



Newsletter

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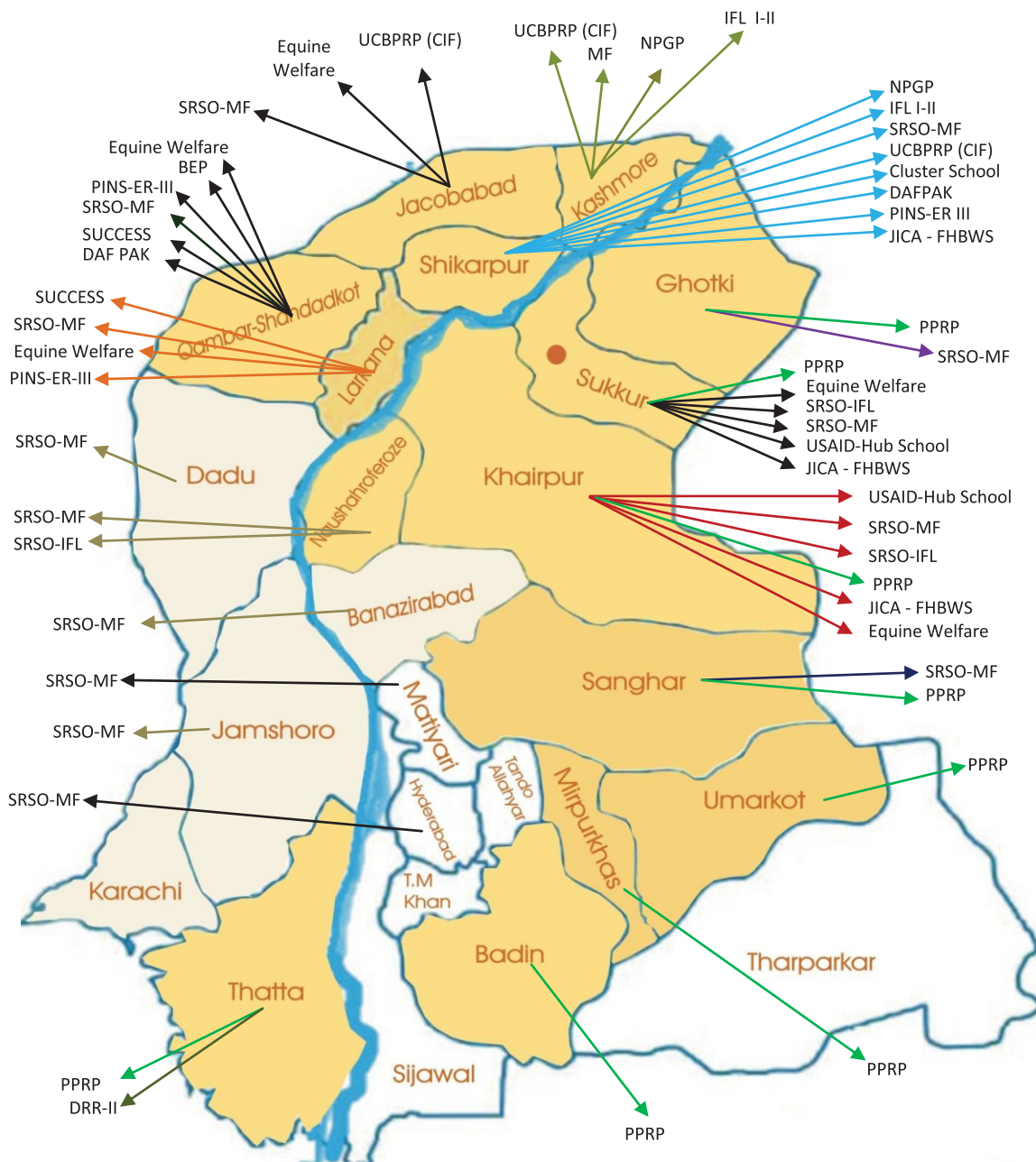
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Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) Operational Areas



ON GOING PROJECTS

- UCBPRP (CIF)**
Union Council Based Poverty Reduction Programme
Funded by: GoS
- Equine Welfare Project**
Funded by: BROOKE
- PPRP**
Peoples' Poverty Reduction Programme
Funded by: GoS
- SRSO-Microfinance**
Funded by: SRSO
- Inertest Free Loan - IFL-II**
Under EHSAS Programme
Funded by: PPAF
- USAID-Hub School (EMO-Schools)**
Funded by: USAID-GoS
- SUCCESS**
Sindh Union Council and Community Economic Strengthening Support Program (SUCCESS)
Funded by: European Union (EU)
- PINS ER-III**
Programme for Improved Nutrition in Sindh
Funded by: P&D-GoS - EU
- DAF PAK**
Delivering Accelerated Family Planning in Pakistan
Funded by: PSI - DFID
- JICA - FHBWS**
Improvement of Livelihood and Female Home-Based workers in informal Economic Section in Sindh Province
Funded by: JICA
- NPGP**
National Poverty Graduation Programme
Funded by: IFAD-GoP
- DRR-Project-II**
Funded by: ECHO
- BEP**
Body Energy Product
Funded by: RSPN-GET Foundation
- Cluster School**
Funded by: GoS
- IHSS**
Integrated Health Strengthening System
Funded by: JSI

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 ACHIEVEMENTS AS OF JUNE 2022

S. No.	Key Performance Indicators	Achievement as of March: 2021	Achievement as of June: 2022	% increase during Qtr:	
1	No. of Operational Districts	15	15	0%	
2	No. of Union Councils with SRSO presence	722	722	0%	
3	No. of Taluka with SRSO presence	86	86	0%	
4	No. of Villages with SRSO presence	29,750	29,899	1%	
5	No. of Household Organized	1,391,002	1,400,738	1%	
6	VO Formation	13,778	13,790	0.1%	
7	LSO Formation	582	584	0.3%	
8	CO- Formation	Female	77,599	78,144	1%
9	CO-Membership	Female	1,391,002	1,400,738	1%
10	Income Generating Grant (IGG) Amount Disbursed (In Million)	631.43	686.81	9%	
	No. of IGG Beneficiaries	46,482	50,301	8%	
11	Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount disbursed (In Million)-Seed Money	3028.26	3,279.70	8%	
	No. of CIF Beneficiaries	224,663	234,627	4%	
12	Total amount of Microcredit disbursed (In Million)	20,960	21,685	3%	
	No. of Beneficiaries of Micro Credit Programme	876,297	895,708	2%	
13	No of Community members trained in vocational skill Training	97,128	103,336	6%	
14	No of Community members trained in Managerial skill training	393,136	398,943	1%	
15	Community Members trained as TBAs	4,777	4,777	0%	
16	Micro Health Insurance (Clients)	1,025,602	1,044,651	2%	
17	No. of Community Physical Infrastructure (CPIs)	27,213	27,227	0.1%	
	Total amount of CPIs (In Millions)	1,684	1,690	0.4%	
	Total Beneficiary Households	303,969	304,659	0.2%	
18	No of Low Cost Houses	26,052	28,204	8%	
19	No of Poultry layers distributed	25,500	25,500	2%	
20	No of trees Planted	939,476	939,476	4%	



S. No.	Districts		Geographical Coverage				
			Total No. of area in the District	# of SRSO intervened area as of March 2022	# of SRSO intervened area as of June 2022	% increase during Qtr:	% of total area coverage as of June 2022
1	Ghotki	Union Council	66	66	66	-	100%
		Village	2,282	1,255	1,255	-	55%
		Household	162,270	70,789	70,789	-	44%
2	Jacobabad	Union Council	40	29	29	-	73%
		Village	2,478	2,230	2,230	-	90%
		Household	99,944	84,893	84,893	-	85%
3	Kashmore - Kandhkot	Union Council	37	37	37	-	100%
		Village	2,250	2,025	2,025	-	90%
		Household	142,919	80,345	80,345	-	56%
4	Khairpur	Union Council	88	88	88	-	100%
		Village	3,602	3,314	3,314	-	92%
		Household	266,734	188,170	188,809	0.3%	71%
5	Larkana	Union Council	47	47	47	-	100%
		Village	1,407	1,280	1,280	-	91%
		Household	121,019	74,135	74,135	-	61%
6	Naushahro Feroz	Union Council	51	5	5	-	84%
		Village	2,192	1,028	1,028	-	47%
		Household	212,073	14,325	14,325	-	7%
7	Qamber - Shahdadkot	Union Council	52	52	52	-	100%
		Village	2,167	1,971	1,971	-	91%
		Household	146,804	101,747	101,747	-	69%
8	Shikarpur	Union Council	50	50	50	-	100%
		Village	2,285	2,056	2,056	-	90%
		Household	133,249	102,306	102,306	-	77%
9	Sukkur	Union Council	37	37	37	-	100%
		Village	1,709	881	881	-	52%
		Household	108,837	34,911	41,708	19%	38%
10	Shaheed Benazir Abad	Union Council	51	34	36	-	71%
		Village	3537	362	362	-	9%
		Household	210,984	-	-	-	-
11	Sanghar	Union Council	73	73	73	-	100%
		Village	3,192	2,904	2,904	-	91%
		Household	206,774	147,456	148,616	0.8%	72%
12	Mirpurkhas	Union Council	55	55	55	-	100%
		Village	3,070	2,763	2,763	-	90%
		Household	155,159	108,676	108,689	-	70%
13	Thatta	Union Council	41	41	41	-	100%
		Village	2,404	2,163	2,163	-	90%
		Household	133,586	93,627	93,625	-	70%
14	Badin	Union Council	68	68	68	-	100%
		Village	3,936	3,542	3,542	-	90%
		Household	212,535	148,612	148,501	-	70%
15	Umerkot	Union Council	40	40	40	-	100%
		Village	2,362	2,125	2,125	-	90%
		Household	127,965	91,032	92,272	1.4%	72%
GRAND TOTAL		Union Council	796	722	722	-	91%
		Village	38,873	29,899	29,899	-	40%
		Household	2,440,852	1,391,002	1,400,738	6%	57%



S. No.	District	Institution Formation of Community Community Organizations (COs) Village Organization (VOs) Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	Organized Coverage		
			# of CO/VO/LSO formed as of March 2022	# of CO/VO/LSO formed as of June 2022	% increase during Qtr:
1	Ghotki	Community Organizations (COs)	6,961	6,961	-
		Village Organizations (VOs)	1,118	1,118	-
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	20	20	-
2	Jacobabad	Community Organizations (COs)	5,074	5,074	-
		Village Organizations (VOs)	1,811	1,811	-
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	27	27	-
3	Kandhkot- Kashmore	Community Organizations (COs)	4,710	4,710	-
		Village Organizations (VOs)	1,673	1,673	-
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	29	29	-
4	Khairpur	Community Organizations (COs)	10,204	10,231	0.3%
		Village Organizations (VOs)	1,148	1,155	1%
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	86	87	1%
5	Larkana	Community Organizations (COs)	3,454	3,454	-
		Village Organizations (VOs)	574	574	-
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	47	47	-
6	Naushahroferoz	Community Organizations (COs)	796	796	-
		Village Organizations (VOs)	214	214	-
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	5	5	-
7	Qamber - Shahdadkot	Community Organizations (COs)	4,682	4,682	-
		Village Organizations (VOs)	677	677	-
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	52	52	-
8	Shikarpur	Community Organizations (COs)	5,846	5,846	-
		Village Organizations (VOs)	1,813	1,813	-
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	39	39	-
9	Sukkur	Community Organizations (COs)	2,098	2,567	22%
		Village Organizations (VOs)	400	400	-
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	6	7	17%
10	Sanghar	Community Organizations (COs)	7,899	7,933	0.4%
		Village Organizations (VOs)	1,055	1,056	0.1%
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	73	73	-
11	Mirpurkhas	Community Organizations (COs)	6,340	6,349	0.1%
		Village Organizations (VOs)	793	793	-
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	55	55	-
12	Thatta	Community Organizations (COs)	5,670	5,670	-
		Village Organizations (VOs)	801	801	-
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	41	41	-
13	Badin	Community Organizations (COs)	8,524	8,524	-
		Village Organizations (VOs)	946	951	1%
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	62	62	-
14	Umerkot	Community Organizations (COs)	5,341	5,347	0.1%
		Village Organizations (VOs)	754	754	-
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	40	40	-
GRAND TOTAL		Community Organizations (COs)	77,599	78,144	1%
		Village Organizations (VOs)	13,778	13,790	0.1%
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	582	584	0.3%



District wise Disbursement of Income Generating Grants (IGG) (Women Beneficiaries)

S. No.	Districts	as of March 2022		as of June 2022		% increase during Qtr
		# of Benef:	Amount disbursed (In Millions)	# of Benef:	Amount disbursed (In Millions)	
1	Shikarpur	3,717	39.50	3,717	39.5	-
2	Kashmore - Kandhkot	2,543	26.13	2,543	26.13	-
3	Jacobabad	1,348	17.31	1,348	17.31	-
4	Khairpur	4,771	68.9	5,035	72.95	6%
5	Sukkur	420	6.00	942	12.37	106%
6	Ghotki	627	9.42	1,522	22.84	142%
5	Larkana	8,135	105.5	8,581	111.8	6%
6	Qamber – Shahdadkot	10,817	158.9	11,682	171.9	8%
7	Badin	3,062	42.67	3,208	44.86	5%
8	Thatta	2,719	40.74	2,778	41.62	2%
9	Umerkot	2,514	36.75	2,704	39.60	8%
10	Mirpurkhas	2,714	39.32	2,869	41.65	6%
11	Sanghar	3,095	40.15	3,372	44.28	10%
Total IGG Disbursed		46.482	631.43	50,301	686.81	9%

District wise Disbursement of Community Investment Fund (CIF) (Women Beneficiaries 100%)

Districts	As of March 2022				As of June 2022				
	Beneficiaries	Seed Money	Beneficiaries	Revolved	Beneficiaries	Seed Money	Beneficiaries	Revolved	
Shikarpur	40,239	396.51	-	-	40,239	396.51	-	-	
Kandhkot - Kashmore	35,863	374.07	-	-	35,863	374.07	-	-	
Jacobabad	18,371	226.43	-	-	18,371	226.43	-	-	
Khairpur	17,590	246.27	13,427	185.41	19,547	287.54	14,067	213.41	
Sukkur	4,390	122.85	-	-	6,487	189.80	-	-	
Ghotki	5,763	146.09	-	-	9,115	227.77	-	-	
Noshero Feroze	370	1.85	-	-	370	1.85	-	-	
Larkana	16,296	251.42	15,045	287.31	16,296	251.42	16,804	328.50	
Shahdadkot	25,489	402.40	24,029	432.10	25,489	402.40	24,553	443.98	
Badin	12,232	157.55	6,501	90.78	12,819	172.16	7,368	104.55	
Thatta	8,230	122.69	7,523	124.23	8,785	133.30	8,534	143.44	
Umerkot	10,365	142.12	8,397	125.96	11,492	167.19	8,909	135.27	
Mirpurkhas	11,729	168.26	9,314	135.11	12,519	189.49	10,458	153.31	
Sanghar	15,466	221.13	13,951	193.31	17,235	259.77	16,228	226.37	
Grand Total	224,663	3028.26	98,127	1,368	234,627	3279.70	106,921	1748.83	
		Total Beneficiaries (320,580) Total Amount in Million (4,55.83)				Total Beneficiaries (341,548) Total Amount in Million (5,029)			

Micro Finance (MF)

S. No.		Amount disbursed as of June 2022
1	Total Amount of Micro Credit Disbursement (in (Milion)	21,685
	Men	1,948
	Women	19,738
2	No. of Loans	895,708
	Male	82,957
	Female	812,751
3	Sectoral Disbursement	22,685
	Agriculture	7,998
	Livestock	6,672
	Enterprise	7,015



Community Physical Infrastructure (CPIs)

S. No.	Types of CPI Schemes	Achievement as of June 2022		
		No. of Schemes	Cost of Schemes (In Millions)	BHHs
	Total of CPI Schemes	27,227	1,690	304,659
1	Sanitation	15,958	199.89	87,738
2	Street Pavement & Sanitation	74	220.41	13,443
3	Drinking Water Supply Schemes (DWSS)	9,541	351.35	52,641
4	Low Cost Village Improvement Schemes (LCVI)	72	127.09	7,248
5	Communication	1,018	474.77	95,044
6	Irrigation	474	196.68	14,314
7	IAUP	1	2.09	75
8	Water Filter Plants by GoS	40	23.58	28,570
9	Street Lighting on solar system	18	13.3	1,040
10	Schools Renovation/Construction	31	80.93	4,546

Human Resource Development (HRD)

S. No.	Key Performance Indicator	Achievement as of March: 2021	Achievement as of June 2022	% increase during Qtr:
1	No. of Community Members provided scholarship for Vocational Skill Training	97,128	103,336	6%
2	No. of Community Members trained in Community Management Skill Training	393,136	398,943	1%
3	No. of SRSO Staff Trained in different programme/project training	6,691	6,691	0%

Low Cost Housing (LCH)

S. No.	Housing Schemes	No of Houses	Cost of Houses (In Millions)	BHHs
	Total of Housing Schemes	28,204	16,848	28,204
11	Low Cost Housing Scheme (2007-2022)	27,714	16,734	27,714
12	Benazir Housing Cell	490	113.63	490

Micro Health Insurance (MHI)

S. No.	Key Performance Indicator	Achievement as of March: 2021	Achievement as of June 2022
1	No. of Community Members provided Micro Health Insurance Cover	1,025,602	1,044,651
2	No. of Community Members Treated through MHI	24,452	24,452
	Men	4,505	4,505
	Women	19,941	19,941
3	Amount of claims availed by Community (In Million)	318.80	331.30



Peoples' Poverty Reduction Programme (PPRP)-II
District Sukkur & Ghotki

(June 2019-June 2023)

Project Activities	Unit	Programme Targets	Cumulative Achievement as of June 2022	
				%
Poverty Scorecard Census	UC	103	103	100%
Households Census	Household	360,620	268,400	74%
Population Census	Person	2,019,699	1,721,216	85%
Number of HHs organized	Household	252,434	112,497	45%
Formation of Community Organizations (CO)	CO	14,024	6,618	47%
Formation of Village Organization (VO)	VO	1,753	683	39%
Formation of Local Support Organizations (LSO)	LSO	103	11	11%
Capacity Building of CO bearers	Person	28,048	10,466	37%
Capacity Building of VO bearers	Person	10,518	1,753	17%
Capacity Building of LSO bearers	Person	618	-	-
No of Beneficiaries trained in Vocational and Technical Skills	Person	9,000	2,291	25%
Village Improvement Plan	No	103	-	-
Kitchen Garden	Person	10,000	-	-
No of Households given CIF	Household	100,000	15,388	15%
No of Households given IGG	Household	10,000	2,368	24%
Formation of Business Development Groups (BDGs)	No	71	-	-
No of Low Cost Housing Scheme	Number	10,000	2,194	22%

Peoples' Poverty Reduction Programme (PPRP) - I

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

(April 2017-June 2023)

Project Activities	Unit	Programme Targets	Cumulative Achievement as of June 2022	
				%
Poverty Scorecard Census	UC	365	365	100%
Households Census	Household	1,176,633	1,103,772	94%
Population Census	Person	5,279,012	5,279,012	100%
Number of HHs organized	Household	772,297	780,512	100%
Formation of Community Organizations (CO)	CO	44,560	44,054	99%
Formation of Village Organization (VO)	VO	5,570	5,510	99%
Formation of Local Support Organizations (LSO)	LSO	365	358	98%
Capacity Building of CO bearers	Person	89,120	82,969	93%
Capacity Building of VO bearers	Person	33,420	29,350	88%
Capacity Building of LSO bearers	Person	2,194	1,795	83%
No of Beneficiaries trained in Vocational and Technical Skills	Person	36,092	32,376	90%
No of Households given CIF	Household	137,492	83,049	60%
No of Households given IGG	Household	34,372	19,963	58%
Formation of Business Development Groups (BDGs)	No	500	256	51%
No of Low Cost Housing Scheme	Number	9,623	8,815	92%



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Sindh Union Council and Community Economic Strengthening Support (SUCCESS)

District Larkana & Kambar-Shahdadkot

(February 2016- June 2022)



Project Activities	Unit	Programme Targets	Cumulative Achievement as of June 2022	
				%
Poverty Scorecard Census	UC	99	99	100%
Households Census	Household	267,823	267,823	100%
Population Census	Person	1,939,008	1,939,008	100%
Number of HHs organized	Household	187,476	175,887	94%
Formation of Community Organizations (CO)	CO	8,375	8,136	97%
Formation of Village Organization (VO)	VO	1,280	1,251	98%
Formation of Local Support Organizations (LSO)	LSO	99	99	100%
CMST of COs office bearers	Person	18,385	16,258	88%
LMST of VOs office bearers	Person	2,816	2,849	100%
LMST of LSOs office bearers	Person	891	940	100%
Activists workshops for office bearers of LSO / VO / CO	Event	252	133	53%
CRP Training on CIF and CAT (VO based CRPs)	Person	990	959	97%
Training of Bookkeeper/Accountant	Person	764	680	89%
No of Beneficiaries Trained in Vocational and Technical Skills	Person	14,600	15,077	100%
No. of Households Given IGG	Household	18,994	20,263	100%
No. of Households Given CIF	Household	41,785	41,785	100%
No of beneficiaries insured in Micro Health Insurance Programme	Person	47,894	46,836	98%
No of CPI Schemes Initiated	Number	949	949	100%
No CPI Schemes Completed	Number	949	949	100%

Living legend and eminent women rights activist, writer, poetess, and columnist Ms. Kishwar Naheed visits Sindh Rural Support Organization

Shikarpur, Larkana and Khairpur/May11, 12 and 13, 2022



welcomed and gave a presentation on the LSO Network that included their organizational information, area profile, completed and ongoing programs, achievements, and impacts. Rural women shared their struggles and hardships faced during the journey of development in the area. The women showed off their handicrafts and sewing skills.

In district Larkana, she visited BDG "Samaj Sewak" Handloom Weaving at Balhreji UC Moen jo Daro taluka Dokri fostered and supported by SRSO under the EU-funded SUCCESS Programme. The BDG members shared their hand-woven fabric. At Khairpur she visited different villages /Village Organizations and interacted with organized rural women leaders and artisans

The living legend and eminent women rights activist, writer, poetess, and columnist Ms. Kishwar Naheed paid three days visit to SRSO and met organized rural women and artisans of Shikarpur, Larkana, and Khairpur districts and observed the impact of different interventions. Mr. Muhammad Dittal Kalhoro (CEO-SRSO) was also accompanied her during this visit whereas RGMs and DMs of respective region and district facilitate the visit.

She interacted with community members of village Lakhi Aqil Union Council Wazeerabad district Shikarpur. Women leaders of the Local Support Organizations' Khushhal Network

supported under the PRRP funded by the Government of Sindh. Ms. Kishwar appreciated and encouraged women's efforts for social development in rural areas. She encouraged the entrepreneurial capacities and business potential of artisan women. Further, she added that these initiatives will ultimately give a boost to the confidence of women in the community and this leads to women empowerment. The journey was concluded with the key message by Ms. Kishwar to the community, "Take a step forward to earn & solve problems on your own, and learn the virtue of self-dependency instead of relying on others."

HIGHLIGHTS





“Taraqi Ka Safar-A Journey Towards Development” A Dissemination Conference was organized under the EU-funded SUCCESS Programme by SRSO & RSPN

Kamber-Shahdadkot/June15, 2022



“Taraqi Ka Safar-A Journey Towards Development” A Dissemination Conference was organized under EU funded SUCCESS Programme jointly by Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) & Rural Support Programmes Network (RSPN) at Deputy Commissioner Office Kamber. This event aims to highlight the achievements of the community and the paradigm shift in their lives. Mr. JavedNabiKhoso, Deputy Commissioner Kamber-Shahdadkot was the chief guest of the conference. Meanwhile, line departments - GoS, media, civil society, and other stakeholders attended the event. A big number of organized women of SRSO-fostered Community Institutions (CIs) under EU funded SUCCESS Programme actively participated in the conference. The women leaders of CIs and programme beneficiaries shared their success stories and experiences covering their journey from being women with confined lives to independent women taking initiatives, generating livelihood, improving infrastructure, enhancing entrepreneur capabilities, speaking up their minds, and fighting

for betterment with SUCCESS intervention.

Mr. Javed Nabi Bux Khoso appreciated the LSO leader's presentations, program beneficiaries' views and experiences, and the efforts of the SRSO. He said that “to see this event I can say that SRSO has proved through their efforts to make rural communities better through organizing and empowering rural women.” He further added that “we have always received support from SRSO as well during especially mass social protection campaigns i.e. vaccination and enrollment etc. SRSO formed community institutions and their Women are great assets as they can support us at the community level to move towards development in a better way*”

On this occasion, Mr. Jamal Mustafa Shoro (Team Leader SUCCESS Programme) briefed detail on key interventions and achievements of the SUCCESS Programme in district Kamber-Shahdadkot. Whereas, Mr. Asif Khuhro (CFO-SRSO) and Asad Ali Jatoi (DM-Kamber-Shahdadkot) welcomed and thanked the guests and women for their active participation in the event.

UNIDO-PAIDAR delegation visits SRSO-supported enterprises under Peoples' Poverty Reduction Programme-Govt. of Sindh

Thatta/June14, 2022

A high-level delegation of United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)-PAIDAR paid a visit to enterprise development intervention of executed small-scale business at Thatta. The delegation was comprised of Dr. Kaiser Bengali Economist, Mr. Badar UNIDO-PAIDAR Senior Expert, and Mr. Fida Hussain Directorate of Urban Policy. Meanwhile, Mr. Pervaiz Ahmed Chandio DG-PPRP-GoS, Dr. Ghulam Rasool Samejo Team Leader PPRP-SRSO, and Mr. Ahmed Khan Soomro District Manager SRSO facilitated the delegation. The purpose of the visit was to assess the existing business model,

their sustainability and profitability, and innovation in their indigenous business with paradigm antique villager approach through social capital and their impact on their lives.

The delegation paid a visit to the following Village Organizations and rural women entrepreneurs:

1. VO Koshish at Village Qaim Shoro UC Junghri.
2. VO Ghulam Muhammad Theengo at Village Ghulam Muhammad Theengo UC Chili.
3. Delegation met with the Garment industry owner and discussed the current business and the future planning of his business and local labor engagement.

After that, the delegation meet with the Additional Deputy Commissioner Mr. Riyaz Ahmed Laghari Thatta, and discussed the opportunities and challenges of the local communities. After



that, the delegation meets Mr. Jahangir Mari Chamber of Commerce and the management of SRSO and discussed the trained cadre of youth and the employment generation.



Managerial Activist Conference (MAC) under Govt. of Sindh funded Peoples' Poverty Reduction Program

Sukkur/June 23, 2022

Managerial Activist Conference (MAC) was organized in Village Din Muhammad Lodra of union council Dhandhi, Taluka Rohri, District Sukkur under the Sindh Government-funded Peoples' Poverty Reduction Program (PPRP). Syed Kumail Hyder Shah and Mr. Muhammad Dittal Kalhoro (CEO- SRSO) were chief guests of the conference. Meanwhile, 200 representatives and women activists of Community Institutions (CO/VO/LSO) attended the Managerial Activist Conference.

First and foremost Low-cost housing scheme was visited by guests. They interacted with Vocational Training Program successful trainees of Tailoring, Applique work, and Motorbike mechanic trades. They established stalls to display their work. Trained VTP beneficiaries shared that, they have started their work and generating income owing to reducing their poverty at the household level.



Mr. Muhammad Dittal Kalhoro-CEO SRSO briefed the participants about the SRSO interventions and achievements under the PPRP in poverty reduction and economic empowerment of the rural communities, especially women. Mr. Kumail Hyder Shah appreciated the SRSO, Govt. of Sindh, and women-led community institutions and their proactive role in the development of rural areas. and also admired the contributions of organized women in income generation.

On the occasion, cheques of the Community Investment Fund (CIF) and Income Generating Grants (IGG) were awarded to the 13 community members for setting up micro-enterprises to fight poverty, and 37 cheques were also given to beneficiaries on account of constructing their LCH. Finally, guests planted the trees to support and promote the plantation campaign of the SRSO for clean and green rural communities.





ECHO delegation visits Strengthening Resilience of Populations Vulnerable to Recurrent Disasters and Emergencies in Sindh Project

Thatta/June 08, 2022

Currently, SRSO is implementing the project “Strengthening Resilience of Populations Vulnerable to Recurrent Disasters and Emergencies in Sindh” in collaboration with Action Against Hunger (ACF) in district Thatta. The Humanitarian Aid Department of the European Commission (ECHO) delegation visited in district Thatta. The delegation was comprised of Mr. Zappa Davide and Mr. Filippo Ortolani and Mr. Rano Mal (ACF Provincial Head), Ms. Iffat (Senior Project Manager), and Mr. Zeeshan (DRR Manager ACF). The objective of the visit was to

review the strategy of the project to combat disasters and their outcomes at the community and district levels. Mr. Ghazanfar Ali Qadri Deputy Commissioner of Thatta also joined the delegation at the SRSO district office in Thatta.

The delegation visited Village Misri Ketayi in UC Kar Shah and conducted meetings with the community/beneficiaries regarding disasters, project interventions, and impacts to combat disasters/emergencies at the grassroots level. The delegation appreciated the efforts of local communities and their strategy for combating emergencies.



Celebration of World Immunization Week April 24-30, 2022

Shikarpur&Kashmore@Kandhkot/April28, 2022

World Immunization Week, celebrated in the last week of April all over the world, aims to highlight the collective action needed and to promote the use of vaccines to protect people of all ages against disease. In this regard, SRSO District Shikarpur & Kashmore@Kandhkot celebrated World Immunization Week from April 24 to 30-2022.

SRSO-Kashmore@Kandhkot & Shikarpur districts team and LSO Networks organized the medical camps & an awareness events with the support of the District Health Department. These events and camp were organized at Village Haibat Khan Golo of UC Zorgarh in taluka Kandhkot and District Kashmore-Kandhkot and another camp at Local Support Organizations (LSO) network “Khushhal” of Tehsil Lakhiat Village MuddKhosu in UC Mungrani and District Shikarpur. Deputy Commissioner Shikarpur Mr. Abrar Jaffar and Dr. Gulzar Ahmed Tunio District Health Officer Kashmore and representatives of WHO Dr. Shahid Ali Khokhar graced the occasion with their presence, while representatives of the Health Department, Social Welfare Department, and community leaders participated in the event. DHOs briefed the community members on the importance of vaccines and Immunization. DHO also mobilized the community members to support the vaccinators for ensuring the vaccination among women and children to combat life-

threatening diseases. Vaccination Camp was established with vaccination facilities to promote, highlight and improve vaccination Services. 64 children under the age of 05 years were vaccinated in the camps.



2nd International Sartyoon Sang Exhibition of traditional products made by Rural Women Artisans of Sindh

Baku, Azerbaijan/June24-28, 2022

SRSO- Sartyoon Sang got a big opportunity to display and market the traditional handmade products made by Rural Women Artisans of Sindh in an International Pakistan Expo 2022 at Baku Azerbaijan. Sartyoon Sang has set up a stall in the "Made in Pakistan Exhibition" organized in "Passage 1901" Baku from June 24 to 28, 2022. This was the 2nd international exhibition in which SRSO-Sartyoon Sang participated and displayed crafts of rural artisan women of Sindh meanwhile 1st exhibition was in 2015 at Delhi, India. Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) is

generating and exploring income opportunities for rural artisan women through marketing and promoting their products at local, national, and international levels as well. SRSO established a stall of Sartyoon Sang at the expo and displayed/promoted the hand-made products especially. On June 26, His Excellency Mr. Bilal Hayee Ambassador of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan at Republic Azerbaijan, visited "SRSO's Sartyoon Sang Crafts" stall and he appreciated handmade products made by rural women Artisans of Sindh.



Joint Development Committee (JDC) Taluka Kamber meeting under EU-funded SUCCESS Programme

Kamber-Shahdadkot /May25, 2022

The meeting of the Joint Development Committee of Taluka Kamber was held at the office of Assistant Commissioners Kamber District Kamber-Shahdadkot. Assistant Commissioner- Taluka Kamber Mr. Imran Khan Soomro chaired the meeting. The District Manager SRSO-KSK presented the progress of taluka Kamber under the EU-funded SUCCESS programme and also shared the implementation status of ongoing projects in the district. He also shared that, SRSO responded immediately during the recent outbreak of fire incidents occur in the area and provided necessities on an

urgent basis. Assistant Commissioner and Social Welfare Officer appreciated the role of SRSO and the Community Institutions working at the grassroots level and assured to extend full support from his office for SRSO and community institutions.

Under EU funded SUCCESS Programme, SRSO has formed the Joint Development Committees (JDCs) at the taluka (tehsil) level in Larkana and Kamber-Shahdadkot districts intending to provide a platform to all stakeholders for coordination and sharing development.





Celebration of World Malaria Day under the SRSO-NRSP GFATM Malaria Project

Larkana and Kamber-Shahdadkot/April 25, 2022

Celebration of World Malaria Day by Sindh Rural Support Organization under NRSP-GFATM Project with support of District Health Department-Govt. of Sindh. World Malaria Day is celebrated on April 25 with an aim to spread awareness about the mosquito-borne disease and the commitment of the global malaria community to uniting around the common goal of a world free of malaria.

An event was organized at Midwife Community School Kamber-Shahdadkot in which 35 Community Midwife School students and other stakeholders from the Health Department, CIs, and SRSO participated in the workshop and walk to raise awareness of the importance of world malaria day and its diseases. District Health Officer (DHO) KSK Dr. Qurban Ali Magsi, District Focal Person Malaria Dr. Mohd Nawaz Kamrani, Dr. Habibullah Shah, ADHO KSK, District Malaria Superintendent Mr. Altaf Kamboh,

and District Coordinator SRSO GFATM Mr. Muhammad Saleem Abbasi were the guests of the event.

An awareness-raising seminar and walk were organized at Larkana as well. Dr. Syed Athar Ali Shah District Health Officer Larkana inaugurated and started Malaria Awareness Walk from the District Health Office where a large number of health officials participated. This was later followed by a public seminar arranged at Government Higher Secondary Pilot School Larkana where Mr. Akhtar Ali Korejo District Education Officer, All Taluka Education Officers, and All Head Masters/Mistress of High Schools of the District participated. While from District Health Office Dr. Sakhrullah Pathan Deputy DHO VBDs, Dr. Saleem Akhtar Shaikh Deputy DHO DHIS/MIS, Dr. Irfan Ali Shaikh Focal Person EPI, and Ms. Hira Qazi Health Education Officer participated.



The Steering Committee of the ECHO-9 Project Meeting was held and chaired by Deputy Commissioner Thatta

Thatta/April 08, 2022

The Steering Committee of the meeting on the “Strengthening Resilience Population Vulnerable to Recurrent Disaster and Emergency in Sindh” Project was held at the Deputy Commissioner's office Thatta. Deputy Commissioner Thatta Mr. Ghazanfar Ali Qadari chaired the meeting. The purpose of the meeting was regular coordination for information/progress sharing with District administration along with line departments and stakeholders as targets may achieve with timeline and enhance ownership of District Government another line department, DDMA and PDMA.

Mr. Ahmed Khan Soomro led the SRSO at this steering committee meeting. Mr. Maqsood Alam Kolachi Project Coordinator shared the progress. Meanwhile, Ms. Liffat Senior Manager ACF, and Mr. Zeeshan DRR Manager ACF represented the Action Against Hunger (ACF). Deputy Commissioner appreciated the inclusive Hazard assessment, DRR plans, CBDRM, SBDRM and Mental Health Social-Physcho support, tree plantation, early warning, Rehabilitation pole, and Directory of all stakeholders to tackle the Disaster or emergency.

Mr. Riaz Hussain ADC-1, Dr. Muneer Jaffarani Deputy Director

livestock, Mr. Khuda Bux Deputy Director Social Welfare, Mr. Abdul Sattar Xen irrigation, Mr. Naseer Ahmed DEO Secondary, Mr. Abdul Rahim DEO Primary, Mr. Riaz Ahmed Shiekh Xen Education Works Departments and LSO coordinators attended the meeting. DC directed all to accomplish all ECHO-9 Targets as per the given timeline.



Celebrated “World Health Day” under the year's topic “Our planet, our health”

Kamber-Shahdadkot/April 07, 2022

SRSO organized the health awareness program in the DHQ Kamber to commemorate World Health Day under UNFPA funded Community Engagement for Promotion of RH Rights of Youth and Improve their Access to RH Services Project. 7 April is World Health Day and has been celebrated annually in order to draw attention to a specific health issue of concern to people all over the world. This year's topic is “Our Planet, Our Health.” All major stakeholders from the health department, PPHI, NCHD, SWD, Community Institutions, and SRSO attended this special event. DHO Health Department District Kamber-Shahdadkot was the chief guest. DHO Qambar Qurban Magsi welcomed all the guests and briefed them about the WHD and EPI further

suggested the nutrition of children.

DM PPHI Mr. Mustafa Soomro, DM NCHD Mr. Iqbal Sheikh, Principal CMW School Ms. Razia Jarwar, and Director Child Protection Mr. Waqar Ahmed also addressed to participants, shared views about WHD, and appreciated the ongoing initiatives of SRSO to improve health conditions of people of the district. LSO members shared their experiences. She later talked about the difficulties and rights of reproductive health of People and Youth Champions in the community. In the end, ADHO Habibullah Shah thanked participants and SRSO especially and spoke on important issues for better health and the theme of today “Our planet, Our Health”



The consultation session with Brick Kilns Owner Association on equine animals' needs

Khairpur/June24, 2022

Sindh Rural Support Organization organized a consultative session with Brick Kilns Owner Associations on equine animals' needs under The Brooke Pakistan supported Equine Welfare Project at Ranipur district Khairpur. 30 Brick Kiln Owners participated in the session. The main purpose of the activity was to discuss with BKs owners to provide welfare resources for equines like; proper shade/shelter, availability of clean and fresh water, availability of water, plant different trees and prepare and maintain a first aid kit, containing necessary medicines for first aid, in their respective BKs. The expected outcome of this activity is that BKs owners will take steps to provide proper rest places for animals, availability of clean and fresh water, and in-time first aid treatment for animals. Dr. Sher Nawaz Khan Regional Manager Brooke Pakistan South Region Karachi and Dr. Naimatullah Soomro (Community Animals Health Officer Hyderabad) also attended the session.





Mr. Parvaiz Ahmed Chandio Director General-People's Poverty Reduction Programme-Govt. of Sindh visits SRSO Programme districts

Khairpur Mir's, Sanghar, Mirpurkhas, Umerkot, Badin, Thatta/April 11, 12, 18, 19, 20, and 21, 2022

Director-General PPRP-Directorate Govt. of Sindh Mr. Parvaiz Ahmed Chandio, and Assistant Mr. Abid Hussain Mahar visited ongoing PPRP interventions in 6 program districts i.e Khairpur Mirs, Sanghar, Mirpurkhas, Umerkot, Badin and Thatta on April 11, 12, 18, 19, 20 and 21, 2022 respectively. The main purpose of the visit was to get an update on the program's progress, observe interventions, and meet Community Institutions and Programme Beneficiaries. For this purpose, he selected random Village organizations and Community organizations formed under PPRP to observe the outcome of certain indicators likewise Business Development Groups-BDGs, Community investment fund-CIF, Income generating grant-IGG, Vocational training program-VTP, Low-cost house-LCH, and Enterprise development fund-EDF. While with a smooth appearance, he visited different interventions and met

Community Institutions and Program beneficiaries and talked about program impacts on their lives and livelihoods. DG-PPRP-GoS conducted meetings with SRSO fostered Community Institutions and interacted with CIs leaders and PPRP beneficiaries women and discussed ongoing activities, their impact, and shared new ideas. The community women shared their experiences, successes, and achievements from integrated PPRP schemes and thanked SRSO and GoS for financial and technical support. Beyond the regular activities, members showed the saving of their CI's. He inaugurated the newly constructed LCHs and distributed cheques of LCHs, CIFs, and IGGs, and congratulated the beneficiaries for having shelter and financial assistance through GoS. Further, he assured the role of enterprise & emphasized community to drag themselves from other activities and mingle inside of larger activities of Enterprise Development.



MoU Signing with Konnect by HBL

SRSO Head Office /April 13, 2022

SRSO signed the MoU with Konnect by HBL for Digital Solution of Payments to Rural and Urban Communities and Cash Less Transactions. The ceremony was held on April 13, 2022 at SRSO

complex Sukkur. This Digital solution allows SRSO to disburse funds to their borrowers and can collect recoveries through M-Wallet.



SRSOs' Immediate Emergency Response to Fire Incidents April-June 2022

During the last few months of the year, 2022 Sindh's different districts have experienced unprecedented fire incidents. Images of immense burnt areas or dead animals that failed to escape the hundreds of houses and animals have shocked the local community.

An extreme weather event is defined as a phenomenon that leads to Fire, loss of all possessions, food security issues, human injuries, health disparities, or loss of human lives. Besides this, the fire incidents also cause damage to the properties, economy, and ecosystem. These losses are such that the community cannot cope with them using their present resources available at their and Sindh's different districts have

suffered different natural hazards, which cost numerous lives and have a considerable effect on the economy.

SRSO is mainly responding to the emergency relief work and strengthening the resilience to prevent or minimize further similar fire incidents to these catastrophic events. SRSO in emergency response has ensured that vulnerable communities can recover during and after the fire. The SRSO field team reached the village level within hours after the Fire incidents. They coordinated with concerned authorities, visited locations, assessed the situation and affected families, and provided relief support immediately.



During April 2022, 06 different fire incidents occurred at different locations of the district Khairpur and affected severely houses and valuable property, including livestock and grain. SRSO responded immediately to the affected and needy 70 families by providing relief food items of a daily consumable products like; Chaki Aata, Cooking oil, Sugar, Iodized Salt, Soaps, and Vital Tea somehow other consumables products are given per family after an assessment of incidents and affected families.



On April 20, 2022, Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) responded to provide relief to the fire-affected village Faiz Muhammad Chandio Khairpur Nathan Shah District Dadu. In this regard, the SRSO team visited the affected village and assessed the situation and needs. Initially, 15 temporary toilets have been established to provide safe sanitary facilities to 79 households especially women in the affected village.



On 22nd April 2022, a sudden fire incident took place at Hajam Mohalla Village Salik Bajeer UC Kharoro Syed, district Umerkot where 07 houses were fully burned to ashes along with all goods and furniture. SRSO team visited the village and community members and got the details about the fire incident and supported the 07 affected families by providing the cheque of PKR 10,000 per family in the presence of Deputy Director-Social Welfare Department-Umerkot.



On April 29, 2022, a fire incident occurred at village Luwari Sharif District Badin. 26 households were severely affected by the fire incident which cause the loss of home accessories, shelter, furniture, and 01 buffalo and goats. SRSO provided ration (flour, rice, oil, vermicelli, lentils, and clothes for elders and children) to 26 affected families in the presence of Mr. Najeeb-u-Rehman Jamali ADC-I Badin and RGM-SRSO.



On May 6, 2022, a fire incident occurred at village Kalery Mughari UC Jain Abro Taluka Kamber District Kamber-Shahdadkot. According to villagers, the cause of the incident was a fire from the stove that destroyed 4 houses in the village and lost their 10 sheep, 4 goats, one motorbike, 40 Munds of stored wheat, and dowry of her daughter due to a damasked house in this incident. SRSO visited the village, assessed the actual situation and responded. Rs. 25,000 cheques of IGG to 3 Households and Rs. 25,000 grant support to one family were provided to the most affected 4 families in the presence of Deputy Commissioner Kamber-Shahdadkot. Provide treatment of burnt sheep and goats, and two times cooked food with drinking water was provided to 10 affected households of the village.



23 May 2022, an unfortunate fire incident took place at village Faraqpur Union Council Hingoro Taluka Pano Akil District Sukkur, and as a result 15Katcha houses/huts were burnt down and all valuables and household items went up in ashes. 28th May 2022 SRSO distributed ration bags among the 15 affected Families.



On 24 May 2022, at village Jam Samano Union Council Mehmoodabad Taluka Lakhi District Shikarpur, a fire incident took place from the smoke of ashes prepared for cooking and that smoke engulfed the 09Katcha house/hut was burnt down. On 27th May 2022, the SRSO team led by RGM distributed Food Rashan bags among the 09 affected households for their survival. Food Package included for one household such as 50 kg Wheat flour, 25 kg Rice, 5kg Sugar, 3kg Cooking Oil, One Tea Box, 01 kg Daal Chana and Daal Mung, Salt, Surf Packet, Soap, Red Chilli.



A fire incident broke out on 22-May-2022 from a transformer in the village of Pir Bux Jarwar, union council Chitori and Taluka Sindhri district Mirpurkhas where 14 houses of the Meghwar community became affected severely. The fire destroyed their food items, livestock shade, livestock fodder, clothes, ornaments/jewelry, and money, and five houses were completely burnt to ashes and a four-year child-(Rahul) of a family also injured his legs burned in the fire incident. The SRSO assessed the situation and immediate needs of the affected families. The ration bags and ladies' dresses were distributed to the affected 14 families in the presence of Assistant Commissioner Sindhri.



On dated 3rd June 2022 a horrified Fire incident happened in the village of Mir Muhammad Talpur, Union Council Soofan Shah Taluka Digri District Mirpurkhas, 19 houses fully burned their clothes, food items, and livestock fodder, and 20 goats and 03 Cows also were dead which their main livelihood sources were. SRSO team visited a village and assessed the damages and immediate needs. on June 6, 2022, SRSO distributed ration bags and ladies' dresses among the affected 19 families in the presence of Assistant Commissioner Digri.

PICTORIAL HIGHLIGHTS





Sindh Education Foundation (SEF)-Govt. of Sindh has organized a certificate distribution ceremony for primary graduates under the Adolescents and Adults Learning and Training Program (AALTP) on 1st April 2022 at Karachi. Provincial Education Minister Mr. Syed Sardar Shah, Secretary School Education & Literacy Department, GoS Mr. Ghulam Akbar Laghari, and SEF Managing Director Mr. Kabeer Kazi were present on the occasion. From Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO), Chief Executive Officer Mr. Muhammad Dittal Kalhoro, Technical Advisor Ms. Sheeren Mustafa Narejo, and Senior Manager SSS-SRSO Mr. Naimatullah Shaikh attended the event. The shield of appreciation has been awarded to SRSO for acknowledging its efforts being the implementation partner of the program.



The first harvest of Zinc Bio fortified Wheat crop in districts Larkana and Kamber Shahdadkot under the European Union-supported Programme for Improved Nutrition in Sindh (PINS) implemented by SRSO to support and complement the Government of Sindh's Accelerated Action Plan for Reduction of Stunting and Malnutrition. The seed provided by SRSO (Recommended seed by PARC), introduces zincol variety to replicate by other farmers in the vicinity as people can use this variety regularly. The consumption of bio-fortified high zinc wheat would enable the rural malnourished communities to raise their zinc nutrition level.



SRSO's Sartyoon Sang participated and displayed handmade crafts of the rural artisan of SRSO fostered Business Development Groups (BDGs) in "Sindh Crafts Festival 2022" organized by Culture Department-Govt. of Sindh at Port Grand Karachi from dated May 13 to 15, 2022. SRSO supported and organized artisan women to showcase and market their products. On dated May 14, 2022, Provincial Minister Syed Sardar Shah also visited the SRSO BDG stalls where BDG members briefed them about BDG Rilly Crafts' work under PPRP-SRSO with the support of GoS.



The EU-funded SUCCESS Programme (2016-2022) closing ceremony was organized on June 30, 2022, at SRSO Complex Sukkur. The SRSO- SUCCESS team celebrated programme completion and farewell. Mr. Muhammad Dittal Kalhoro (CEO-SRSO), Mr. Jamal Mustafa Shoro (Team Lead SUCCESS Programme) and Ms. Roshan Khursheed (Chairperson PPAF), and other SRSO team members also joined the event. The appreciation awards were given to every team member in recognition of their efforts. On this occasion, experiences, learning, and memories were shared by staff and music night made the event so memorable! What a beautiful way to say goodbye to the team.