



# NEWSLETTER

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**COMMUNITY CONFERENCE**  
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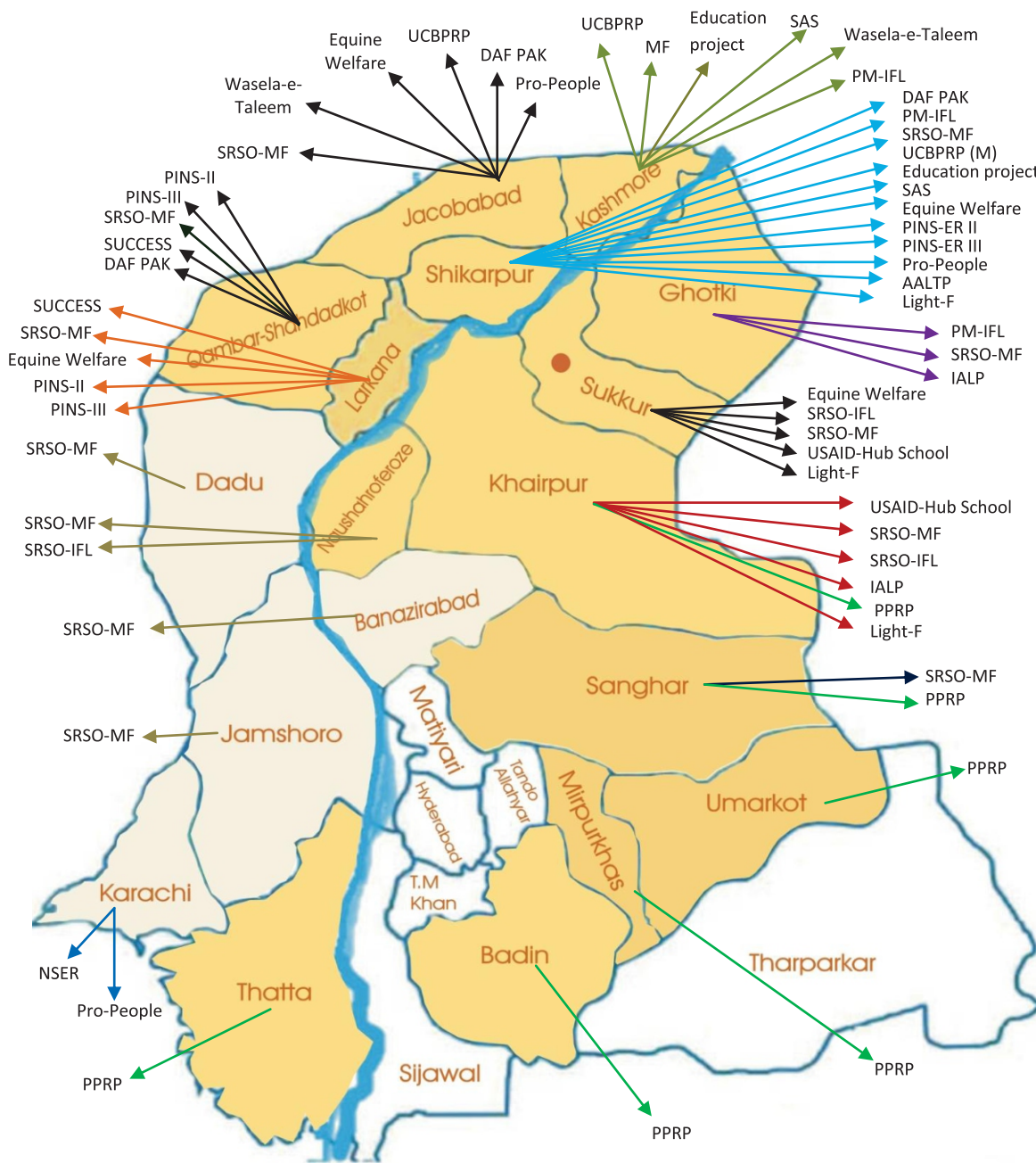
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## Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) Operational Area



### ON GOING PROJECTS

- UCBPRP**  
Union Council Based Poverty Reduction Programme  
Funded by: P&D-GoS
- Equine Welfare Project**  
Funded by: BROOKE
- PPRP**  
Peoples Poverty Reduction Programme  
Funded by: GoS
- SRSO-Microfinance**  
Funded by: SRSO
- SEF- Assisted School (SAS) Program**  
Funded by: SEF
- Education Project**  
Funded by: CDP-GoS
- PM-IFL**  
(Prime Minister Interest Free Loan)  
Funded by: PPAF-GoP
- USAID-Hub School**  
Funded by: USAID-GoS
- SUCCESS**  
(Sindh Union Council and Community Economic Strengthening Support Program  
Funded by: European Union (EU)
- SRSO-IFL**  
(Interest Free Loan)  
Funded by: GOS
- AALTP**  
Adolescent & Adult Learning & Training Program  
Funded by: SEF - GoS
- IALP**  
(Improving Adolescent live in Pakistan  
Funded by: IKEA-UNICEF
- PINS**  
(Programme for Improved Nutrition in Sindh)  
Funded by: P&D-GoS - EU
- DAF PAK**  
Delivering Accelerated Family Planning in Pakistan  
Funded by: PSI - DFID
- Wasela-e-Taleem**  
Funded by: BISP-GoP
- NSER**  
National Socio Economic Registry  
Funded by: BISP-GoP
- Light-F**  
Livelihood Improvement for Growth and Transformation of the Female  
Funded by: JICA
- Pro-People**  
Promotion of the Rights of Older People in Pakistan (Pro-People) Sindh  
Funded by: HelpAge Germany & BMZ

### VISION

To perceive Socially and Economically empowered Communities especially the marginalized ones and helping create a proactive Community Organizations by attitudinal change by setting free people's Potentials and willingness to alleviate poverty.

### MISSION

To meet the challenge of battering poverty and help the poor to get above the poverty line and have a standard life. To help marginalized rural people harness their potential to bring about change in their quality of life on a self help basis.

### OBJECTIVES

- To unleash people's potential and willingness to alleviate poverty in Sindh
- To reinforce and compliment Government of Pakistan's policy of Poverty Alleviation
- To support and strengthen Government of Sindh's efforts to translate Poverty reduction strategies into actions

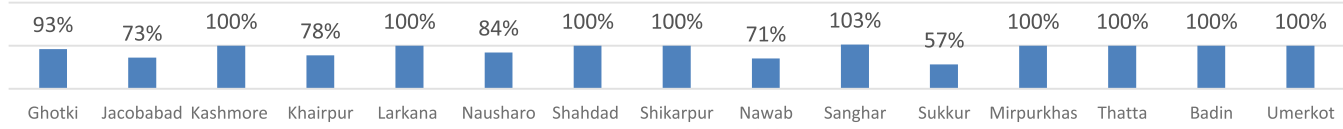


### SRSO Cumulative Achievement as of September 2019

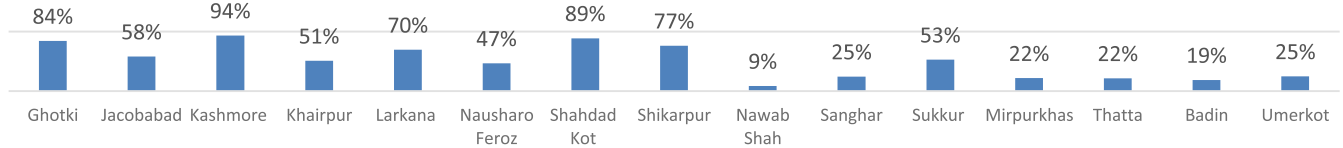
S. No.	Key Performance Indicators	Achievement as of June 2019	Achievement as of September 2019	% increase during Qtr	
1	No. of Operational Districts	15	15	-	
2	No. of Union Councils with SRSO presence	680	680	-	
3	No. of Taluka with SRSO presence	81	81	-	
4	No. of villages with SRSO presence	16,741	17,026	0.2%	
5	No. of Household Organized	1,079,628	1,153,728	0.1%	
6	VO Formation	11,711	12,307	0.1%	
7	LSO Formation	408	448	0.1%	
8	CO- Formation	Female	59,375	68,104	0.1%
		Male	2,383	2,383	-
		Mix	40	40	-
		Total	61,798	70,527	14%
9	CO-Membership	Female	1,040,966	1,115,066	7%
		Male	38,662	38,662	-
		Total	1,079,628	1,153,728	7%
10	Community Saving (In million)	Female	189.829	191.699	1%
		Male	6.80	6.80	-
		Total	196.629	198.499	1%
11	Income Generating Grant (IGG) Amount Disbursed (In Million)	205.45	268.5	31%	
	No. of IGG Beneficiaries	17,863	22,570	26%	
12	Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount disbursed (In Million)	1,934.36	2,221.66	15%	
	No. of CIF Beneficiaries	165,162	184,307	12%	
13	Total amount of Microcredit disbursed (In Million)	14,519.41	14,895.83	3%	
	No. of Beneficiaries of Micro Credit Programme	678,447	689,952	2%	
14	No of Community members trained in vocational skill Training	65,414	66,857	2%	
15	No of Community members trained	333,472	338,820	2%	
16	Community Members trained as TBAs	4,777	4,777	-	
17	Micro Health Insurance (Clients)	753,437	738,185	4%	
	Community Members Insured in Micro Health Insurance (Head Count)	672,339	672,747	0.1%	
18	No. of Community Physical Infrastructure (CPIs)	26,616	26,616	-	
	Total amount of CPIs (In Millions)	1,417	1,417	-	
	Total Beneficiary Households	248,017	248,017	-	
19	No of Low Cost Houses	19,246	19,873	3%	
20	No of Poultry layers distributed	19,521	19,521	-	
21	No of trees Planted	839,386	839,386	-	
22	No of Kitchen Gardening	15,878	15,878	-	



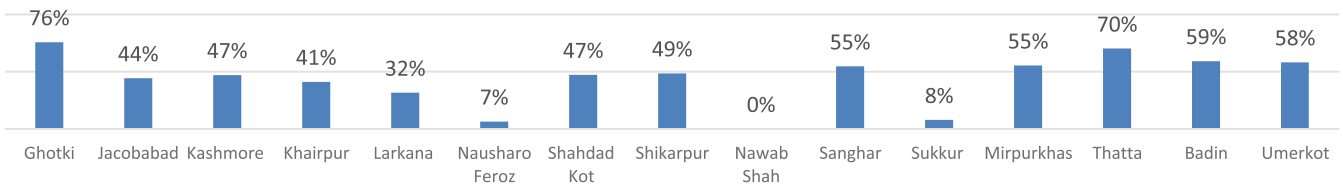
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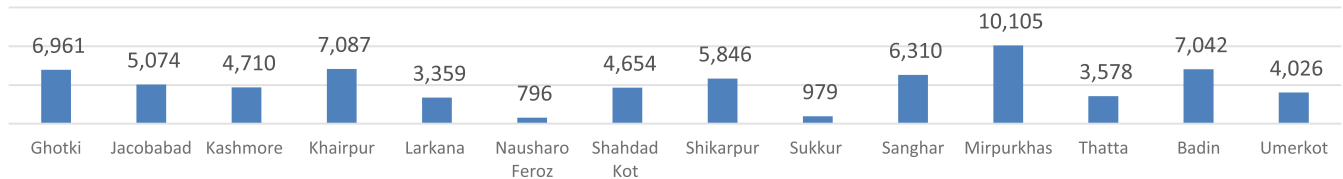
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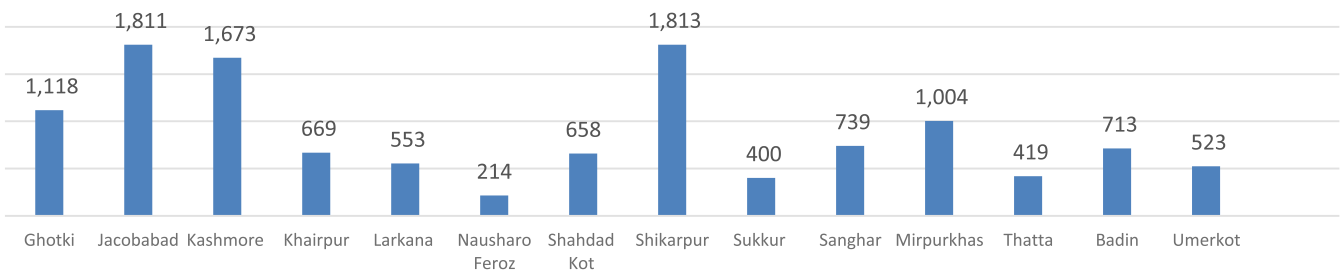
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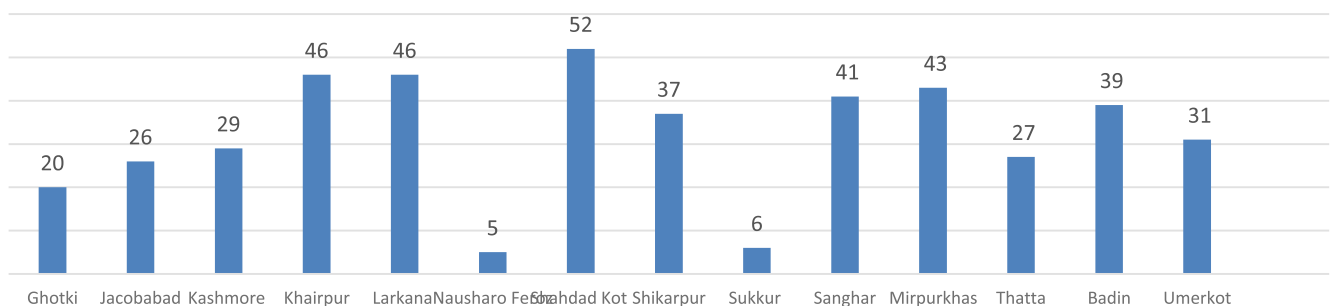
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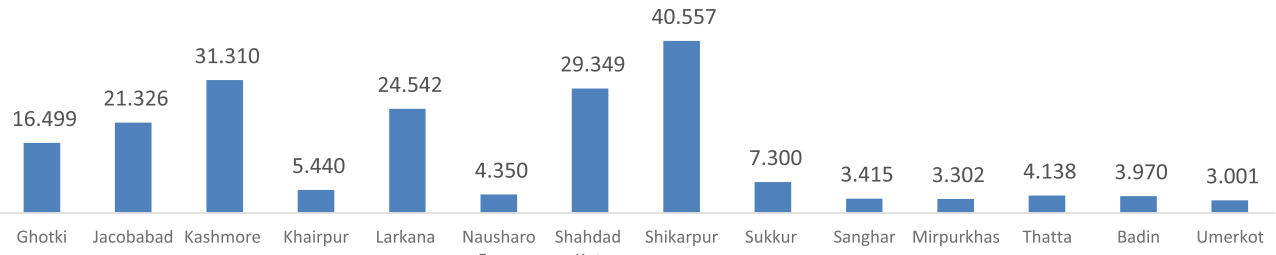
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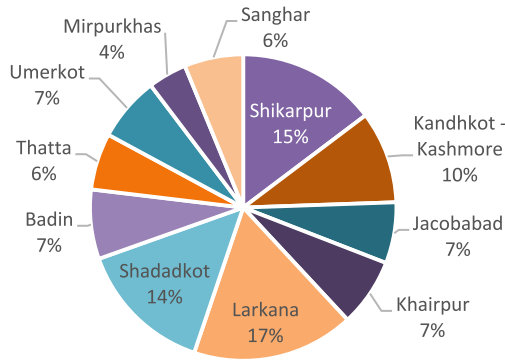
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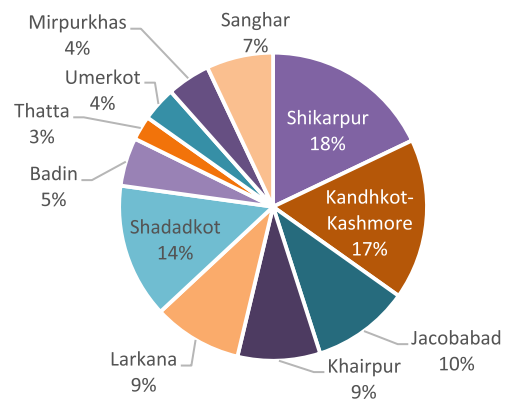
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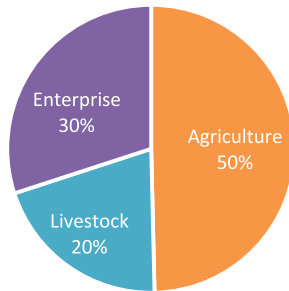
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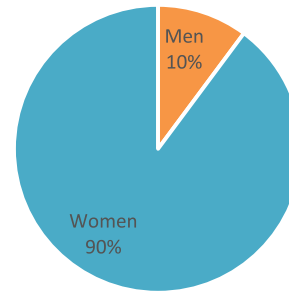
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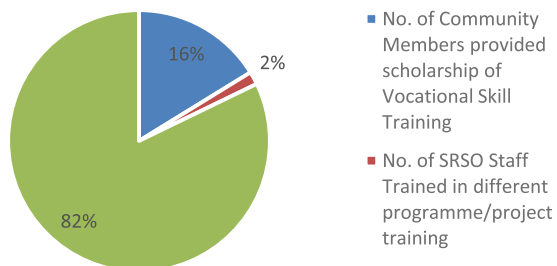
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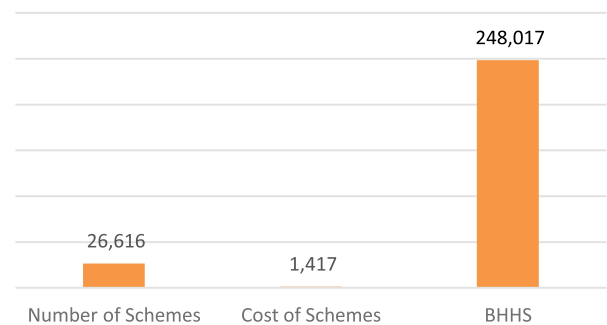
**GENDER WISE MICROCREDIT DISBURSMENT AS OF SEPTEMBER 2019**



**SUMMARY OF STAFF & COMMUNITY MEMBERS TRAINED AS OF SEPTEMBER 2019**



**SUMMARY OF CPI AS OF SEPTEMBER 2019**





### Geographical Coverage

S. No.	District		Total No. of area in the District	# of SRSO intervened area as of June 2019	# of SRSO intervened area as of Sept: 2019	% increase during Qtr	% of total area coverage as of Sept: 2019
1	Ghotki	Union Council	40	37	37	-	93%
		Village	2,464	2,080	2,080	-	84%
		Household	159,314	120,767	120,767	-	76%
2	Jacobabad	Union Council	40	29	29	-	73%
		Village	3,110	1,811	1,811	-	58%
		Household	191,633	84,893	84,893	-	44%
3	Kashmore - Kandhkot	Union Council	37	37	37	-	100%
		Village	1,786	1,673	1,673	-	94%
		Household	170,421	80,345	80,345	-	47%
4	Khairpur	Union Council	76	59	59	-	78%
		Village	3,254	1,624	1,663	2%	51%
		Household	305,137	104,724	125,784	20%	41%
5	Larkana	Union Council	47	47	47	-	100%
		Village	1,590	1,107	1,113	0.54%	70%
		Household	217,208	68,324	68,837	0.75%	32%
6	Naushahro Feroz	Union Council	51	43	43	-	84%
		Village	2,192	1,028	1,028	-	47%
		Household	219,772	14,325	14,325	-	7%
7	Qamber - Shahdadkot	Union Council	52	52	52	-	100%
		Village	1,561	1,389	1,389	0.4%	89%
		Household	211,612	98,829	98,829	0.5%	47%
8	Shikarpur	Union Council	50	50	50	-	100%
		Village	2,414	1,848	1,848	-	77%
		Household	210,530	102,306	102,306	-	49%
9	Sukkur	Union Council	46	26	26	-	57%
		Village	1,664	881	881	-	53%
		Household	183,500	14,429	14,429	-	8%
10	Nawab Shah	Union Council	51	36	36	-	71%
		Village	4,104	362	362	-	9%
		Household	213,304	-	-	-	-
11	Sanghar	Union Council	71	73	73	-	103%
		Village	3,351	765	824	0.08	25%
		Household	196,788	101,666	107,605	6%	55%
12	Mirpurkhas	Union Council	55	55	55	-	100%
		Village	3,223	666	705	6%	22%
		Household	153,016	80,060	84,861	6%	55%
13	Thatta	Union Council	33	33	33	-	100%
		Village	1,934	374	419	12%	22%
		Household	88,092	53,335	61,912	16%	70%
14	Badin	Union Council	68	68	68	-	100%
		Village	3,800	681	713	5%	19%
		Household	208,709	99,544	123,785	24%	59%
15	Umerkot	Union Council	35	35	35	-	100%
		Village	2,103	452	523	43%	21%
		Household	109,365	56,081	63,750	25%	51%
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>Union Council</b>	<b>752</b>	<b>680</b>	<b>680</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>90%</b>
		<b>Village</b>	<b>38,550</b>	<b>16,741</b>	<b>17,038</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>44%</b>
		<b>Household</b>	<b>2,838,401</b>	<b>1,079,628</b>	<b>1,153,728</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>41%</b>



S. No	District	Formation of Community Institution			Organized Coverage	
		Community Organizations (COs) Village Organization (VOs) Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	# of CO/VO/LSO formed as of June 2019	# of CO/VO/LSO formed as of Sept: 2019	% increase during Qtr	
1	Ghotki	Community Organizations (COs)	6,961	6,961	-	
		Village Organizations (VOs)	1,118	1,118	-	
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	12	12	-	
2	Jacobabad	Community Organizations (COs)	5,074	5,074	-	
		Village Organizations (VOs)	1,811	1,811	-	
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	26	26	-	
3	Kandhkot-Kashmore	Community Organizations (COs)	4,710	4,710	-	
		Village Organizations (VOs)	1,673	1,673	-	
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	29	29	-	
4	Khairpur	Community Organizations (COs)	5,805	7,087	22%	
		Village Organizations (VOs)	630	669	0.06%	
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	39	46	18%	
5	Larkana	Community Organizations (COs)	3,351	3,359	0.24%	
		Village Organizations (VOs)	547	553	1%	
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	46	46	-	
6	Naushahroferoz	Community Organizations (COs)	796	796	-	
		Village Organizations (VOs)	214	214	-	
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	4	5	0.25%	
7	Qamber - Shahdadkot	Community Organizations (COs)	4,642	4,654	0.26%	
		Village Organizations (VOs)	652	658	1%	
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	52	52	-	
8	Shikarpur	Community Organizations (COs)	5,846	5,846	-	
		Village Organizations (VOs)	1,813	1,813	-	
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	37	37	-	
9	Sukkur	Community Organizations (COs)	979	979	-	
		Village Organizations (VOs)	400	400	-	
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	6	6	-	
10	Sanghar	Community Organizations (COs)	5,956	6,310	6%	
		Village Organizations (VOs)	680	739	9%	
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	35	41	17%	
11	Mirpurkhas	Community Organizations (COs)	5,134	5,433	6%	
		Village Organizations (VOs)	666	1,004	51%	
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	39	43	10%	
12	Thatta	Community Organizations (COs)	3,004	3,578	19%	
		Village Organizations (VOs)	374	419	12%	
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	26	27	4%	
13	Badin	Community Organizations (COs)	5,996	7,042	17%	
		Village Organizations (VOs)	681	713	5%	
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	32	39	22%	
14	Umerkot	Community Organizations (COs)	3,554	4,026	14%	
		Village Organizations (VOs)	452	523	16%	
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	25	31	24%	
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>Community Organizations (COs)</b>	<b>61,798</b>	<b>65,855</b>	<b>7%</b>	
		<b>Village Organizations (VOs)</b>	<b>11,711</b>	<b>12,307</b>	<b>5%</b>	
		<b>Local Support Organizations (LSOs)</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>448</b>	<b>10%</b>	



### Community Saving

S. No.	District	Community Saving as of June 2019 (In Millions)	Community Saving as of September 2019 (In Millions)	% increase during Qtr:
1	Ghotki	16.499	16.499	0%
2	Jacobabad	21.326	21.326	0%
3	Kashmore - Kandhkot	31.310	31.310	0%
4	Khairpur	5.44	5.44	0%
5	Larkana	23.772	24.542	3%
6	Naushahro Feroz	4.350	4.350	0%
7	Qamber - Shahdadkot	28.249	29.349	4%
8	Shikarpur	40.557	40.557	0%
9	Sukkur	7.300	7.300	0%
10	Sanghar	3.415	3.415	0%
11	Mirpurkhas	3.302	3.302	0%
12	Thatta	4.138	4.138	0%
13	Badin	3.97	3.97	0%
14	Umerkot	3.001	3.001	0%
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>196.629</b>	<b>198.499</b>	<b>1%</b>

### Income Generating Grants (IGG) (Women Beneficiaries 100%)

S. No.	Districts	as of June 2019		as of Sept: 2019		% increase during Qtr
		# of Benf:	Amount disbursed (In Millions)	# of Benf:	Amount disbursed (In Millions)	
1	Shikarpur	3,717	39.50	3,717	39.50	-
2	Kashmore - Kandhkot	2,543	26.13	2,543	26.13	-
3	Jacobabad	1,348	17.31	1,348	17.31	-
4	Khairpur	1,122	13.6	1,528	19.3	42%
5	Larkana	3,124	28.9	4,511	45.9	59%
6	Qamber - Shahdadkot	2,099	28.0	2,891	38.6	38%
7	Badin	1,117	14.3	1,508	19.7	38%
8	Thatta	577	8.3	1,098	16.1	94%
9	Umerkot	757	10.6	1,287	18.3	73%
10	Mirpurkhas	593	7.5	830	11	47%
11	Sanghar	866	11.4	1,309	16.7	46%
	<b>Total IGG Disbursed</b>	<b>17,863</b>	<b>205.54</b>	<b>22,570</b>	<b>268.54</b>	<b>0.31%</b>

### Community Investment Fund (CIF)

S. No.	Districts	as of June 2019		as of Sept: 2019		% increase during Qtr:
		# of Benf:	Amount disbursed (In Millions)	# of Benf:	Amount disbursed (In Millions)	
1	Shikarpur	40,239	396.51	40,239	396.51	-
2	Kashmore - Kandhkot	35,863	374.07	35,863	374.07	-
3	Jacobabad	18,371	226.43	18,371	226.43	-
4	Khairpur	14,384	167.17	16,078	191.71	15%
5	Sukkur UCPRP	513	7.05	513	7.05	-
6	Noshero Feroze	370	1.85	370	1.85	-
7	Larkana	11,353	153.39	14,559	206.58	35%
8	Qamber - Shahdadkot	15,189	230.94	20,227	312.8	35%
9	Badin	7,022	84.99	9,185	112.55	32%
10	Thatta	2,715	33.84	4,240	56.43	67%
11	Umerkot	4,251	54.76	6,105	79.94	46%
12	Mirpurkhas	5,457	74.01	7,316	100.56	36%
13	Sanghar	9,435	129.37	11,241	155.18	20%
	<b>Total CIF Disbursed (In Million)</b>	<b>165,162</b>	<b>1,934</b>	<b>184,307</b>	<b>2,222</b>	<b>15%</b>

### Micro Finance (MF)

S. No.		Amount disbursed as of September 2019
1	<b>Total Amount of Micro Credit Disbursement (Million)</b>	<b>14,895,825,000</b>
	Men	1,515,525,000
	Women	13,380,573,000
2	<b>No. of Loans</b>	<b>689,952</b>
	Male	72,497
	Female	617,455
3	<b>Sectoral Disbursement</b>	<b>14,895,825,000</b>
	Agriculture	7,392,957,000
	Livestock	3,032,904,000
	Enterprise	4,469,964,000



### Community Physical Infrastructure (CPIs)

S. No.	Types of CPI Schemes	Achievement as of September 2019		
		No. of Schemes	Cost of Schemes (In Millions)	BHHs
	<b>Total of CPI Schemes</b>	<b>26,616</b>	<b>1,417</b>	<b>248,017</b>
1	Sanitation	15,958	199.89	87,738
2	Street Pavement & Sanitation	74	220.41	13,443
3	Drinking Water Supply Schemes (DWSS)	9,540	351.22	52,556
4	Low Cost Village Improvement Schemes (LCVI)	72	127.09	7,248
5	Communication	436	215.14	39,788
6	Irrigation	462	192.82	14,010
7	IAUP	1	2.09	75
8	Water Filter Plants by GoS	40	23.58	28,570
9	Street Lighting on solar system	5	5.00	301
10	Schools Renovation/Construction	28	79.96	4,288

### Low Cost Housing (LCH)

S. No.	Housing Schemes	No of Houses	Cost of Houses (In Millions)	BHHs
	<b>Total of Housing Schemes</b>	<b>19,873</b>	<b>1,436</b>	<b>19,873</b>
11	Low Cost Housing Scheme (2007-2019)	19,383	1322.08	19,383
12	Benazir Housing Cell (2015-2018)	490	113.63	490

**Note:** During Rehabilitation Phase 2010, SRSO constructed 600 Houses in Jamshoro with financial Support of USAID.

### Human Resource Development (HRD)

S. No.	Key Performance Indicator	Achievement as of June 2019	Achievement as of Sept: 2019	% increase during Qtr
1	No. of Community Members provided scholarship for Vocational Skill Training	65,414	66,587	2%
2	No. of Community Members trained in Community Management Skill Training	333,472	338,820	2%
3	No. of SRSO Staff Trained in different programme/project training	6,554	6,593	1%

### Micro Health Insurance (MHI)

S. No.	Key Performance Indicator	Achievement as of June: 2019	Achievement as of Sept: 2019	% increase during Qtr
1	No. of Community Members provided Micro Health Insurance Cover	753,437	783,185	4%
2	No. of Community Members Treated through MHI	9,837	10,242	4%
	Men	2,870	2,964	3%
	Women	6,964	7,278	5%
3	Amount of claims availed by Community (In Million)	150.52	159.74	6%

**Peoples Poverty Reduction Programme (PPRP)**

District Khairpur, Sanghar, Mirpurkhas, Umerkot, Badin &amp; Thatta

(June 2017-May 2020)

Project Activities	Unit	Programme Targets	Cumulative Achievement as of Sept: 2019	%
Poverty Scorecard Census	UC	367	321	87%
Households Census	Household	1,023,605	950,225	93%
Population Census	Person	6,141,630	5,279,012	86%
Number of HHs organized	Household	716,544	532,299	74%
Formation of Community Organizations (CO)	CO	39,808	31,685	80%
Formation of Village Organization (VO)	VO	4,975	3,768	76%
Formation of Local Support Organizations (LSO)	LSO	321	222	69%
Capacity Building of CO members	Person	79,617	56,481	71%
Capacity Building of VO members	Person	29,859	18,798	63%
Capacity Building of LSO members	Person	1,926	947	49%
No of Beneficiaries trained in Vocational and Technical Skills	Person	32,244	10,471	32%
No of Households given CIF	Household	122,835	49,307	40%
No of Households given IGG	Household	30,708	7,484	24%
Formation of Business Development Groups (BDGs)	No	321	63	20%
No of Low Cost Housing Scheme Initiated	Number	8,599	1,997	23%
No of Low Cost Housing Scheme Completed	Number	8,599	1,997	23%

**Sindh Union Council and Community Economic Strengthening Support (SUCCESS)**

District Larkana &amp; Kambar-Shahdadkot

(February 2016- January 2021)



Project Activities	Unit	Programme Targets	Cumulative Achievement as of Sept: 2019	%
Poverty Scorecard Census	UC	99	99	100%
Households Census	Household	280,823	267,823	95%
Population Census	Person	1,939,008	1,849,250	95%
Number of HHs organized	Household	200,867	170,265	85%
Formation of Community Organizations (CO)	CO	10,043	8,035	80%
Formation of Village Organization (VO)	VO	1,255	1,211	96%
Formation of Local Support Organizations (LSO)	LSO	99	98	99%
CMST of COs office bearers	Person	25,108	15,672	62%
LMST of VOs office bearers	Person	3,138	3,154	101%
Activists workshops for office bearers of LSO / VO / CO	Event	252	104	41%
Training of field staff on Community Awareness Training (CAT)	Person	79	79	100%
CRP Training on CIF and CAT (VO based CRPs)	Person	1,569	814	52%
Training of Book Keeper/Accountant	Person	1,354	596	44%
No of Beneficiaries trained in Vocational and Technical Skills	Person	36,500	3,551	10%
No of beneficiaries insured in Micro Health Insurance programme	Person	47,984	42,058	88%
No of CPI Schemes Initiated	Number	949	254	27%

## Community Conference under the Peoples' Poverty Reduction Programme organized in Sukkur

Sindh Rural Support Organization organized a Community Conference on July 11, 2019 at Mehran Cultural Complex Sukkur under the Peoples' Poverty Reduction Program.

The Conference was presided by Chief Minister of Sindh Mr. Murad Ali Shah and Chairman Peoples Party Mr. Bilawal Bhutto Zardari. Ex-Chief Minister of Sindh Mr. Qaim Ali Shah, MNAs Syed Khursheed Ahmed Shah, Noman Islam Shaikh, PPP Sindh president Nisar Ahmed Khuhro, MNA Dr Nafeesa Shah, provincial minister Saeed Ghani, provincial adviser Murtaza Wahab, Syed Nasir Hussain Shah,

support of Govt; of Sindh.

The PPP Chairman Mr. Bilawal Bhutto Zardari shared his views that Peoples' Poverty Reduction Programme will bring prosperity to the lives of poor families specially women. He further added that Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) is executing Peoples' Poverty Reduction programme that was appreciated by the European Union too and decided to increase the funding of the project. Mr. Bilawal said the SRSO economically strengthened one million families and provided interest free loan to 180,000 women and established 50,000 houses



provincial minister Syed Awais Qadir Shah, Waqar Mehdi, Sukkur Mayor Arsalan Islam Shaikh and others accompanied with PPP chairman. A large number of women Community Leaders from Khairpur, Sukkur, Ghotki, Naushahro Feroze, Qambar-Shahdadkot, Shikarpur, Jacobabad, Kandhkot-Kashmore and Larkana districts participated in the conference.

Mr. Bilawal visited the stalls and exchanged views with stall holders. These stalls were setup by beneficiaries of different Projects and Programmes being implemented by SRSO with the financial

besides providing them opportunities for skill development. Women Community Leaders shared their success stories during the community conference. Mr. Bilawal Bhutto distributed laptops among women office bearers of the Local Support Organizations and cheques under Community Investment Fund.

Sindh Chief Minister Syed Murad Ali Shah said that the Peoples' Poverty Reduction Programme would spread the programme in all Districts of Sindh to support peoples who are living below the poverty line.





## Launching Ceremony of National Poverty Graduation Programme (NPGP)



In a partnership with Pakistan Poverty Alleviation Fund (PPAF) SRSO is implementing the National Poverty Graduation Programme (NPGP) in two Districts Shikarpur and Kashmore-Kandhkot. NPGP is financially supported by Government of Pakistan and The International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD). The objective of this programme is to assist the ultra-poor and very poor in graduating out of poverty on a sustainable basis and enable

women and youth to realize their development potential; simultaneously improving their overall food security, nutritional status and resilience to climate change.

Under the programme, BISP beneficiaries who are willing to start their own businesses will be provided with a one-time grant of Rs 50,000 to start their own business.

## Celebration of Independence Day under the EMO/USAID Schools

An Independence Day 14th August was commemorated in both EMO/USAID Hub Schools at (Government Girls Numaish Colony, Sukkur and Government boys' high school, Sami Khairpur) in collaboration with education department on 14th and 22nd August, 2019 respectively. The Chief Guests of events were Deputy Commissioner of Sukkur in Government Girls Numaish Colony, Sukkur and Mr. Murtaza Ali Shaikh, Syed Fahad Ali Shah at Sami Boys High School Khairpur along with other notable of different walk of life have participated in the events. The CEO-SRSO, Muhammad Dittal Kalhoro also participated in the event.

The main purpose of celebration of 14th August was to put light on sacrifices rendered by Muslims to carving out a separate country, where they can live according to their own culture, civilization, customs and religion. The children performed different activities to highlight the significance of day.



## Kashmir Solidarity Hour Observed in SRSO Operational Areas



In connection to the national call to express solidarity with the Kashmiris of Indian Occupied Kashmir over unprecedented atrocities and aggression being committed by Indian armed forces against them.

Kashmir solidarity hour commenced from 12:00 pm in which sirens sounded across the country. SRSO under Government of Sindh funded Program PPRP, observed 'Kashmir Hour' on Friday to express solidarity with the Kashmiris of Indian Occupied Kashmir.

The 'Kashmir Hour' started between 1200 to 1230 hours throughout the SRSO offices with coordination of district

Government and other Government Line Departments'. The District Managers and other officials of SRSO along with all the organized rural households' of the respective districts at district Government Secretariats launched the rallies along with banners showing public awareness messages to express solidarity with the Kashmiris.



## Brooke Pakistan Evaluation team visited Distt: Jacobabad



A team from Brooke Pakistan consisted Mr. Elijah Mithigi, Programme Manager Brooke East Africa, Jose Van Oosten Monitoring, Evaluation, Accountability and Learning Advisor Brooke UK and Sana Khawaja Community Development Manager Brooke Pakistan conducted a meeting with communities. The main objective of this visit was to assess the and overall progress

achieved under the project against the set objectives and outcomes as well as the partnerships' contributions and benefit made under the project.

Evaluation team conducted interviews from Brick equine owner male at village Alipur, district Jacobabad and conducted meeting with women community at union council Dasti Baloch Khan Merali. The evaluation will identify successes, areas for improvement, good practice and learning from the partnerships.



## Activist workshop organized under the SUCCESS Programme

On 6th August 2019, activist Workshop was organized by LSO Saath, UC Tayab, field unit Ratodero, District Larkana on occasion of 2nd formation anniversary of LSO Saath. In event Union Council chairman Mumtaz Ali Suhag, social activist Ahsan Ali and Taluka Co-ordinator of Ourat Foundation Mubashir Bhutto participated. In event more than 100 CI leaders participated and shared their experience, explained their progress and self-initiatives. UC chairman announced that he shall provide 05 hand pumps and 05 solar plates to LSO.



He also appreciated the efforts of CI leaders and ensured for social support. He acknowledged the role of SRSO for awareness in community regarding women empowerment through SUCCESS Programme. TC Mubashir Bhutto also spoke about well-organized work of CI leaders, and he offered social support to LSO. In last Laptop was handed over to CBK of LSO Saath.

## Visit of Social Protection Strategy Unit (SPSU) at Thatta and Badin



A delegation from Social Protection Strategy Unit (SPSU) Government of Sindh visited district Badin and Thatta. The delegation was comprised of Ms. Saba Aslam, Mr. Hussain, Mr. Azmat Durani, Mr. Rashid, along with PPRP team lead Dr. Ghulam Rasool Samejo and district manager Badin Mr. Abdul Latif Soomro. LSO/VO representatives from Thatta and Badin facilitated the visit and organized FDGs at village Saleem Mallah, Haroon Rajo at union council Pir Fateh Shah and Varjang Kolhi at union council Kadi Kazia district Badin while in Thatta visited village Ali Muhamamd sheikh UC Ghaghi. During the discussions, officials informed pertaining the intention of Government of Sindh to launch other programs for betterment of rural communities. Community members shared their views that, rural area is mostly dependent on agriculture and rearing of livestock. Nevertheless, recent scenario deviated towards labor work and the payment varies. There is no any specific and unified mechanism developed by Government of Sindh to bear the requirement of household expenses that includes many issues pertaining to women for deficiency of malnutrition.



## Community initiated Clean & Green Sindh Campaign



In the month of July, 2019 organized communities of district Badin decided that all beneficiaries who avail the provision of Community Investment fund (CIF) would plant one tree at their house in district Badin. In this perspective of improving the environment, 1,258 trees were successfully planted at district Badin in month of July 2019. Further communities shared their views that, they are sensitized about the importance of trees to balance the eco system.

## Distributed Stitched Clothes among rain affected areas in Thatta

SRSO has strong relation with community living in rural areas, therefore District Thatta has planned for distribution of stitched clothes prepared under the umbrella of Vocational Training Program in badly affected union councils (UCs) of taluka Mirpur Sakro included Kakrand, Dhubo, Khudhan, Choabandhi, Khari Seer, Karampur, Sukhpur and villages of Ghorabari by the recent heavy downpour in the coastal belt.





## Managerial Activist Conference Organized under PPRP Project



Sindh Rural Support Organization with the support of Government of Sindh organized Managerial Activist Conference under Peoples' Poverty Reduction Programme (PPRP) at Village Mandhal Union Council Kharoro Syed.

Mr. Haq Nawaz Shar (ADC-1) District Umerkot was the chief guest of the event. Mr Sardar Bhayu (Chairman Rain Network), Mr Mir Hassan Arisar (District Manager CSSP), Mr Abdul Jaleel Bhayu (WFP), Mr Suleman Rahimoon (PWD Govt of Sindh), Mr Mohammad Palli and Mitha Ram from (CWS) participated in MAC event.

About 800 Female and 50 Male community organization members also participated in the event.

District Manager SRSO-Umerkot briefed about PPRP-SRSO achievements of District Umerkot. While PPRP beneficiaries shared



their success stories and initiative undertaken under the Cls platform with the participants.

Mr. Suleman Rahimoon, Mir Hassan Arisar, Jaleel Bhayu, Sardar Bhayu shared their views about the SRSO work and they appreciated SRSO and Govt of Sindh for their work at Umerkot.

Mr. Haq Nawaz Shar (ADC-1) during his speech shared new ideas about small enterprise activities that were needed to carry out under project which benefit more to community. He shared that he participated in many SRSO programs and their work at community level that has been much appreciate able.

In the end, 175 CIF, 47 IGG and 12 Low Cost Housing installment Cheques were distributed among beneficiaries.

## Research Team visited LSO "Aitbar" under SUCCESS programme



Team from "Collective For Social Science Research Pvt. Ltd" Mr. Shahid Mallah Mr. Rashid Mehmood and Ms. Saba visited Local Support Organization "Aitbar" in Union Council Aitbar Khan Chandio under EU Funded SUCCESS Programme facilitated by DM-SRSO Mr. Asad Jatoj, and SRSO team.

The LSO gave a brief introduction about their organization and also made them aware of the self-initiatives they have taken, the work



they have done for their Union Council, their future plans and the interventions they have been given through SUCCESS - SRSO. Further, the LSO Leaders discussed with the team about their basic necessities according to their priorities and improvements they needed for their betterment and shared those with the CSSR Team.