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### Sensitization workshop with Women Development Department-Govt. of Sindh KARACHI/JUNE4, 2021

SRSO under the HelpAge International supported Promoting Rights of Older People Project organized a sensitization workshop for the Women Development Department-Govt. of Sindh officials at the Minister Women Development Karachi office. The main objective of the sensitization workshops was to orient Women's development department Officials about the Sindh Senior Citizens Welfare Act 2014 and their role in the effective implementation of the law.





## Promoting Rights of Older People (HelpAge International supported)

A networking meeting of Buzarg Dost Network (BDN) was held with Women Development Department, Govt. of Sindh at Sindh Secretariat Karachi.

KARACHI/JUNE 07, 2021

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) has formed Buzarg Dost Network (BDN) in Karachi under the HelpAge International supported "Promoting Rights of Older People Project" with an aim to provide a platform for raising issues of older people, doing advocacy, and strengthening coordination among the stakeholders for the welfare of older people. A networking meeting of Buzarg Dost Network (BDN) was held with Women Development Department, Govt. of Sindh at Sindh Secretariat Karachi on 7 June 2021 with an objective to connect BDN members with the Women Development Department in order to discuss public-private partnership for the establishment of shelter homes for older people in different districts of Sindh.

Secretary Women Development Department, Director, Additional Secretary, Deputy Secretary, Deputy Director Women Development Department, and Heads of shelters homes attended the meeting. Four BDN members who were heads of different shelters homes shared their existing services and systems and showed interest in becoming partners with the government in this great cause. During the meeting, it has been agreed that Shelter Homes will share their proposal with Women Development Department.



BADIN/JUNE 02, 2021

## Managerial Activist Conference (MAC) was organized under Peoples' Poverty Reduction Programme-Govt. of Sindh

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) district Badin organized the Managerial Activist Conference (MAC) at Village UC Abdullah Shah Taluak Badin. Mr. Taaj Muhammad Mallah Member Provincial Assembly (MPA), Mr. Agha Shahnawaz (Deputy Commissioner-Badin), and Mr. Muhammad Younus Rind (Assistant Commissioner-Taluka Badin) were the chief guests. DM-SRSO welcomed the guests and all participants and briefed them about the SRSO interventions under the Sindh Govt. supported PPRP in the district. On this occasion, the Local Support Organization (LSO) UC Seerani leader and UC Abdullah Shah presented the progress of the LSOs, Programme activities, and key issues and development needs of the area. MPA and DC Badin appreciated the efforts of SRSO to reduce poverty from the rural areas with CIs. The cheques were distributed to 18 beneficiaries of Low-Cost Housing of poor Household of UC Abdullah Shah Talula Badin.

Managerial Activist Conference (MAC) is a regular activity of the Peoples' Poverty Reduction Programme-Govt. of Sindh, which has been planned and conducted at the UC level in order to provide a platform to all stakeholders from elected representatives, district administration, govt. line departments, community institutions, CSO, and SRSO for strengthening coordination and sharing issues and progress of the Programme.







SRSO COMPLEX SUKKUR/JUNE21, 2021

## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) CEREMONY BETWEEN SINDH RURAL SUPPORT ORGANIZATION (SRSO) AND SUKKUR IBA UNIVERSITY (SIBAU)

A ceremony of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) and Sukkur IBA University (SIBAU) was conducted at SRSO complex Sukkur. Professor Dr. Syed Mir Muhammad Shah (Vice-Chancellor-SIBAU) and Mr. Muhammad Dittal Kalhoro (CEO-SRSO) signed the MOU. Under the signed MoU both institutions will collaborate and support each other regarding exploring and sharing experience, learning, and expertise through conducting training, research, develop case studies, engaging human resources, internships, final year projects. Mr. Muhammad Dittal Kalhoro (CEO-SRSO) welcomed to SIBAU and congratulations on being a formal partner in development. On this occasion, CEO-SRSO further said, "SRSO and SIBAU were working earlier in different tasks and assignments and whenever we have called IBA for supporting and they have always guided as well. However, now we will be collaborating regularly with each other. The Late Professor Mr. Nisar Ahmed Siddique Sahib the founder of Sukkur IBA University was a great asset of Sindh and part of SRSO as a BoD member. He visited many times SRSO and always guided and inspired the SRSO team."

Mr. Niaz Hingro (Sr. Manager IMSD-SRSO) formally welcomed the guests and participants on attending the ceremony and briefly tolled the objectives of signing this MoU. Dr. Altaf Hussain Samo Director-Executive Development Center-EDC said IMSD-SRSO and EDC-Sukkur IBA jointly worked in different capacity-building initiatives. SRSO-IMSD and IBA-EDC will lead both institutions to undertake and follow the actions into practice.

The MoU will provide faculty, researchers, students, and innovators at the Sukkur IBA and SRSO Management and team to explore potential activities ranging from joint research projects, support in research, and training to professional development programs exchange of knowledge and skills, and opportunity to human resources.

Guests were honored with cultural souvenirs and gifts. Senior team members of both institutions attended the ceremony.





## The Joint Development Committee [JDC] of the Taluka Kamber Ali Khan Meeting at the Assistant Commissioner's Office. AC Taluka Kamber chaired the meeting

Kamber-Shahdadkot/June 21, 2021

Sindh Rural Support Organization District Kamber-Shahdadkot under the European Union-funded SUCCESS Programme held the third meeting of the Joint Development Committee [JDC] of the Taluka Kamber Ali Khan at the Assistant Commissioner's Office. Mr. Munawar Abbas [AC-Kamber Ali Khan], chaired the meeting, whereas, Mr. Basheer Chandio (TEO education officer) Mr. Iqbal Ahmed Shaikh (NCHD) Mr. Waqar Ahmed assistant director (Social Welfare), Dr. Akhtiar Ali (Additional Director), Dr. Saeed Ahmed Tunio (AMS DHQ Kamber), Mr. Babar Ali Memon (Director CSDS Organization), Ms. Rehana Shaikh (EPM Consultant), Mr. Asad Jatoti (DM-KSK), and the LSO-N Representatives attended the meeting.

DM-SRSO Mr. Asad Jatoti briefed the participants about the EU-Funded SUCCESS and PINS Programme and presented the targets and progress in Taluka under the mentioned projects. Then LSO-N shared the implementation status of development plans of their respective LSOs of the Union Councils. Meeting ended with closing remarks by the Assistant Commissioner in which he appreciated the work of the SRSO and the LSO leaders that they have dared to come forward and became a VOICE of the community. In addition, he appreciated their participation in the meetings.



## District Joint Development Committee (JDC) meeting under EU funded SUCCESS Programme was held at DC office and chaired by Deputy Commissioner Kamber-Shahdadkot

Kamber-Shahdadkot/23.2021

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) district Kamber-Shahdadkot under the EU funded Success Programme, Meeting of Joint Development Committee (JDC) held at Darbar Hall DC office Kamber-Shahdadkot. Deputy Commissioner of Kamber-Shahdadkot Mr. Qamar Raza Baloch chaired the meeting. ADCs, ACs, and representatives from IHS, PPHI, Health, Agriculture, Livestock, PHED, LGD, Social welfare departments, Officials of RSPN and SRSO, and members of LSO Network attended the meeting.

Mr. Jamal Mustafa Shoro (Regional General Manager -SRSO) shared the objective of the formation of JDC that is the strengthening of Community Institutions fostered by SRSO in rural Sindh and coordination with Govt. line departments. Representatives of the LSO network shared the progress and self-initiative taken by LSOs highlighted issues that rural communities are facing.

DC- Mr. Qamar appreciated the Community leaders and said they should start an enrollment campaign in remote areas to create awareness among the parents to get their children enrolled in schools for reducing the huge number of out-of-school children in the district.



# Brief Success stories of the PPAF-IFAD supported NPGP -GoP from District Kashmore-Kandhkot Sindh.

**SRSO IS IMPLEMENTING THE NATIONAL POVERTY GRADUATION PROGRAMME (NPGP) FROM 2019, IN A PARTNERSHIP WITH THE PAKISTAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION FUND (PPAF) WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN AND THE INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT (IFAD), IN SHIKARPUR AND KASHMORE@KANDHKOT DISTRICTS. THE OVERALL GOAL OF THE PROGRAMME IS TO ASSIST THE ULTRA-POOR AND VERY POOR IN GRADUATING OUT OF POVERTY ON A SUSTAINABLE BASIS, SIMULTANEOUSLY IMPROVING THEIR OVERALL FOOD SECURITY, NUTRITIONAL STATUS, AND RESILIENCE TO CLIMATE CHANGE.**

Ms. Zar Bibi received mobile shop items a few months back through the NPGP project. Her son is selling items and repairs mobile phones. He is also providing training for two more family members in the repair and maintenance of Mobile phones. This is good to note that two more young men will be ready technically in this business. This supported beneficiary family earns Rs.12000.00 per month and is happy with the business and assured to enhance the profit by more efforts.



Naseem Khattoon is also a member of village Sattarabad. Her family's conditions were not good, because her husband was doing daily wage labor on Sugar Cane Juice machine shop. When the SRSO team conducted the family and enquired about their vision and plan about doing business, Naseem said, " I want we have owned a sugar machine, start a business, and get a prosperous life. SRSO provided them this machine and now they are doing this business nearby home and earning Rs. 800 to 1000 daily and Naseem and Shoban stated a journey to their vision for a prosperous life.



His electricity and solar spare parts shop supported through the NPGP program. Son of Ms. Kambli bai is doing this business. Earlier he was earning Rs. 300 per but this value addition, he is earning Rs. 700-800 per day. He is happy with support and value addition.



Ms. Moomal Khatoom, VO Zakir Hussain Domki, taluka Kashmore received kiriyana items under the NPGP project. Her son is doing this business and earning a net profit of Rs. 900 per day. The family happy through this support.



**(Compiled notes by Mr. Manzoor Jalbani-DM-SRSO Kashmore-Kandhkot )**



# THE WORLD ELDER ABUSE DAY WAS OBSERVED BY SRSO

## UNDER PROMOTING RIGHTS OF OLDER PEOPLE

### Jacobabad and Shikarpur/June 15 and 19, 2021

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) with the support of Old People Associations (OPAs) organized rallies on eve of World Elder Abuse Awareness Day at Jacobabad and Shikarpur. OPAs, community institutions, journalists, civil society activists, SRSO, HelpAge International, and Social Welfare Department representatives participated in rallies. The main purpose of the rallies was to spread awareness amongst the people about ending the injustice to elderly persons.

On the occasion, OPA representatives told to media “we are treated disrespectfully, we feel dishonor and disregard in society because we reached in old age life.” They urged Sindh Government, which has also passed the Senior Citizens Welfare Act in 2014, but there is a need to implement those laws so that rights could be provided to the elderly persons and undertake social security. They demanded, “There is a need to include a chapter in our curriculum to educate our young generation about the rights of older people. We need to focus on the rights of our senior citizens and treat them well with a rational approach to safeguard the rights of older people.”



### The World Elder Abuse Awareness Day was observed in PC Hotel Karachi by Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO). Chairperson of Senior Citizens' Council Govt. of Sindh was the chief guest. Karachi/June 15, 2021

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) under the Project “Promoting Rights of Older People” supported by HelpAge International observed the World Elder Abuse Awareness Day at PC Hotel Karachi. This is a global social issue not only affects the health of older people but also diminishes the rights of millions of older people.

Ms. Shamim Mumtaz, (Chairperson of Senior Citizens Council-Govt. of Sindh) was the chief guest on the occasion and representatives of Civil Society, Old People Associations, Buzurg Dost Network, Social Welfare Department, Senior Citizens Council, and media participated and shared their views regarding day and issues of older people. It was an awareness-raising program and speakers discussed challenges & issues being faced by elder people and ensure implementation of the Senior Citizen Act 2014. Chairperson SCC-GoS appreciated the efforts of SRSO for the promoting rights of older people and tolled about role of council for the welfare of these people.





# World Environment Day was celebrated by SRSO in collaboration with Community Institutions under the EU funded Programme for Improved Nutrition In Sindh (PINS-ER-III)

Larkana, Kamber-Shahdadkot & Shikarpur/June 5, 2021



World Environment Day is observed every year on 05 June across the globe. This year, the day was hosted by Pakistan with the theme "Ecosystem Restoration," and focus on resetting our relationship with nature.

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) under European Union (EU) funded "Programme for Improved Nutrition in Sindh" (PINS) organized awareness events and seminars in different villages of Shikarpur, Larkana, and Kamber-Shahdadkot districts to commemorate World Environment Day of 2021.

On the occasion, representatives of community institutions, officials from the Forest, Agriculture, Education, Environmental Protection Agency, and other stakeholders participated and shared their views regarding the importance of WED and tree plantation for a clean and green environment and its impacts on the lives, health, and climate. They appreciated the efforts of community institutions fostered by SRSO and said that empowering women from local communities has made a difference. Officials of the Forest Department also conducted tree planting and SRSO distributed 200 Moringa plants.





## The Low-Cost Housing is providing safe, quality, and reliable facility to Poor of the Poor Households of the Rural Communities under Government of Sindh supported Peoples' Poverty Reduction Programme.

A safe shelter has been known as a basic need and right of each person. It provides safe and secure life to a family from any calamity and risk. Therefore, The Low-Cost Housing (LCH) has been included as an important component of the ongoing Peoples' Poverty Reduction Programme (PPRP)-Government of Sindh. Under the LCH, SRSO is supporting targeted 9,623 poor households (Poverty Score Card 0-11) through the construction of a house with an aligned facility i.e. washroom, hand pump, or solar in 6 Programme districts.

Low-Cost Housing (LCH) is the main component of the Sindh Government-supported Peoples' Poverty Reduction Programme (PPR). The main objective of this component is to provide reliable and minimum living solutions to beneficiaries with dignity and pride of self-ownership. These houses have been constructed with the active participation and ownership of women of the houses.

Under PPRP-GoS, total targeted 9,623 Low-Cost Houses (LCHs) will be constructed in 6 Programme covering districts. Meanwhile, at the end of May 2021 3,507 LCHs have been also constructed successfully in Khairpur 456, Sanghar 891, Umerkot 735, Mirpurkhas 511, Badin 365, and Thatta 549 respectively.



Summary of constructed LCHs-PPRP-GoS May 2021



Sahiban w/o Hussain belongs to a poor family and she is a member of CO Rukhsana and VO Kanbhoo Samoon at village Kanbhoo Samoon UC Faqeer Abdullah District Umerkot. Her husband is selling milk to survive life and earn 300 to 400 PKR on daily basis. She has 10 children of which 06 daughters and 04 sons. She was living with her family in Kacha House, which was also partially damaged and unable to live conditions. She was facing many problems during rain and hot season etc. When SRSO launched Govt. of Sindh financed PPRP in her village, her HH surveyed through poverty scorecard, and she showed ultra-poor as in PSC 05. Therefore, after that, she becomes a member of CO Rukhsana and developed her micro-investment plan of low-cost houses. Then SRSO supported her 110000 PKR for the construction of a house and allied facility latrine. Then she got an effort and completed her house and latrine. She says, "Now, we are living a very comfortable life and living is better than the previous lifestyle." She added her feeling "we are also feeling free and safe from effects of rains and hot season and other risks."

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### Success Story of A Beneficiary Household of Low-Cost-Housing (LCH)





# SRSO- Media Coverage Highlights June, 2021

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## Sukkur IBA University signed MoU with Sindh Rural Support program under its industry-academia collaboration initiative

Adeel Alvi June 22, 2021 1 minute read



SUKKUR: The MoU signed by Chief Executive Officer (CEO) SRSO, Muhammad Dittal Kalhoro and Vice-Chancellor Sukkur IBA University, Prof Dr Syed Mir Muhammad Shah at SRSO head office.

The MOU is inked to ensure that Sukkur IBA University and Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) facilitate



## Sukkur IBA signed MoU with the Sindh Rural Support Program

opening case studies and students' placement for internship, final year projects and job inductions. The Career Development Center and Executive Development Center of Sukkur IBA University would initiate the MoU deliverables from Sukkur IBA and Institute of Management and Skill Development department would take the lead from SRSO side. Both the parties re-iterated their mission of serving the community through their initiatives and enhancing the ties in other areas as well.

## شکارپور بزرگ شہریوں سان تینڈر بیلدوسٹی جی عالمی ڈھائی تی سجاگی ریلی

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## SRSO, Help Age International observe World Elder Abuse Awareness Day.

June 19, 2021

By: Adeel Alvi

SHIKARPUR: The World Elder Abuse Awareness Day was observed by the SRSO and Help Age International by taking out a rally to spread awareness amongst the people to bring an end to the injustice to the elderly persons. The Advocacy Communication

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## Sukkur IBA University, SRSO sign MoU



SUKKUR: The Chief Executive Officer of the SRSO Muhammad Dittal Kalhoro and Vice Chancellor Sukkur IBA University Prof Dr Syed Mir Muhammad Shah signed MoU at the SRSO head office on Tuesday Sukkur IBA University and the Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) inked MoU to work together in the areas of trainings, capacity building, research work and developing case studies and students' placement for internship, final year projects and job inductions. The Career Development Center and Executive Department would take the

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## سکھر: سرسو اور آئی بی اے یونیورسٹی کے درمیان تجربات، تحقیقات، تہنمندی اور تربیت کے حوالے سے یادداشت نامہ پر دستخط کر دیے گئے

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## شکارپور: بزرگ شہریوں سے بدسلوکی کے عالمی دن پر ریلی کا انعقاد

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# SRSO- Pictorial Highlights June,2021

