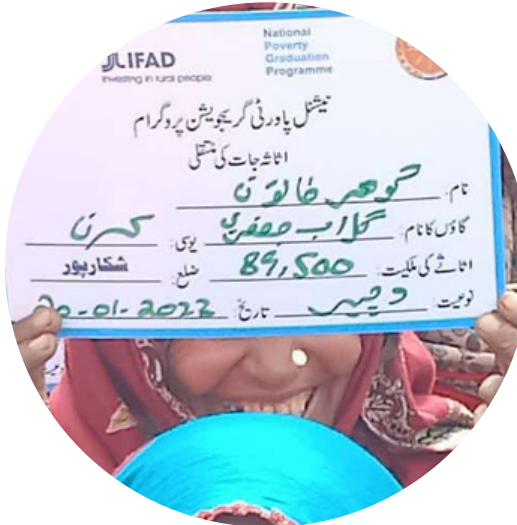




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Jacobabad/January 26, 2023

SRSO with the additional support of UNICEF is conducting community based awareness sessions on gender-based violence and health & hygiene care in selected flood-affected 03 villages i.e. village Khair Din Lashari UC Sher Waah, village Chuttal Naseerani and Haji Karam Khan Lashari UC Mirpur Burrirro Taluka Thul district Jacobabad. In targeted 03 villages, 500 blankets and 400 health & hygiene kits have also been distributed to women of poor and vulnerable families.

The main purpose is raising women awareness of gender-based violence and making them aware of the self-care, of #GBV types and how to reduce it. The purpose of these sessions was to urge women to take personal care, and adhere to the basics of reproductive health, such as family planning, and the prevention of epidemics and diseases, to reach the well-being of mental and physical health.



@SRSO COMPLEX SUKKUR/JANUARY 04, 2022

DIALOGUE AND LAPTOP DISTRIBUTION CEREMONY WITH NPGP-DIGITAL HEROES



The event was organised to celebrate the achievements and progress of the NPGP-Digital Heroes, who are being trained in digital skills at Sukkur IBA University under the National Poverty Graduation Programme (NPGP) implemented by Sindh Rural Support Organisation (SRSO). The aim is to empower these young men from rural and very poor communities to improve their livelihoods and break the cycle of poverty through online earning opportunities. The event included a dialogue and laptop distribution ceremony, where the CEO of SRSO, Mr. Muhammad Dittal Kalhoro, welcomed guests and the Digital Heroes. The Secretary of the Social Welfare Department of the Government of Sindh, Dr. Shereen Mustafa, also addressed the learners, encouraging them to become entrepreneurs and create employment for themselves and their communities. The Vice-Chancellor of Sukkur IBA University and other government officials also attended the event and praised the efforts of MOPASS, IFAD, and SRSO in empowering these young men.

The Digital Heroes shared their presentations and learning experiences, and the event was concluded with the distribution of certificates and laptops to the participants.



Staff Orientation

2-DAY ORIENTATION TRAINING WORKSHOP FOR UNICEF SUPPORTED PROJECT STAFF



SRSO COMPLEX SUKKUR/JANUARY 6 & 7, 2023

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) organized a 2-day orientation training workshop for project staff of UNICEF supported Community Engagement and Social Mobilization for Raising Community Awareness on Health, Nutrition, Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS) and Referral Mechanisms for Integrated Services on 6-7 January 2023. The main objective of the workshop was to orient the staff about the project, key interventions, and thematic areas to achieve the objectives of the project effectively. 60 staff members from the head office and 5 project-covering districts attended the orientation. The CEO and CFO of SRSO and UNICEF participated in the inauguration session and interacted with participants. During the training, key sessions/themes such as community mobilization, child rights, health and nutrition, and monitoring and reporting formats were covered by SRSO and UNICEF representatives. Certificates of participation were also distributed at the end of the training. SRSO is implementing the UNICEF-supported project in 37 UCs of 5 flood-affected districts of Sindh to raise awareness and mobilize communities regarding child protection, nutrition, GBV, SBCC and mental health, and to develop referral mechanisms for integrated services.

Mr. Muhammad Dittal Kalhoro, (CEO- SRSO) and Mr. Prem Chand (Chief Field Officer-UNICEF) participated in the inauguration session and interacted with participants. CEO-SRSO said, "children is one of the most vulnerable groups of society, especially in emergencies, and therefore, it is our joint responsibility to protect the rights of a child at each level on a priority basis. This project is very important and challenging too because it will be implemented in the most flood-affected areas of the 5 districts with the children for the child rights protection."



Sindh Association of North America (SANA) visits SRSO

Mirpurkhas/January 20, 2023

Dr. Maqbool Halepoto, President of the Sindhi Association of North America (SANA), visited the Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) in the District of Mirpurkhas. The main purpose of his visit was to observe SRSO's interventions, specifically enterprise and low-cost housing, and identify opportunities for collaboration in the context of post-flood disaster rehabilitation.

He visited the Sky Garments Industry, which is an initiative of 6 entrepreneurs who started the business with the goal of creating jobs and strengthening the community economically and socially through financial and technical support from SRSO and the Government of Sindh under the Peoples' Poverty Reduction Program

He also visited the village of Qadir Bux Laghari and held a dialogue with organized rural women and discussed flood situation and its impacts on their lives and livelihood. LSO leaders briefed about the CIF, IGC, EDF, vocational training, low-cost housing, business development group, and self-initiatives. He visited constructed LCHs and discussed the construction process and role of SRSO.

Dr. Maqbool Halepoto appreciated the efforts of SRSO for the socio-economic development of the rural communities, specifically poor rural women, in the context of post-flood disaster rehabilitation.



Secretary of the Social Welfare Department- Govt. of Sindh visited SRSO

Thatta/January, 2023

Dr. Shereen Mustafa Nareejo, Secretary of the Social Welfare Department of the Government of Sindh, visited Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) and its ongoing interventions in the district of Thatta. The main purpose of the visit was to see the innovative interventions of the organization.

During her visit, she inaugurated a newly constructed school room in the village of Obhayo Jakro, UC Chatto chand, Taluka Thatta. She was pleased to see a large number of students and promised to try to construct another school room in the village as the capacity of children was more than one room.

She also visited the low-caste houses (LCHs) that were constructed under the Government of Sindh-funded PPRP program in the village. She met with the Business Development Group (BDG) of Calves Farming, which SRSO has fostered and supported under PPRP-GoS and saw their developed compost from the cattle form as a by-product for promoting green-agro farming in the village. She also met with entrepreneurs of the Enterprise Development Fund (EDF) which is supported under PPRP-GoS and its scrap business at Makli.

Dr. Shereen also visited the SRSO district office and appreciated the team for their work on plantation and kitchen gardening at the premise of the office.



“Youth Engagement Activity” a cricket tournament



Shikarpur/ January27, 2023

“Youth Engagement Activity” a cricket tournament by SRSO under the National Poverty Graduation Programme (NPGP) a flagship program of MOPASS-GGOP to alleviate poverty funded by IFAD was organized successfully from January 23 to 27, 2023 in district Shikarpur. For this regard, nomination of player and team formation were completed from NPGP covered areas and round matches played at UC level. Total 23 events were organized and 16 teams from (4 UCs from each taluka i.e Shikarpur, Garhi Yaseen, Khanpur and Lakhi) participated in the tournament and played round matches.

On Friday 27, 2023 semi and final matches were played of the tournament among the qualified teams from each taluka. Final match was played among the taluka Garhi Yaseen and Lakhi and won by the Taluka Lakhi team on the last ball of the super over. It was a very interesting and tough match and the audience enjoyed it a lot. The winners were awarded trophies and the team celebrated their win on the ground.

Youth of NPGP communities, government, SRSO and other audiences came to watch matches on ground and mass media, especially electronic, also covered matches. Youth Engagement Activity aims to encourage youth to participate in healthy activities and encourage them to foster creative thinking, peace and harmony. The youth of the ultra-poor rural communities are enthusiastic and grateful to the MOPASS-GOP, IFAD, NPGP, and SRSO for organizing this event and the chance to participate in it.



International Day of Education with this year's theme

Shikarpur & Kashmore@Kandhkot/ January25, 2023



International Day of Education with this year's theme "to invest in people to prioritise education" was celebrated by #SRSO under #NPGP-a flagship program of MOPASS-GOP funded by #IFAD. The main purpose of the day celebration was to increase awareness about education through engage children in awareness raising activities.

There were 10 events were organised at #SRSO-managed Community Clusters Schools in district Shikarpur07 and district Kandhkot03. The events were initiated by the GALs CRPs, and the enthusiastic performances of Community Children (enrolled at SRSO Cluster Schools) were presented through speeches regarding the importance of the education and quiz competitions Appreciation shields and medals were also distributed among the children on their best performance.

Programme Manager-NPGP-SRSO and Education Manager-SRSO also participated the event at Qabalo School Shikarpur to praise and motivate the Community Children.



The main objective of the training was to enhance the knowledge and skills of the CRPs on climate change adaptation/resilience and disaster risk management. These trained master trainers will replicate the training by conducting community-based sessions with NPGP beneficiaries and communities to capacitate them on disaster risk management and climate change adaptation/resilience. The CEO of SRSO, Mr. Muhammad Dittal Kalhoro, visited the training, received feedback from the participants, and emphasized the importance of effectively replicating the learning at the community level. On the last day of the training, certificates were distributed among the participants by the SRSO Manager of Training.

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) organized a 7-day training for Community Resource Persons (CRPs) on Climate Change Adaptation/Resilience and Community-Based Disaster Risk Management (CBDRM) from December 26, 2022 to January 01, 2023. The training was organized under the National Poverty Graduation Programme (NPGP), a flagship program of the Ministry of Poverty Alleviation and Social Safety (MOPASS) of the Government of Pakistan, which is funded by the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD). 26 CRPs (13 from Shikarpur and 13 from Kashmore@Kandhkot) attended the training.

UNFPA-GBV Specialist and GBV Analyst visit SRSO Dadu/January19, 2023

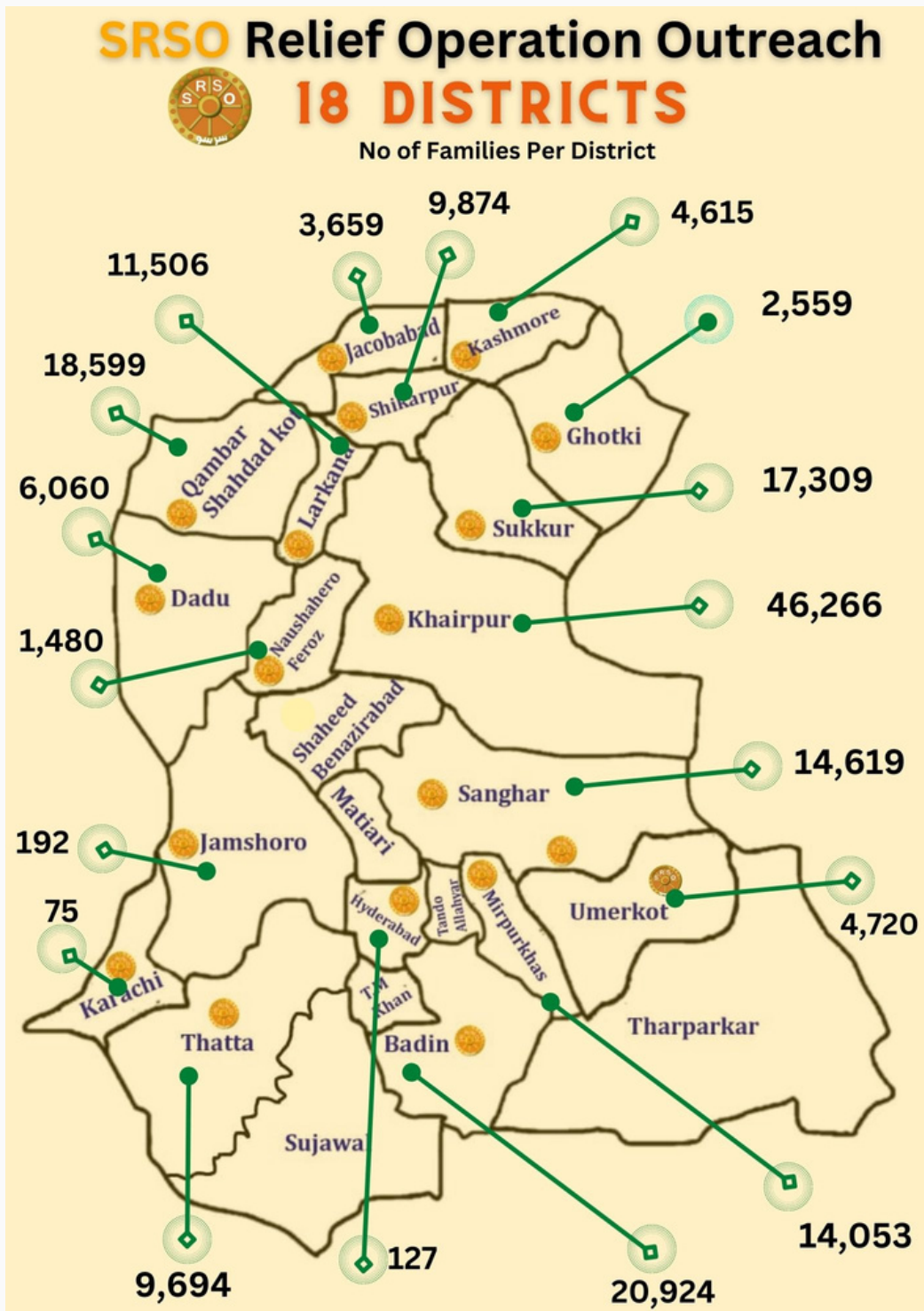
UNFPA GBV Specialist Scalin Hamlis and Rubina Chandio GBV Analyst met RSPN trainer Saima Shaikh, SRSO-DPO and DM SRSO at SRSO unit office Nasirabad, where DM briefed about SRSO LSO, VO, CO and ongoing projects of SRSO that how we are empowering women in our institution. Visit was regarding GBV, Early child marriages, SRHR where GBV specialist dialogued with community regarding before and after flood situation, community women and adolescents shared their experience with them that how they survived without basic needs, and how skillful they are, flood has brought a downtrodden conditions in their lives, before flood they were doing harvesting, handicrafts, sewing clothes etc, but now they have lost their machines, crops, households, education, mostly health issues were being brought by community like delivery cases of women are too much time taking to get services in emergency cases, adolescents and children's schools are far away from them and easily not accessible, priority of schools as per community is separate boys & girls schools, because of this reason more ratio of girls have lose their right to get education, The team observed that there is more need to work for flood affected girls and women, No proper or separate washroom facilities available for women & girls.



To address the hygiene needs of affected and vulnerable women of calamity victims in flood-affected areas. Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) distributed 91 Dignity Kits in UC Koor Kamal, Pahnwaro Yaro Dero, Tharo Wadho, and Missir Khan Chandio of District Kamber-Shahdadkot under UNFPA-funded Sehtmand Khandan Project. Each dignity kit contains essential hygiene items. These kits will help women and young adolescent girls to protect their dignity and to take care of their personal hygiene. District Manager-SRSO and DPO participated in the distribution and briefed regarding the dignity kit which include items; Sanitary pads & under garment-towel-Blanket-soaps -Family teeth brushes- Nail cutter - Bed sheet-Combs-Shawl - Shampo-Coil-Whistle-Chapal-torch- Sarf excel.



SRSO-FLOOD EMERGENCY RESPONSE



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.

EMERGENCY RESPONSE!

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| 73,001 Dry Baskets | 57,943 Cooked Fresh Food | 2,279 Water Filter Pumps | 5,345 Tarpaulins |
| 197,270 ANIMAL FEED | 5,356 Livestock Vaccination | 23 Hand Pumps | 15,621 Mosquito Nets |
| 17,784 MEDICAL SUPPLY | 80,189 Patients | 03 Dignity Kits | 18,270 Water Filter Pumps |
| 24,301 Dignity Kits | 100 Hand Pumps | 510 Mosquito Nets | 235,300 Water Filter Pumps |

Relief Recovery & Rehabilitation Activities

IMPACT SUMMARY 18 Districts

1.37 Billion Funds Utilized

186,331 Families Served

FLOOD EMERGENCY RESPONSE

18th Jan 2023

Sindh Rural Support Organization

With different organizations, corporations, and individual philanthropists' support, we have been able to extend SRSO's flood response to 18 districts with PKR 1.37 Billion providing relief to over 1 million beneficiaries. The scale of flood in Sindh 2022 is immense, and thousands of families still need your support.

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SITUATION UPDATES

JANUARY 2023

IN NUMBERS

1,436,861 Families Surveyed as per Assessment affected

947,622 Families Kutcha/Pakka Houses Partially and Fully damaged as per Assessment

325,796 Livestock Death

378 Human Casualties

1,094,446 Migrated Households

Damage/Losses



LIVESTOCK SHELTER SHELTER MATERIAL DISTRIBUTION BY SRSO IN PARTNERSHIP WITH ACF UNDER MULTI-SECTOR EMERGENCY SUPPORT FOR COMMUNITIES IN SINDH PROJECT

Khairpur /January13, 2023

110 livestock shelter materials (16 Bamboo & 1Tarpal per HH) were distributed among 09 the flood-affected and marginalized villages of Union Council Drib Mehar Shah and Kolab Jeal Taluka Kingri district Khairpur. It aims to keep safe livestock and improve the livelihood of the affected communities to combat with adverse effects of the flood on their lives and livelihood. #SRSO and #ACF teams jointly organized the distribution and briefed beneficiaries about the support.



Kamber-Shahdadkot /January14, 2023



110 livestock shelter materials (16 Bamboo & 1Tarpal per HH) were distributed by Sindh Rural Support Organization (#SRSO) in partnership with Action Against Hunger (#ACF) among the marginalized farmers of the 10 most flood-affected villages of Union Council Junani and Kalar Taluka Warrarh district Kamber-Shahdadkot. It aims to keep safe livestock and improve the livelihood of the affected communities to combat with adverse effects of the flood on their lives and livelihood.

#SRSO and #ACF teams jointly organized the distribution and briefed beneficiaries about the support.

Khairpur Mir's' /January12, 2023

Kamber-Shahdadkot/January11, 2023

110 livestock feed Wanda were distributed among the 10 flood-affected marginalized villages of Union Council Junani and Kalar Taluka Warrarh district Kamber-Shahdadkot. It aims to improve the livelihood of the affected communities to combat with adverse effects of the flood on their lives and livelihood. SRSO and ACF teams jointly organized the distribution and briefed beneficiaries about the support.

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WINTERIZATION KITS

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Jacobabad/January 13, 2023

With the support of Deputy Commissioner Jacobabad, Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) distributed blankets to 152 poor and rainy-affected families to keep them safe from the current cold wave. They distributed at villages Purano Meeral, Abdul Sattar & Mohain Brohi Taluka Thul. The beneficiaries were identified by SRSO-fostered Village Organizations (VOs) based on poverty and vulnerability.



Kashmore@Kandhkot/January 12&13, 2023

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) distributed 150 Winterization Kits to provide emergency support to poor families of calamity-victim communities in flood-affected areas of district Kashmore@Kandhkot. Winterization kits were distributed in 04 villages i.e. Ahmed Khan Gujrani, Shah Dost UC Laloi Taluka Tangwani and Village Beg UC Akhero, and Shabeer Ahmed Khoso UC Daulatpur Taluka Kandhkot. The beneficiaries were identified and selected by SRSO fostered Village Organizations (VOs) of respective villages. SRSO is providing winterization kits to the most-affected and poor families especially women and children in flood-affected areas of Sindh to keep them safe from the adverse effects of the current cold wave on their health.



Ghotki/January 06, 2023

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Ghotki/January 04, 2023

125 winter matters/kits were distributed among the affected and poor families of most flood-affected villages: Ibrahim Mahar 50 UC Qazi Badil, Wadhan Mahar 50, and Sharif Mahar 25 UC Bhettoor of the taluka Khangarh and district Ghotki. Beneficiaries were selected by SRSO-fostered Village Organizations (VOs) after an assessment.



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Jacobabad/January 21 and 22, 2023

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) with the genious support of Mr. Muhammad Yousif Shaikh Deputy Commissioner Jacobabad distributed Blankets among 745 most poor and flood- affected families to provide relief during current cold wave. These blankets were distributed among different villages of UC Karim Bux Taluka Thul include: Ramzan Jakharni, Arab Tanwari , Yar Ali Khan Golo, Shah Bux Gabol. Voabdul Rauf Gabol, and Aajo Khan Gabol.

The needy families/beneficiaries were identified by an assessment based on poverly and vulinerqbilty with the support of respective Village Organizaitons (VOs).

1,000 blankets have been distributed by SRSO with the support of DC Jacobabad among the poor and vulnerable failmies aimed to combat with current cold wave and its affects 25 most flood-affected villages of 5 UCs of taluak Thul district Jacobabad.

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Ghotki/January 05, 2023

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175 bags of winter items were distributed in 4 villages i.e. village Dad Muhammad Chachar 50 (UC Qadirpur), village Bhahawal Jiskani 50, Nibhao Chachar 50, and 25 Phul Chachar (UC Qazi Badal). Beneficiaries were selected by SRSO-fostered Village organizations (VOs) based on their vulnerability and damages.



Umair Abbasi HRDO Khangarh
Winter Material Distribution

SRSO - FLOOD EMERGENCY RESPONSE

Jacobabad/January11, 2023

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) In collaboration with Baifo Industries Limited Distributed Dry Ration Bega, among 150 Rain affected families of 05 villages of U/C Sher Wah Talka Thul District Jacobabad. Villages include; Mano Sarki, Ali Bux Sarki, M Khan Sarki, Taro Brohi and Ab Kareem Bhangar SRSO fostered Local Support Organization Ithad UC Sher Wah facilitated the team in the assessment and distribution as well in vulnerable and affected families of respective villages.



Kamber-Shahdadkot/January03, 2023

The current cold wave has increased the challenges of flood-affected communities due to the unavailability of warm clothes and people especially women and children have dire and immediate need of warm items including health care, sanitation, livelihood, shelter, and others.

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) conducted an assessment and identified the poorest and most vulnerable families with the support of organized Community Institutions (Cos, VOs, and LSOs) and distributed 97 warm clothes at village Garhi Raza Muhammad and Village Koor Kamal Union Council Koor Suleman Taluka Kamber District Kamber-Shahdadkot.



Kamber-Shahdadkot/January03, 2023

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) under the support of the UNFPA-RSPN Sihatmand Khaandaan Project distributed 201 dignity kits to improve the health and hygiene of rural women and adult girls, particularly in flood-affected areas. The kits were distributed in flood-affected villages of UC Koor Kamal and UC Pahnwaro (Taluka Kamber) such as Sadiqabad, Koor Suleman, Lashkari Chandio, Ali, Shakal ji Wahi, Tak Burira, Taj Muhammad ji Wandh, Menhal Shabrani, Abdul Qadir Shabrani, and Noor Muhammad Supro. The District Manager-SRSO and DPO participated in the distribution and briefed about the contents of the kits which include items such as sanitary pads, undergarments, towel, blanket, soaps, family teeth brushes, nail cutter, bed sheet, combs, shawl, shampoo, coil, whistle, chapal, torch, and Sarf excel. SRSO is responding to the flood emergency of 2022 in 18 districts of Sindh to provide support in relief, recovery, and rehabilitation of the disaster-affected communities in collaboration with various government departments, UN agencies, national and international humanitarian organizations, corporate sector, charity organizations, and philanthropists



HEALTH CARE

UNDER FCDO/PSI FUNDED FLOOD RELIEF ACTIVITIES

Shikarpur/January18, 2023

The Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) under funding from FCDO/PSI, organized free medical camps in flood-affected villages of Adam Lashari, Umer Khoso, Wada Deya UC Jagan taluka, and district Shikarpur. The team provided family planning services to 851 clients and treated 320 patients with different diseases.

They also distributed 20 food supplements to pregnant and lactating women/young girls, 50 MHM kits, 2 delivery kits, and 2 baby kits. Additionally, awareness-raising sessions on quality health care and hygiene were conducted by the DAFPAK project team for 98 participants at both locations.



Shikarpur/January17, 2023

The Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) conducted a free medical camp at the flood-affected village of Fizaee Kalhoro UC UC Jindo Dero Taluka Gharrri Yaseen District Shikarpur. This camp was organized under the ongoing FCDO/PSI-funded flood relief activities. The camp provided Family Planning services to 583 clients and treated 140 patients for various diseases. Additionally, 15 Food Supplements were distributed to pregnant and lactating women and young girls, as well as 35 MHM kits, 2 delivery kits, and 2 newborn baby kits to improve the health of vulnerable groups in the flood-affected area.



On this occasion, SRSO-DAFPAK Project LHV's also conducted an awareness session on quality healthcare and hygiene with 48 community members.



UNICEF SUPPORTED CHILD PROTECTION, GBV, PSEA, HEALTH, NUTRITION, AND MHPSS INTEGRATED SERVICES PROJECT

Dadu/January 31, 2023



NATCOM - UNICEF Mission to Flood Response Sindh visited SRSO's UNICEF supported activities along with other partners i.e. Islamic Relief, Indus Resource Center, TRDP and AAP at Dadu. The mission visited two locations of Village Jatt Shahzad and village Muni Sharif UC Payro Station Taluka Dadu where they participated in Mother To Mother Group and Father to Father Group Awareness sessions on Child Protection, GBV, PSEA, Health, Nutrition, and MHPSS under Integrated Services Project. These sessions were facilitated by SRSO-trained Community Resource Persons (CRPs) of respective village. Delegation member participated, observed and interactive with mothers and fathers regarding sessions' topic and their views.

The main objective visit was to mentoring and coaching flood emergency response team and find out way forward and get input from community to combat with post-calamity flood disaster affects in the context of children and women. They also conducted informal focused group discussion with mother, fathers and field emergency response team members.

SRSO-Child Protection and DPO SRSO-UNICEF project facilitated and briefed delegation regarding project interventions and post flood situation and its adverse effects on women and children especially.



Naushoro Feroz/ January 25, 2023



UNICEF team members Mr. Rizwan Shaikh and Sajid Leghari along with Project Manager-SRSO visited N. Feroz and observed on going UNICEF supported project activities in Village Qaim Ali Shah UC Bhelani of the district. They participated in Father to Father Group meeting, and child protection session and interacted with participants about different issues of children specially about gender based violence, CP, health, nutrition, and Mental Health. They also observed children and PLWs screening for nutrition. These all activities have been conducted by trained Community Resource Persons under this project.

28 CRPs have been trained and now, they are playing role in conducting screening of children and #PLWs to identify #SAM and #MAM cases. #CRPs would conduct sessions with communities in their UCs to raise awareness on children and PLWs protection and health needs. SRSO implementing project in 7 most flood affected Union Councils of Taluka Kandiyaro and Bharya district Naushoro Feroz.



CONSTRUCTION OF SHED/SHELTER AND MANGAR

EQUINE WELFARE PROJECT-THE BROOKE PAKISTAN

Jacobabad/January23, 2023.

The Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) has completed the construction of a second shed/shelter and mangar for equine animals in Jacobabad district under the Brooke Pakistan funded Equine Welfare Project. The organization is committed to the welfare and care of equine animals and supporting those affected by recent flood disasters. The new shelter and mangar have been built at Ali Nawaz BK Community Umrani Laro, and will provide safe and secure housing for equine animals during all types of weather. The project is part of SRSO's ongoing efforts to support equine welfare and provide assistance to communities affected by natural disasters.



The 1st construction of a shed/shelter, Manger, and Water trough in Shandar Bricks Company (BK community), Bero Chandio Road, #Larkana has been completed successfully which is benefiting above 40 equine animals from cold and hot weather hazards. A total of 5, sheds with allied facilities will be constructed only in the Larkana district.

SRSO is implementing The Equine Welfare Project with the support of Brooke Pakistan in the Sukkur, Shikarpur, Khairpur, Jacobabad, Larkana, and Kamber-Shahdadkot districts of Sindh. The main objectives of the project are; i) ensure the welfare of equines by building the capacity of service providers and equine owners/users, ii) improved living standards of equine-owning communities by providing opportunities that can help them improve their income and improve the well-being of their families and iii) advocate public and private institutions (government departments, local and international NGOs, bilateral agencies, and academia).

Larkana/January15,2023

It is no denying the fact that recent monsoon rains have badly affected families. The entire population especially ultra-poor households are facing more difficulties due to the destruction of houses, livelihood sources, and basic infrastructure in the affected areas.

Sindh Rural Support Organization (#SRSO) with the support of #Brooke Pakistan came forward and worked at the maximum level to provide relief to the #flood-affected communities, #Equine Owners/Users, and their Animals from the disaster. In this regard, Brooke-funded #EquineWelfareProject is committed to supporting such affected Equine Owners who have lost their Equines, Livestock, and Shade/Shelter.

In Phase 1 SRSO distributed Feed/Fodder Bags in Brick Kilns & Work Place Communities during Flood Relief. Meanwhile, in Flood Relief Support Phase-2, rehabilitation and reconstruction of the demolished sheds/shelters, manger, hand pumps, and water troughs have been undertaken where equine animals live in BK and WP communities in all 06 project districts.



Motor Cycle Vocational Training



Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) organized a one-month-long Motor Cycle Vocational Training Trade for unemployed youth of identified poor households under the Govt. of Sindh funded Peoples; Poverty Reeducation Program (PPRP). 17 rural youth from different villages of UC Kherohi Taluka Dharki District Ghotki completed this vocational training. On completion, SRSO organized a ceremony and distributed the training certificates and Motor Mechanic Took Kits at VTC Zabro Chowk Jumo Shar. The SRSO-IMSD team distributed the certificates and kits. 9,000 rural youth of Sukkur and Ghotki will be trained through Vocational Training Program (VTP) in order to develop vocational skills on different job/market-oriented needs by SRSO under PPRP-GoS.

Thatta/January 17, 2023,

One ultra-poor family, Bana W/O Ali Muhammad of village Suleman Jat UC Mahar Taluka Ghorra Barri district Thatta, was assisted by Sindh Rural Support Organization (#SRSO) for the construction of Low-Cost Housing (#LCH) under the Government's Poverty Reduction Program (#PPRP)-Govt. of Sindh. Her household was ranked very poor in the PSC survey (only 8) conducted by SRSO. She participates actively in social mobilization activities and become a member of Dam Dastgir Village Organization. SRSO is improving the socio-economic status of rural women of ultra-poor households through social mobilization and income-generation interventions under the PPRP-GoS in 8 districts of Sindh.

Bhana family comprises 07 members and has 5 children (3 boys and 2 girls). She works with her husband in fishing and could not save money from her daily income after the expenses of food needs to construct a home permanently. Disasters are also common phenomena in the area because this area is declared disaster-prone by the district administration and therefore they were always at high risk.

Her dream was to have a Pakka Home for the safety of her family. She said "LCH has been a safe shelter for my family, and we have made it beautiful as well. We are pleased with SRSO and Sindh Govt.'s support in constructing this home and fulfilling my dream. Our children love it, and they feel safe and secure in it."

Vocational Training on "MASON WORK"

Ghotki/January23, 2023



On the completion of one-month long Vocational Training on "MASON WORK" certificates and tool kits were distributed among the 6 trained masons by #SRSO. This on-job-skill training was organized by Sindh Rural Support Organization under Govt. of Sindh funded Peoples' Poverty Reduction Program (#PPRP). Training participants were from 6 different villages of UC Bhettoor Taluka Khangharh district Ghotki.

#SRSO under #PPRP-CoS is providing job-cum market oriented skills training to 9,500 rural youth male and female in both program districts Ghotki and Sukkur.

Sr. Manager SRSO-IMSD, DM-Ghotki and Assistant Manager-IMSD-Vocational Training participated in certificates and mason tool kits distribution.



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Kamber-Shahdadkot/January 14, 2023



BoP-Inc, Ideats, Hystra, and RSPN joint delegation visited Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) and conducted focused group discussion, meetings, and individual interviews under a qualitative survey of the ongoing BEP (Balanced Energy Protein) Project in district Kamber-Shahdadkot. Ms. Tessa (Consultant BoP_Inc Holland), Mr. Bashir Anjum (Consultant Hystra), Ms. Aisha Tariq (PM of BEP Project), Mr. Badar ul Islam (RSPN) and Ms. Sara and Ms. Nayab from Ideats). They visited 3 different project areas i.e. Wazir, Sadiq Ganwas, and Maid Shaheed, and held a group discussion with BOG (Basket of Goods) CRPs focusing on; fluctuations in sales, benefits of BOG products in the community, and demand for BOG products in their respective clusters.

They conducted individual interviews of CRPs working under a loyalty scheme. Where effects of the loyalty scheme on increased WELLMA sachets sell were discussed, delegates also met with Loyalty scheme availing PLWs. The delegation also held a meeting with five high buyer PLWs of WELLMA sachets, and also met five PLWs purchasing a high number of BOG products, then took comments from PLW, who purchased a lesser number of WELLMA sachets.

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These trainings were planned and conducted by staff of the SRSO-UNICEF Project with the aid of materials and agendas developed by the project. Meanwhile,

UNICEF team members Mr. Rizwan Ahmed Shaikh and Sajid Ahmed Leghari also visited training at different districts and observed training proceeding, conducted dialogue and facilitated as sessions as well.

According to SRSO-UNICEF Project Manager Naveed Ishaque, after training CRPs are playing their vital role in mobilising communities, conducting screening of children and PLWs to identify SAM and MAM cases, and conducting awareness sessions with communities in their UCs to raise awareness on child protection, nutrition, psycho social and health needs.



Kamber-Shahdadkot/January 13, 2023

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) has been providing emergency response in relief, recovery and rehabilitation to calamity-victim communities in Sindh. To mitigate the suffering and adverse impact of flood and rain on rural communities whose livelihood is majorly depends on livestock.

SRSO is creating a linkage of developed Business Development Groups (BDGs) of Animal Fattening by SRSO under the SUCCESS Programme with the Sindh Government in going on Asian Development Bank (ADB) funded livestock project. In this regard, 17 beneficiaries of 3 BDGs of the village and UC Pahnwaro Taluka Kamber has been registered for getting the support of fodder, medicine, and provision for 6 months and a cash grant worth four thousand. The livestock of Animal fattening groups was vaccinated and tagged by veterinary Doctor Gulzar of the Livestock Animal Husbandry Department.



Khairpur Mir's/January 06/ 2022

The 110 Agri tool kits 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'.

Project Manager-ACF and other ACF team members also participated and facilitated SRSO team in the distribution.

Kamber-Shahdadkot/January 06, 2023



Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) distributed blankets as an emergency relief operation to the calamity-hit communities to combat the current cold wave and its effect on their health. As in the cold wave due to a shortage of warm items the flood-affected families are battling to survive in the winter. Especially the most vulnerable community of children and women are becoming prone to harsh weather. After a comprehensive assessment in flood-affected vulnerable areas by SRSO-fostered Community Institutions (CIs) the blankets were distributed at the village Sahib Khan Tunio Union Council Junani Taluka Warah District Kamber-Shahdadkot. 400 blankets were distributed to the most vulnerable flood-affected families.

