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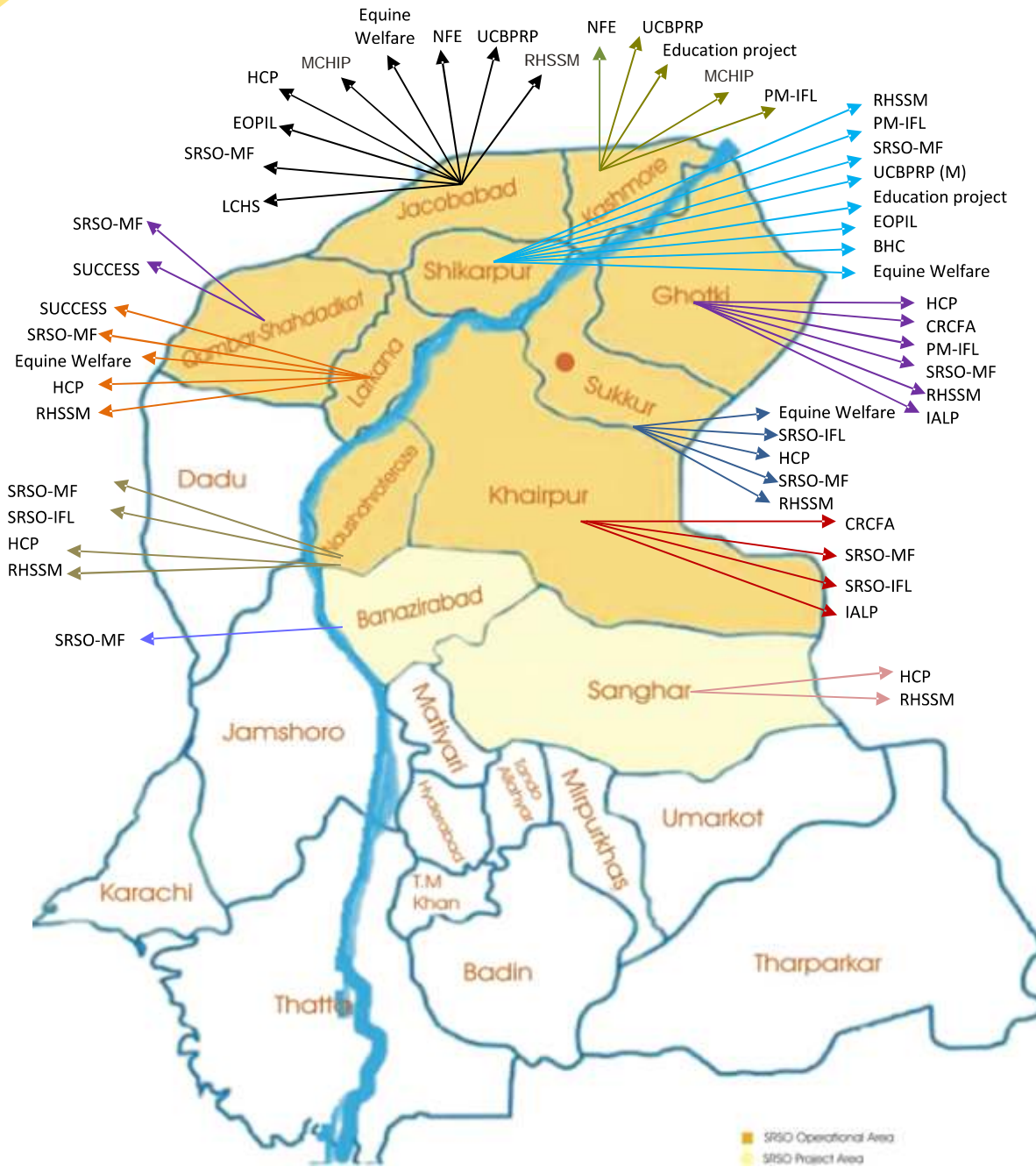
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Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) Operational Area



ON GOING PROJECTS

- UCBPRP
(Union Council Based Poverty Reduction Programme)
Funded by: P&D-GoS
- NFE
(Non Formal Education)
Supported by: USAID
- Equine Welfare Project
Funded by: BROOKE
- HSSP
(Health System Strengthening Project)
Funded by: USAID-RSPN
- HCP
(Health Communication Project)
Funded by: USAID-RSPN
- EOPIL
Empowering Older People to Improve Lives
Funded by: HelpAge - BLF
- SRSO-Microfinance
Funded by: SRSO
- Construction of Low Cost Housing Units (LCHS)
Funded by: BHC-GOS
- Education Project
Funded by: CDP-GoS
- PM-IFL
(Prime Minister Interest Free Loan)
Funded by: PPAF
- CRCFA
(Child Rights in Cotton Farming Areas of Sindh)
Funded by: UNICEF-RSPN
- SUCCESS
(Sindh Union Council and Community Economic Strengthening Support Program)
Funded by: European Union (EU)
- SRSO-IFL
(Interest Free Loan)
Funded by: GOS
- RHSSM
Provision of Reproductive Health Services through Social Marketing
- IALP
(Improving Adolescent live in Pakistan)
- MCHIP**
Mother and Child Integrated Project
Funded by: USAID

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

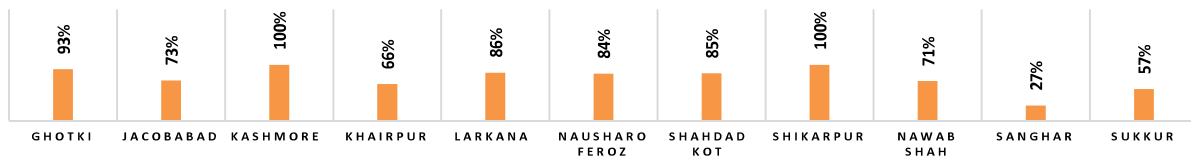


SRSO Cumulative Achievement as of March 2017

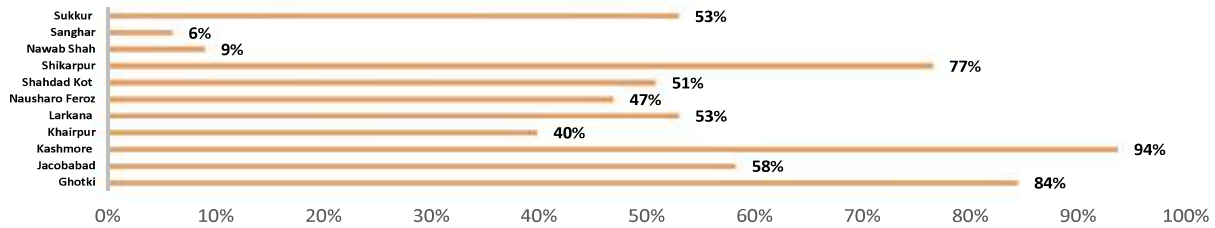
S.#	Key Performance Indicators	Achievement as of December-2016	Achievement as of March-2017	% increase during Qtr	
1	No. of Operational Districts	11	11	-	
2	No. of Union Councils with SRSO presence	395	395	-	
3	No. of Taluka with SRSO presence	52	52	-	
4	No. of villages with SRSO presence	12,964	12,964	-	
5	No. of Household Organized	680,614	696,713	2%	
6	VO Formation	7,702	7,792	1%	
7	LSO Formation	131	131	-	
8	CO- Formation	Female	39,460	40,222	2%
		Male	2,383	2,383	-
		Mix	40	40	-
		Total	41,883	42,645	2%
9	CO-Membership	Female	641,952	658,051	3%
		Male	38,662	38,662	-
		Total	680,614	696,713	2%
10	Community Saving (In million)	Female	120.67	121.426	1%
		Male	6.80	6.80	-
		Total	127.474	128.230	1%
11	Income Generating Grant (IGG) Amount Disbursed (In Million)	82.93	82.93	-	
12	No. of IGG Beneficiaries	7,608	7,608	-	
13	Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount disbursed (In Million)	1,064.64	1,065.28	0.1%	
14	No. of CIF Beneficiaries	101,702	101,749	0.05%	
15	Total amount of Microcredit disbursed (In Million)	8,427.70	8,737.136	4%	
16	No. of Beneficiaries of Micro Credit Programme	466,504	478,990	3%	
17	No of Community members trained in vocational skill Training	53,589	53,589	-	
18	No of Community members trained	252,581	261,438	4%	
19	Community Members trained as TBAs	4,777	4,777	-	
20	Micro Health Insurance (Clients)	533,117	552,246	4%	
21	Community Members Insured in Micro Health Insurance (Head Count)	619,197	619,197	-	
22	No. of Community Physical Infrastructure (CPIs)	26,428	26,438	0.04%	
23	Total amount of CPIs (In Million)	1,304	1,360.77	4%	
24	Total Beneficiary Households	221,095	222,095	-	
25	No of Low Cost Houses	18,418	18,418	-	



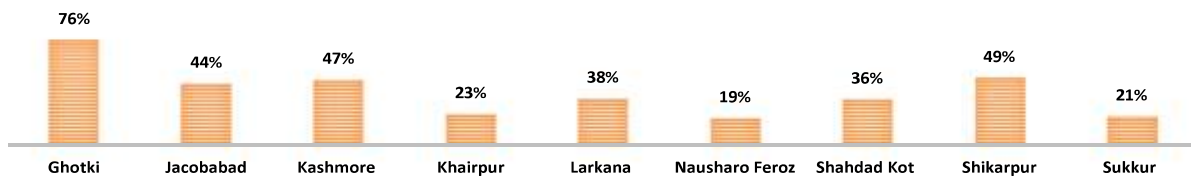
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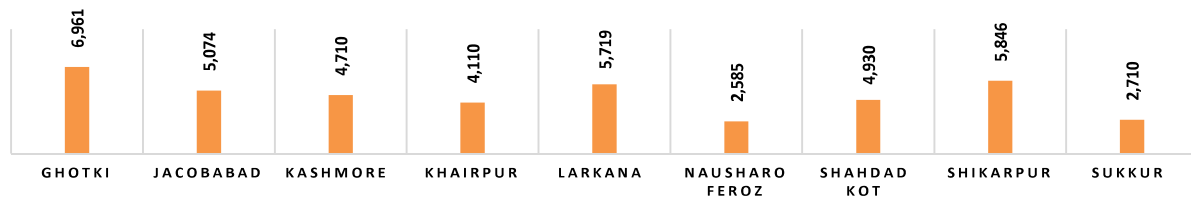
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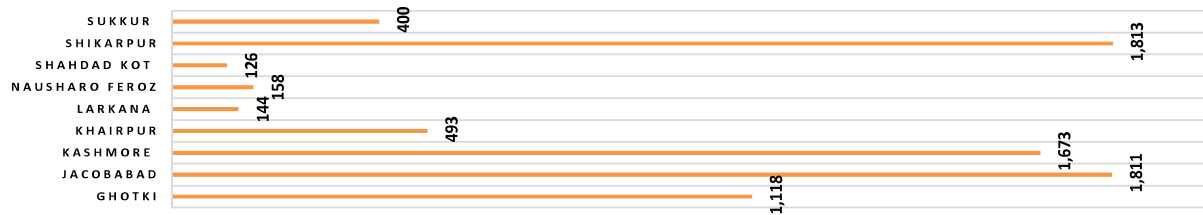
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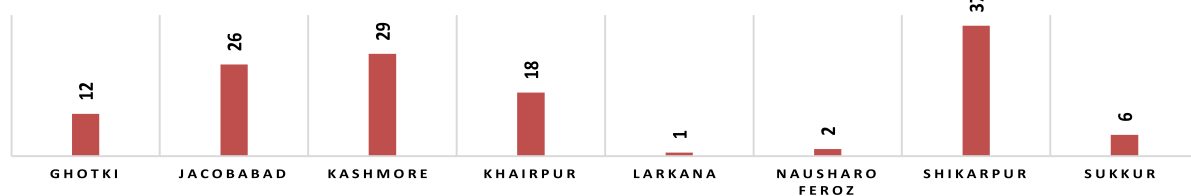
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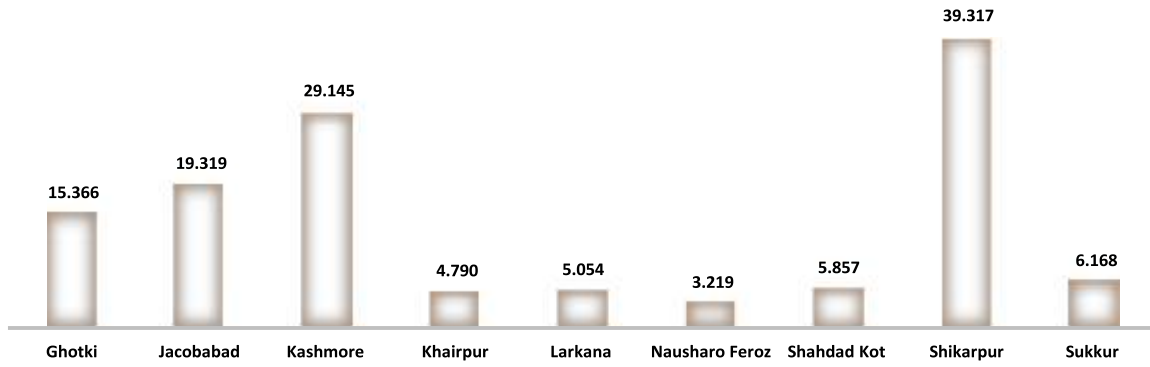


DISTRICT WISE BREAK UP OF LSOs AS OF MARCH 2017

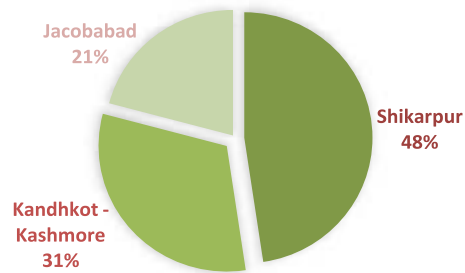




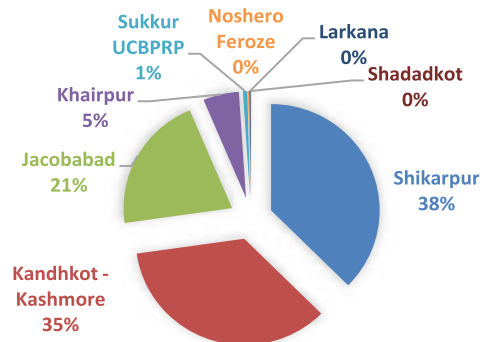
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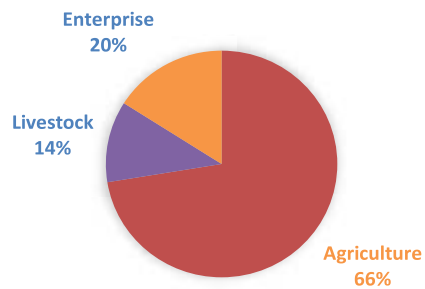
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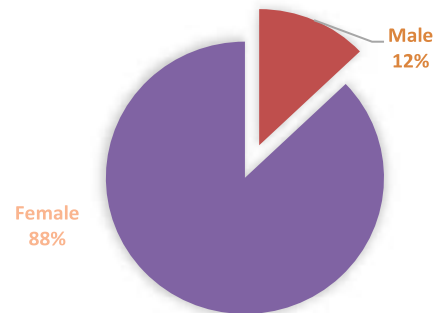
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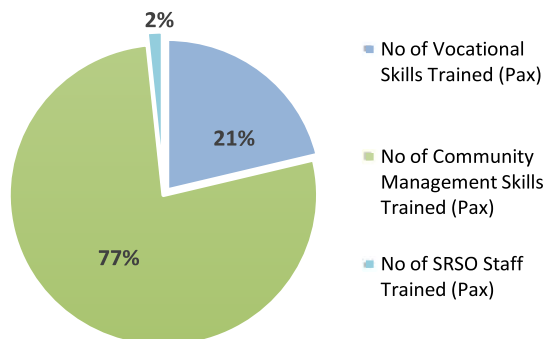
SECTOR WISE MICROCREDIT DISBURSEMENT AS OF MARCH 2017



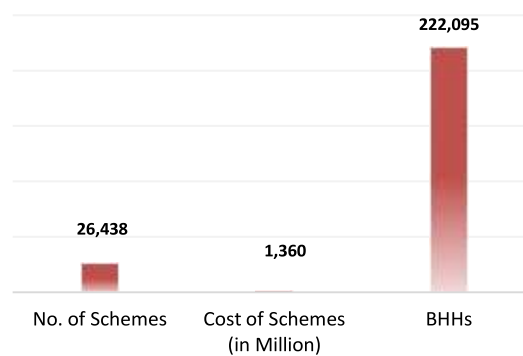
GENDER WISE MICROCREDIT DISBURSEMENT AS OF MARCH 2017



SUMMARY OF STAFF AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS TRAINED AS OF MARCH 2017



SUMMARY OF CPI AS OF MARCH 2017





Sr.#	District		Geographical Coverage				
			Total No. of area in the District	# of SRSO intervened area as of Dec 2016	# of SRSO intervened area as of March 2017	% increase during Qtr	% of total area coverage as of Mar 2017
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	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	50	50	-	66%
		Village	3,254	1,296	1,296	-	40%
		Household	305,137	68,694	68,694	-	23%
5	Larkana	Union Council	47	38	38	-	86%
		Village	1,590	842	842	-	53%
		Household	217,208	72,949	82,808	14%	38%
6	Naushahro Feroz	Union Council	51	43	43	-	84%
		Village	2,192	1,028	1,028	-	47%
		Household	219,772	42,852	42,852	-	19%
7	Shahdad Kot	Union Council	40	34	34	-	85%
		Village	1,561	793	793	-	51%
		Household	211,612	69,867	76,107	9%	36%
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	37,941	37,941	-	21%
10	Nawab Shah	Union Council	51	36	36	-	71%
		Village	4,104	362	362	-	9%
		Household	213,304	-	-	-	-
11	Sanghar	Union Council	55	15	15	-	-
		Village	5,700	350	350	-	-
		Household	221,845	-	-	-	-
GRAND TOTAL		Union Council	530	395	395	-	75%
		Village	29,839	12,964	12,964	-	43%
		Household	2,304,276	680,614	696,713	2%	37%



Sr.#	District	Formation of Community Institution Community Organizations (Cos) Village Organizations (VOs) Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	Organized Coverage		
			# of CO/VO/LSO formed as of Dec 2016	# of CO/VO/LSO formed as of Mar 2017	% 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	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)	4,110	4,110	-
		Village Organizations (VOs)	493	493	-
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	18	18	-
5	Larkana	Community Organizations (COs)	5,565	5,719	3%
		Village Organizations (VOs)	129	144	12%
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	1	0	-
6	Naushahro Feroz	Community Organizations (COs)	2,585	2,585	-
		Village Organizations (VOs)	158	158	-
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	2	2	-
7	Shahdad Kot	Community Organizations (COs)	4,322	4,930	12%
		Village Organizations (VOs)	107	126	18%
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	0	0	-
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)	2,710	2,710	-
		Village Organizations (VOs)	400	400	-
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	6	6	-
GRAND TOTAL		Community Organizations (COs)	41,883	42,645	2%
		Village Organizations (VOs)	7,702	7,749	1%
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	130	131	-



Community Saving

Sr.#	District	Community Saving as of Dec 2016 (In Million)	Community Saving as of Mar 2017 (In Million)	% increase during Qtr
1	Ghotki	15.37	15.37	-
2	Jacobabad	19.31	19.31	-
3	Kashmore	30.14	30.14	-
4	Khairpur	4.79	4.79	-
5	Larkana	4.94	5.05	2%
6	Naushahro Feroz	3.26	3.26	-
7	Shahdad Kot	3.21	5.85	82%
8	Shikarpur	39.31	39.31	-
9	Sukkur	6.168	6.168	-
TOTAL		127.474	128.235	1%

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

S.no	Districts	# of Benf:	as of Dec 2016	# of Benf:	as of Mar 2017	% increase during Qtr
			Amount disbursed (In Million)		Amount disbursed (In Million)	
1	Shikarpur	3,717	39.50	3,717	39.50	-
2	Kandhkot - Kashmore	2,543	26.13	2,543	26.13	-
3	Jacobabad	1,348	17.31	1,348	17.31	-
4	Total IGG Disbursed	7,608	82.94	7,608	82.94	-

Community Investment Fund (CIF)

S. No	Districts	# of Benf:	as of Dec 2016	# of Benf:	as of Mar 2017	% increase during Qtr
			Amount disbursed (In Million)		Amount disbursed (In Million)	
1	Shikarpur	40,239	396.51	40,239	396.51	-
2	Kandhkot - Kashmore	35,863	374.07	35,863	374.07	-
3	Jacobabad	18,371	220.87	18,371	226.43	-
4	Khairpur	6,044	56.44	6,044	56.44	-
5	Sukkur UCBPRP	513	7.05	513	7.05	-
6	Noshero Feroze	370	1.85	370	1.85	-
7	Larkana	236	1.98	244	2.09	6%
8	Shahdadkot	66	0.33	105	0.86	161%
9	Total CIF Disbursed (In Million)	101,702	1,064.64	101,749	1,065.28	0.1%

Micro Finance (MF)

S.no	Districts	Cumulative disbursed as of Mar 2017
1	Total Amount of Micro Credit Disbursement (In Million)	9,580.489
	Men	1,120.735
	Women	8,459.753
2	No. of Loans	517,662
	Male	60,756
	Female	456,906
3	Sectoral Disbursement	9,580.489
	Agriculture	6,241.723
	Livestock	1,400.941
	Enterprise	1,937.825



Community Physical Infrastructure (CPIs)

S.#	Types of CPI Schemes	Achievement as of March 2017		
		No. of Schemes	Cost of Schemes (In Million)	BHHs
	Total of CPI Schemes	26,438	1,360.77	222,095
1	Sanitation	15,952	196.89	86,995
2	Street Pavement & Sanitation	44	209.07	9,022
3	Drinking Water Supply Schemes (DWSS)	9,517	344.00	47,727
4	Low Cost Village Improvement Schemes (LCVI)	72	127.09	7,248
5	Communication	340	186.81	25,383
6	Irrigation	439	186.28	13,098
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	29.00	4,288

Low Cost Housing (LCH)

S.#	Housing Schemes	No. of Houses	Cost of Houses (In Millions)	BHHs
	Total of Housing Schemes	18,418	1321.49	18,418
11	Low Cost Housing Schemes (2007-2015)	17,930	1207.85	17,930
12	Benazir Housing Cell (2015-2016)	488	113.63	488

Human Resource Development (HRD)

Sr.#	Key Performance Indicator	Achievement as of Dec-2016	Achievement as of Mar-2017	% increase during Qtr.
1	No. of Community Members provided scholarship for Vocational Skill Training	53,385	53,589	-
2	No. of Community Members trained in Community Management Skill Training	198,992	207,849	4%
3	No. of SRSO Staff Trained in different Programme/project training	5,105	5,169	1%

Micro Health Insurance (MHI)

Sr.#	Key Performance Indicator	Achievement as of Dec-2016	Achievement as of Mar-2017	% increase during Qtr.
1	No. of Community Members provided Micro Health Insurance Cover	533,117	552,246	4%
2	No. of Community Members Treated through MHI	7,648	7,796	2%
	Men	2,740	2,760	1%
	Women	4,908	5,036	3%
3	Amount of claims availed by Community (In Million)	101.91	105.91	4%



European Union



SUCCESS

Sindh Union Council and Community Economic Strengthening Support (SUCCESS)

District Larkana & Kambar-Shahdadkot

Project Activities	Unit	Programme Targets	Cumulative Achievement as of March 2017	%
Poverty Scorecard Census	UC	99	99	100%
Households Census	Household	280,823	267,823	95%
Population Census	Person	1,939,008	1,849,246	95%
Number of HHs organized	Household	200,867	92,350	46%
Formation of Community Organizations (CO)	CO	10,043	4,852	48%
Formation of Village Organization (VO)	VO	1,255	296	24%
Formation of Local Support Organizations (LSO)	LSO	99	1	1%
CMST of COs office bearers	Person	25,108	8,025	32%
LMST of VOs office bearers	Person	3,138	414	13%
Activists workshops for office bearers of LSO / VO / CO	Event	252	31	12%
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	144	9%



Prime Minister Interest Free Loan Project (1st, 2nd & 3rd Cycle)



Project Activities	Total Project Target	Total Progress as on March 2017	% of ach: against total target
No: of branches established	12	12	100%
# of application received	12,000	11,696	97%
# of Applications Approved	12,000	10,824	90%
# of Application Disbursed	12,000	10,824	90%
Amount Disbursed	240,000,000	211,880,998	88%
Total Recovery due as of Mar 2017	115,325,830	128,009,850	111%



HIGHLIGHTS

District Council Chairman Inaugurates Cluster School and Participates in Community Conference



District Council Chairman-Shikarpur Mr. Masiuddin Khan Durrani Inaugurated the Community managed Cluster School in village Ladho Khan Mahar on 25-Jan-2017. ADC Garhi Yasin was also present during the inauguration event. CEO-SRSO Muhammad Dittal Kalhoro, Ghulam Rasool Samejo RM-III, and A. Latif Somro District Manager Shikarpur welcomed the honorable guests in the event. These cluster schools are being managed by the community itself, SRSO only providing technical (hand-holding) support. Mr. Durrani after visiting the school applauded the setup of school and admired the community and SRSO joint efforts. After this inauguration, Mr. Durrani also participated in the LSO Conference as chief guest, which was organized by the LSO members in village Longani. During the event, CIF cheques, MHI claims in form of cheques and MHI health cards were distributed in poor women of various villages. Mr. Durrani, wholeheartedly said that the struggle, efforts and motivation of these organized women merits to be praised at all forums. Lastly, he announced the office setup for LSO in Taluka Garhi Yasin.

Chairman SRSO Dialogue with Community-SUCCESS Programme



The Chairman SRSO Mr. Shoaib Sultan Khan visited the European Union funded SUCCESS Programme areas in Larkana and Qamber-Shahdadkot districts on 25th March 2017. The Chairman SRSO met with the CI leaders who came from COs/VOs and LSO which are recently formed in both the Districts. Community leaders presented their progress, achieved under the community driven local development initiatives. Ms. Rukhsana (Manager-VO Sujaag) shared the VO progress. Many other CI leaders and individual members narrated their stories, the way they are being helped out by their CIs through internal lending from savings. Speaking at the occasion, the Chairman said that I am so much happy to know your stories which are based on untiring efforts and excellent piece of work. Ms. Faryal Brohi local political leader also spoke to the women and said that the today I have seen dedicated commitment and genuine passion in rural women that makes me completely satisfied that very soon you will alleviate the poverty from your lives. Mr. Rashid Bajwa (CEO-NRSP) also spoke on the occasion and said that true impact of social mobilization can be vividly seen in this event through the initiatives taken by unprivileged rural women under the community institutions platform. He appreciated the progress, made by community institution women in short span of time. Among other speakers were the representatives of government line departments, who also applauded the efforts and passion of organized women. CEO-SRSO also spoke about this event that today women have proved that how much they are empowered and willing to change their lives through social mobilization. In last, Mr. Ghulam Sarwar Khoro (BoD Member) said that today I have seen real change in women that they they are standing up against poverty through self-belief and unity at the community level. In the end, the cheques of community investment fund (CIF) were first time distributed since the inception of SUCCESS Programme, with the hands of Chairman SRSO in two VO's of both the districts.



Chairman SRSO participates in Community Conference at District Shikarpur



District Shikarpur arranged a three Pillars community conference, where the Community Leaders of District Shikarpur, Jacobabad, and Kashmore-Kandhkot participated at village Agha Ali Nawaz. Chairman SRSO Mr. Shoab Sultan Khan along with the Commissioner Sukkur Division Mr. Mohammad Abbas Baloch and Mr. Rashid Bajwa (CEO-NRSP) & District Council Chairman-Shikarpur Mr. Masiuddin Khan Durrani attended the conference. The stalls were also displayed which significantly added decorum to the event and were the center of participant's attention. The conference was comprised of multiple activities i.e. CIF cheques were distributed to rural women beneficiaries, followed by that, the recognition awards were given by PPAF to LSOs for their outstanding performance in community driven local development in their areas. Distribution of student scholarship cheques by Usher and Zakat district Shikarpur was also the part of the conference. In addition to this, the oath taking ceremony of LSOs from Kashmore, Jacobabad and Shikarpur district was also made during the conference. Other participants including, District Council Chairman Shikarpur, representatives from Government line departments, UC Chairman, Councilors and other organization's focal person were also the part of the conference. All the speakers appreciated the struggle of women against the poverty and praised the recent women empowerment which gives a new dimension to women's role in CDD. Speaking at the occasion, the Commissioner Sukkur guided the women to make the best use of their potentials for education and health reforms in their areas. He appreciated the three pillars conference and congratulated the rural women, for organizing this activity in their areas.

Three Pillars Interactive Community Conferences

Community conferences were organized by the LSOs in various districts i.e. Jacobabad, Shikarpur, and Ghotki. The main purpose of these events was to discuss the social mobilization and initiatives of various CIs under the community-driven development (CDD) approach. During the conferences, the office bearers (Chairpersons) of LSOs presented the extensive presentations covering the major activities and initiatives of their LSOs. They also unveiled special efforts and initiatives which caused massive impact in the lives of masses in their particular areas. The LSO representatives also mentioned the current working relation with government line departments and other organizations working in their areas. Followed by the progress sharing, the LSO office bearers also shared the way-forward/future plan as well. Local notables, Govt officials, representatives from other institutions (PPAF) and large number Community Institution women leaders participated. In district Jacobabad, CIF cheques were distributed among the women. While in district Ghotki, PPAF distributed awards among the CIs for their untiring efforts and remarkable performances.





Social Mobilization-Activist Conference



Under the theme of women empowerment through community institutions, SRSO Noushero-Feroze team assisted the LSO members in organizing the activist conference on 23-March-2017 in village Jumo Noryo union council Manahi. The District Council Chairman honored the event as a Chief Guest, other participants included Assistant Commissioner Moro, CEO SRSO, COO RSPN, RM-SRSO Region-II, District Officer Social Welfare Department Naushahro Feroz, Chairman town committee Mithyani, District Information Officer Naushahro Feroz, District General Manager NCHD District SBA, Chairman UC Daras, District Manager Jhapaigo & HIS Naushahro Feroz, Executive body of LSO Manahi & Noor pur, and more than 300 women from different Cos and VOs. The LSO Chairperson welcomed all esteemed guests and shared the progress and plan of LSO. The activist conference was mainly aimed to integrate the all developmental activities and initiatives. The cheques of SRSO- IFL (Interest-free loan) and the plants/trees were distributed among the women to initiate the activities accordingly. All distinguished guests spoke at the occasion and admired the efforts of rural organized women under their own institutions. They pledged that together we will attain the prosperity.

Participation of Local MPA in Community Conference at LSO Sindh Surhan

Mr. Shahryar Khan Mahar (MPA) along with District Administration participated in Community Conference, organized by SRSO in LSO Sindh Surhan's office. The event was organized on 20-Feb-2017, in which media persons and community leaders from various 11 LSOs also participated. In this event, cheques of CIF and MHI claims, MHI health cards and BHC certificates had also been distributed in women members. Mr. Mahar while speaking at the occasion, said that our organized women are truly role models and we all must follow their footprints for real development. Mr. Mahar also encouraged SRSO for this great support that is being extended to rural women. In last, he announced a separate piece of land to be provided to women for their LSO Network office in Lakhi.



Inauguration of Polio Vaccination at Jacobabad



On 28-Feb-2017, Mr. Muhammad Panah Odho, District Chairman District Council Jacobabad Inaugurated the polio vaccination campaign by visiting the Polio Vaccination camp under the MCHIP (Mother & Child Integrated Project) at Village Muhammad Pur along with District Health Administration and other concern department staff. Mr. Odho appreciated the SRSO's efforts taken regarding health improvements and awareness raised at the community level in far-flung areas, even not covered by the Govt. He further added that together we will cover every area and will reach out each household at their doorstep.



Free Medical Camp Under SUCCESS Programme



SRSO in collaboration with District Health Department organized a one day medical camp in UC Ghaibi Dero, District Qamber-Shahdadkot. One day Free medical camp was organized on the need arose in the activist workshop which was attended by DHO-Qamber. From medical camp, more than 40 villages' benefited and more than 500 patients of Malaria, Hepatitis-C, TB, were treated. Polio vaccine was also provided to children. Free medicines were also given to the extremely needy patients. During the camp, Nawab Burhan Khan (Provincial Minister) along with Mr. Amjad Ali Shah (DHO) visited the camp and appraised the services and arrangements made for the masses. Other local elected representatives also joined the camp and served the masses throughout the day. Mr. Burhan praised the initiative of SRSO and Health Department. He said such type of free medical camps should also be arranged in other needy areas.

Celebration of International Women's Day

The events regarding the celebration of Women's International Day was organized in different districts i.e. Larkana, Shikarpur, Khairpur, Qamber-Shahdadkot, Jacobabad, and Noushehro-Feroz. Women from community institutions participated in these events. Local notables and elected representatives were invited as chief guests. Women leaders put a meaningful light over the importance of this day and role of women chiefly rural women in the development of areas. Notables and other guests also spoke at the occasions and highlighted the importance of this day in the light of development context. All the speakers urged on male members to spare their efforts and time to enable the women to work and make them as empowered. Speakers also stressed on institutions like SRSO and other to play their crucial role in addressing women-centered issues and obstacles, currently restricting them. SRSO teams facilitated the events in their respective districts.





National Day-Green Pakistan Campaign



Green Pakistan Programme was formally launched on 09-Feb-2017 by the SRSO in collaboration with Federal Government's initiative to improve the forest and to combat the climate change. Mr. Mohammad Dittal Kalhoro (CEO-SRSO) and NRM Head Mr. Nisar Ahmed Pathan planted a tree in presence of officials from the Forest Department, social welfare department and the representatives of Community Intuitions. CEO also spoke at the occasion that the effort would cause a positive impact on the region's overall environment. Followed by this, a formal walk was also arranged which led by CEO SRSO. A walk was also organized in order to aware the community on the green environment and its massive importance. The leaders from various community institutions also joined the walk and put meaningful light on the greener environment and its importance in human lives. The Same type of events was also organized in other SRSO's operational districts, led by SRSO officials and community leaders.

Visit of AKRSP's Delegation to UCBPRP & SUCCESS Districts



AKRSP's team visited the various locations in District Jacobabad on 19-Jan-2017. Their visit was aimed at to see the impact of different SRSO interventions at rural areas. During visit along with AKRSP, other notable guests Assistant Commissioner-Thull, Vice Chairman District Council, UC Chairman's, DHO Jacobabad and Deputy Director social welfare department were also accompanied. They participated in a number of activities under the various projects being implemented for the health and non-formal education where they were warmly welcomed by local rural women. Also, they participated in community conference organized by CIs under the theme of three pillars (Social, Political and Administrative) in LSO Etihad Jacobabad. Their presence strengthened the three pillars joint role in District Jacobabad. Followed by UCBPRP visit, AKRSP delegation also visited the areas of SUCCESS programme in district Qamber-Shahdadkot on 20-Jan-2017. They participated in Activist Workshop organized in village Mahi Durban. More than a 100 women from various Cos, VOs & Other stakeholders were including local government representatives, Vice Chairman District Council, representatives from PPHI participated. The delegation immensely appreciated the rural women struggles and their efforts that their Community institutions have sustained and strengthened the women and played a vital role in community driven development.



Visit of Foreign Delegation at District Shikarpur



Ms. Elizabeth from Netherlands and Mr. Martin from Food Security and Safety Socio-Economic Development Project visited the district Shikarpur and conducted meeting with different community institution leaders on dated 13-14th February 2017. She discussed with women of community institutions that how they have created linkages with different markets and organizations and Mr. Martin visited the Process of Agriculture (Crops), Livestock rearing, their milk production and poultry industry that how the community is getting benefit from them.

Capacity Building Events for Staff



Institute of Management and Skills Development (IMSD) organized various kinds of training i.e. Stress Management Workshop, Risk Management Training, and CART-Training for MF field staff. Throughout these training events, the IMSD has fully facilitated the participants. The training environment, modules, and exercises were designed, in such a way which increased the interest and enhanced the knowledge of the participants. Among the participants were the Senior Managers, Managers, Professionals and Social Organizers from field unit offices, district offices, and head office.

Training of Trainers (ToT)

A five-day, ToT was organized under the "Improving Adolescent Lives in Pakistan" on dated 9-13th January 2017 at SRSO Complex Sukkur. This project is financially assisted by the IKEA UNICEF. The major theme of the ToT was to step down training of Adolescent Champions about the use of adolescent development toolkit. Ms. Nasreen Shaikh from RSPN conducted the entire training event as the Master Trainer of the event. Mr. Khaleel Tetlay and Mr. Bashir Anjum from the RSPN also visited as well as participated in the event and encouraged the trainees to learn more as they can. They also extended their feedback and praised the event in terms of various sessions, arrangements, training conduct and various exercises being part of ToT event.



Joint Publication by SRSO and RSPN

A booklet comprising of case studies from the UCBPR-programme District Shikarpur was jointly published by the SRSO and the RSPN. The central theme was "The Road to Success" which unveiling the real-life stories and case studies of rural women based upon their years of dedicated efforts, long-lasting struggle to fight against poverty in achieving the adequate substantial changes in the lives of ordinary masses.

http://www.srso.org.pk/reports/cs_study/The-Road-to-Success_2016.pdf

4th Sartyoon Sang Crafts Exhibition

A three-day Sartyoon Sang Craft Exhibition was organized at the Ocean Mall Karachi from 5-7, January 2017. The exhibition was the part of routine activities under CED section's annual plan. The event attracted a large number of customers, buyers, and shopkeepers of the city Karachi. They all took immense interest and caused good sale throughout the 3 days. The exhibition remained a successful event, which served the purpose of promoting local cultural fashion introduced by rural women artisans and their business development groups (BDGs).

