15,478	15,478	15,630	-	-	15,478	15,630	100	
4	CO members	Shikarpur	12,678	12,678	12,678	-	-	12,678	12,678	100	
	trained in management skills	Kashmore	9,382	9,382	9,382	-	-	9,382	9,382	100	
		Jacobabad	4,922	4,922	4,994	-	-	4,922	4,994	100	
	Sub-Total		26,982	26,982	27,054	-	-	26,982	27,054	100	
5	CO members	Shikarpur	12,678	12,678	12,678	-	-	12,678	12,678	100	
	trained in CIF Need	Kashmore	9,382	9,382	9,382	-	-	9,382	9,382	100	
	identification	Jacobabad	4,922	4,922	4,841	-	-	4,922	4,841	98	
	Sub-Total		26,982	26,982	26,901	-	-	26,982	26,901	100	
6	Village	Shikarpur	1,810	1,810	1,810	-	-	1,810	1,810	100	
	Organizations Formed	Kashmore	1,673	1,673	1,673	-	-	1,673	1,673	100	
		Jacobabad	1,200	1,200	1,811	-	-	1,200	1,811	100	
	Sub-Total		4,683	4,683	5,294	-	-	4,683	5,294	100	
7	No. of Participants	Shikarpur	4,828	4,828	6,253	-	-	4,828	6,253	100	
	Trained in VO Management	Kashmore	3,572	3,572	4,541	-	-	3,572	4,541	100	
		Jacobabad	2,400	2,400	2,585	-	-	2,400	2,585	100	
	Sub-Total		10,800	10,800	13,379	-	-	10,800	13,379	100	
8	No. of Participants	Shikarpur	5,096	5,096	5,096	-	-	5,096	5,096	100	
	Trained in VO CIF Training	Kashmore	3,771	3,771	3,771	-	-	3,771	3,771	100	
		Jacobabad	2,400	2,400	2,494	-	-	2,400	2,494	100	
	Sub-Total		11,267	11,267	11,361	-	-	11,267	11,361	100	

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S. No	Activity	District	Project Targets	Targets as of June, 12	Achieved as of June, 12	Targets for the July, 12	Achievement for the July, 12	Targets as of July, 12	Achieved as of July, 12	%
9	VO Book Keeping	Shikarpur	5,097	5,097	5,097	-	-	5,097	5,097	100
	Training (No of Pax)	Kashmore	3,771	3,771	3,771	-	-	3,771	3,771	100
		Jacobabad	2,400	2,400	2,206	-	-	2,400	2,206	92
	Sub-Total		11,268	11,268	11,074	-	-	11,268	11,074	98
10	Local Support	Shikarpur	35	35	35	-	-	35	35	100
	Organizations Formed	Kashmore	25	25	25	-	-	25	25	100
		Jacobabad	5	5	3	-	-	5	3	60
	Sub-Total		65	65	63	-	-	65	63	97
11	CIF to be given Local	Shikarpur	35	35	14	-	-	35	14	40
	Support Organizations	Kashmore	25	25	8	-	-	25	8	32
		Jacobabad	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Sub-Total		60	60	22	-	-	60	22	37
12	LSO members trained in	Shikarpur	175	175	175	-	-	175	175	100
	CIF Appraisal, Monitoring and Book keeping	Kashmore	125	125	125	-	-	125	125	100
		Jacobabad	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Sub-Total		300	300	300	-	-	300	300	100
13	LSO members trained in	Shikarpur	175	175	175	-	-	175	175	100
	Managerial skills, Book Keeping	Kashmore	125	125	125	-	-	125	125	100
		Jacobabad	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Sub-Total		300	300	300	-	-	300	300	100
14	LSO members to be	Shikarpur	105	105	105	-	-	105	105	100
	sent on Exposure Visits	Kashmore	75	75	41	-	-	75	41	55
		Jacobabad	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Sub-Total		180	180	146	-	-	180	146	81
15	Households to be Given IGG	Shikarpur	3,668	3,668	3,551	-	-	3,668	3,551	97
	100	Kashmore	2,715	2,715	2,543	-	-	2,715	2,543	94
		Jacobabad	1,573	1,573	1,361	-	-	1,573	1,361	87
	Sub-Total		7,956	7,956	7,455	-	-	7,956	7,455	94
16	Households to be Given CIF	Shikarpur	44,607	44,607	40,261	-	-	44,607	40,261	90
	Cii	Kashmore	33,010	33,010	35,863	-	-	33,010	35,863	100
	Cult Tabel	Jacobabad	10,131	10,131	11,410	-	17	10,131	11,427	100
	Sub-Total		87,748	87,748	87,534	-	17	87,748	87,551	100

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S. No	Activity	District	Project Targets	Targets as of June, 12	Achieved as of June, 12	Targets for the July, 12	Achievement for the July, 12	Targets as of July, 12	Achieved as of July, 12	%	
17	Households to be	Shikarpur	14,478	14,478	14,478	-	-	14,478	14,478	100	
	Given Scholarship for VTP	Kashmore	10,713	10,713	10,713	-	-	10,713	10,713	100	
	VIP	Jacobabad	5,811	5,811	5,811	-	-	5,811	5,811	100	
	Sub-Total		31,002	31,002	31,002	-	-	31,002	31,002	100	
18	Villages to be Given	Shikarpur	444	444	444	-	-	444	444	100	
	Drinking Water Supply	Kashmore	357	357	357	-	-	357	357	100	
		Jacobabad	0	0	0	-	-	-	-		
	Sub-Total		801	801	801	-	-	801	801	100	
19	Locations to improve	Shikarpur	44	44	44	-	-	44	44	100	
	under Low Cost Village	Kashmore	12	12	12	-	-	12	12	100	
		Jacobabad	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
	Sub-Total		56	56	56	-	-	56	56	100	
20	Low Cost Housing	Shikarpur	3,402	3,402	3,402	-	-	3,402	3,402	100	
	Scheme	Kashmore	2,040	2,040	2,040	-	-	2,040	2,040	100	
		Jacobabad	130	130	130	-	-	130	130	100	
	Sub-Total	740004044	5,572	5,572	5,572	-	-	5,572	5,572	100	
21	Experience Sharing	Shikarpur	19,701	19,701	19,701	-	-	19,701	19,701	100	
	workshops	Kashmore	10,494	10,494	10,494	-	-	10,494	10,494	100	
		Jacobabad	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
	Sub-Total		30,195	30,195	30,195	_	-	30,195	30,195	100	
22	Productivity	Shikarpur	117	117	117	-	-	117	117	100	
	Enhancement Training	Kashmore	127	127	127	-	-	127	127	100	
		Jacobabad	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	
	Sub-Total		244	244	244	-	-	244	244	100	
23	TBA	Shikarpur	2,002	2,002	2,002	-	-	2,002	2,002	100	
	. 5	Kashmore	1,481	1,481	1,486	-	-	1,481	1,486	100	
		Jacobabad	1,200	481	450	-	-	481	450	94	
		740004044	·								
	Sub-Total	21.11	4,683	3,964	3,938	-	-	3,964	3,938	99	
24	Non Functional Schools to be	Shikarpur	55	55	55	-	-	55	55	100	
	Functionalized	Kashmore	47	47	47	-	-	47	47	100	
		Jacobabad	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Sub-Total		102	102	102	-	-	102	102	100	
25	2nd Shift Girls Schools to be established	Shikarpur	9	9	9	-	-	9	9	100	
	to be established	Kashmore	15	15	15	-	-	15	15	100	
		Jacobabad	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Sub-Total		24	24	24	-	-	24	24	100	
26	Early Child Hood	Shikarpur	4	4	4	-	-	4	4	100	
	Centers to be established	Kashmore	5	5	5	-	-	5	5	100	
	22.23	Jacobabad	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Sub-Total		9	9	9	-	-	9	9	100	

## **Social Mobilization**

UCBPRP is creating impact and transforming the social mobilization process into a more effective tool for empowering people and distinguishing the Community Organizations as effective sources for poverty reduction and delivery of services. To expand the impact of social mobilization this program focuses on; Expanding the role of Community Activists, increasing participation of Women and Poor in the socioeconomic development process, Clearness, Accountability and Equitable Distribution, Independent Fund Management by the Communities, Self Help and Civic responsibilities, Forging linkages, Poor women have started to develop concrete, action oriented solutions to identify problems and challenges.

As of July, 2012 a total of 267,544 households has been organized in three districts.

Note: As per PC-1 the targets of the Social Mobilization has been completed/achieved.

Activity	District	Project Target (Revised)	Achieved as of July, 12	%
	Shikarpur	102,306	102,306	100
Households Organized	Kashmore	80,345	80,345	100
	Jacobabad	73,830	84,893	100
Sub-Total		256,481	267,544	100

## **Community Organization**

Organizing community members into Community Organizations through social mobilization is a problem-solving approach whereby the community is empowered with the knowledge and skills to identify and prioritize its needs, and problems, harness its resources to deal with these problems and take action collectively. Village Organization is an association of women to strengthen the capacity of the poor for sustainable development and create a link between rural people and other institutions. All COs are federated into VOs for the representation of CO members at village level.

As of July, 2012 a total of 15,630 Community Organizations has been formed in three districts, district wise target v/s achievement is given below the table

Activity	District	Project Target (Revised)	Achieved as of July, 12	%
	Shikarpur	5,846	5,846	100
со	Kashmore	4,710	4,710	100
Formation	Jacobabad	4,922	5,074	100
	Sub-Total	15,478	15,630	100

## **Village Organization**

Community Organizations are being federated into Village Organizations at Village level, therefore, as of July, 2012 a total of 5,294 Village Organizations has been formed in three districts, detailed table shows the district wise number of formed village organizations during the reporting period;

Activity	District	Project Target (Revised)	Achieved as of July,12	%
VIII O	Shikarpur	1,810	1,810	100
Village Organizations Formed	Kashmore	1,673	1,673	100
Torried	Jacobabad	1,200	1,811	100
Sub-Tot	al	4,683	5,294	100

## **CO Level Trainings**

The CO is the ideal grass-roots organization for identifying potential recipients for various household level interventions under each PSC band. It is very much essential that the capacity building of office bearers of the COs is carried out to make them fully functional because unless this is not done an effective mechanism for delivery and monitoring of services through these two tiers of social mobilization cannot be developed. As such, the project as part of human resource development of these two tiers has imparted the following trainings for the capacity building of the office bearers of the Cos.

- · CO members trained in management skills
- CO members trained in CIF need identification

As of July, 2012 a total of 53,955 CO members has been trained in both trainings. All Community Level Trainings have been 100% completed.

Activity	District	Project Target (Revised)	Achieved as of July,12	%
	Shikarpur	12,678	12,678	100
CO members trained in management skills	Kashmore	9,382	9,382	100
	Jacobabad	4,922	4,994	100
Sub-	Total	26,982	27,054	100
CO members trained	Shikarpur	12,678	12,678	100
in CIF Need	Kashmore	9,382	9,382	100
identification	Jacobabad	4,922	4,841	98
Sub-Total		26,982	26,901	100
Grand	Grand Total		53,955	100

## **VO Level Trainings**

There are three types of training are being given to the office bearer of Village Organization, after the federation of COs into VOs; which are;

- · VO Management
- · VO Community Investment Fund
- VO Book Keeping

As of July, 2012 a total of 35,790 VO members have been trained which 100% against PC-1 targets in all above training in three districts.

Activity	District	Targets as of July,12	Achievement as of July,12	%
	Shikarpur	4,828	6,253	100
No. of Participants Trained in VO  Management	Kashmore	3,572	4,541	100
Management	Jacobabad	2,400	2,585	100
Sub-Total		10,800	13,379	100
	Shikarpur	5,096	5,096	100
No. of Participants Trained in VO CIF Training	Kashmore	3,771	3,771	100
Cil Trailling	Jacobabad	2,400	2,470	100
Sub-Total		11,267	11,337	100
	Shikarpur	5,097	5,097	100
VO Book Keeping Training (No of Pax)	Kashmore	3,771	3,771	100
ranj	Jacobabad	2,400	2,206	92
Sub-Total	Sub-Total		11,074	98
Grand Total		33,335	35,790	100

## **Local Support Organization**

The LSO is a formal body of Community Organization representatives, to continue and expand locally, on a permanent basis, the participatory development practices initiated. The LSO is the apex body of the three tier social organization structure. This consists of a structure where male and female COs are federated at the village-level in a Village Organization (VO), which are then further agglomerated at the Union Council level. Union Council Based Poverty Reduction Program uniqueness is CO/VO and LSO members are women only. In essence, the LSO is a membership organization of all COs/VOs of a particular Union Council. The VOs nominate at least two of their representatives in the General Body of their LSO; The General Body of the LSO then elects its Executive Committee. These bodies make and approve LSO bylaws. The LSO is then registered under any suitable law and thus it receives the status of a legal, formal and permanent civil society organization.

### The main objectives of the Local Support Organization are;

- Provide a localized permanent institutional arrangement to scaling up social mobilization and organizing all the poor households through low cost measures, by the community activists and foster and nurture inclusive, democratic and accountable grass roots organizations of COs and VOs
- Facilitate development of household, village and UC level development plans in consultation with the local organized communities and supervise their implementation
- Provide an institutional facility to foster development linkages between service providers in government, NGO and private sector and the local organized communities
- Lobby to influence government's planning and policy formulation by strengthening civic participation in government planning cycle by actively engaging the local government and government line agencies in participatory development planning events and multi stakeholder consultation forum on local development plans
- Mobilize resources, both from internal and external sources to finance its operational cost and development plans, and Lobby government for higher

allocations of budget for the poor and for more gender-sensitive budgets.

As of July, 2012 a total of 63 Local Support Organizations has been formed in three districts, district wise target v/s achievement is given below the table;

Activity	District	Project Target (Revised)	Achieved as of July, 12	%
	Shikarpur	35	35	100
LSO	Kashmore	25	25	100
Formation	Jacobabad	05	03	60
Sub-Total		65	63	80

## **LSO Level Trainings**

The Capacity Building of Local Support Organizations has been very indispensible since smoothly running of routine activities of LSOs with best way is being ensured in all three districts, as of July 2012 a total of 400 LSO members trained on two types of trainings in three districts.

Activity	District	Targets as of July,12	Achievement as of July,12	%
LSO members trained in CIF	Shikarpur	175	175	100
Appraisal, Monitoring and Book	Kashmore	125	125	100
keeping	Jacobabad	-	-	-
Sub-Total		200	200	100
	Shikarpur	175	175	100
LSO members trained in Managerial skills, Book Keeping	Kashmore	125	125	100
onno, book receping	Jacobabad	-	-	-
Sub-Total		200	200	100
Grand Total		400	400	100

## **Income Generating Grants**

The lower band; extremely poor or the poorest of the poor (PSC Category 0-11) including widows or people with chronic disabilities or do not have the financial ability to meet the family/domestic needs. They lack productive assets and are dependent on others for even food strapped. Hence any financial assistance provided in cash is by and large consumed. Interested households (who fall in the PSC category of 0-11) express their wish of receiving a grant to their VO, in addition to it being stated in their MIP. The VO members approve those members who qualify for the grant and write a resolution to their local SMT.

### The basic objective of IGG is to create assets or to be start income generating activity.

• It ensures proper and productive use of grants and lots of IGG beneficiaries are able to take CIF, which shows that they are now out of the box of the poorest of the poor in 0-11 band.

As of July, 2012 a total of 7,455 poor women members has been benefiting from the Income Generating Grant.

Activity	District	Project Target (Revised)	Achieved as of July, 12	%
	Shikarpur	3,668	3,551	97
Households to be Given IGG	Kashmore	2,715	2,543	94
	Jacobabad	1,573	1,361	87
Sub-Total		7,956	7,455	94

## **Community Investment Fund**

CIF is a cost-effective revolving fund managed by the community to provide the microfinance services to the poor and poorest women, particularly in the areas which are relatively underserved by the MFIs. It is a fund which is owned, run and managed by the poor women and their own organizations, i.e. the beneficiaries themselves. It focuses specifically on the poorest households through community organizations by giving them access to microfinance, while at the same time increasing



their levels of empowerment, confidence and skills. Essentially, CIF is based upon and linked to the three-tier social organization framework of Community Organizations, their agglomeration into Village Organizations and finally agglomeration at the Union Council-level in a Local Support Organization. Members of COs are encouraged to mobilize their own savings and, as these build up, to use them for internal lending purposes, hence complementing CIF resources. The overarching objective of CIF is to reduce the levels of poverty in rural areas through strong institutions of the poor and the poorest women.

As of July, 2012 a total of 87,551 poor women members of COs & VOs have been benefited from this dynamic product of the program.

Activity District		Project Target (Revised)	Achieved as of July,12	%
Households to be Given CIF	Shikarpur	44,607	40,261	90
	Kashmore	33,010	35,863	100
	Jacobabad	10,131	11,427	100
Sub-Total		87,748	87,551	100

## **Vocational Training Program**

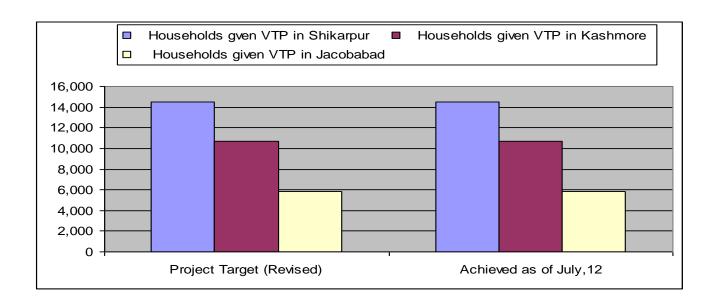
In the target districts poor HHs with poverty ranking from 0-18 receives scholarships in the form of vocational training. The following criteria are considered by screening staff:

Marginalized rural poor from the target PSC Band (0-18)

- Unemployed youth as siblings of members
- Persons with disabilities (PWD) who can become active members of the society
- other marginalized segments

As of July, 2012 a total of 31,002 poor women and men have been trained in different trades in three districts.

Activity	Activity District		Achieved as of July,12	%
	Shikarpur	14,478	14,478	100
Households Given Scholarship for VTP	Kashmore	10,713	10,713	100
	Jacobabad	5,811	5,811	100
Sub-Total		31,002	31,002	100



## Low Cost Housing (LCH)

Shelter support is being provided in terms of Low Cost Houses to households that require shelter, by providing required technical and material support up to Rs.60, 000/- to rural households that are in the 0-11 PSC category in each District. Shelter support is being provided in terms of Low Cost Houses to the extremely poor households who live in thatched huts and require shelter. The above table shows that from Feb, 09 to June, 11, 4,105 houses had been constructed but after extension it was decided to stop the Low Cost Houses Program because already Government of Sindh 7,000 Shelter/Two room house has been provided through the village rehabilitation program in the districts.

Activity District		Project Target (Revised)	Achieved as of July, 12	%
	Shikarpur	3,402	3,402	100
Low Cost Housing Scheme	Kashmore	2,040	2040	100
	Jacobabad	130	130	100
Sub-Total		5572	5,572	100

## Micro Health Insurance and Social Protection

SRSO has taken an initiative to provide Micro Health Insurance cover to the communities through Cos in

the largest area of 9 districts of Sindh. The initiative aims to improve poor people's access to affordable high quality health services; SRSO has started MHI with the collaboration of Adamjee Insurance Company Ltd.

The Micro health insurance package allows all family members irrespective of age to avail hospitalization, accident and disability insurance for up to 25,000 each for day care, diagnostic services, and hospitalization (for more than 24 hours' stay) and obstetric care. This social safety net measure is being provided to households that are in the 0-18 poverty band in order to pre-empt health accidents which result in reversal of the poverty alleviation efforts because households fall into vulnerability and poverty when one of their family members gets hospitalized. The package also includes an accidental cover (disability compensation) and financial support of a sum of Rs.25000/ as Funeral Charges in case of death of a breadwinner of the family. As of July, 2012 there are 4,652 patients have been treated by Adamjee; below given table shows the month wise number of patients and expenses;

While the Agreement between Adamjee and SRSO has been closed in June 2012, since the agreement becomes closed no any treatment made in July 2012.

The month Wise number of patients benefited as of July,
2012 District Shikarpur & Kashmore

Month Wise         No: of Patients Treated         Approved/Claimed Amount           31-Jan-10         22         154,868           28-Feb-10         85         574,132           31-Mar-10         39         459,453           30-Apr-10         50         632,428           31-May-10         78         1,116,784           30-Jun-10         105         1,287,958           31-Jul-10         150         2,255,331           31-Aug-10         217         3,119,563           30-Sep-10         248         3,362,117           31-Oct-10         190         2,717,019           30-Nov-10         112         1,667,985           31-Dec-10         181         2,948,486           31-Jan-11         172         2,794,072           28-Feb-11         231         4,028,000           31-Mar-11         227         4,391,000           30-Apr-11         215         4,201,624           31-May-11         231         4,467,500           30-Jun-11         286         5,891,734           31-Aug-11         135         2,652,000           31-Aug-11         87         1,489,000           30-Sep-11         6				
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<b>31-Mar-12</b> 209 2,620,512	31-Mar-12	209	2,620,512	
<b>30-Apr-12</b> 173 1,816,262	30-Apr-12	173	1,816,262	
<b>31-May-12</b> 194 2,124,616	31-May-12	194	2,124,616	
<b>30-Jun-12</b> 190 1,154,502	30-Jun-12	190	1,154,502	
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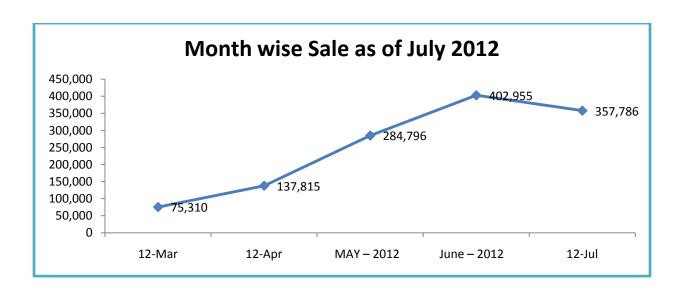
## **Enterprise**

A new initiative Enterprises had been added as a part of UCBPRP and established a well designed Outlet "Sartyun Sang Market" at Sukkur to link the trained women in different trades and create their incomes, in a dynamic style, which is; different cultural products are being produced by the trained women and being



sold by outlet, its income goes to those poor women who are producing these products.

MONTH	SALE RS.	Margin 20% Outlet
12-Mar	75,310	15,062
12-Apr	137,815	27,563
MAY – 2012	284,796	56,959
June – 2012	402,955	80,591
July - 2012	357,786	71,557
TOTAL	1,258,662	251,732



## Livestock

Live stock is a dynamic initiative that has been made for the rural communities specially women to engage them with the core tendency that is prevailed in the rural area. With this enormous initiative rural women would have an opportunity to enhance business of livestock by engaging their self with this activity. By using the orthodox method of farming these poor women are unanimously agreed to adopt the basic policies and adequate principles of the livestock initiative of GoS implemented by SRSO in the Districts of Shikarpur & Khairpur.

The entire work of livestock is being done with women through their LSOs, the below table illustrates the Progress made till As of July 2012.

	Progress Report as of July 31,2012							
S.No	Activity	Project Targets till June 2012	As of July 31,2012	Total				
1	Calves Received	2000	1781	1781				
2	Calves Distributed	2000	1566	1566				
3	Calves replaced	200	7	7				
4	Total Mortality	200	260	260				
5	Number of beneficiaries	1000	783	783				
6	Number of beneficiaries VOs	100	88	88				
7	Number of beneficiaries LSOs	10	6	6				
8	Training Given to beneficiaries	1000	103	103				

## Village Rehabilitation Program

The Rehabilitation Program was planned after flood by Government of Sindh and decided to implement by SRSO from the budget of Union Council Based Poverty Reduction Program which is already implemented by SRSO. 7,000 houses were planned to construct in 43 villages of District Shikarpur, Kashmore.

It was decided to award one room house on the basis of their plot sizes and the availability of financial resources of respective households. Consequently, it is being anticipated that 7,003 will be completed. As of July, 2012, 7003 Houses has been completed.

VRP Progress as of July ,2012									
District	Target	Initiated	Completed						
Kandhkot	2,088	2,088	2,088						
Jacobabad	3,050	3,050	3,050						
Shikarpur	1,865	1,865	1,865						
Total	7,003	7,003	7,003						

**Note:** IGG was awarded to those households which were fighting with vicious circle of poverty and had no capacity to built their houses, hence, targets v/s achievement has been changed which had been reported in previous month.

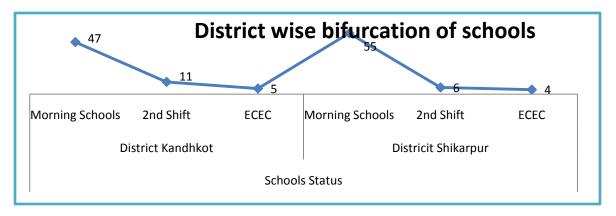
# **Education Component of UCBPRP**

## Achievement as of July, 2012:

Indicators Descriptions	Project Targets	Achievement As of July, 2012
Non Functional Schools Re functionalized	102	102
Girls Primary Schools	44	44
Boys Primary Schools	58	58
School Management Committees established	119	119
No. of Beneficiary Villages	119	119
No. of Beneficiary UC's	29	29
Activation of 2nd Shift Girls Primary School	24	24
Early Childhood Education Centers established	9	9
No. of Teachers Appointed (Local Female)	-	198
Teacher Trained through modern procedure (Friendly education system)	198	195
Govt. Education Deptt: Officials Trained	21	21
Number of School Improvement Plans Prepared	102	102
Number of School Improvement Plans Completed	102	69

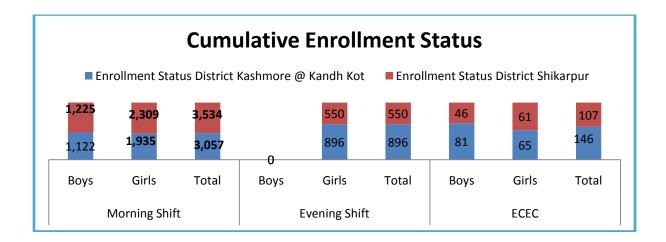
#### Functionalization of schools:

There has been visible progress made in "Education Component" of UCBPRP. UBRP-education component team is working hard to ensure quality education by keeping the schools functional and develop better environment for the education. All 102 schools have been functionalized in morning shift at Kashmore@Kandhkot and Shikarpur. Out of 102 schools, 47 are in Kashmore@Kandhkot and 55 in Shikarpur district. Further detail is shown in table below:



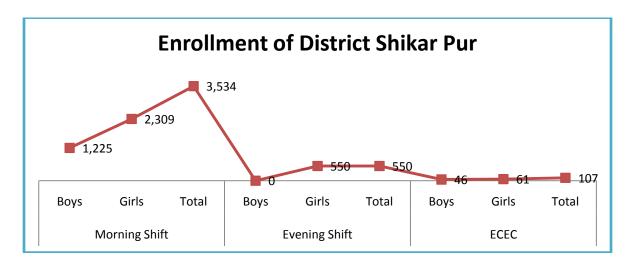
#### **Cumulative enrollment:**

Total enrolled students are 8,290 having bifurcation of 4,244 Girls and 2,347 boys in the morning shift schools of the both district. In evening shifts schools (Girls) total enrollment is 1,446 and in ECEC enrollment is boys 127, whereas 126 girls are enrolled in both districts.



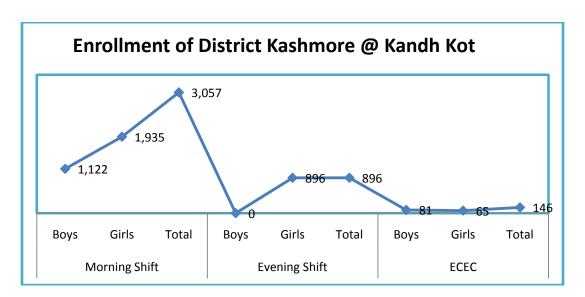
## District wise enrollment break up: Enrollment in district Shikar pur:

In morning shift total enrollment is 3,534 (Boys 1,225 & Girls 2,309). In evening shift girls are 550 while in ECEC total enrollment is 107 (Boys 46 & Girls 61). Total enrollment is 4,191 having 1,271 boys and 2,920 girls.



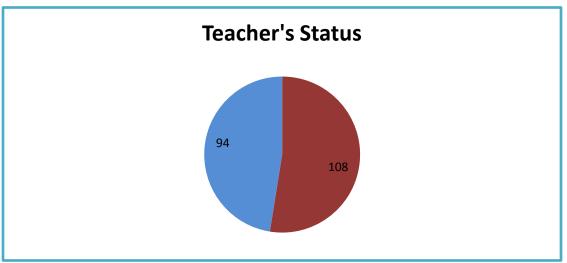
## Enrollment in district Kashmore @ Kandhkot:

There are 3,057 students enrolled in morning shift including 1,122 boys and 1,935 girls. Evening shift has 896 girls. ECEC total enrollment is 146, boys are 81 and girls are 65. The total enrollment is 4,099, Boys enrollment is 1,203 and Girls are 2,896.



## Teachers' status in district Shikarpur & Kashmore @ Kandhkot:

 Total 108 teachers in district Shikarpur &94 teachers in Kandhkot are spreading knowledge in both districts



### Teachers' recruitment:

♣ All teachers are appointed on the standard procedure of hiring. Only those candidates called for interview who passed their written test. Interview selection committee was comprised of SMC members, UCBPRP-Education component team and officials from district government education department.

### Meeting with EDO /ADOs Education department Shikarpur and Kashmore @ Kandh kot:

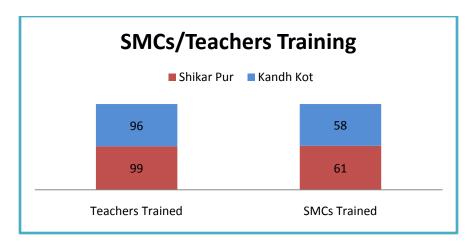
♣ In district Kashmore- Kandh kot a meeting was held with Mr. Syed Ibrahim Shah EDO Education main objective of the meeting was to share the progress and update of the project.

## Meeting with EDO Education M. Ramzan Chandio

♣ A meeting was held with Mr. Ramzan Chandio EDO-Edu. The main objective of meeting was to share the progress of the project and strategy to complete CPIs work as early as possible.

## School management committee (SMC) trainings:

SMC trainings have been completed in both districts (Kashmore-Kandh Kot & Shikar Pur)



Particulars	Shikarpur	Kashmore	Total
SMC Members Trained	194	181	375
Men	127	120	247
Women	67	61	128

## House Hold Survey:

House hold survey forms of 119 schools have been collected in both districts Kashmore
 @Kandh Kot & Shikar Pur. House Hold survey of 83 schools have been punched in
 MIS.

### **SMCs Account Status:**

- In District Kandh Kot all 58 SMCs account has been opened.
- In District Shikar Pur 59 SMCs accounts has been opened.

## CPI work completed in Shikar pur and Kandhkot:

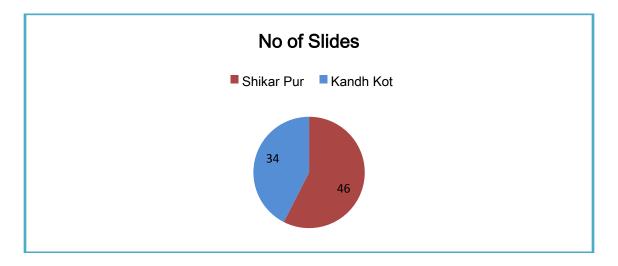
 In the first phase, CPI work has been fully completed in 34 schools. Out of which 15 Schools are of Kashmore-Kandhkot and 19 school of Shikarpur District

	Progress Report of SDP								
Sr No	District	Total CPI Scheme	Total Survey Complete d	Total Estimate Complete d	Total Scheme Approve d with TOP	Total Scheme in Runnin g	Total Estimated Cost	Total Amount Released	Schemes Complete d in 1st Phase
1	Shikar Pur	55	55	55	55	18	21,575,021	20,102,263	35
2	Kandhk ot	47	47	47	47	14	19,362,759	19,176,991	33
Grand	d Total	102	102	102	102	32	40,937,780	39,279,254	68

Note: CPI work could not start in 02 schools at District Shikar Pur due to issues in community (1. GGPS-Longani 2. GGPS-Ali Je Wandh)

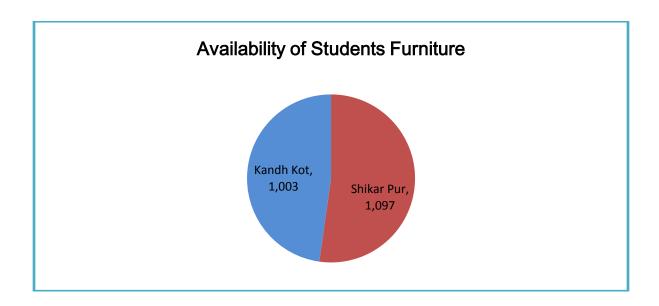
## Availability of slides:

♣ Under UCBPRP Project the NRSP provided 80 slides in schools at district Kandhkot and Shikarpur.



## Students Furniture availability (Bench/Desk):

 Under UCBPRP Project the NRSP provided state of art furniture in all schools (Shikar Pur: 61 & Kandh. Kot: 58). Due to effect of global warming, recycled furniture was chosed for this purpose.



## **ECEC Furniture**:

ECEC supplies of 09 schools (04 at District Shikar Pur & 05 at District Kandh Kot) have been completed.

	District		No of FCFC				
Sr. No		Plastic Chairs	Plastic Table	Cushions	No of ECEC		
1	Shikarpur	50	12	65	4		
2	Kashmore	60	15	75	5		
3	Total	110	27	140	9		

## Teacher's Furniture:

Teacher's furniture status is as under:-.

	Chairs		Table		Almirah		Black Board	
Districts	Required	Received	Required	Received	Required	Received	Required	Received
Shikarpur	181	37	85	22	54	22	61	22
Kashmore	128	128	69	61	47	47	58	58

### **Distribution of Students Uniforms:**

Districts	Girls Uniforms		Boys Uniforms			
	Required	Received	Required	Received		
Shikarpur	2,756	2,756	1,216	1,216		
Kashmore	Kashmore 2,896		1,203	1,203		

Note: Total 8071 uniforms have been received and distributed in both districts.

## Participation of LSOs in Polio Campaign

District Health Department Shikarpur with the coordination of SRSO & LSOs organized three days polio campaign from July 16, 2012 to July 18, 2012 at Shikarpur. Before starting the

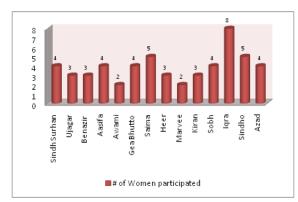
campaign Mr. Syed Azhar Shah D.C & Javed Ali ADC-II Shikarpur call to SRSO management in order to proper implementation and for achieving desire results of the Anti Polio Campaign at Shikarpur. The detail meeting conducted with district SRSO staff including Mr. Latif Soomro DM SRSO Shikarpur, Mr. Nasrullah Kolachi HRD Professional & Mr. MAK Baloch MER Professional by District Health Department including Dr. Kishore Kumar Khatri DO Health Shikarpur, during detailed meeting it was decided that SRSO & LSOs would support through their vast access where Health Department have need of female for polio drops and vaccination. Dr. Kishore further disclosed that polio vaccination facilities had also been



Dr. Zulifqar Abbasi during training to LSO members at Taulka hospital Khanpur

provided in all public sector hospitals, health centers and dispensaries. Also he appealed to parents, religious leaders, civil society members, NGOs staff and public representatives to play their role in this national cause, so that our younger generation could be protect from permanent disability and we could achieve the goal of eradicating the menace of polio from the country.

## Meeting of LSO Leaders at taluka Hospitals in Shikarpur



The meetings were conducted at Taulka Hospitals including G.Yaseen, Khanpur, Shikarpur and Lakhi G.Shah, where 54 females participated from 14 Union Councils the below diagram shows the UC wise status of females where the district government have need of females staff. The main purpose of meetings was to implement the micro plan of anti polio campaign would start from July

16-18, 2012, where the government and associated staff need support from local masses in order to complete this holly task. During meeting the newly hired LSO women's were trained

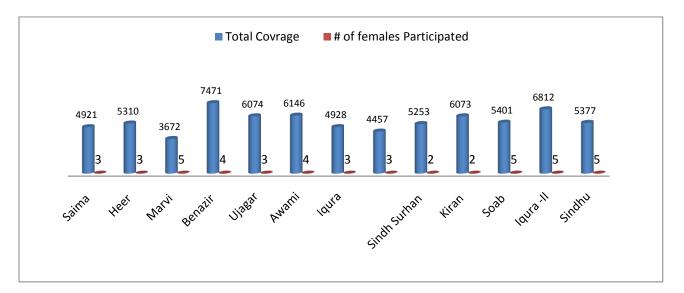
and oriented about drops, mark on child hands and how to report the refusal case. After meetings all women's collected the list of villages and root map where they were responsible for anti polio campaign with complete coordination and support of district health & administration Shikarpur.

### Proposed Working Area of LSOs

The females from Local Support Organization LSO actively participated in anti polio campaign at Shikarpur. The 47 females from 14 LSOs performed three days work in respective union councils and effectively executed the Village Organization VOs members in this holly cause. There are 71895 children have benefited from joints efforts of district health department and LSO members. The below figures shows the UC wise status:

Talu <b>k</b> a	Taluka UC LSO		Total Coverage	# of Women form LSO Participated	
	Babihar	Saima	4921	3	
G.Yaseen	Nim Sharif	Heer	5310	3	
	Waryaso	Marvi	3672	5	
	Sub Total		13903	11	
	G. Dakho	Benazir	7471	4	
Vhomeur	Rahimabad	Ujagar	6074	3	
Khanpur	Pir Bux Shujrah	Awami	6146	4	
	Thairo	Iqura	4928	3	
	Sub Total		24619	14	
Lakhi	Chak	Sindh Jyoon Sartyoon	4457	3	
	Sehwani	Sindh Surhan	5253	2	
	Sub Total	9710	5		
	Hamayo	Kiran	6073	2	
Chileannean	Karan	Soab	5401	5	
Shikarpur	Lodra	Iqura -II	6812	5	
	Sultankot	Sindhu	5377	5	
	Sub Total	23663	17		
	Total	71895	47		

The above table is the glance of LSO efforts who took their active part to complete this task. Hence it's important to share that in last polio round they required female workers in above union councils while SRSO interested to hire the services of LSO in entire district of Shikarpur. Following is the graphical illustration of anti polio campaign with LSOs and coverage wise:



At the end of every day during July 16-18, 2012, the evening meeting was organized where all area in-charges and Medical officers of respective union councils present their daily presentation and share the progress, challenges, achievements and work plan on next day. The representative of SRSO & LSO has daily attended the evening meeting regularly and shared the progress which done by the polio teams through SRSO Social mobilization teams and Local Support Organizations LSOs in respective UCs.



## **Different Initiative by Local Support Organizations**

### The LSO AWAZ

District: Shikarpur

Union Council: Mungrani

Total Houses in Union Council: 2890

Organized House Holds: 2023 (70%)

Number of VOs: 31 (all women)

Number of COs: 122 (all women)

Number of General body Members: 42 (all women)

Number of Executive Body Members: 13 (all

women)

### LSO Initiatives:

### 1) Conflict resolution

### About LSOs

The role of Local Support Organization is very essential for social mobilization. In a bid to empowerment of reduce poverty and marginalized masses, specially women. SRSO mobilized rural communities into a three tier structure i-e CO that is neighborhood community group. VO is federation of all Cos at village level. LSO that is the core federation of all VOs located in a single UC. LSO has a crucial role to take out all the developmental work at UC level in different villages at same time. LSO has a vibrant role to ensure to develop the ultimate linkages with government line departments and non-government organizations, donors, agencies and private sectors

Village Mud Khoso is 28 kilometers east-south of Shikarpur on right bank of River Indus. Most of the population is engaged in agricultural, livestock & Labor work activities.

In village Mud Khoso, (Khoso and Shar) two baloach tribes had a conflict over a piece of land, although both the tribes are living in the neighborhood of each other. That tribal clash has taken out the lives of 36 people on both sides. Nasim took the initiative and led a delegation of women of her tribe. They went to the houses of their rival tribe and invited their women to join their organization. They replied: "The people of your tribe will kill our women if we would come there at your side." But Nasim and the other women of delegation took the responsibility of their security. When those women had come to visit the Nasim's village, they were given too much respect and due honor culturally with best manner. Then these

women who were belonging to both tribes made serious appeal to their people to settle the dispute which has crumpled the many families since a period of time. After such involvement of all LSO members the people to both sides agreed to settle the dispute, later on the piece of land which was the bone of contention was eventually distributed among the families of those who had been killed in the conflict. So with this enormous initiatives LSO AWAZ has eradicated this conflict and feudal of both tribes which could not be settled until many years before.

### 2) Construction of LSO Office

Being an active woman Nasim proved that if women become gather for any cause it can be achieved at all, Nasim is the elected head of LSO AWAZ. It was second step/initiative of AWAZ LSO to construct its office, because usually all members felt disturbance to conduct LSO meetings in their houses. It was mutually decided in general body meeting that all 31 VOs of this LSO shall ensure the submission of donation Rs. 5000 per VO.

With this mutual decision the funds of donations had been increased day by day and within a week collected amount of Rs. 150,000. In this way the work of LSO office has initiated on self help basis. In the meantime, Mr. Shoaib Sultan chairmain of SRSO visited this LSO and appreciated the women empowerment and their struggle that they had made to settle such a dispute which had devastated many families of both sides, and awarded 100,000 to this LSO, Simultaneously, Mr. Naheed Shah visited and donated 100,000 for the establishment of LSO office. The entire work was completed in short span of time of six months. This Step has further strengthened the capacity of LSO to work together for poverty reduction and women empowerment under the umbrella of this LSO.

#### 3) Health and Environment

LSO decided to plant trees and draw special attention towards the cleanness of villages in whole UC during in executive body meeting. This agenda came under discussion in General body meeting. After such decision the Sehat Safie committee was assigned a role to ensure the regular and sustainable cleanness of village on permanent basis. Initially towards

environment issue the 3000 plants were planted in 30 different VOs with the support of forest department.

And same villages the Cleanness campaign was started on monthly basis. The work of Sehat Safie committee is being monitored by the members of general body on regular basis.

This committee remains in complete coordination with district administration also; nowadays they (committee members) took active participation in polio campaign in district Shikarpur. LSO Mud Khoso provided 3 Hand pumps to those families who are not able to purchase the hand pump on their own basis to seek the fresh drinking water.

### 4) Education

Education is the basic right of every child. In this perspective LSO AWAZ conducted different coordination meetings with District Education department officials. With the support of Govt and community LSO has functionalized 3 non functional schools; there is 800 attendance including 545 boys & 315 girls. Executive committee members' are conducting monthly meetings at COs, VOs and LSO level where they are sensitizing the parents regarding the importance of education and to be focusing on quality education.

### 5) Women's rights

LSO Prepared 650 new CNIC'S for showing their empowerment of women as they realized that, women have their own identity and productive counterpart of this society.

LSO members arranged marriage of a widow lady who is very happy in her new home with her children now.

### 6) Employment generation for the youth

LSO representative have firm believe that, Illiteracy and unemployment are the root causes of loss of lives in conflicts with each other. Women of this area were sensitized by LSO activist to send their children in armed forces as they may earn and go outside from circle of poverty and ignorance. Finally, every VO agreed to send their youngster in armed forces. In

last year, 52 young men were selected in Army from UC Mungrani LSO of AWAZ. This was the commendable achievement of this LSO and will open the avenue of prosperity and well beings.

### The LSO Mehran

District: Shikarpur

Union Council: Bhirkan Tehsil Lakhi Ghulam Shah

Total Houses in Union Council: 2,534

Organized House Holds: 2,453 (97%)

Number of VOs: 33 (all women)

Number of COs: 139 (all women)

Number of General body Members: 33 (all women)

Number of Executive Body Members: 13 (all women)

#### Self-Initiatives

#### 1. Education

The LSO has given first priority to the education of their children at least in every village first.

The women of this area raised the issue of out of school children in general body meeting

with this discussion they started to focus on those children who were regularly out of school and were not going to school with certain reasons. With mutual decision of LSO members every VO was assigned the responsibility to prepare the list of those children who are still out of school and shall be shared with the executive body of this LSO.



Finally, Executive body planned an enrollment campaign and enrolled 654 children in these schools amongst which 242 were baby girls and 412 boys. LSO office bearers conducted

regular meetings with teachers for effective delivery of education to all children in same fashion.

#### 2. Environment

To keep environment neat & clean the plantation is initiated in entire union council by LSO Mehran. This activity is launched by Local Support Organization Mehran with collaboration of Forest Department Govt of Sindh. The Tree plantation campaign aimed to enhance beauty of their villages and increasing sense of collective efforts for resolving their social issues through platform of Local Support Organization. During this campaign the 1458 of trees planted in entire union council and it was shared the chairperson of LSO that plants are the beauty of nature that is provided by Allah and we unable to get benefits from it. DRR & DRM is new concept generated in the minds of rural masses after the flood response. They plan to plant the trees in bank of river Indus and different canals which reduce the breaches of water during rainy and flood seasons also. They also conducted different health sessions in different Villages Organizations VOs & Community Organization COs in order to sensitize the community regarding importance of greenery in the union council.

LSO also initiated a campaign on cleanliness in each village before VO meeting every month.

#### 3. Health

Dr. Kishore Kumar Khatri DO Health Shikarpur, conducted detailed meeting it was decided that LSO would support through LSO platform where Health Department have need of female for polio drops and vaccination. Dr. Kishore further disclosed that polio vaccination facilities had also been provided in all public sector hospitals, health centers and dispensaries. Also he appealed to parents, religious leaders, civil society members, LSO staff and public representatives to play their role

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three days work in respective union councils and effectively executed the Village Organization VOs members in this noble cause. There are 71895 children have benefited from joints efforts of district health department and LSO members.

The females from Local Support Organization LSO actively participated in anti polio campaign Union Council Bhirkan taluka Lakhi at District Shikarpur. District Government-Health signed MoU with LSO Mehran to launch the Polio program at Union Council Level. Per employee will take PKR 400 per day. All of the children of UC are given anti polio drops/vaccine which is being imparted in all villages at same time.

Now LSO has intended to start the campaign for the personal health & hygiene,

6 trained TBA beneficiaries are doing job in HRD –SRSO their monthly income is PKR 12,000/per month

### 4. Women's rights

One day workshop for gender & development was organized in UC Bhirkan where 40 women of this UC participated in it. Women were sensitized regarding the gender issue.

Mobile Camp of NADRA was arranged /established and 1,500 CNICs were made.

#### 5. Employment generation and business development

Economic growth is essential to address the unemployment, gender equality, health and other poverty related issues nationwide. Enterprise development is the key of economic development. Keeping in view the same idea, 4 women BDG group of this LSO Mehran linked with SABA Pakistan to find the new avenues for business. LSO Mehran took order from SABA Pakistan to local artisan BDG (Business Development Group) and order placed of Rs. 233,465 and 10% in LSO fund. 4 girls of this LSO were appointed as a vocational skill trainer by SRSO.

## **Experience Sharing Workshop of LSOs**

Date: 01.07.2012

Venue: Village Dahar UC Sehwani.

Chaired by: Fazullah Qureshi Chairman SRSO

S.No	Name of Participants	Designation		
1	Fazuallah Qureshi	Chairman SRSO Islamabad		
2	Shereen Narejo	Coordinator GoS Karachi		
3	Dr. Sono Khangrani	CEO SRSO Sukkur		
4	M.Hashim leghari	COO SRSO Sukkur		
5	Dr. Ghulam Rasool Samejo	Team leader UCBPRP SRSO Sukkur.		
6	Abdul Latif Soomro	DM Shikarpur		
8	LSOs	35 representatives		



This workshop started with the recitation of Glorious Quran, and then Dr. Ghulam Rasool Samejo Team leader SRSO started his introduction and other team member of head office & BoD SRSO as well as of a District office. Mr. Abdul Latif Soomro DM Shikarpur welcomed



to all participants of LSOs as well as BoD SRSO. He also explained the main purpose of this workshop is to exchange sharing and learning from each other regarding initiatives of LSOs for poverty reduction through empowerment of women.

The opportunity is given to every LSOs leader for sharing achievements and initiatives for empowering the women of their concerned UCs for the reduction of poverty. It was very informative and learning workshop for LSOs which boost up its encouragement and enhanced competition among with each other.

It was the open platform for the leaders of LSOs to share their concerns and achievements with each other.

In this workshop SRSO provided facilitation role and opportunity to sit together at one place for emerging leaders of women in their concerned UCs as it gives great exposure in this regard. It was the dream of SRSO Women comes forward to fight for poverty reduction through empowerment of women.



BoD and CEO SRSO were inspired form the sharing experience of emerging leaders of LSOs and amazed to know the intensity of awareness for their rights as well as struggle of the women in the respect of poverty reduction. All participants appreciated and encouraged the efforts taken by these women of LSOs. The dream of GoS and SRSO is tuned into reality and this is the achievement of both the partners.

## Meeting with Deputy Commissioner Shikarpur District

**Date**: 12.17.2012

Venue: DC Office Shikarpur.

Chaired by: Syed Azhar Hussain (DC Shikarpur)

S. No	Name of Participants	Designation		
1	Syed Azhar Hussain	DC Shikarpur		
2	Javed Ali Jagirani	ADC-II Shikarpur		
3	Dr. Ghulam Rasool Samejo	Team leader SRSO Sukkur.		
4	Naimatuallah Shiekh	Manager SSS SRSO		
5	Shahid Iftikhair Shah	PM NRSP		
6	Abdul Latif Soomro	DM SRSO SRSO		
7	Nasurallah Kolachi	HRD professional Shikarpur		
8	Maqsood AK Baloch	MER Professional Shikarpur.		

Meeting started with the recitation of holly book, and then Dr. Ghulam Rasool Samejo Team

leader SRSO started his introduction and other team member of head office as well as of a District office. He also presented in detail regarding different interventations and projects with other stakeholders of SRSO, Program Strategies, PSC, outcomes, brief introduction of catchment rural area, different sectors of SRSO like Social Mobilization, Human Resource Development, Gender Development, Enterprise Development, MHI, Sehat Salamat card, Claves distribution and their working methodologies



Deputy Commissioner took great interest in activities like IGG, CIF, Flood affected rehabilitations constructed houses, Low cost house schemes, CO, VO and LSO plate form for organizing community. DC asked questions regarding mechanism of all intervention of SRSO in detail, monthly publication of achievement. Dr. Ghulam Rasool Samejo highlighted the story of VO Mud Khoso. Documentary of SRSO was the last segment of this briefing.

### After detailed meeting below Action Points were mutually decided:

- Mr. Javed Ali ADC-II is responsible to read the MoU submitted by SRSO in domain of education and put their valuable suggestion & guidelines till to Monday July 16, 2012.
- Mr. Latif Soomro (DM SRSO) will responsible to collect the MoU on decided date from DC office.
- Mr. Azhar Shah (DC Shikarpur) offers to SRSO management to use the premises of government like circuit houses, training hall & conference room on the time of need.
- SRSO would submit their printing material including Annual, Quarterly, monthly, outreach and brushers to DC Shikarpur.
- DC nominated Mr. Javed Ali as the focal person for SRSO future correspondence.
- DC reviewed SRSO contribution in anti-polio campaigns. However he sought SRSO to participate in upcoming polio campaign (July 16-18, 2012) through LSOs.
- Deputy Commissioner ordered to ADC-II to note down strategies of MHI to work out like
   SRSO as District Government would consume budget of health sector in proper way.

Finally, DC appreciated the efforts of Sindh Rural Support Organization for poverty reduction through fruitful interventions.

Activity Plan of District Jacobabad for the Year of 2012-13							
	Total Project Targets	Achievement As of June, 2012	Remaining	Quarter wise Plan of 2012-13			
Activity				Qtr 1	Qtr 2	Qtr 3	Qtr 4
Poverty Score Card Survey	29	29	-	-	-	-	-
House Holds Organized	84,893	84,893	-	-	-	-	-
CO Formed	5,074	5,074	-	-	-	-	-
VO Formed	1,811	1,811	-	-	-	-	-
LSO Formed	15	3	12	5	7	-	-
Income Generating Grants	2,000	1,361	639	150	250	189	50
Community Investment Fund [Band-0-18]	29,094	11,410	17,684	2,500	8,000	5,000	2,184
Vocational Training Band [0-18]	5,811	5,811	-	-	-	-	-
Community Physical Infrastructure	50	-	50	20	30	-	-
Low Cost Housing Schemes	1,530	130	1,400	400	1,000	-	-
Enterprise Development	1	-	1	1	-	-	-
CO-Capacity Building	10,148	9,835	313	200	113	-	-
VO-Capacity Building	10,866	7,285	3,581	1,181	2,400	-	-
Capacity Building of Village Subject specialists (Traditional Birth Attendants)	450	450	-	-	-	-	-
Provision of CIF to LSOs	15	-	15	2	8	5	-
LSO Capacity Building	60	-	60	10	30	20	-
LSO Conference	4	-	4	1	1	1	1
LSOS members to be sent on Exposure Visits	45	-	45	10	20	15	-
Rehab Activities -Construction of Houses	3,000	3,050	(50)	-	-	-	-
Rehab Activities - Provision of Forced Hand pumps & Latrine to Households	1,615	2,376	(761)	-	-	-	-
Rehab Activities -Sanitation & Brick Paving of Streets in Villages	17	17	-	-	-	-	-