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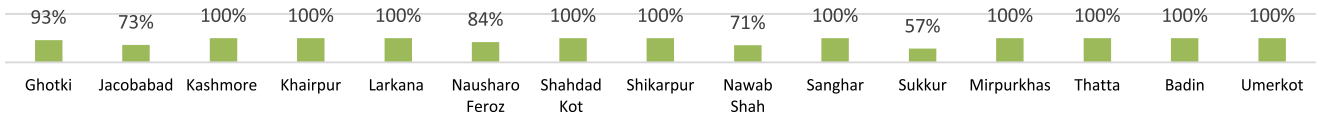


SRSO CUMULATIVE ACHIEVEMENTS AS OF DECEMBER 2020

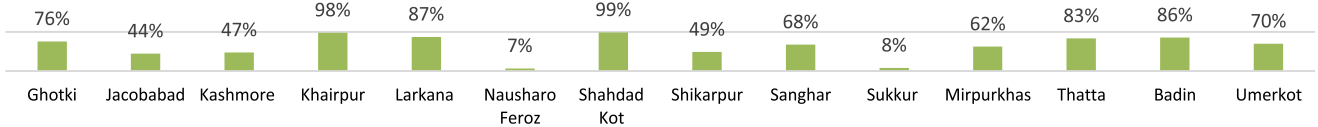
S. No.	Key Performance Indicators	Achievement as of Sept: 2020	Achievement as of Dec:2020	% increase during Qtr:	
1	No. of Operational Districts	15	15	0%	
2	No. of Union Councils with SRSO presence	722	722	0%	
3	No. of Taluka with SRSO presence	86	86	6%	
4	No. of Villages with SRSO presence	15,503	15,664	1%	
5	No. of Household Organized	1,218,704	1,269,274	4%	
6	VO Formation	12,854	13,010	1%	
7	LSO Formation	502	522	4%	
8	CO- Formation	Female	68,178	70,539	3%
		Male	2,383	2,383	0%
		Mix	40	40	0%
		Total	70,601	72,962	3%
		Female	1,179,682	1,230,612	4%
9	CO-Membership	Male	38,662	38,662	0%
		Total	1,218,344	1.269.274	4%
		Female	235.63	236.14	0%
10	Community Saving (In million)	Male	6.80	6.80	0%
		Total	242.44	242.94	0%
11	Income Generating Grant (IGG) Amount Disbursed (In Million)	407	453	11%	
	No. of IGG Beneficiaries	31,473	36,186	15%	
12	Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount disbursed (In Million)	2,888.61	3,213	11%	
	No. of CIF Beneficiaries	226,177	237,252	5%	
13	Total amount of Microcredit disbursed (In Million)	16,902	17,362.6	3%	
	No. of Beneficiaries of Micro Credit Programme	763,492	776,580	2%	
14	No of Community members trained in vocational skill Training	78,752	83,193	6%	
15	No of Community members trained	353,005	364,042	3%	
16	Community Members trained as TBAs	4,777	4,777	0%	
17	Micro Health Insurance (Clients)	884,470	898,080	2%	
	Community Members Insured in Micro Health Insurance (Head Count)	673,250	673,250	0.04%	
18	No. of Community Physical Infrastructure (CPIs)	26,770	26,886	0.04%	
	Total amount of CPIs (In Millions)	1,500	1,552.7	3%	
	Total Beneficiary Households	266,487	278,405	4%	
19	No of Low Cost Houses	22,142	23,016	4%	
20	No of Poultry layers distributed	20,221	20,921	3%	
21	No of trees Planted	852,920	857,540	0.5%	
22	No of Kitchen Gardening	17,878	18,878	6%	



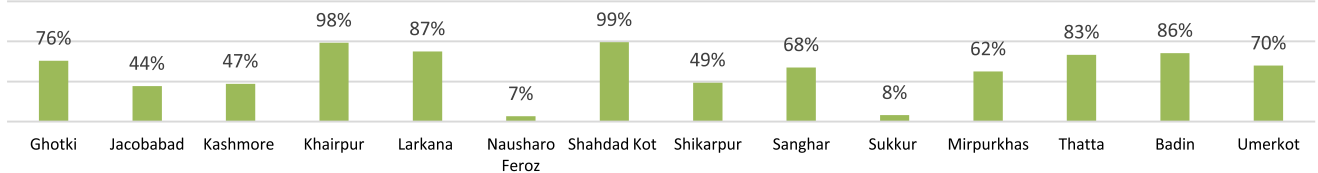
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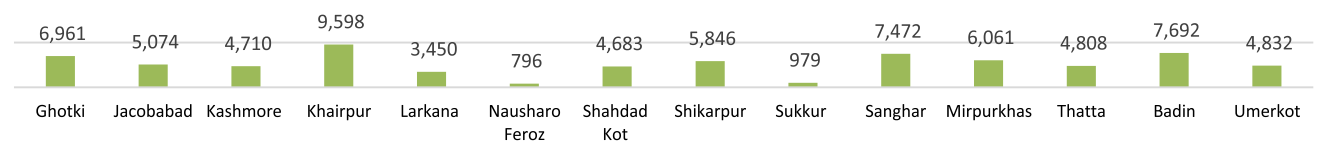
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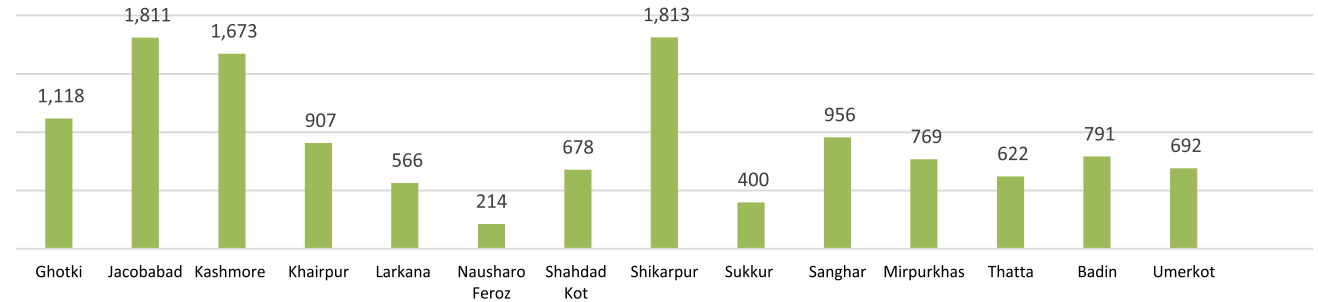
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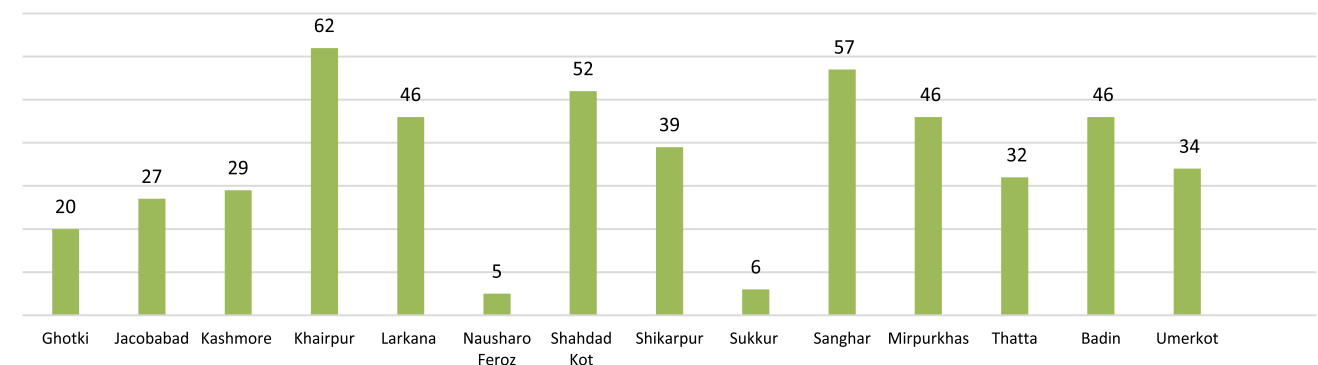
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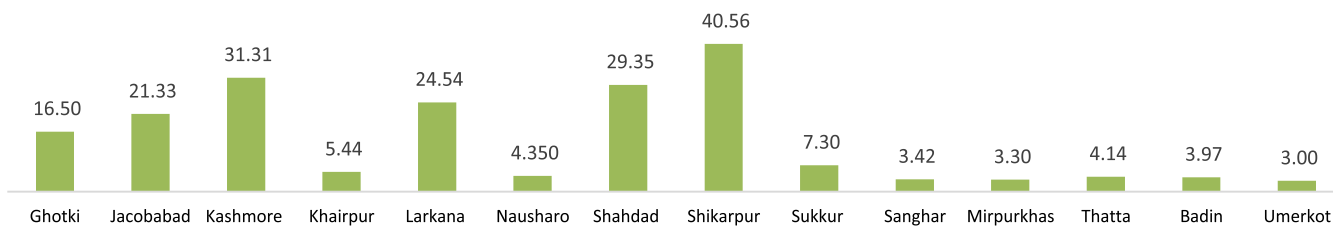
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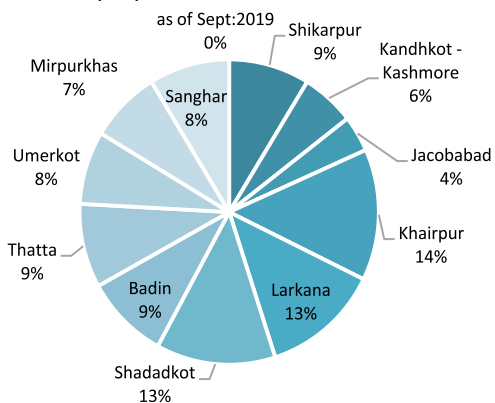
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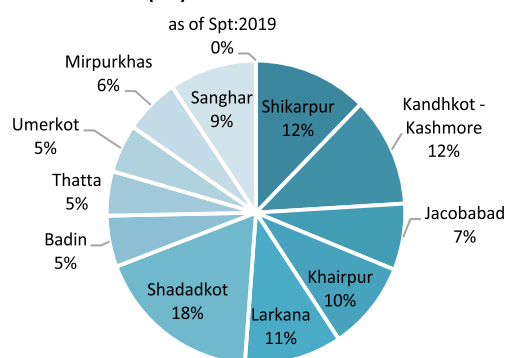
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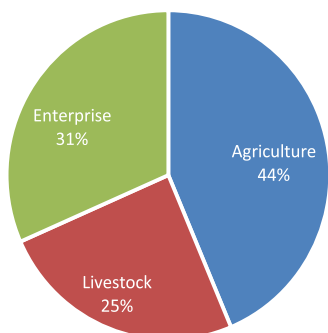
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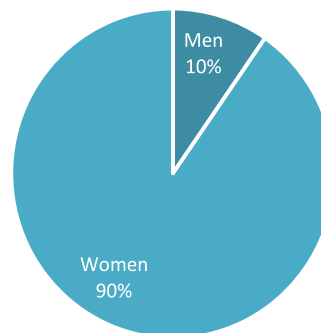
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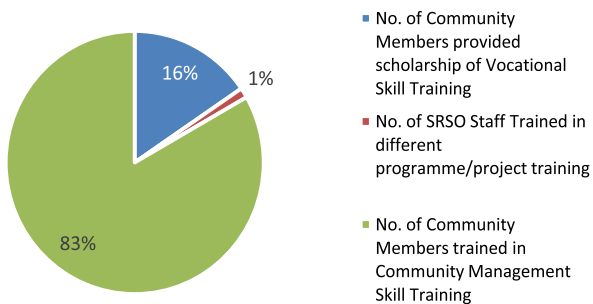
SECTOR WISE MICROCREDIT DISBURSMENT AS OF DECEMBER 2020



GENDER WISE MICROCREDIT DISBURSMENT AS OF DECEMBER 2020



SUMMARY OF STAFF & COMMUNITY MEMBERS TRAINED AS OF DECEMBER 2020



SUMMARY OF CPI AS OF DECEMBER 2020





			Geographical Coverage				
			Total No. of area in the District	# of SRSO intervened area as of Sep 2020	# of SRSO intervened area as of Dec: 2020	% increase during Qtr:	% of total area coverage as of Dec: 2020
1	Ghotki	Union Council	40	37	37	-	93%
		Village	2,464	2,080	2,080	-	84%
		Household	223,706	120,767	120,767	-	54%
2	Jacobabad	Union Council	40	29	29	-	73%
		Village	3,110	1,811	1,811	-	58%
		Household	125,341	84,893	84,893	-	68%
3	Kashmore - Kandhkot	Union Council	37	37	37	-	100%
		Village	1,786	1,673	1,673	-	94%
		Household	140,872	80,345	80,345	-	57%
4	Khairpur	Union Council	88	88	88	-	100%
		Village	1205	887	907	2%	87%
		Household	173,769	156,854	170,540	9%	98%
5	Larkana	Union Council	47	47	47	-	100%
		Village	567	563	566	1%	99%
		Household	88,997	73,530	74,120	1%	83%
6	Naushahro Feroz	Union Council	51	43	43	-	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	688	676	678	-	99%
		Household	110,103	101,698	101,737	0.01%	92%
8	Shikarpur	Union Council	50	50	50	-	100%
		Village	2,414	1,848	1,848	-	77%
		Household	155,902	102,306	102,306	-	66%
9	Sukkur	Union Council	46	26	26	-	57%
		Village	1,664	881	881	-	53%
		Household	135,906	14,429	14,429	-	11%
10	Nawab Shah	Union Council	51	36	36	-	71%
		Village	4,104	362	362	-	9%
		Household	210,984	-	-	-	0%
11	Sanghar	Union Council	73	73	73	-	100%
		Village	1,254	899	956	6%	76%
		Household	180,606	118,773	133,053	12%	74%
12	Mirpurkhas	Union Council	55	55	55	-	100%
		Village	791	768	769	-	97%
		Household	103,534	95,105	96,863	2%	94%
13	Thatta	Union Council	33	41	41	-	100%
		Village	622	576	622	8%	100%
		Household	87,453	68,628	73,504	7%	84%
14	Badin	Union Council	68	68	68	-	100%
		Village	1,021	782	791	1%	77%
		Household	146,943	116,649	125,640	8%	86%
15	Umerkot	Union Council	42	40	40	-	95%
		Village	764	669	692	0.3%	91%
		Household	110,034	70,402	76,752	9%	70%
GRAND TOTAL		Union Council	773	722	722	2%	94%
		Village	26,470	15,503	15,664	1%	64%
		Household	2,300,169	1,218,704	1,269,274	4%	58%



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 Sept: 2019	# of CO/VO/LSO formed as of Dec 2020	% 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)	8,713	9,598	10%
		Village Organizations (VOs)	887	907	2%
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	62	64	3%
5	Larkana	Community Organizations (COs)	3,436	3,540	3%
		Village Organizations (VOs)	563	566	1%
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	46	47	0.02%
6	Naushahroferoz	Community Organizations (COs)	796	796	-
		Village Organizations (VOs)	214	214	-
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	5	5	-
7	Qamber - Shahdadkot	Community Organizations (COs)	4,683	4,683	-
		Village Organizations (VOs)	676	678	-
		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)	979	979	-
		Village Organizations (VOs)	400	400	-
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	6	6	-
10	Sanghar	Community Organizations (COs)	7,021	7,472	6%
		Village Organizations (VOs)	904	956	6%
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	57	62	9%
11	Mirpurkhas	Community Organizations (COs)	6,029	6,061	1%
		Village Organizations (VOs)	768	769	-
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	47	55	17%
12	Thatta	Community Organizations (COs)	4,454	4,808	8%
		Village Organizations (VOs)	576	622	8%
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	32	34	6%
13	Badin	Community Organizations (COs)	7,322	7,692	5%
		Village Organizations (VOs)	782	791	1%
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	46	46	-
14	Umerkot	Community Organizations (COs)	4,577	4,832	6%
		Village Organizations (VOs)	669	692	3%
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	34	36	6%
GRAND TOTAL		Community Organizations (COs)	70,601	72,962	3%
		Village Organizations (VOs)	12,854	13,010	1%
		Local Support Organizations (LSOs)	502	522	4%



Community Saving

S. No.	District	Community Saving as of Sept: 2020 (In Millions)	Community Saving as of Dec: 2020 (In Millions)	% increase during Qtr:
1	Ghotki	16.49	16.49	0%
2	Jacobabad	21.33	21.33	0%
3	Kashmore - Kandhkot	31.31	31.31	0%
4	Khairpur	5.43	5.43	0%
5	Larkana	15.63	15.83	0.1%
6	Naushahro Feroz	4.31	4.31	0%
7	Qamber - Shahdadkot	62.89	63.35	0.1%
8	Shikarpur	40.20	40.20	0%
9	Sukkur	7.30	7.30	0%
10	Sanghar	23.0	23.0	0%
11	Mirpurkhas	3.30	3.30	0%
12	Thatta	4.14	4.14	0%
13	Badin	3.94	3.94	0%
14	Umerkot	3.00	3.00	0%
TOTAL		242.44	242.94	-

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

S. No.	Districts	as of Sept: 2020		as of Dec: 2020		% increase during Qtr
		# of Benf:	Amount disbursed (In Millions)	# of Benf:	Amount disbursed (In Millions)	
1	Shikarpur	3,717	39.50	3,717	39.50	-
2	Kashmore - Kandhkot	2,543	26.13	2,543	26.13	-
3	Jacobabad	1,348	17.31	1,348	17.31	-
4	Khairpur	3,557	50.80	4,373	63.00	24%
5	Larkana	4,380	52.60	5,920	57.8	10%
6	Qamber - Shahdadkot	3,610	48.18	4,779	58.4	21%
7	Badin	2,881	40	2,943	40.9	2%
8	Thatta	2,472	37.00	2,691	40.3	9%
9	Umerkot	2,131	31.2	2,407	35.1	13%
10	Mirpurkhas	2,098	30.01	2,423	34.8	16%
11	Sanghar	2,736	35	3,042	39.4	13%
Total IGG Disbursed		31,473	407.63	36,186	452.64	11%

Community Investment Fund (CIF)

S. No.	Districts	as of Sept: 2020		as of Dec: 2020		% increase during Qtr:
		# of Benf:	Amount disbursed (In Millions)	# of Benf:	Amount disbursed (In Millions)	
1	Shikarpur	40,239	396.51	40,239	396.51	-
2	Kashmore - Kandhkot	35,863	374.07	35,863	374.07	-
3	Jacobabad	18,371	226.43	18,371	226.43	-
4	Khairpur	18,923	263.34	21,775	305.12	16%
5	Sukkur UCBPRP	513	7.05	513	7.05	-
6	Noshero Feroze	370	1.85	370	1.85	-
7	Larkana	18,626	286.26	21,403	338.56	18%
8	Qamber - Shahdadkot	30,667	469.17	36,601	578.04	23%
9	Badin	12,531	159.58	13,681	174.41	9%
10	Thatta	8,275	123.44	1,050	151.26	23%
11	Umerkot	10,430	143.13	12,180	164.66	15%
12	Mirpurkhas	12,388	173.53	13,545	191.46	10%
13	Sanghar	18,981	264.25	21,661	304.03	15%
Total CIF Disbursed (In Million)		226,177	2,888.61	237,252	3,213	11%

Micro Finance (MF)

S. No.	Amount disbursed as of Dec: 2020	
1	Total Amount of Micro Credit Disbursement (Milion)	
		17,362,697,573
		Men 1,676,700,600
		Women 15,685,996,973
2	No. of Loans	
		776,580
		Male 76,779
		Female 699,801
3	Sectoral Disbursement	
		17,362,697,573
		Agriculture 7,580,860,551
		Livestock 4,294,116,022
		Enterprise 5,487,721,000



Community Physical Infrastructure (CPIs)

S. No.	Types of CPI Schemes	Achievement as of December 2020		
		No. of Schemes	Cost of Schemes (In Millions)	BHHs
	Total of CPI Schemes	26,886	1,552.74	278,405
1	Sanitation	15,958	199.89	87,738
2	Street Pavement & Sanitation	74	220.41	13,443
3	Drinking Water Supply Schemes (DWSS)	9,540	351.22	52,556
4	Low Cost Village Improvement Schemes (LCVI)	72	127.09	7,248
5	Communication	701	348.25	69,834
6	Irrigation	464	193.34	14,057
7	IAUP	1	2.09	75
8	Water Filter Plants by GoS	40	23.58	28,570
9	Street Lighting on solar system	8	6.91	596
10	Schools Renovation/Construction	28	79.96	4,288

Low Cost Housing (LCH)

S. No.	Housing Schemes	No of Houses	Cost of Houses (In Millions)	BHHs
	Total of Housing Schemes	23,016	1,747.16	23,016
11	Low Cost Housing Scheme (2007-2020)	22,526	16,33.36	22,526
12	Benazir Housing Cell	490	113.63	490

Human Resource Development (HRD)

S. No.	Key Performance Indicator	Achievement as of Sept 2020	Achievement as of Dec: 2020	% increase during Qtr:
1	No. of Community Members provided scholarship for Vocational Skill Training	78,752	83,193	6%
2	No. of Community Members trained in Community Management Skill Training	353,005	364,042	3%
3	No. of SRSO Staff Trained in different programme/project training	6,594	6,750	2%

Micro Health Insurance (MHI)

S. No.	Key Performance Indicator	Achievement as of Sep 2020	Achievement as of Dec: 2020	% increase during Qtr:
1	No. of Community Members provided Micro Health Insurance Cover	884,470	898,080	2%
2	No. of Community Members Treated through MHI	23,552	23,809	1%
	Men	4,362	4,381	1%
	Women	19,190	19,428	2%
3	Amount of claims availed by Community (In Million)	214.094	226.82	3%



Peoples Poverty Reduction Programme (PPRP)
District Khairpur, Sanghar, Mirpurkhas, Umerkot, Badin & Thatta

(June 2017-May 2021)

Project Activities	Unit	Programme Targets	Cumulative Achievement as of Dec: 2020	%
Poverty Scorecard Census	UC	367	365	99%
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	802,036	697,361	87%
Formation of Community Organizations (CO)	CO	44,560	40,463	91%
Formation of Village Organization (VO)	VO	5,570	4,737	85%
Formation of Local Support Organizations (LSO)	LSO	367	297	81%
Capacity Building of CO members	Person	89,119	67,855	76%
Capacity Building of VO members	Person	33,420	23,795	71%
Capacity Building of LSO members	Person	2,209	1,289	58%
No of Beneficiaries trained in Vocational and Technical Skills	Person	36,092	24,634	68%
No of Households given CIF	Household	137,492	88,110	64%
No of Households given IGG	Household	34,372	17,877	52%
Formation of Business Development Groups (BDGs)	No	367	94	26%
No of Low Cost Housing Scheme	Number	9,623	5,790	60%



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 Dec: 2020	%
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	175,571	94%
Formation of Community Organizations (CO)	CO	8,375	8,132	97%
Formation of Village Organization (VO)	VO	1,280	1,244	97%
Formation of Local Support Organizations (LSO)	LSO	99	99	100%
CMST of COs office bearers	Person	18,385	16,166	88%
LMST of VOs office bearers	Person	2,816	2,642	94%
LMST of LSOs office bearers	Person	891	312	35%
Activists workshops for office bearers of LSO / VO / CO	Event	252	121	48%
CRP Training on CIF and CAT (VO based CRPs)	Person	990	864	87%
Training of Bookkeeper/Accountant	Person	764	641	84%
No of Beneficiaries trained in Vocational and Technical Skills	Person	14,600	5,827	40%
No. of Households Given IGG	Household	18,994	10,699	56%
No. of Households Given CIF	Household	41,785	38,648	92%
No of beneficiaries insured in Micro Health Insurance programme	Person	47,984	46,458	97%
No of CPI Schemes Initiated	Number	949	520	55%
No CPI Schemes Completed	Number	520	318	61%

Visit of IFAD & PPAF delegation under the Govt. of Pakistan supported National Poverty Graduation Programme (NPGP)

Kandhkot & Shikarpur/October 24 & 25, 2020

A Delegation from IFAD and PPAF paid an official visit to Shikarpur and Kashmore- Kandhkot under the EHSAAS Programme of National Poverty Graduation Programme (NPGP) Government of Pakistan. The delegation was comprised of Mr. Rab Nawaz (Head of Mission), Mr. Waseem from IFAD, Mr. Muhammad Fazil, Syed Imran Shah, Ms. Munaza, and Dr. Ahsan Riaz from PPAF.

SRSO Higher management and Delegation visited the different areas of the programme where they conducted the meetings with Community Institutions and beneficiaries about programme impact on their lives through the programme Interventions.



Community shared the impact of NPGP Interventions in terms of income generation activities through assets transfer and small business value chain initiatives. Last, they all paid thanks to PPAF and IFAD for this community assistance to reduce the poverty. Now Peoples able to startups of small business at the community level, access to market through the value chain, assets transfer, and these interventions have led to improved health, dignity, social status, cleanliness, and overall wellbeing of Households.

HIGHLIGHTS



Speaker Sindh Assembly constituted a Council for the Welfare of Senior Citizens and nominated two members of Sindh Assembly as members of the Council

Karachi/October 12 and 24, 2020

SRSO in collaboration with HelpAge International is undertaking awareness-raising and advocacy campaign for the Promotion of Rights of Older People. In the perspective of this, on 12 October 2020, the Speaker of the Provincial Assembly of Sindh Agha Siraj Khan Durrani, constituted a council for the welfare of senior citizens under Section 3(1) of the Sindh Senior Citizen Welfare Act, 2014 and nominated two members of Sindh Assembly as members of the Council.

1. Ms. Shamim Mumtaz (Member Provincial Assembly -Sindh)
2. Mr. Muhammad Qasim Soomro (Member Provincial Assembly- Sindh & Standing Committee on Law, Parliamentary Affairs, and Human Rights) was nominated as a member of council. The Council shall formulate policies for Welfare and improvement for the well-being of senior



Citizens and will take such measures and perform such functions as may be necessary for the welfare of the senior citizens to enable participation of the elderly peoples in the process of welfare in the society. Older people around the world raise their voices for the protection of their rights. Campaigners have made great strides forward to protect older people's rights by becoming agents of change.

Another side, on October 24, 2020, the Committee has also finalized the Rules of Business (RoBs) for the Sindh Senior Citizens Welfare Act 2014 under the chair of Honorable Muhammad Aslam Shaikh, Retired District & Session Judge. The rules of business (RoBs) will be submitted to the Sindh Cabinet through the Law Department for approval.





Visit of Ms. Jennifer Ankrom Khan Country Director Action Against Hunger (ACF) under SRSO-PINS-ER-II & III Interventions Areas

Kamber-Shahdadt, Larkana, and Shikarpur/ November 17, 18 and 19, 2020

Ms. Jennifer Ankrom Khan Country Director ACF (Action Against Hunger) along with other members Mr. Javed Memon (Sr. Div. Manager ACF), Mr. Mudassir Ahmed (Program Director PINS ER-III), Mr. Anis Memon (PM-PINS-ER-II), Dr. A. Khaliq Mangnejo (GTLO), Rao Ayub Khan (Technical Manager RSPN), and SRSO Officials visited SRSO interventions in three programme districts Kamber-Shahdadt, Larkana, and Shikarpur.

Ms. Jennifer Ankrom Khan along with the members of visiting team conducted meeting with CIs, visited the demo plot, drip Irrigation toolkits, poultry entrepreneur's houses, demo cage, fish pond harvesting & selling process, livestock vaccination camp, farmer field school, attended the small farmer's session, met malnutrition children and lactating

women that have been served through Programme. CIs & office bearers briefly presented the ongoing and completed activities and activities' impact on their lives. PM-SRSO-PINS briefed about future planning under the PINS ER-II & III and coordination regarding ACF and SRSO. All the visitors appreciated and showed keen interest in initiatives taken by beneficiaries and Community Institutions. These all initiatives were also appreciated by Country Director ACF in his note written in the visitor's book. On the last day, she visited SRSO head office Sukkur and conducted a meeting with SRSO Management and de-briefed about three days visits and thanked SRSO for organizing such a wonderful visit and also appreciated the efforts of community institutions, SRSO, and RSPN as well.



Celebration of International Human Rights Day with Community Institutions under EU-funded SUCCESS Programme

Larkana and Kamber-Shahdadt / December 10, 2020

SRSO under the EU Funded SUCCESS Programme observed 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence in both districts through engaging different stakeholders for raising awareness against gender-based violence. In this regard, two events were organized by IMSD with the collaboration of LSO Noor, UC Yaro Lakhir (Larkana), and LSO Sajawal, UC Sajawal (Kamber-Shahdadt). Ms. Shama Parveen (Deputy Director Women Development), Mr. Toheedullah Kalhoro (Assistant Director Social Welfare and Child Protection Cell) Larkana, Mr. Waqar Ahmed Soomro (Deputy Director Child Protection Cell), and Ms. Uroosa Khatti were the main speakers of the events. More than 100 participants attended both events hailing from Govt. departments,

Community Institutions and SRSO. CIs leaders also shared their experiences and views regarding their struggle to raise awareness among the rural women about their basic rights.

Participants presented different activities regarding VAW and women's rights. In last all women marked their handprints to symbolize the saying "Stop Violence Against Women".



Speaker Sindh Assembly was the Chief Guest in International Day of Older People celebration under Promoting Rights of Older People Project

Shikarpur / October 6, 2020

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) organized a seminar in the connection with International Day of Older People on October 6, 2020, at Shikarpur. Speaker Sindh Assembly Mr. Agha Siraj Durani was the chief guest on the occasion and meanwhile, CEO-SRSO Mr. Muhammad Dittal Kalhoro was the honorary guest. Speaking on the occasion, Mr. Speaker said, "Provincial government had introduced the legislation regarding the well-being of senior citizens which would turn the country into a social welfare state and also the bill was aimed at making provision for recognition of the rights of senior citizens by providing them support for their well-being and participation in society with the consideration that senior citizens are society's integral part. He further said that the Sindh government was resolving the problems of older people by implementing the Senior Citizens Welfare Act 2014.

SRSO Chief Executive Officer Muhammad Dittal Kalhoro said, "this organization had grown into a fully integrated organization working for the poor and marginalized communities to uplift them from the vicious circle of poverty. He further added, "SRSO works to enable rural men and women to articulate their aspirations and mobilize their resources effectively as they can meet their welfare needs."

The event was attended by a large number of representatives from Older People's Associations (OPAs), community institutions (CIs), civil society organizations (CSOs), government departments especially the social welfare department, media, and SRSO staff.



Dr. Shereen Mustafa Secretary Planning (Planning & Development Department) Govt. of Sindh, visited SRSO and conducted dialogue with management and communities

SRSO Complex, Sukkur, and Larkana/ December 5 & 6, 2020

Dr. Shereen Mustafa, Secretary Planning (Planning & Development Department) Govt. of Sindh paid a visit to SRSO on December 5 and 6, 2020. Mr. Muhammad Dittal Kalhoro CEO-SRSO welcomed to Dr. Shereen Mustafa at SRSO head office. She conducted a dialogue with SRSO Family. Dr. Shereen Mustafa shared her insight views pertaining to the importance of the development of local communities in the era of knowledge & economy in modern development discourse. She also briefed about key development initiatives, programs, and policies of the Government of Sindh to achieve socio-economic development goals. On the second day, she visited different interventions under of EU-funded SUCCESS

Programme. SRSO-RGM Mr. Jamal Mustafa Shoro briefed about the SUCCESS Programme and its women-led initiatives for women empowerment and poverty reduction through community institutions (CIs). She visited Business Development Group (BDG) Handloom at Gaji Dero and Sona Hath (Clay Art) of Taluka Dokri. During the visit, she also conducted a dialogue with women on future enterprises opportunities, market needs, consumers demand, and vision of expanding their business to increase their income and promote their skills on a large scale. She also talked about the sustainability of Community Institutions (Cis).





International Day of Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) was celebrated under the Promoting Rights of Older People in collaboration with Social Welfare Department Govt. of Sindh

Karachi, Shikarpur and Jacobabad/ December 24, 28, and 29, 2020

An International Day of Persons with Disabilities 2020 with the theme of 'Building back better: towards an inclusive, accessible and sustainable post-COVID-19' was celebrated by SRSO at Karachi, Shikarpur & Jacobabad under the HelpAge International supported Promoting Rights of Older People Project. COVID-19 pandemic has deepened inequalities, affecting around one billion people with disabilities globally. The purpose of the PWDs celebration was to highlight the issues and challenges of PWDs and sensitized people for equal rights and opportunities.

Physically Handicapped Adults and Persons with Disabilities shared their success stories that how they can overcome their challenges during the pandemic situation. OPA Members, Civil Society Organizations, Media Representatives, Department of Empowerment for Persons with Disabilities, and Social Welfare Department

Participated in the events. At the end of the Programme appreciation, certificates, and shields were awarded to the PWDs.



SRSO Trained Women Artisans Participated in Women Skill & Art Work Fair

Mirpurkhas / December 07, 2020

Connectivity to markets play a vital role for rural women having their integrated startups Agri-livestock business to grow and thrive. Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) trained artisans of district Mirpurkhas under the GoS supported Peoples' Poverty Reduction Programme (PPRP) participated in "Women Skill & Art Work Fair" organized by ARTS Foundation.

Rural women showcased and sale their handmade items by establishing 5 different stalls and displayed 9 different products i.e. Lacework, Applique work, Pindi work, Mitka decorations, Candle Making, Bangle Making, Qurshiya work, Sindhi Topi, and Schools bags.



Deputy Commissioner District Shikarpur visited SRSO managed Community Cluster School Qabalo

District Shikarpur/ November 14, 2020

Deputy Commissioner District Shikarpur Dr. Kashif Nabi Khuhro visited SRSO managed Community Cluster School Qabalo Taluka Garhi Yaseen and observed school environment, classrooms, computer lab, existing facilities, COVID-19 SOPs, on-going-classes, and teaching process. He shared his experiences and views with the teaching staff and students. He also inaugurated the plantation in school for improving the school environment.



World Animals Day (WAD) was observed at Sukkur and Jacobabad Districts under Brooke Pakistan supported Equine Welfare Project

Jacobabad & Sukkur/October 9 & 10, 2020

In the continuity of World Animals Day (WAD) Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) celebrated the day in District Jacobabad at VO Qaim Din Tanweri and CO Mehran at village, Ismail Labano in District Sukkur on 09th & 10th October 2020. It is the international day of action celebrated for rights and welfare of animals to raise the status of animals in order to improve welfare standards around the globe. This year's theme of the day was "sustaining all life on earth encompasses all wild animals and plant species as components of biodiversity."

SRSO organized seminars and ensured the participation of all major stakeholders from the government, civil society

organizations, and Community Institutions in order to raise awareness, At Sukkur, 70 women representatives of the community organizations, Deputy Director Livestock and Animal Husbandry Department Government of Sindh and 80 participants from the Jacobabad animal husbandry department, veterinary doctors, project community, and SRSO team members attended the seminars.

The speakers discussed in the detail importance of the international day, the care of the animal's especially the equine group, and the role of different stakeholders i.e. government, CSOs, and communities.



World Food Day Celebrated jointly under EU-Supported Programme for Improved Nutrition in Sindh (PINS-ER-III)

Kamber-Shahdadkot, Shikarpur, and Larkana/ October 16, and 17, 2020

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) celebrated World Food Day under the EU-supported Programme for Improved Nutrition in Sindh-PINS-ER-III in three Programme districts. On this occasion, different types of activities were conducted in order to impart and increase awareness of communities about the importance of handwashing and nutritious food.

During the event celebration fish harvesting and handwashing, activities were carried out at VO Sobho Goth district Shikarpur where Dastarkhwan was also served with different food items for a balanced diet.

RSPN, SRSO, and LSO representatives participated & shared their views about the use of nutritious foods. They also briefed community members regarding the balanced diet, food groups, diversified food. During the events five-colors agricultural approach has shared. This approach for preventing malnutrition and increase agricultural productivity.





An Exposure Visit of SRSO MER Unit to NRSP-Azad Jammu Kashmir

September 30 to October 7, 2020

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) strongly believes in the capacity building of staff by providing training and exposure opportunities in order to perform their work in an effective and professional manner. For this, a team of 09 members from Monitoring, Evaluation, and Research Unit (MER-U) of SRSO visited National Rural Support Programme Azad Jammu Kashmir. The purpose of the visit was to exchange of experience, learnings, and ideas between SRSO and NRSP. The Team visited NRSP Head Office, Regional Office, and district offices based in Islamabad, Muzaffarabad, and Neelam. MER team conducted a meeting with LSO Juri. The purpose of the meeting was to learn about the community development initiatives and also

share learning experiences about work.

During the exposure visit, the delegation also explored different historical places at Kern, Sharda, Kel, and Arang Kel of the valley, which was facilitated by the NRSP Team and learned a lot about the culture, history, people, areas, and places of Kashmir. The said visit provided valuable insights to the SRSO-MER team about the role and work of NRSP in AJK. They did not only observe the on-ground efforts and work of NRSP but also enjoyed the great hospitality and cooperation of the host team.



Celebrated International Children Day at SRSO Community Cluster Schools SEF-Govt. of Sindh

Shikarpur and Kashmore-Kandhkot/ November 20 and 21, 2020

International Children Day was celebrated on November 20 and 21, 2020 at SRSO managed Community Cluster School at Qablo, district Shikarpur and Wahid Bux Bijarani District Kashmore. The main purpose of the celebration was to advocate, promote and acknowledge the children rights, translate them into dialogues and actions and create awareness among children about the significance of the children's day. These events were organized around the theme of "Treating Children fairly and equally". Taluka Education Officers Mr. Ghulam Muhammad Malgani at Qabalo and Mr. Shah Muhammad Mirani at Wahid Bux was the chief guests, meanwhile Sr. Manager Social Service Sector (SSS)-SRSO and Education team also participated in events. On these occasions, students took part in different activities i.e.; speeches, songs, games. Chief Guests spoke about the importance of the day and basic rights of the children. Honorable guests interacted with students and teachers and also highlighted the significance of children's day.



Global Handwashing Day (GHD) was celebrated under the theme of **HAND HYGIENE FOR ALL** in three EU Supported PINS-ER-III Outreach Districts

Kamber-Shahdadkot, Shikarpur, and Larkana/ October 15, 2020

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) under the EU supported Programme for Improved Nutrition in Sindh (PINS-ER-III) celebrated Global Handwashing Day under the theme of “HAND HYGIENE FOR ALL” in three districts i.e. Shikarpur, Larkana, and Kamber-Shahdadkot. This day was celebrated with the collaboration of Local Support Organizations (LSOs) through organizing seminars, where hand-washing activity and community awareness sessions were conducted with communities and school children. The main purpose of the day celebration was to impart awareness to all relevant stakeholders especially,

children and community institutions about the importance of hand Health & Hygiene and proper hand washing to prevent themselves from diseases.

LSO Sindh Sujagh from Shikarpur, Laat from Larkana Hamdard, Aitmad, Tarqi, and Jakhorr from Kamber-Shahdadkot managed these events. All major stakeholders from community institutions, school children, government officials, media, CRPs, and SRSO staff attended these events.



SRSO's An Initiative- Fruit Trees Plantation at household level to address nutritional and climate change needs.

District Jacobabad/ November 3 to 7, 2020

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) has undertaken a special initiative for the promotion of the Fruit Tree Plantation in all out-reach districts. Under this initiative, SRSO has planned to distribute 50,000 fruit trees (5 trees per household Mango, Berr, Lemon, Guava and Jamin) among 10,000 poor Households. These fruits are highly nutritious and local environment friendly. The Fruit Tree Plantation Campaign has been launched through community institutions to support a national-level plantation campaign for the achieving sustainable development, nutrition, and climate change status. The main purpose of this initiative is to promote plantation of fruits trees at household-level to fulfill the family's nutritional needs. An awareness session was conducted with beneficiaries before distribution of plans for proper plantation and caring of the trees. SRSO and CIs will monitor and support to HHs in a plantation on regular basis.

In this connection SRSO Natural Resource Management NRM sector provided 550 fruit trees among 110 poor households indifferent 8 Union Councils of District Jacobabad.

The targeted households have been identified with the support of local community institutions (CIs) according to the set criteria of the Poverty Score Card (0-18 PSC).





Local Support Organization (LSO) Roshan Deo held a meeting with Deputy Commissioner Kamber-Shahdadkot

Kamber-Shahdadkot/October 20, 2020

The Local Support Organizations (LSOs) at Union Councils Levels are playing their pivotal role for the rights and wellbeing in front of the government for their bright future. One of the Local Support Organization "Roshan Deo", Union Council Abri, District Kamber-Shahadat, formed under SRSO's EU-funded SUCCESS Programme took an initiative for the education of their children. LSO leaders conducted a meeting with Deputy Commissioner Kamber-Shahdadkot Mr. Javed Ali Jagirani at his office. They presented the vote of thanks for the construction of the school building. Further, they briefed that around 400 girls have been deprived of the right of education due to the unavailability of Middle School for girls. They also discussed the nonexistence of necessary furniture for the re-constructed school.

Mr. Jagirani encouraged the LSO leaders and appreciated their efforts for a better future through untiring efforts to

enable the community members in getting their basic rights. He promised to support and resolve the issues of the LSOs at the earliest. He further showed a great interest in visiting the office of LSO and the School.



Organized Award Ceremonies for developing/promote motivation among Local Service Providers (LSPs) under Brooke Pakistan supported Equine Welfare Project

SRSO Complex Sukkur, Jacobabad and Larkana/ November 27 and December 10 and 17, 2020

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) organized award distribution ceremonies in districts Sukkur, Jacobabad, and Larkana for developing & promoting the motivation among Local Service Providers (LSPs) having good or outstanding scores under Equine Welfare Project. The key objectives of the events were; to build the capacity of LSPs to encourage, motivate and promote LSPs having an outstanding score in Animal Health Monitoring Framework (AHMF) and Farrier Monitoring Framework (FMF), to aware the Livestock and Animal's Husbandry Department about Equine Welfare Project, and to train all the LSPs and create linkages with equine-owning communities. The representatives from livestock (Animal Husbandry), community institutions and SRSO staff spoke about the issues, challenges pertaining to the livestock (Animal Husbandry).

The equine family participated and appreciated the efforts of SRSO. Later on, the awards of appreciation (shields) were distributed among the LSPs for their performance.

Deputy Director, Additional Director from Animals' Husbandry Department Sukkur, Deputy Director District Larkana and Deputy Director and Additional Director Livestock Department District Jacobabad were the chief guests of the events. Meanwhile Mr. Jamal Mustafa Shoro-RGM-SRSO at Jacobabad, Senior M&E Manager Naveed Ishaque Memon at Sukkur and Mr. Hamid Ali Magsi Manager SRSO-PINS, and Mr. Ali Asghar Matilo Manager NRM-SRSO at Larkana participated in the award distribution ceremonies.



SRSO Rain Emergency Response: Ration bags & mosquito nets distribution among 200 rain affected households

Mirpurkhas/ October15, 2020

In Continuation of relief activities in the response of heavy rain Monsoon 2020 affected areas of PPRP Program. In pertinent to assistance, Ration bags and Mosquito nets along with Stitched clothes were distributed among 200 rain-affected households in Shafi Sand, Din Muhammad Kapri, Darya Khan Pitafi, Khenraj Kolhi Mir. Allah Bachayo, and Khuda Bux II Mr. Asif Ali Khask in taluka Jhudo &

Digri district Mirpur Khas. Assistant Commissioner Jhudo and Mr. Ghulam Rasool Samejo- Team Leader-SRSO-PPRP District & Unit Team participated in distribution. In last, the beneficiaries paid thanks for this assistance to survive.



Personal Protective Equipment's (PPEs) handed over to Chandika Medical Hospital Larkana and District Head Quarter Hospital Shikarpur under ECHO-HIP-COVID-19 Project.

Larkana and Shikarpur/December 8 and 9, 2020

SRSO has initiated a project with the partnership of RSPN "Support Government of Sindh (GoS) to prepare for and respond to COVID-19 Pandemic". Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) under the ECHO-HIP-COVID-19 Project handed over PPEs to Chandika Medical Hospital Larkana and District Health Hospital Shikarpur. For this purpose, AMS CMC Larkana and MS DHQ Hospital Shikarpur received the PPEs Ms. Iffat Jamil Project Manager RSPN-ECHO-HIP-COVID-19 Project, and Mr. Akram Shaikh-Focal

Person SRSO handed over the. 8,055 surgical masks for doctors and paramedics, 840 N-95 Masks for doctors and paramedic working in emergency, 195 gowns (reusable) for doctors, paramedics, and janitorial staff, 195 goggles (reusable) for doctors, paramedics, and janitorial staff, 8,055 exam gloves (pair) for doctors and paramedics.





Chairperson-SRSO Ms. Naheed Shah Durani and CEO-SRSO Mr. Muhammad Dittal Kalhoro visited NRSP Agriculture Processing Company Ltd at Hafizabad (Punjab) on November 13, 2020, along with Ms. Shereen Mustafa Narejo (Secretary Planning-P&DD-GoS), Mr. Tasneem Siddiqui, (BoD Member-SRSO) Dr. Rashid Bajwa (Advisor to SRSO Board) and Dr. Waheed Umrani.



Productive Assets distribution among the 245 Ultra-Poor Households at Kashmore-Kandhkot and Shikarpur under National Poverty Graduation Programme (NPGP)-Govt. of Pakistan on November 18, 2020.



3-Days Training on CIF and Community Awareness Toolkit (CAT) for CRPs under EU supported SUCCESS Programme on October 20-22, 2020 at Larkana.



Kitchen Gardening Kits distributed among 76 households (HHs) under the World Bank/OFWM-GoS supported Irrigated Agriculture Productivity Enhancement Project on November 9 & 10, 2020 @ Sukkur.



184 representatives of 10 LSOs have been oriented on Child Marriages and COVID-19 through One-Day orientation in 10-targeted Union Councils under EHCO-HIP funded Sustaining Adolescents participation in Community. Institutions. The main purpose of these activities to address the Child Marriages and create awareness among adolescents in Ghotki and Khairpur Project.



830 community activists and CRPs from 87 LSOs have oriented / trained on COVID-19 Preventing Measures through two days training under the ECHO-HIP-COVID-19 Project during November and December 2020 at Shikarpur & Larkana districts.



Personal Protection Equipment's Kits to 12 Older Age Shelter Homes and 230 Food Packets and Hygiene Kits distributed among 10 Older People Associations (OPAs) for Combating with COVID-19 Pandemic under Promoting Rights of Older People (HelpAge International supported) in Karachi during November 2020.



The 4-Days Orientation Workshops on Programme Implementation Manual (PIM) was organized by IMSD for SRSO-PPRP-Govt. of Sindh Staff at Bad in, Mirpurkhas, Head Office and Umerkot.