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# Managerial Activist Conference under PPRP-GoS

THATTA/DECEMBER24,2022

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) organized a Managerial Activists Conference (MAC) under Govt. of Sindh-funded Peoples' Poverty Reduction Program (PPRP) at Village Qaim Shoro UC Junghri Taluka & District Thatta. The Renowned Writer and Senior Development Expert Mr. Naseer Memon (Member SRSO-BoD), Mr. Parvez Ahmed Chandio (Director General PPRP, Govt of Sindh), and Mr. Muhammad Dittal Kalhoro (CEO-SRSO) were the Chief Guests of this event.

Local Support Organization (LSO) Leaders Ms. Farzana (President) and Ms. Razia (General Secretary) presented the introduction and progress in all PPRP indicators i.e. capacity building, CIF, IGG, VTP, BDG, and other self-help-based actions i.e. opening closed schools, vaccination, health emergencies which LSO Junghri did while this open discussion was triggered to clarify all broadness of LSO. On this occasion, Mr. Naseer Memon and other guests conducted participatory dialogue with LSOs leaders and beneficiaries to elaborate on CIF utilization, receiving LCH, VTP, and other interventions and its impacts on their lives and livelihood at personal, household, and community levels at large.



Guests visited constructed Low-Cost-Houses under PPRP and developed Kitchen Gardening under the SIAPEP-Govt. of Sindh funded Project at Azad Nagar Rural Hyderabad District.



It was appreciated that the PPRP-GoS and SRSO had improved the economic and social status of community institutions and beneficiaries.

Mr. Ghulam Rasool Samejo (RGM PPRP), Mr. Jamal Mustafa Shoro (RGM SRSO), Khuda Bux Behrani (Director of SWD-Thatta), Ms. Mahreen Soomro (Assistant Director-SWD) and Syed Fiza Shah (lecture of Sindh University Campus Thatta) and above 65 VO and LSO members participated in the managerial activist's Conference.



## A EXPLORING THE POTENTIALS FOR DEVELOPING PARTNERSHIP UNDER BRAC INTERNATIONAL HOLLAND'S ULTRA POVERTY GRADUATION INITIATIVE (UPGI)



### **SRSO COMPLEX SUKKUR/DECEMBER 10, 2022**

A meeting was organized with SRSO on Exploring the Potentials for Developing Partnership under BRAC International Holland's Ultra Poverty Graduation Initiative (UPGI). The day-long meeting was attended by 22 senior team members of SRSO from different sectors/programs and districts. Meanwhile, two senior development professionals and consultants of UPGI-BRAC Mr. Khalil Ahmed Tatlay and Mr. Muzaffar Uddin facilitated the meeting.

The insight and background information and discussion about poor, and poverty policies and programmes were implemented in South Asia especially Pakistan by governments, and international and development organizations. Popular and alternative narratives about the POOR also came under discussion. They shared the situation of poverty and its root causes, key challenges, and lessons in alleviation.

They briefed BRAC's Ultra Poverty Graduation Initiative (UPGI) and said, it has been started in 12 countries of South Asia and Africa to focus ultra-poor households for their social and economic development on a sustainable basis. The key principles and essentials of UPGI are i) targeting, ii) social protection, iii) financial inclusion, iv) livelihood protection, and v) social development were shared and discussed in detail. Then, participants were divided into two groups and asked to work on existing SRSO principles and essentials and gaps to be filled in the context of shared UPGI principles and essentials.

Finally, a discussion was conducted among participants in a plenary session on identified lacking essentials of the poverty graduation programmes i.e. emergency response, evidence-based M & E, communication, policy advocacy, and capacity building, and suggested to be incorporated in the initiative to achieve the goal of the poverty graduation of ultra-poor.



# Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) organized 6-day Professional Development Program for SEF- Assisted Schools Teachers Shikarpur/December 26 to 31, 2022

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) organized a 6-day Professional Development Program for Sindh Education Foundation Assisted Schools Teachers from December 26 to 31, 2022 at Shikarpur. 42 Teachers from 19 SRSO-managed SEF-GoS Assisted Community Clusters at Shikarpur and Kashmore@Kandhkot districts attended the training. The key objective of the training was to build the professional capacity of Community Cluster Schools Teachers on modern child-centered and objective-oriented pedagogy skills to achieve the quality-learning objectives of the syllabus. Different pedagogies and teaching techniques ii) Teacher's Professional Development Models, iii) VAK model of learning styles, iv) Application of STEM approach, v) Classroom management which supports creating a Child-friendly atmosphere and vi) Bloom's Taxonomy were broad contents of training that were covered through participatory and practical training methodologies.

Senior teacher's training expert Dr. Abdul Razzak Memon was the lead trainer. Meanwhile, Mr. Noor Hussain Shar (Director-IBA Community Colleges), Mr. Akram Shaikh (Manager-SRSO-SEF Schools), and Mr. Shafique Jatoi (DM-SEF-Shikarpur) also as delivered their sessions to enhance teachers' teaching and learning skills on strong professional grounds.



Last day of December 31, Mr. Muhammad Dittal Kalhoro (CEO-SRSO) graced the occasion of training and interacted with teachers. He emphasized almost all important aspects of education and encouraged all participants to promote quality education in remote areas. He insisted on Head Teachers to make schools attractive to students. Finally, certificates were given to all, and 6 day- of training was concluded successfully.



SRSO is operating Sindh Education Foundation-Government of Sindh Assisted 19 Community Cluster Schools (SAS) in Shikarpur and Kashmore@Kandhkot districts (10 Shikarpur and 9 Kashmore@Kandhkot). At present, 5422 children from rural areas are enrolled in these clusters schools from KG to Matric classes. These schools have been constructed as State of Art of education with all modern learning and education facilities and qualified teaching faculty.

# National Poverty Graduation Programme (NPGP) Govt. of Pakistan

## 7-day Training of Trainers (ToT) on Basic Business, Assets Management, and Functional Literacy (FLAM) Shikarpur/December30, 2022



Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) organized successfully the 8th 7-day Training of Trainers (ToT) on Basic Business, Assets Management, and Functional Literacy (FLAM) dated December 24-30, 2022, at Shikarpur under the National Poverty Graduation Programme (NPGP)-a flagship program of the Ministry of Poverty Alleviation and Social Safety (MOPASS)-Govt. of Pakistan funded by International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD). This 7-day training of trainers workshop was attended by selected 25 (13 SKP and 12 KKK) Community Resource Persons (CRPs) of both Programme districts Shikarpur and Kashmore-Kandhkot.

These master trainers have been trained and capacitated mainly all aspects of enterprise development, assets management, and functional literacy through using different participatory and interactive training tools and techniques.

Last day, SRSO-Regional General Manager, Manager-Training, and Training Consultant distributed certificates among the participants and they shared their views, experience, and learning as well

200 (111 Kashmore @Kandhkot and 89 Shikarpur) CRPs have been trained from both covering districts through 7-day ToT on FLAM. Trained master trainers are responsible to replicate training with NPGP beneficiaries at the community level aimed to build the capacity of beneficiaries in managing productive assets and enterprises to improve their livelihood and income and graduate out from poverty on a sustainable basis.

## 7-Day Training of Trainers (ToT) of Community Resource Persons (CRPs) on Health, Hygiene, and Nutrition Shikarpur/December19,2022



5th Training of Trainers (ToT) of Community Resource Persons (CRPs) on Health, Hygiene, and Nutrition (HHN) completed by Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) under the National Poverty Graduation Programme (NPGP)-a flagship programme of MOPASS-GoP funded International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) Total 25 CRPs from both programme districts (15 Shikarpur and 10 Kashmore@Kandhkot) attended the 7-day long training at Shikarpur. Trained CRP as a master trainer will be responsible to replicate learning through community-based training with NPGP beneficiaries and community members to create awareness about health, hygiene, and nutrition.

At end of training on December 19, 2022, a certificates distribution ceremony was organized and GM-SRSO Micro-Finance and Incharge NPGP and Manager-SRSO-IMSD distributed the certificates. GM-MF said that training is another component of the NPGP and the role of trained CRPs in educating rural women about health and hygiene is most important for creating health awareness.

On this occasion, participants also shared their learning and feedback about the training content, methodology, logistics, and trainer as well.



# Teacher Training Workshop on STEAM with Sukkur IBA University for SRSO-managed EMO-Hub School

Khairpur/December 22 & 23, 2022



A 2-day Teacher Training Workshop was organized on STEAM in the classroom with 21st-century skills, Robotics Technology, and Lesson Planning for SRSO-managed EMO-Hub School at IBA Center Gambat. 20 Teachers of EMO-Government Boys High School Sami district Khairpur participated in the workshop. The key objective of the training was to train teachers on STEM in the classroom with 21st-century skills, introduction of Robotic Technology and lesson planning. In this workshop, the important and practical implementation of STEM education and the role of Robotics Technology was demonstrated with modern e-learning tools and hands-on experience with Robotics basic components. Sukkur IBA University-Center of Excellence for Robotics Artificial Intelligence and Blockchain (CRAIB) conducted the training.

The IBA Director CRAIB, The Principal IBA Institute Khairpur, and Sr. Manager SRSO-Education also visited training and urged participants to learn the STEM Approach and the latest technology so that enable to teach students with modern techniques and techno pedagogy.

At present, SRO is managing two schools i) Govt. Girls High School Numaish Colony Sukkur and ii) Govt. Boys High Schools Sami Khairpur to improve quality education under the Sindh Basic Education Program (USAID-EMO Hub Schools Project) with Education and Literacy Department-Govt. of Sindh.





# Awareness Campaign on Malaria under National Poverty Graduation Programme (NPGP)

*Kashmore@Kandhkot & Shikarpur/December 21, 2022*

Awareness Campaign on Malaria is continued at the community level in both covering districts under the National Poverty Graduation Programme (#NPGP)-a flagship program of the Ministry of Poverty Alleviation and Social Safety (#MOPASS)-Govt. of Pakistan funded by the International Fund for Agricultural Development (#IFAD). In this regard, last day 21 community awareness sessions (16 Kashmore@Kandhkot & 5 Shikarpur) were organized and attended by 588 community members (448 Kashmore@Kandhkot & 140 Shikarpur). These sessions were conducted in different UCs i.e. Ghouspur, Jamal, Sohlyani, Zorgarh, Dari, Tangwani and Resaldar district Kashmore and Shikarpur Naushoro Abro, Janno, and Wazirabad.

The key objective of the campaign on Malaria is to aware program beneficiaries and community members, especially of malaria disease, its causes, and prevention measures. Trained Community Resource Persons (CRPs) from organized Training of Trainers (TOTs) under NPGP-GOP are conducting awareness sessions, walks, display and disseminating IEC material at the community level with NPGP beneficiaries and community members through engaging Community Institutions (Cos, VOs, and LSOs). At the end of the session, mosquito nets have been also provided to participants for keeping safe from mosquitos during the current malaria high-risk situation due to the flood-stagnant water and winter season



# UNFPA Country Representative participated in the GBV/SRH awareness session conducted by

SRSO

Dadu/December 07, 2022



UNFPA Country Representative, Dr. Luay Shabaneh along with team members Bayramgul, Garabayeva, and Ejaz Ahmed participated in the GBV/SRH awareness session conducted by SRSO during their visit to flood-affected areas of the district Dadu. This session was conducted with flood-affected community women and adolescent girls at village Qaim Jato of Taluka Mehar under the ongoing UNFPA-SRHR project. The UNFPA team attended the session, observed the proceeding, and dialogued with participants as well. They discussed early child marriage, women's rights, and how in our society we have given less importance to girls and women. Community-women expressed their thoughts and said it is happening to us for a long time, we are ignored for education, dignity even justice as well. Lastly, the team thanked the participants and SRSO.

At the end of the session, 50 dignity kits were also distributed among the participants. DM-SRSO Kamber-Shahdadkot and DPO-UNFPA-SRHR Project facilitated the team during the visit and discussion.





# NATIONAL POVERTY GRADUATION PROGRAMME-GOVT. OF PAKISTAN

## PRODUCTIVE ASSETS DISTRIBUTION AMONG THE ULTRA-POOR FAMILIES OF SHIKARPUR AND KASHMORE@KANDHKOT DISTRICTS

At present, SRSO is implementing National Poverty Graduation Programme (NPGP)-a flagship program of Ministry of Poverty Alleviation and Society Safety (MOPASS) Govt. of Pakistan with the funding of 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 of BISP families in graduating out of poverty on a sustainable basis, simultaneously improving their overall food security, nutritional status, and resilience to climate change.

Shikarpur/December30, 2022

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) transferred 54 productive assets (Heifer's) to the rural women of different 05 Union Councils i.e Rahimabad36, Zarkhel01, Naushoro Abro10, Nim Sharif 6, and Sehwanil in district Shikarpur



Shikarpur/December28, 2022

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) transferred 98 productive assets (Heifer's) to the rural women of different 9 union councils of taluka Lakhi, Gharhi Yaseen Khanpur, and Shikarpur.



Shikarpur/December25, 2022

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) transferred 88 productive assets (Heifer's) to the rural women of different union councils of taluka Lakhi district Shikarpur under the National Poverty Graduation Programme (NPGP)-a flagship program of the Ministry of Poverty Alleviation and Social Safety (MOPASS)-Govt. of Pakistan funded by International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD).



Kashmore@Kandhkot/December29,2022



Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) distributed 11 tangible assets (Heifer) to beneficiaries against their death claims under the signed Livestock Health Insurance Policy (Death Claim) of SRSO for National Poverty Graduation Programme (NPGP)-a flagship program of the Ministry of Poverty Alleviation and Social Safety (MOPASS)-Govt. of Pakistan funded by International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD). These beneficiaries were belonging to different targeted UCs of the district.

The SRSO-livestock Death Claim Policy provides cover to the NPGP beneficiaries for one year after following all required and agreed protocols and procedures, livestock has been re-transferred. This policy has been signed by each beneficiary and briefed as well during asset distribution. To date, only in district Kashmore@Kandhkot district, total of 99 livestock/heifers have been replaced to NPGP beneficiaries under the policy and secured their productive assets and livelihood source.



## Shikarpur/December22, 2022

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) transferred 41 productive assets (Heifer's) to the rural women of 7 UCs of Naoshahro Abro, Sehvani, Habib Kot, Lodra, Hamayoon, Sultankot, and Janno in the district under the National Poverty Graduation Programme (NPGP)-a flagship program of the Ministry of Poverty Alleviation and Social Safety (MOPASS)-Govt. of Pakistan funded by International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD).



## Shikarpur/December19, 2022

To end poverty by improving the livelihood of the ultra-poor households on a sustainable basis, Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) transferred 122 productive assets (Heifer's) to the rural women of BISP beneficiaries. These beneficiaries were belonging to 04 targeted union councils i.e. Hamayoon, Mian Sahib, Garhi Dakho and Janno talukas Shikarpur and Khanpur of the district.

## Kashmore@Kandhkot/December21, 2022

99 tangible assets were transferred to ultra-poor families of BISP beneficiaries in district Kashmore@Kandhkot under the National Poverty Graduation Programme (#NPGP)-a flagship program of the Ministry of Poverty Alleviation and Social Safety (#MOPASS)-Govt. of Pakistan funded by International Fund for Agricultural Development (#IFAD). These beneficiaries were belonging to different villages of UC Badani 35, Akhero12, Duniyapur22, Zorgarh20, and Malheer07 of the district.



## Shikarpur/December16, 2022

To end poverty and improve the livelihood of the ultra-poor households on a sustainable basis, Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) transferred vaccinated and insured 50 tangible assets (Heifer's) to the rural women. These beneficiaries were belonging to two targeted union councils Londra and Sultan Kot of taluka Shikarpur of the district





## DIRECTOR GENERAL PPRP DIRECTORATE-GOVT. OF SINDH VISITS SRSO INTERVENTIONS

*THATTA & MIRPURKHAS/DECEMBER 21 & 22, 2022*

Director General, Peoples' Poverty Reduction Programme (PPRP) Directorate-Govt. of Sindh Mr. Paraiz Ahmed Chandio visited #PPRP interventions in district Thatta implemented by Sindh Rural Support Organization (#SRSO). The main purpose of the visit was to review program interventions at the household and community level. He met beneficiaries and Community Institutions (#CIs), and discussed impacts of programme on their lives and livelihood. He visited different SRSO fostered Community Institutions i.e. VO Sada Bahar, village Ismial Arti Jokhio, VO Banbhore, village Shahmeer Jokhio UC Banbhore, and VO Khair Mohammed Manchari, UC Bijora and held meetings with beneficiaries of programme intervention i.e. CIF, IGG, VTP, and LCH. Community leaders and beneficiaries shared their success stories which changed their lives. He appreciated the efforts and emphasized the beneficiary and CIs to plan and implement activities according to assessed needs and plan and improve organizational, enterprise, and management skills and linkages with stakeholders. DM and other SRSO team members facilitated DG in the visit.

Mr. Paraiz Ahmed Chandio (Director General, Peoples' Poverty Reduction Programme (PPRP) Directorate-Govt. of Sindh) visited #PPRP funded enterprises implemented by Sindh Rural Support Organization (#SRSO) in district Mirpurkhas.

He visited Matka Decoration Shop, met group members, and evaluated the business in terms of investment and income. This enterprise has been established and run successfully by 5 members Business Development Group (#BDG) for 2 years at Village Ghirore Shareef Taluka Sindhri.

DG-PPRP-GoS also visited the recent start-up Garment Industry under PPRP's Enterprise Development Fund (EDF) and met entrepreneurs. The Garment Industry has been started by 6 members group with the financial assistance of the PPRP-GoS. EDF members shared detail about setup, garment orders, revenue, and profit. At present, 50 workers have been engaged in this enterprise.

He was very impressed and appreciated the enterprise's initiatives of the groups and improving the livelihood and socio-economic status of the most vulnerable and poor households, members, and other allied people.

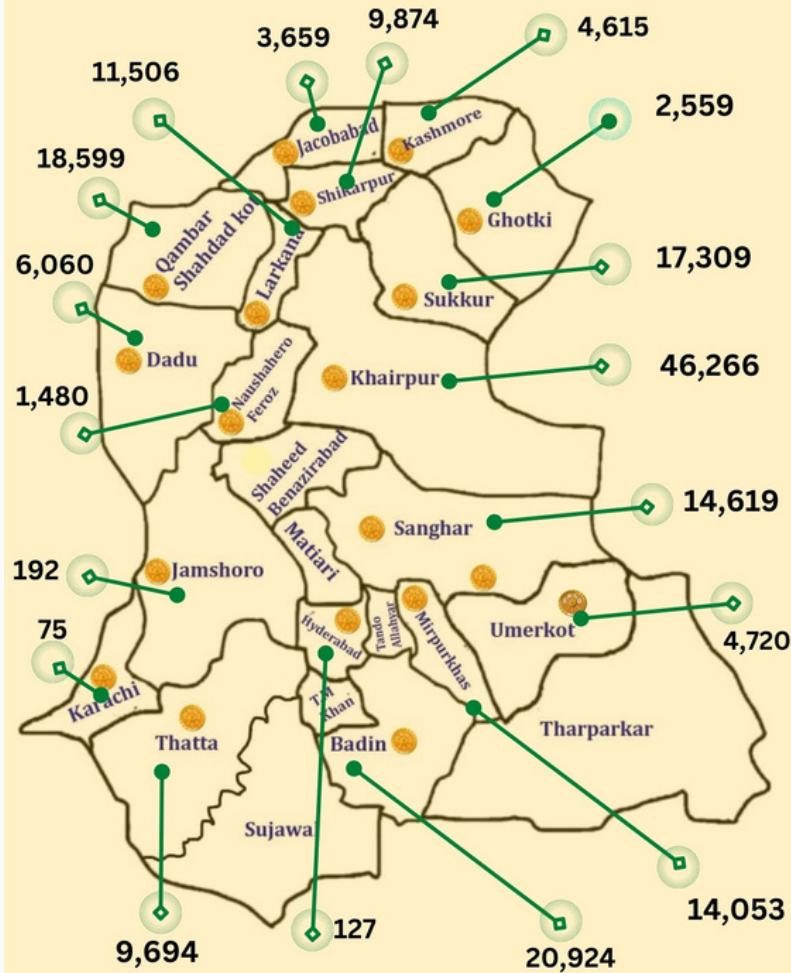


# SRSO-FLOOD EMERGENCY RESPONSE-2022

## SRSO Relief Operation Outreach

### 18 DISTRICTS

No of Families Per District



## EMERGENCY RESPONSE!



## Relief Recovery & Rehabilitation Activities

IMPACT SNAPSHOT  
18 Districts  
1.37 Billion Funds utilized  
186,331 Families Served

## SRSO-FLOOD EMERGENCY RESPONSE-2022

Sindh Rural Support Organization (#SRSO) is responding to the Flood Emergency 2022 in the most affected areas of 18 districts of #Sindh province of Pakistan to provide support in #relief, #recovery, and #rehabilitation of the #calamity-disaster victim-communities in collaboration with different Govt. departments, UN agencies, national/International humanitarian organizations, corporate sector, charity organizations, and philanthropists.

SRSO has utilized Rs.1.37 Billion by extending their services to 186,331 families of #calamity-victim-rural communities in 18 districts of Sindh under #SRSOFloodEmergencyResponse2022.



## THE 440 WHEAT SEED BAGS WERE DISTRIBUTED AMONG THE 202 CALAMITY-HIT FARMERS TO CULTIVATE THE CROPS BY SRSO IN PARTNERSHIP WITH ACF UNDER MULTI-SECTOR EMERGENCY SUPPORT FOR COMMUNITIES IN SINDH PROJECT

Khairpur Mir's/December 16, 2022



The 220 wheat seed bags were distributed among the 110 calamity-hit farmers to cultivate the crops in order to ensure food security and improve their livelihood by Sindh Rural Support Organization (#SRSO) under Action Against Hunger (#ACF) funded Multi-Sector Emergency Support for Communities in Sindh project. For this purpose, a detailed assessment was conducted in targeted areas to identify the most vulnerable farmers. The livelihood support was provided to 110 vulnerable farmers of the most flood affected 09 villages of Union Council Drip Mehar Shah and Kolab Jeal, Taluka Kingri District #Khairpur Mir's'.

Mr. Muhammad Dittal Kalhoro (CEO-SRSO) along with the Project Manager-ACF and other ACF team members also participated and facilitated SRSO team in the distribution.



Kamber-Shahdadkot/December 17, 2022



Sindh Rural Support Organization (#SRSO) in collaboration with Action Against Hunger (#ACF) distributed wheat seeds to 110 marginalized farmers of flood affected 10 villages of Union Councils Junani and Kalar Taluka Warrarh district #Kamber-Shahdadkot. For this purpose, a detailed assessment was conducted in targeted areas to identify the most vulnerable farmers.

The 220 wheat seed bags were distributed to #calamity-hit farmers to cultivate the crops that will ensure food security and improve their #livelihood at the household level. The distribution points were at village Junani UC Junani and Bisharat Kalhoro UC Kalar.

Project Manager, Agriculture Officer, MHSS Officer and Monitoring Officer of ACF also visited the distribution points and facilitated the SRSO team.



# SRSO-FLOOD EMERGENCY RESPONSE-2022

## Dialogue on Terms of Partnership (TOP)

### with beneficiaries of the Engro Foundation-funded Low-Cost Housing (LCH) Project



**Kamber-Shahdadkot/December28,2022**

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) conducted a dialogue on Terms of Partnership (TOP) with beneficiaries of the Engro Foundation-funded Low-Cost Housing (LCH) Project. This dialogue was organized at the village Sahib Khan Tunio UC Junani Taluka Warrah and 146 LCH beneficiaries and community institutions (Cos, VOs, and LSO) representatives participated in the dialogue. The households have been selected from the targeted villages after a comprehensive assessment based on their vulnerability, poverty, and affected houses.

from SRSO, Regional General Manager, Programme Engineer, and District Manager participated and briefed about the project, TOP and proposed design of the house, allied facilities, payment procedure, and quality standards and defined the roles and responsibilities of each partner.

Under this project, SRSO will construct 146 low-cost houses with allied facilities of warinda, washroom, and kitchen to provide quality and resilient shelter for marginalized and flood-affected families of two villages Sahib Khan Tunio and Ramadan Gadehi UC Junani Taluka Warrah district Kamber-Shahdadkot.



# WINTERIZATION KITS

The current, cold wave has increased issues and challenges for calamity victims who were already suffering and facing severe post-disaster effects. Looking, at this situation SRSO is providing winterization kits to the most-affected and poor families especially women and children in flood-affected areas of Sindh.

## Ghotki/December30, 2022

100 winter matters/kits were distributed among the affected and poor families of most flood-affected villages Bariri UC Bariri 50, and Gahloo Tanwari50 UC Ruk of the taluka and district Ghotki. Beneficiaries were selected by SRSO-fostered Village Organizations (VOs) after an assessment.



## Jacobabad/December26, 2022

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) distributed Winter stuff/Kits amongst 40 ultra-poor and most flood-affected families of village Bahram Brohi and village UC Shamsdin Khoso Taluka Thul. Each winter kit includes; one blanket, gadilo, dari, blanket for children, and jacket. These beneficiaries were identified through an assessment by SRSO-fostered Village Organizations (VOs) of respective villages.



## Jacobabad/December29, 2022

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) distributed Winterization Kits to 30 ultra-poor and most flood-affected families of village Raheem Bux Soomro Taluka & District Jacobabad. Each winter kit includes; one blanket, floor cushion, blanket for children, and jacket. These beneficiaries were identified through an assessment by the SRSO-fostered Village Organization (VO) of the respective village.



## Sukkur/December20, 2022

To save flood-affected families from winter weather hazards, the Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) with the support of the District administration Sukkur distributed blankets among the 188 most affected families of 5 different villages i.e. Gindo Khakhi UC Nirch, Chatto Makol UC Nirch, Ali Bux Katto UC Sangi, Mushtaq Bajkani UC Nirch, and Yousif Mochi UC Bulla taluka Pino Aqil. The SRSO team assessed and finalized the most affected and ultra-families with the assistance of formed Community institutions (CIs).



## FOOD ITEMS DISTRIBUTION

### DECEMBER, 2022

#### Sukkur/December19, 2022

To provide relief support to calamity-disaster-victims' families of the district Sukkur, Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) with the support of Philips Morris Pakistan distributed dry ration bags to 102 the flood-affected 2 villages of union councils Naseerababd Taluka New Sukkur.



#### Kamber-Shahdadkot/December08, 2022

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) Kamber-Shahdadkot with the support of Philips Morris Pakistan limited distributed 550 dry ration bags to the affected communities aimed to provide emergency relief to fill the food needs of the family during their hard days. 550 affected households of village Wadho Kalhoro Taluka Naseerabad benefited from the distribution whose livelihoods are severally affected due to floods. Government officials also participated in the distribution and dialogued with the community. The SRSO team managed the distribution with the support of Community Institutions (CIs) volunteers.



#### Kamber-Shahdadkot/December13, 2022

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) with the collaboration of Philips Morris Pakistan limited distributed dry ration bags to the affected communities after a need-based assessment. 145 households of village Saeed Phulphoto UC Mondhar and village Chaudero Taluka Naseerabad and District Kamber-Shahdadkot benefited from the ration bags whose livelihoods are affected due to rain.





## WATER FILTRATION PLANTS

*At present, SRSO is installing 20 water treatment plants with the support of World Central Kitchen (WCK) in flood-hit areas of Sanghar, Sanghar, Khairpur, Naushoro Feroz, and Jacobabad districts under Flood emergency response 2022. The water plant will increase access of flood-affected people to purified drinking water and decrease the adverse effects of saline water on their health and sanitation.*

Jacobabad/December29, 2022

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) with the support of World Central Kitchen (WCK) installed 2nd water treatment plant in the village Behram Brohi UC Karim Bux District Jacobabd. The main purpose of the plant is to increase access of flood-affected communities to safe drinking water, especially in most flood-affected areas. The installed plant will provide purified water to above 150 households in the village.



Jacobabad/December26, 2022

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) with the support of World Central Kitchen (WCK) installed a water treatment plant to increase access to safe drinking water, especially in flood-affected areas. The 1st plant was installed successfully at the village Dodo Khan UC Baqapur district Jacobabad and it will provide purified water to above 200 households in the area.



# HEALTH CARE

UNDER FCDO/PSI FUNDED FLOOD RELIEF ACTIVITIES

## Shikarpur/December29, 2022

1418, family planning clients and 700, general patients of different diseases were treated and 689 MHM kits were distributed during organized Free Medical Camps for Flood-Affected Communities under FCDO/PSI funded Flood Relief Activities. These camps were organized with aimed to provide health care services and awareness to flood-affected communities. SRSO organized these camps at villages Qalander Bux Malik, Dhani Bux Malik, Rajjo Labano UC Taib, Walidad Brohi, Kundho Unner, Sharif Mahar UC Wazirabad, village Manghrio Wahi, Fatah Mohammad Brohi, Wazir Soomro UC Mian Sahib District Shikarpur. SRSO-DAFPAK LHV's also conducted 09 awareness sessions on quality health and hygiene care and made aware 265 + participants. 10 disposable delivery kits and 10 newborn baby kits were also distributed to last-trimester pregnant women of the flood-affected area.



## Shikarpur/December20, 2022

1011 FP clients and 560 general patients of different diseases were treated during organized Medical and Family Planning Camps for flood-affected communities at Village Fatahendo UC Chak (Taluka Lakhi), village Amanullah Bagdar and village Allah Jivayo Lashari UC NIM (Taluka Garhi Yaseen of the district Shikarpur. These camps were organized and aimed to provide health care services under FCDO/PSI-funded Flood relief activities by Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO). Team also distributed 30 disposable delivery kits and 30 newborn baby kits to last-trimester pregnant women and 400 MHM kits among the flood-affected communities. SRSO- DAFPAK LHV's also conducted quality health care and hygiene awareness sessions and 70 + participants attended made aware

## Shikarpur/December10, 2022



Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) conducted a free medical camp for flood-affected communities under FCDO/PSI-funded flood relief activities in collaboration with the Population Welfare Department-Govt. of Sindh. The camp was arranged at village Khokharan Je Wandh UC Nohshero Abro Tahsil Gharri Yaseen District Shikarpur District Population Officer Mr. Nisar Pathan, Mr. Aijaz Khokhar (Principle of Degree College Madeji), SRSO Project Focal Person, TPWO, ATO, and others participated in the inauguration and talked with participants about the family planning and health care issues, especially post-rain situation.

345 patients with different diseases were treated and 106 FP clients were served through check-ups, tests, and medicines in the camp. 100 MHM Kits were also distributed to MWRAs,

2 Medical officers, 4 FWO assistant technicians, and 4 LHV's were served in the camp. A health and Hygiene session was also conducted by DPO-DAFPAK-SRSO-Meanwhile, Dr. Razia Sadaf (Quality Assurance Officer RSPN) also served visited the camp and served patients as well.

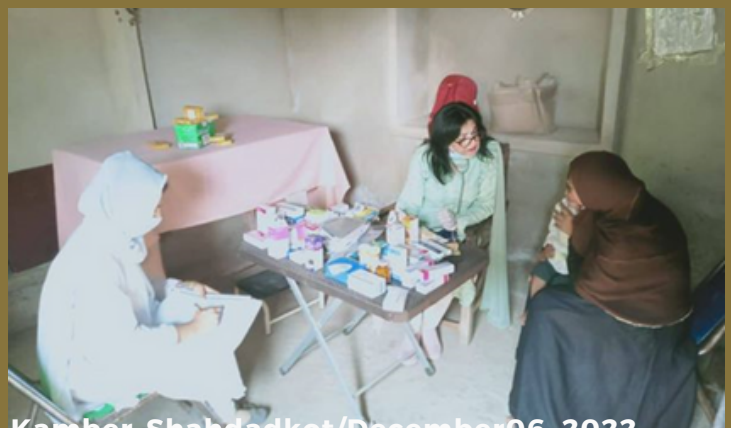


# FREE HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES FOR FLOOD-AFFECTED COMMUNITIES IN SHIKARPUR & KAMBER-SHAHDADKOT DISTRICTS

Shikarpur/December08 2022

The medical camp was organized at Village Qaim Khan Wadhayo UC Panah Odho Tahsil Gharri Yaseen District Shikarpur and Health Department doctors, the SRSO-DAFPAK team, and Dr. Razia Sadaf (Quality Assurance Officer RSPN) also served during the camp and checked the vitals of patients, tested diseases and malaria and provided them with medicines. Above 409 patients with different diseases were treated and 89 FP clients were served in the camp.

100 MHM Kits for MWRAs 02 Disposable Delivery Kits and 02 Baby Kits were also distributed to the last trimester pregnant women of flood-affected areas. Rehabilitation Department-District Shikarpur provided the Free Mobile Hospital Service and 4 Medical Officers, 5 nurses, 4 Lab assistants, 4 technicians, and 2 LHWs served in the camp. Health Professionals, SRSO-DAFPAK Project Focal Person, and the PSI monitoring team also visited the Medical camp, on this occasion, a health and hygiene awareness session was conducted with flood-affected community women by Ms. Fozia Director of Health Communication.



Kamber-Shahdadt/December06, 2022

A free medical relief camp was set up for flood-affected communities at Village Tharo Wadho Taluka Naseerabad by Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) in collaboration with the Population Welfare Department-GoS district Kamber-Shahdadt. The camp was organized under Population Services International (PSI) funded Delivering Accelerated Family Planning in Pakistan (DAFPAK) project with aimed to provide medical and family planning services, especially to flood-affected communities. Dr. Razia Sadaf Quality Assurance Officer (DAFPAK-RSPN) visited the camp and served the patients along with the DAFPAK team. A total, of 355 patients were treated, 300 family planning cases were served, and free medicines were provided to the affected population of flood-hit areas.

35 MHM kits were also distributed along with baby kits and delivery disposable kits.



# SINDH IRRIGATED AGRICULTURE PRODUCTIVITY ENHANCEMENT PROJECT (SIAPEP)-GOVT. OF SINDH

## 3,100 KITCHEN GARDENING (KG) HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED IN TARGETED 15 DISTRICTS OF SINDH

### Jacobabad/December29, 2022

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) distributed 21 KG kits among the selected women-headed and landless farmer's families under the World Bank-funded SIAPEP-On-Farm Water Management-Govt. of Sindh. These KG Kits were distributed at Village Biland Behan9, village Banglo Saeedan12, UC Gharhi Chand Taluka, and District Jacobabad. The KG kits aimed to enhance kitchen gardening to meet their nutritional values at their access, not only meet their nutrient intake but enhance their income too.

Deputy Director-Water Management Mr. Asghar Ali Soomro (Focal Person SIAPEP) and DM-SRSO Jacobabad participated in the distribution and explained the project and the importance of KG in nutrition and food security at the household level. 100, KGs have been established in all talukas of the district.



Sindh Rural Support Organization is implementing Sindh Govt. funded Sindh Irrigated Agriculture Productivity Enhancement Project (SIAPEP) in 15 districts of Sindh. Under this project, SRSO is providing Kitchen Gardening and Drip irrigation Kits to poor women-headed and landless farmers families to grow vegetables in their houses to meet nutritional need of the family and address food scarcity.

KG Target allocated to SRSO

S#	District	Target
1	Umerkot	250
2	Badin	200
3	Sanghar	200
4	Mirpurkhas	200
5	Hyderabad	150
6	Karachi	200
7	Khairpur	350
8	Kambar-Shahdadkot	300
9	Sukkur	250
10	Naushahro Feroze	250
11	Larkana	250
12	Shikarpur	200
13	Ghotki	100
14	Jacobabad	100
15	Kashmore @ Kandhkot	100
Total		3,100



### Umerkot/December11, 2022

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) organized one-day training on Kitchen Gardening training for women under SIAPEP- On-Farm Water Management-Govt. of Sindh. The training was organized at village Mandhal UC Kharro Syed Taluka and District Umerkot and 24 KG beneficiaries of the village attended the training. In field-level training, participants have been trained practically on developing and managing a KG appropriately at the household level and fulfilling the needs of the nutrition of the families. The SRSO-NRM Manager facilitated the training.



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## Jacobabad/December06, 2022

32 KG Kits were distributed at 3 villages of Taluka Thul i.e. Sher Khan Pahor 16, Imam Ali Pahor 11, and Arif Abad 05. The KG kits aimed to enhance kitchen gardening to meet their nutritional values at their access, this will not only meet their nutrient intake but this will enhance their income too.

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## Sukkur/December22, 2022

The training of 3,100 Kitchen Gardening beneficiaries of SIAPEP-GoS is continued in targeted 15 districts by Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO). For this purpose, a training was organized for 28 women beneficiaries at village Malik Tirror, UC Peer Ikhlash Shah Taluka Saleh Patt Sukkur. The participants were trained in the preparation of plots, sowing seeds, using compost, and killing weeds and pests in the classroom and field.



## Ghotki/December05, 2022

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) distributed the kitchen gardening kits/ irrigated kits with inputs among the selected 18 KG families in 2 villages of UC Muhammad Pur Taluka Ghotki under the Sindh Irrigated Agriculture Productivity Enhancement Project (SIAPEP)-Govt. of Sindh.

These kits were distributed by District Focal Person SIAPEP-Agriculture Department Ghotki and DM-SRSO.



# Car Driving Training Course for rural youth

Sukkur/December26,2022



Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) under Govt. of Sindh funded the Peoples' Poverty Reduction Program (PPRP) organized successfully one month-long Car Driving Training Course for rural youth. 14 youth boys from ultra-poor families of different villages and organized community Institutions of UC Mando Dero Taluak Rohri District Sukkur attended the training. The main purpose of vocational training is to identify, mobilize and train rural youth (Boyes & Youth and women in different job-oriented skills for generating employment and income opportunities for improving livelihood and reducing poverty.

Participants have been trained through classroom and field-practical-based sessions, At the end of training on December 26, 2022 certificates were also distributed among the training participants. SRSO will continue support trained youth in getting driving licenses and developing linkages as well.

The vocational Training Program (VTP) is another key component of the Peoples' Poverty Reduction Program (PPRP) Govt. of Sindh. 10, 000 youth (boys and girls) and women from rural areas will be trained in different job-market-oriented trades of the VTP in the Sukkur and Chotki districts.



Rasheeda W/O Ali Gul a landless farmer of village Razaque Dino UC Pir Akhlas Ali Shah Taluka Saleh Patt District Sukkur has constructed completely her Low-Cost House (#LCH) with the support of Govt. of Sindh under the People's Poverty Reduction Program (#PPRP) implemented by Sindh Rural Support Organization (#SRSO). She is a mother of 4 children (one boy and 3 girls), her family's poverty scorecard is only 10, and member of #VillageOrganization Triror fostered by #SRSO under #PPRP-CoS.

She said, "this is the happiest day for my whole family because, we have a safe and beautiful shelter with a basic facility of latrine and now, feel safer from any kind of weather and it has been possible with the support of SRSO and the Sindh Government."

Low-Cost Housing (LCH), is the key component of the #PPRP-a flagship program of the Sindh Government and SRSO which provides #safe, #resilient and #quality shelter for the poorest families of the rural areas in 8 programme covering districts of Sindh. SRSO is supporting eligible households in the construction of 2-rooms with Waranda and one allied facility (Latrine, hand pump, and Solaar plate) in targeted areas.





The renowned writer and senior development expert Mr. Naseer Memon (Board of Directors-SRSO) along with Mr. Zulfiqar Ali Kalhoro- Chief Executive Officer-SRSO and Mr. Ghulam Rasool Samejo (Team leader-PPRP) especially paid a visit to observe enterprise development interventions and meet entrepreneurs of SRSO under Peoples' Poverty Reduction Program (#PPRP)-Govt. of Sindh in District Mirpurkhas. They visited Sky Garments Industry started by 6 entrepreneurs jointly and employed 51 artisans with the financial support of SRSO and the Govt. of Sindh under Enterprise Development (Fund).

Mr. Naseer Memon was happy to see the innovative business setup of the Garment industry and appreciated the efforts of EDF members toward the work and dedication, and said that this is a role model for us and the community.

A detailed, interactive, and participatory dialogue and discussion was held with the entrepreneurs and members of Business Development Groups (#BDGs) fostered and supported by #SRSO under #PPRP-#GoS. He discussed enterprise development, business planning, and its sustainability. 41 males and females entrepreneurs from Taluka Sindhri, Hussain Bux Mari, Digri, Kot Ghulam Muhammad, Shujabad, and Jhuddo participated in the dialogue and shared their business, experiences, success stories, and lessons learned that occurred during business execution.

Mr. Naseer Memon appreciated and thanked all the members for their participation and sharing and said that "you all are doing very well, your every business is good and encouraging. You select yourself to do business because it is better than a job. Now you should also pay attention to the education of your children because they are our bright future, so educate the children."



# Sindhi Cultural Day

NPGP BENEFICIARIES/COMMUNITIES

Shikarpur and Kashmore@Kandhkot/December05,2022



Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) celebrated Sindhi Cultural Day 2022 with the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) and GoP-funded National Poverty Graduation Programme (NPGP) beneficiaries/communities at 06 different locations of both districts (Shikarpur and Kashmore@Kandhkot). The day celebration aimed to promote unity and tolerance, hand-made crafts of women artisans, and support rehabilitation efforts for flood-affected communities. The programme beneficiaries, elected representatives, community institutions, children, and youth of respective areas actively participated and performed cultural activities to spread the message of the cultural day.

GM-SRSO Micro-Finance, A-RGM, DMs, and other NPGP-SRSO team members also joined the communities in cultural day celebrations.

The women beneficiaries put up Traditional Bedspreads and Quilts handmade (Rilli Art) and Traditional Bread Basket stalls from the savings of acquired productive assets under NPGP, after recovering from the devastation of floods and the recent disaster, the women look confident and happy. The beneficiaries also thanked IFAD/NPGP/SRSO and commended them for their efforts to lift women out of poverty and empower them.





## Sukkur/Khairpur/December16, 2022

December 16 #BlackDay is being observed in #SRSO-managed #EMO-Hub Schools at Numaish Colony Sukkur and Sami Khairpur Mir's in remembrance of #APS Peshawar victims.

The students, teachers, and other staff of the schools prayed DUA, showing solidarity play cards and flowers for the eternal rest of the martyred souls and peace in Pakistan and the world as well during the assembly.

This day has been celebrated throughout Pakistan as a #BlackDay in memory of the terrorist attack on the Army Public School (APS) Peshawar December 16, 2014, which killed 150 people of whom at least 134 were students.



## Shikarpur/December13, 2022

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) in collaboration with the Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research (ACIAR) and Sindh Agriculture University Tando Jaam distributed chickpea seeds and fertilizers to 25 farmer families of UC Sewani and Shabirabad Taluka Lakhi district Shikarpur aimed to enhance the production and profitability of pulses. SRSO- PINS team conducted briefed the beneficiaries and identified farmers by respective Community Institutions (VOs and LSOs) about proper usage. SRSO has also linked AEs and KG beneficiaries with ACIAR as they grow Pulses for Nutrition productivity and seed multiplication.



## SRSO Complex Sukkur/December 03, 2022

The Government officials led by Mr. Hussain Syed [Federal Public Secretary - FPSC] visited the SRSO Head Office on Saturday, December 3, 2022, in Sukkur. Other visitors including Mr. Majid Makko [AC Sukkur] and Ms. Sanam Pirzado [Regional Head-FPSC] were also accompanied. The visit aimed to inspect the SRSO complex building and its capacity and compatibility to set it as a venue for the interviews of CSS candidates for the Sukkur region. The SRSO team welcomed the officials and briefed them about the SRSO and its core functions and programs for poverty reduction and empowerment of rural women. The officials visited the SRSO building and checked the available facilities and systems.





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## Islamabad/December13, 2022

Ms. Zuhra President-Local Support Organization (LSO) Chhato Chand, taluka, and district Thatta participated in The National Convention of the LSOs 2022 organized by the Rural Support Programmes Network (RSPN) at Islamabad. She represented the LSO and briefed about the success and experiences achieved in collaboration with SRSO, Govt. other organizations, and self-help basis. LSO was formed by organized rural women of the UC Chhato Chand on January 29, 2019, under the Peoples' Poverty Reduction Program Govt. of Sindh. LSOs of different RSPs from all over the country participated in the conference and shared their experience, learning, and views with govt. donors, development partners, and other stakeholders.

Mr. Shoab Sultant Khan Chairman-RSPN and Founder RSP movement in Pakistan inaugurated the Conference and awarded the shield to LSO on their success.

## Islamabad/December13, 2022

Ms. Hafiza Chairperson, Local Support Organization Fateh UC Izat Ji Wandh Taluka Rato Dero District Larkana participated in The National Convention of the LSOs 2022 organized by the Rural Support Programmes Network (RSPN) at Islamabad. She talked about the importance of unity, community institutions, and women empowerment and LSO achievements in collaboration with SRSO, govt. departments, other organizations, and self-help basis in rural areas. LSO-Fateh was formed by SRSO under EU funded SUCCESS Programme. The conference was attended by LSOs from all over Pakistan and government, donors, development, and Rural Support Programmes (RSPs).

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## Happy Sindhi Cultural Day 2022

On the occasion of Cultural Day December 4, 2022, CEO-SRSO wishes a very happy and prosperous day to all Sindhi around the world.

On the cultural brand of SRSO-Sartyoon Sang shared his views on Awaz TV Show Color of Life, that “being a Sindhi, we should be proud of our culture, and love humanity as well. We must promote Sindhi Culture by utilizing hand-made indigenous crafts in our daily life and this is the best way to promote culture and support rural women artisans because these crafts are the only source of livelihood for their families. He added “Sindh is passing through hard times and facing difficulties due to recent floods and therefore, I appeal to all people of Pakistan and all over the world to come forward and support flood-affected communities in Sindh. This is also part of our culture that we support people during hard days.”

