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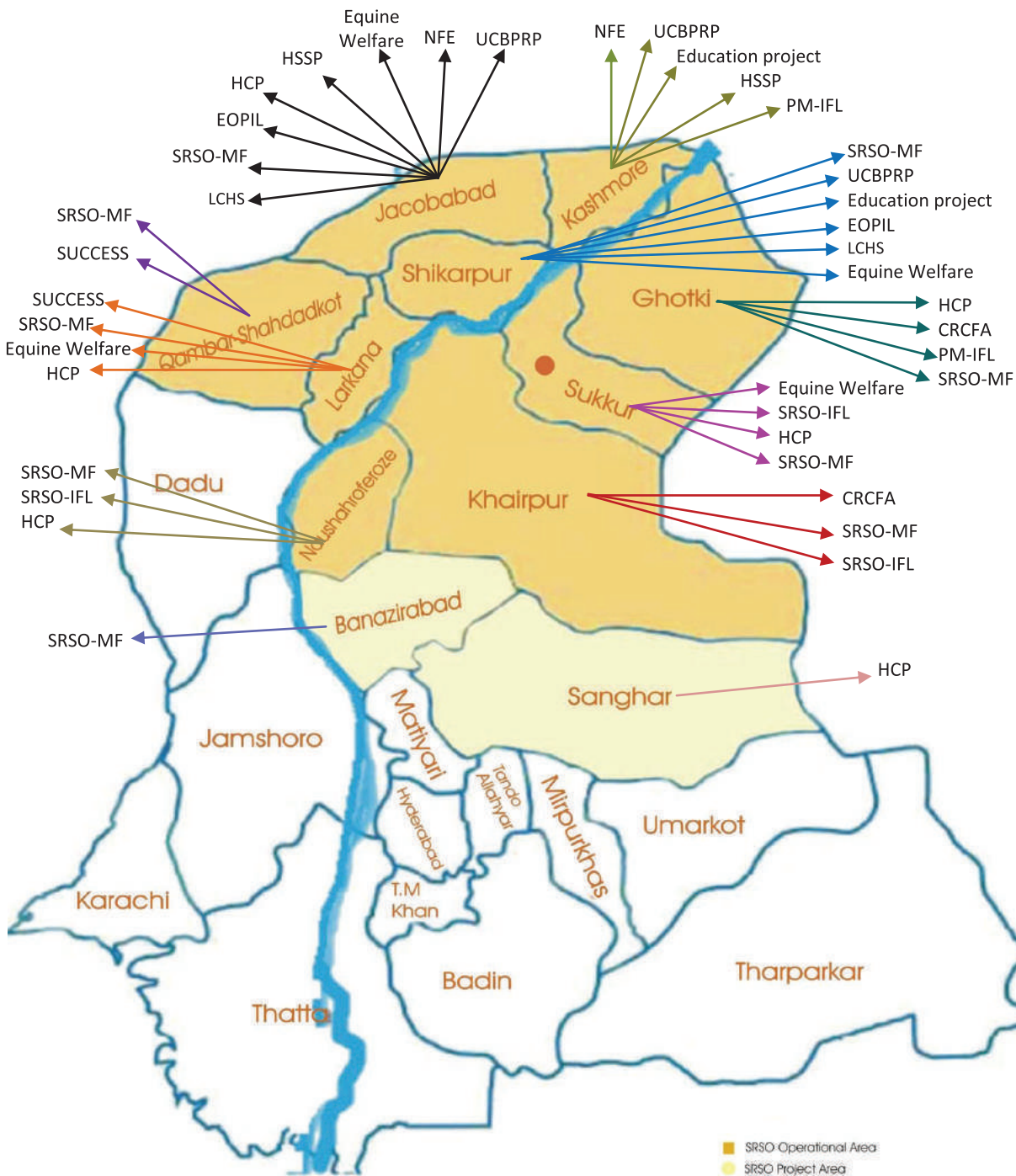
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## Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) Operational Area



### ON GOING PROJECTS

**UCBPRP**  
(Union Council Based Poverty Reduction Programme)  
Funded by: P&D-GoS

**NFE**  
(Non Formal Education)  
Supported by: USAID

**Equine Welfare Project**  
Funded by: BROOKE

**HSSP**  
(Health System Strengthening Project)  
Funded by: USAID-RSPN

**HCP**  
(Health Communication Project)  
Funded by: USAID-RSPN

**EOPIIL**  
**Empowering Older People to Improve Lives**  
Funded by: HelpAge - BLF

**SRSO-Microfinance**  
Funded by: SRSO

**Construction of Low Cost Housing Units (LCHS)**  
Funded by: BHC-GOS

**Education Project**  
Funded by: CDP-GoS

**PM-IFL**  
(Prime Minister Interest Free Loan)  
Funded by: PPAF

**CRCFA**  
(Child Rights in Cotton Farming Areas of Sindh)  
Funded by: UNICEF-RSPN

**SUCCESS**  
(Sindh Union Council and Community Economic Strengthening Support Program)  
Funded by: European Union (EU)

**SRSO-IFL**  
(Interest Free Loan)  
Funded by: GOS

### VISION

To perceive Socially and Economically empowered Communities especially the marginalized ones and helping create a proactive Community Organizations by attitudinal change by setting free people's Potentials and willingness to alleviate poverty.

### MISSION

To meet the challenge of battering poverty and help the poor to get above the poverty line and have a standard life. To help marginalized rural people harness their potential to bring about change in their quality of life on a self help basis.

### OBJECTIVES

- To unleash people's potential and willingness to alleviate poverty in Sindh
- To reinforce and compliment Government of Pakistan's policy of Poverty Alleviation
- To support and strengthen Government of Sindh's efforts to translate Poverty reduction strategies into actions

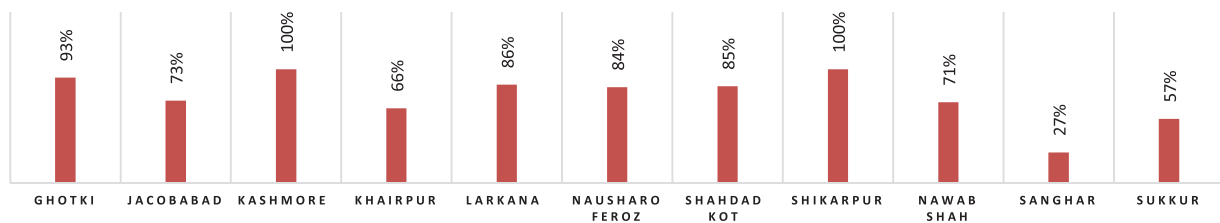


### SRSO Cumulative Achievement as of September 2016

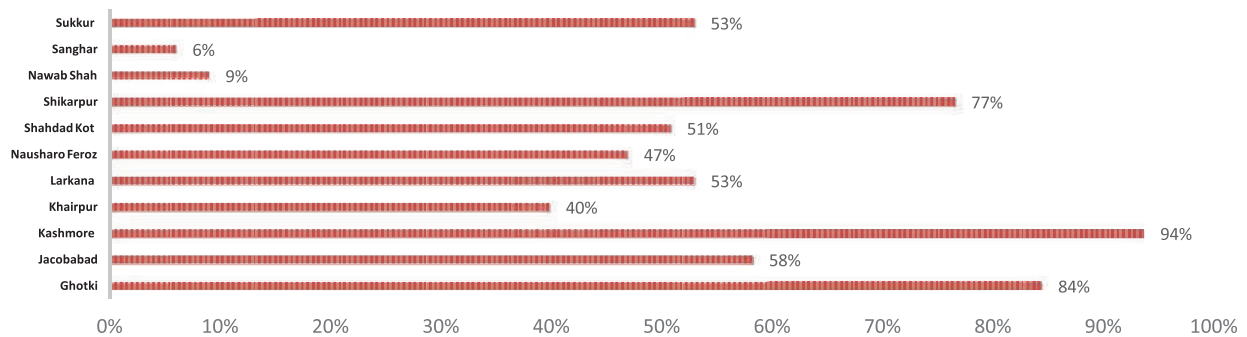
| S.# | Key Performance Indicators                                       | Achievement as of June-2016 | Achievement as of September-2016 | % increase during Qtr. |    |
|-----|--|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|----|
| 1   | No. of Operational Districts                                     | 11                          | 11                               | -                      |    |
| 2   | No. of Union Councils with SRSO presence                         | 395                         | 395                              | -                      |    |
| 3   | No. of Taluka with SRSO presence                                 | 52                          | 52                               | -                      |    |
| 4   | No. of villages with SRSO presence                               | 12,964                      | 12,964                           | -                      |    |
| 5   | No. of Household Organized                                       | 600,921                     | 604,862                          | 1%                     |    |
| 6   | VO Formation   | 7,429                       | 7,501                            | 1%                     |    |
| 7   | LSO Formation  | 128                         | 130                              | -                      |    |
| 8   | CO- Formation  | Female                      | 35,184                           | 35,399                 | 1% |
|     |  | Male                        | 2,383                            | 2,383                  | -  |
|     |  | Mix                         | 40                               | 40                     | -  |
|     |  | Total                       | 37,607                           | 37,822                 | 1% |
| 9   | CO-Membership  | Female                      | 562,259                          | 566,200                | 1% |
|     |  | Male                        | 38,662                           | 38,662                 | -  |
|     |  | Total                       | 600,921                          | 604,862                | 1% |
| 10  | Community Saving (In million)                                    | Female                      | 114.10                           | 116.58                 | 2% |
|     |  | Male                        | 6.80                             | 6.80                   | -  |
|     |  | Total                       | 120.90                           | 123.383                | 2% |
| 11  | Income Generating Grant (IGG) Amount Disbursed (In Million)      | 82.93                       | 82.93                            | -                      |    |
| 12  | No. of IGG Beneficiaries   | 7,608                       | 7,608                            | -                      |    |
| 13  | Community Investment Fund (CIF) amount disbursed (In Million)    | 1,064.64                    | 1,064.64                         | -                      |    |
| 14  | No. of CIF Beneficiaries   | 101,702                     | 101,702                          | -                      |    |
| 15  | Total amount of Microcredit disbursed (In Million)               | 8,058.13                    | 8,210.23                         | 2%                     |    |
| 16  | No. of Beneficiaries of Micro Credit Programme                   | 451,783                     | 457,740                          | 1%                     |    |
| 17  | No of Community members trained in vocational skill Training     | 53,330                      | 53,330                           | -                      |    |
| 18  | No of Community members trained                                  | 252,217                     | 252,334                          | 0.05%                  |    |
| 19  | Community Members trained as TBAs                                | 4,777                       | 4,777                            | -                      |    |
| 20  | Micro Health Insurance (Clients)                                 | 487,334                     | 487,334                          | -                      |    |
| 21  | Community Members Insured in Micro Health Insurance (Head Count) | 619,197                     | 619,197                          | -                      |    |
| 22  | No. of Community Physical Infrastructure (CPIs)                  | 26,428                      | 26,428                           | -                      |    |
| 23  | Total amount of CPIs (In Millions)                               | 1,304                       | 1,304                            | -                      |    |
| 24  | Total Beneficiary Households                                     | 222,095                     | 222,095                          | -                      |    |
| 25  | No of Low-Cost Houses  | 17,578                      | 17,578                           | -                      |    |



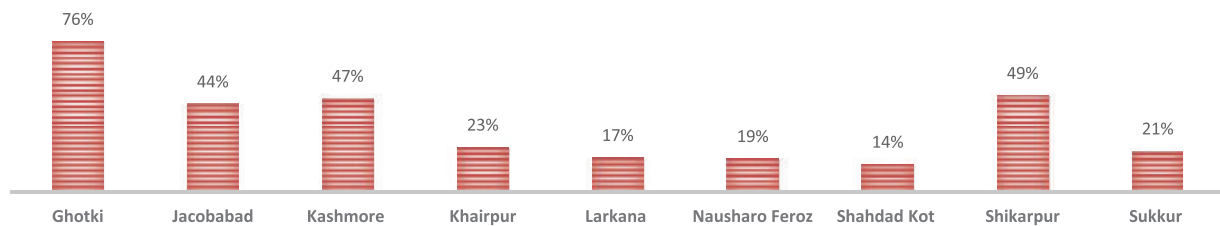
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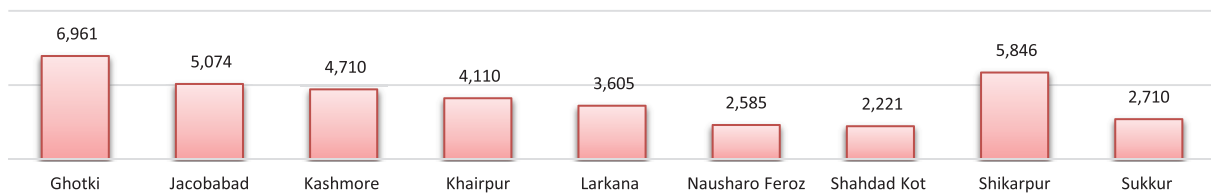
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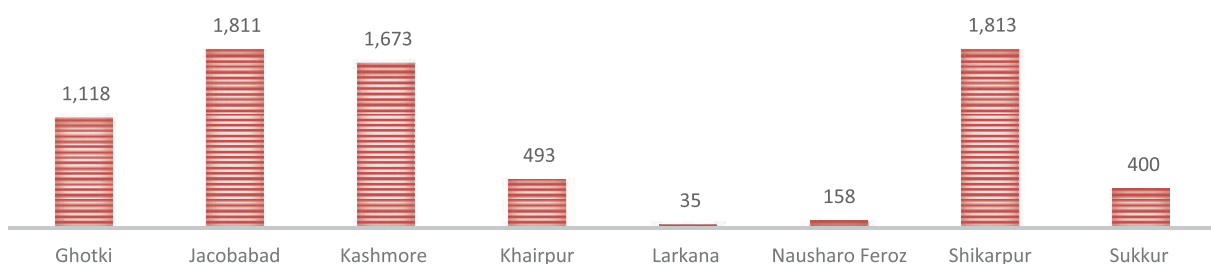
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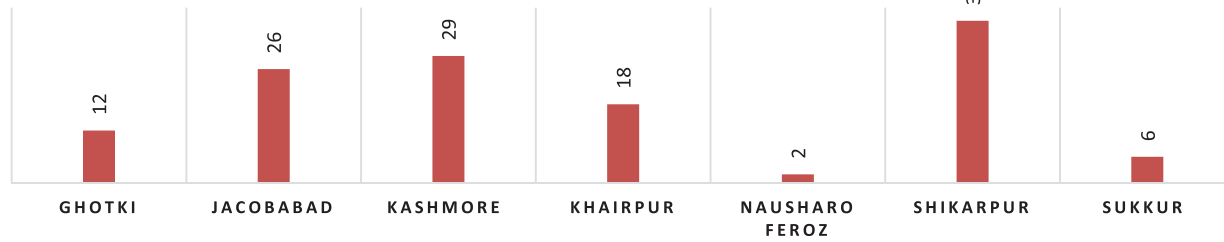
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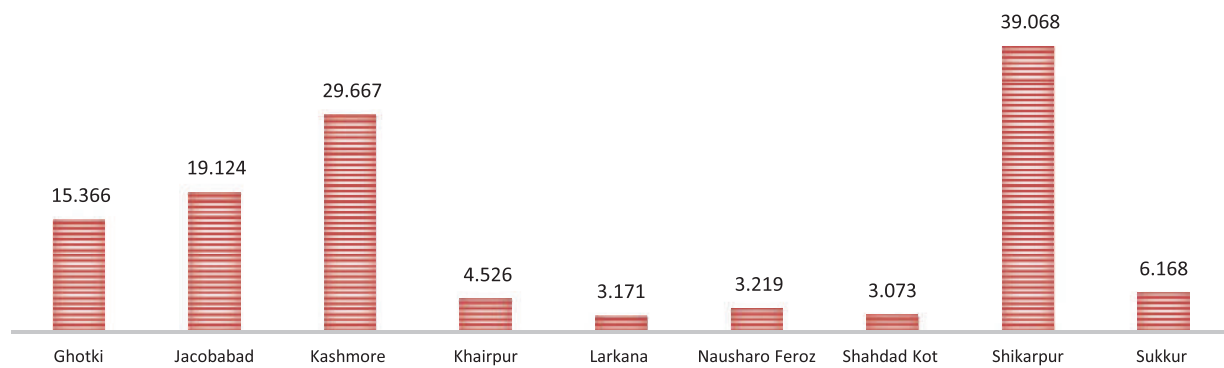
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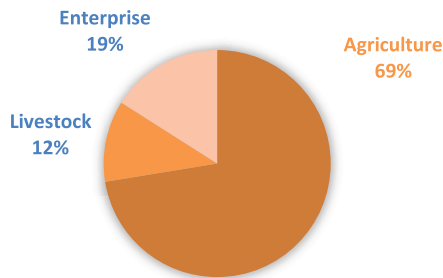
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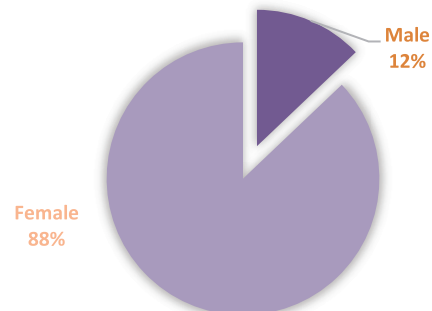
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### SECTOR WISE MICROCREDIT DISBURSEMENT AS OF SEPTEMBER 2016



### GENDER WISE MICROCREDIT DISBURSEMENT AS OF SEPTEMBER 2016



Benazir Housing Cell

### Shaheed Benazir Bhutto Housing Cell Funded by: Government of Sindh (GoS)



| Sr.#         | District  | No of Houses Initiated | No of Houses Completed | Remaining Houses |                 |
|--------------|-----------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------|-----------------|
|              |           |                        |                        | Qty              | Status          |
| 1            | Shikarpur | 300                    | 221                    | 79               | Roof Level      |
| 2            | Jacobabad | 188                    | 143                    | 45               | Roof Laid Level |
| <b>Total</b> |           | <b>488</b>             | <b>364</b>             | <b>124</b>       |                 |



| Micro Finance (MF) |  |                                  |                                  |                        |
|--------------------|--|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|
| S.no               | Districts  | Amount disbursed as of June 2016 | Amount disbursed as of Sept 2016 | % increase during Qtr. |
| 1                  | <b>Total Amount of Micro Credit Disbursement (In Millions)</b> | <b>8,058.113</b>                 | <b>8,210.239</b>                 | <b>2%</b>              |
|                    | Men  | 976.416                          | 1,010.636                        | 4%                     |
|                    | Women  | 7,082.245                        | 7,200.151                        | 2%                     |
| 2                  | No. of Loans   | 451,783                          | 457,740                          | 1%                     |
|                    | Male   | 56,015                           | 57,080                           | 2%                     |
|                    | Female   | 395,768                          | 400,660                          | 1%                     |
| 3                  | Sectoral Disbursement  | 8,058.113                        | 8,210.239                        | 2%                     |
|                    | Agriculture  | 5,674.658                        | 5,677.633                        | 0.1%                   |
|                    | Livestock  | 989.415                          | 1,004.738                        | 2%                     |
|                    | Enterprise   | 1,394.039                        | 1,526.824                        | 10%                    |

| Human Resource Development (HRD) |   |                             |                             |                        |
|----------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| Sr.#                             | Key Performance Indicator   | Achievement as of June-2016 | Achievement as of Sept-2016 | % increase during Qtr. |
| 1                                | No. of Community Members provided scholarship for Vocational Skill Training | 53,330                      | 53,385                      | 0.1%                   |
| 2                                | No. of Community Members trained in Community Management Skill Training     | 198,887                     | 198,949                     | 0.03%                  |
| 3                                | No. of SRSO Staff Trained in different Programme/project training           | 4,927                       | 5,007                       | 2%                     |

| Micro Health Insurance (MHI) |  |                             |                             |                        |
|------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| Sr.#                         | Key Performance Indicator                                      | Achievement as of June-2016 | Achievement as of Sept-2016 | % increase during Qtr. |
| 1                            | No. of Community Members provided Micro Health Insurance Cover | 487,334                     | 487,334                     | -                      |
| 2                            | No. of Community Members Treated through MHI                   | 7,397                       | 7,481                       | 1%                     |
|                              | Men  | 2,740                       | 2,740                       | -                      |
|                              | Women  | 4,657                       | 4,741                       | 2%                     |
| 3                            | Amount of claims availed by Community (In Millions)            | 96.34                       | 97.99                       | 2%                     |

**Sindh Union Council and Community Economic Strengthening Support (SUCCEED)**

**District Larkana & Kambar-Qamber-Shahdadkot**

| District                 | Project Activities                             | Total Project Targets | Total Achievement as of September 2016 | % of ach: against total target |
|--------------------------|--|-----------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| Larkana                  | Total # of Tehsils                             | 4                     | 4                                      | 100%                           |
|                          | Total # of Rural Union Councils (UCs)          | 47                    | 20                                     | 43%                            |
|                          | # of Households PSC Surveyed                   | 177,637               | 100,471                                | 57%                            |
|                          | # of Households Organized                      | 120,227               | 20,379                                 | 17%                            |
|                          | # of Community Organizations (COs)             | 6,011                 | 1,180                                  | 20%                            |
|                          | # of Village Organizations (VOs)               | 601                   | 12                                     | 2%                             |
|                          | CO Members Trained in Management Skills        | 14,428                | 1,520                                  | 11%                            |
| Kambar-Qamber-Shahdadkot | Total # of Tehsils                             | 7                     | 7                                      | 100%                           |
|                          | Total # of Rural Union Councils (UCs)          | 52                    | 27                                     | 52%                            |
|                          | # of Households PSC Surveyed                   | 184,140               | 99,440                                 | 54%                            |
|                          | # of Households Organized                      | 133,017               | 20,188                                 | 15%                            |
|                          | # of Community Organizations (COs)             | 6,651                 | 1,087                                  | 16%                            |
|                          | # of Village Organizations (VOs)               | 665                   | 7                                      | 1%                             |
|                          | CO Members Trained in Management Skills        | 15,963                | 1,662                                  | 10%                            |
| Grand Total              | <b>Total # of Tehsils</b>                      | <b>11</b>             | <b>11</b>                              | <b>100%</b>                    |
|                          | <b>Total # of Rural Union Councils (UCs)</b>   | <b>99</b>             | <b>47</b>                              | <b>47%</b>                     |
|                          | <b># of Households PSC Surveyed</b>            | <b>361,777</b>        | <b>199,911</b>                         | <b>55%</b>                     |
|                          | <b># of Households Organized</b>               | <b>253,244</b>        | <b>40,567</b>                          | <b>16%</b>                     |
|                          | <b># of Community Organizations (COs)</b>      | <b>12,662</b>         | <b>2,267</b>                           | <b>18%</b>                     |
|                          | <b># of Village Organizations (VOs)</b>        | <b>1,266</b>          | <b>19</b>                              | <b>2%</b>                      |
|                          | <b>CO Members Trained in Management Skills</b> | <b>30,391</b>         | <b>3,182</b>                           | <b>10%</b>                     |



Prime Minister's  
Interest Free Loan Scheme

**Prime Minister Interest-Free Loan Project (1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Cycle)**



| Project Activities                 | Total Project Target | Total Progress as on September 2016 | % of ach: against total target |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| No: of branches established        | 12                   | 12                                  | 100%                           |
| # of application received          | 6,000                | 10,024                              | 167%                           |
| # of Applications Approved         | 6,000                | 9,254                               | 154%                           |
| # of Application Disbursed         | 6,000                | 9,254                               | 154%                           |
| Amount Disbursed                   | <b>120,000,000</b>   | <b>177,814,998</b>                  | <b>148%</b>                    |
| Total Recovery due as of Sept 2016 | <b>85,008,582</b>    | <b>79,963,352</b>                   | <b>94%</b>                     |

## Annual BoD Meeting

The 47<sup>th</sup> meeting of SRSO Board of Directors was held in Sukkur on 21-July-2016 under the Chairmanship of Mr. Shoaib Sultan Khan, Chairman SRSO. The meeting was attended by the Board members and senior members of SRSO management. The Board has admired the efficient role of SRSO for the cause of poverty reduction and uplifting the deprived segments of the society. In such context, the consistent efforts of SRSO management and field teams were simply applauded. The Board of Directors further showed their great hope towards the continuous support and role of SRSO for transforming the lives of poor communities of Sindh province in coming days.



## SRSO Chairman and RSPs delegation visited LSO Anmol



July 19, 2016: A formal visit was paid by the Chairman SRSO Mr. Shoaib Sultan Khan, CEO Balochistan Rural Support Program Mr. Nadir Gul, ADC-1, AC and UC chairman along with SRSO management at Local Support organization LSO ANMOL in UC Dashti of taluka and district Jacobabad. LSO Representatives warmly welcomed all distinguished guests in their village.

Chairman SRSO interacted with office bearer of LSO ANMOL, members of Community Organizations (COs), Village Organizations (VOs) and shared that he used to come over here and mostly learned the new things from the CI representatives. Chairman appreciated the passion, commitment, and capacity of rural women and said that CIs have really inspired him. He further said that the cause of inspiration is the working of rural women in an organized way which resulted a considered reduction in the level of poverty with the support of small loans. The Chairman-SRSO acknowledged and applauded all activities done by LSO Anmol with the support of Government of Sindh and other stakeholders.



### Chairman SRSO visited LSO 'Sindh Surhan'



July 20, 2016: Mr. Shoaib Sultan Khan (Chairman SRSO) accompanied with Mr. Mohammad Dittal Kalhoro (CEO SRSO), Mr. Nadir Gul (CEO BRSP) and local as well as district Govt representatives visited the LSO Sindh Surhan UC Sehwhani, Taluka Lakhi, and District Shikarpur. The LSO Chairperson presented overall achievements of their LSO which included the self-initiatives and linkages developed with other organizations and institutions. Chairman SRSO significantly praised the consistent efforts made by women under the umbrella of their own institutions. Chairman also mentioned the financial contribution of Govt of Sindh which approved UCPRP and laid the foundation of these community institutions. Finally, Chairman congratulated and admired the LSO members for construction of their own LSO office.

### Meeting with CRPs & LSO Representatives for Community Driven Development



A meeting of CRPs and the LSO representatives was organized on 20-July-2016. The Chairman SRSO chaired the entire meeting and spoke to the participants. LSO representatives and the CRPs presented the detail of their achievements made so far. They shared that whatever they have achieved and further to be achieved is the sheer result of community-driven development initiatives. The efforts and achievements were enormously admired by the Chairman SRSO. On that occasion, Mr. Shoaib Sultan Khan encouraged the participants to expand their crucial as well credible role to develop concrete linkages for sustainable development across their rural areas. Rural women profoundly extended their warm wishes to the Chairman for valuable support and true guidance in making the difference at the gross root levels.

## Field visit of UNICEF country representative and RSPN delegation



Ms. Angela Kearny (UNICEF country representative) and Ms. Nargisa (Chief Field Officer), paid a visit along with Ms. Zahida (Provincial Child Protection Officer), ADC-II Mr. Riaz Wassan, The visit was made under the CRCFA (Child Rights in Cotton Farming Areas) project which is funded by UNICEF. They visited the project's social fund schemes and inaugurated a safe play playground and community computer lab in UC Khanpur & Tando Masti district Khairpur. At the conclusion of this visit, the delegation held a meeting with LSO/VO adolescent groups regarding CRCFA project, its ongoing activities and impact in the area.

## Bright star launching ceremony



A Bright star movement was arranged in district Sukkur on 22 July 2016. The movement is meant to highlight the efforts done for the better health of Mother and Child, under the financial assistance of USAID's John Hopkins University's Maternal and Child Healthcare Program of Health Communication Component. The program is jointly implemented by SRSO & RSPN. The launching ceremony was attended by honorable Mr. Fazalullah Qureshi (Member BoD SRSO), Mr. Muhammad Abbas Baloch (Commissioner Sukkur), Dr. Waheed Asghar (Deputy Commissioner Sukkur), Additional Deputy Commissioner, Director Information and other stakeholders.

The community-based strategy is closely associated with the overall theme of the Health Communication Component (HCC) "Bright Stars Working Together for a Brighter Future" or "Hum Roshan Tu Kal Roshan". As part of this crucial theme and activity, the Bright star was duly launched in other program districts i.e. Shikarpur and Larkana with the assistance of other HCC partners.

## Training of Teachers



The social sector arranged a three-day training of Teachers under the capacity building of community managed primary schools at SRSO head office Sukkur from 21-July to 23-July-16. The training was inaugurated by Mr. Shoaib Sultan Khan Chairman SRSO and Board Member Mr. Fazalullah Qureshi. The prime objective of this training event was to make the teachers familiar with new teaching methodologies being applied and adopted around the country for making the quality education more focused. The said training has largely enhanced the teaching capabilities of teachers and prepared them with best of their strengths, and improved their contemporary teaching methodologies to impart the quality of education in their respective schools.

## World population day observed



July 19, 2016: SRSO organized a formal event in order to celebrate the World Population Day. The event was arranged under Health Communication Program (HCP) with the collaboration of Population Welfare Department, District Health Department, and MNCH partners. The event was organized in district council hall in which Mr. Muhammad Dittal Kalhoro CEO-SRSO in his message, emphasized the need for creating massive awareness to protect teenage girls from all social menaces, including early marriage. He urged all concerned to come forward to build a beautiful and safe planet for the future generations. He also urged on all concerned to ensure the best use of all established set ups at the grassroots level to provide family planning, mother-child, and reproductive health services in order to build a healthy nation.

### Test of NFE learners



SRP and JICA teams comprised of Ms. Attiya Bhutto SRP Advisor, Mr. Mehboob Ellahi, Mr. Mohammad Yousif and Ms. Gul Naz from JICA along with SRSO teams and respective DM visited the NFE centers at village ABAD and village Abdul Aziz Kharani UC Garhi Chand tehsil and district Jacobabad. At both the locations, the teams have carried out the achievement tests to observe the level of quality of education being provided to the students. After conducting tests, the visitors appreciated the role of teachers and SRSO education team for elements and progress they witnessed in both centers. They shared that they are highly glad to see the children performing well.

### Celebrated National Independence Day



August 14, 2016: National Independence Day was celebrated by community-managed schools of Shikarpur and Kashmore districts. The Deputy Commissioner was the chief guest of the event at Shikarpur. CEO SRSO, ADCs, SDM, officials from education and health departments attended the event. The students from cluster schools and NFE centers participated in celebrations and actively performed. Students portrayed and presented the themes of the struggle for independence, and highlighted the sacrifices rendered to attain the freedom and independence. The well-performing children were presented with awards. The event concluded with the commitments that the mother land would be served more dedicatedly.

### Visit of World Bank Delegation

Mr. Babar Naseem and Ms. Meherunissa from the World Bank officially visited in LSO Anmol, District Jacobabad on August 11, 2016. In this regard, a meeting of community institutions was arranged for the both members to interact with. The team members interacted with community members regarding their initiatives and contemporary activities. LSO representatives shared the detail of their activities and achievements made. They deeply convinced and admired the role of women members and their vital achievement in rural context. Team members additionally conversed and conducted a formal FGD meeting in order to discuss the forthcoming project namely "Saff Suthro" by World Bank. The sanitation and nutrition components were also discussed during the meeting with community women members.



### LSO based Award Ceremony



An Award Ceremony was held for different LSOs on different days in District Shikarpur under the Project of “Incentivizing Development from Pakistan Poverty Alleviation Fund (PPAF) & Chip Training & Consulting (Pvt) Ltd, a project of a field experiment with UCDOs in Pakistan”. These events were arranged in the honor of district Shikarpur’s Local Support Organizations i.e. LSO Bakhtawar (UC Chato Mangi), LSO New Roshani, LSO Kainat. The members from COs/VOs/LSOs and LSO-Ns also participated. Recognition awards and certificates were awarded to the members of different LSO Board of Directors (BoD). According to the community women leaders, such types of events are highly essential which serving as the guiding forum for rural women.

### Participation in National LSO Convention



Every year the Rural Support Programmes Network (RSPN), which represents the 11 member RSPs, holds the National Convention of LSOs. This year they organized the 9th National Convention of LSOs on August 23, 2016, in Karachi. The convention was a ground for strategic coordination, experience sharing, networking, and showcasing new initiatives by the LSOs. LSOs also presented their achievements in different thematic sessions. SRISO formed-LSOs also participated in the convention and got appreciation from the guests for their gigantic initiatives and efforts in unprivileged areas.

### Three-day ToT on CAT



Under the European Union funded SUCCESS Programme, a three-day Training of Trainer (ToT) on Community Awareness Toolkit (CAT) was organized at the SRISO Complex Sukkur. HRD Officers and Social Organisers from Larkana and Qamber-Shahdadkot districts attended the ToT. Mr. Basheer Anjum, Ms. Sadaf Dar, Ms. Nasreen Shaikh and Mr. Munawar Ali Kapri from RSPN conducted training sessions for three days from 8 to 10 September 2016. After this ToT, the trained staff members would be fully capable of conducting the similar training of community resource persons (CRPs) to initiate the CAT sessions in field practically.

## COO-RSPN participated in CO formation



August-02-2016: Mr. Khalil Ahmed Tetlay- COO RSPN along with the Chief Executive Officer, SRSO Mr. Mohammad Dittal Kalhoro and Team Leader SUCCESS programme, Mr. Jamal Mustafa Shoro paid a visit to village Mandho Chandio in district Qamber-Shahdadkot. He leads the programme introduction dialogue of the European Union funded Sindh Union Council and Community Economic Strengthening Support (SUCCESS) Programme. Rural women participants unanimously showed full consent to enter into the partnership with SRSO to form their community organization.

Mr. Khalil Ahmed and Mr. Mohammad Dittal Kalhoro also attended the formation process of Community organization (CO) in village Allah Dino of UC Ranwati, district Qamber-Shahdadkot. They admired the field teams for their splendid efforts being taken to mobilize the masses to form their community institutions.

Subsequent to the visits, both visitors reached district Larkana where they attended monthly progress and planning meeting of SUCCESS Program in district Larkana. Mr. Khalil Ahmed Tetlay delivered a crucial session on the concept of social mobilization, community development and the role of RSPs. He applauded the Larkana teams for their better work which was witnessed during his field visit of Larkana. Mr. Mohammad Dittal Kalhoro and Mr. Jamal Mustafa Shoro made their profound gratitude to Mr. Khalil Ahmed Tetlay for his visit and guidance to field teams throughout the visits at locations.



## Ceremony at JIMS Jacobabad



Appreciation certificate awarding ceremony of HSSP project District Jacobabad was held at JIMS Jacobabad conference Hall. ADC 1, DHO, RSPN delegation, Media persons, Deputy Director - SWD, DM-PPHI, DSV, TSVs, vaccinators, All Social Organisers, DM Jacobabad, DM Kashmore and Regional Manager SRSO participated. Appreciation certificates were awarded to the Govt officials, SRSO staff including especial Shield to Deputy Commissioner Jacobabad as received by ADC 1. SRSO teams made profound gratitude to all the participants, especially Govt officials. Overall 74,000 children and 24,000 pregnant women have been vaccinated under this project in District Jacobabad.

### COO-RSPN participated in PI dialogue



August 01, 2016: Chief Operating Officer-RSPN Mr. Khalil Ahmed Tetlay visited in village Juman Jogi of UC Wakia Sangi in district Larkana. He conducted a session in programme introduction dialogue of the European Union funded Sindh Union Council and Community Economic Strengthening Support (SUCCESS) Programme. Mr. Jamal Mustafa Shoro (Team Leader-SUCCESS) and Mr. Imam Ali Detho (DM-Larkana) were also accompanied him during the visit. A Large number of rural women participated and explicitly showed their consent to get organized in form of Community Organization (CO). Later, Mr. Tetlay attended the Monthly progress and planning meeting of district Qamber-Shahdadkot, where he delivered a significant session on social mobilization approach of RSPs, SUCCESS programme and its core objectives. He appreciated the efforts of teams being carried out in rural areas under the SUCCESS programme of SRSO component.

### Visit of SRSP team



A team from SRSP (Sarhad Rural Support Programme) made a visit at VO Yar Muhammad Bhatti, UC Dashti, Taluka and District Jacobabad on 15th July 2016. SRSP team including Mr. Sadique Hussain (Programme Manager-Microfinance/CIF SRSP), Sayed Asif Ali Shah (Programme Officer-Microfinance/CIF SRSP), accompanied by SRSO Regional and District management during the entire visit. First and foremost Ms. Musrat Abro (Treasurer-LSO Dashti) welcomed guests on behalf of CO, VO, LSO members and villagers of Yar Muhammad Bhatti. Later, the members of VO Yaar

Muhammad Bhatti formally started routine meeting with the recitation of a verse from holy Quran. VO members discussed the agenda as per routine and shared the detail of their initiatives with (SRSP team members) they have been taking from the platform of their Institution.

### Visit of Deputy Commissioner Skardu



28-July-2016: Mr. Abid Ali Shaikh, Deputy Commissioner Sakrdu, accompanied with Mr. Naveed Ishaque Memon, Manager MER visited Business Development Group - BDG (a group of female members formed by the SRSO for effective utilization of vocational skills and linkages with potential markets) at Bodlo Bhatti, Taluka Thull District Jacobabad. Potential female handmade work like Embroidery and contribution in their Livelihood was the topic of Mr. Abid Ali Shaikh in his Post Graduate – PG course in England. Mr. Abid Ali interacted with women artisans in detail regarding their daily routine to meet the targets of the market. During his 7 days attachment with SRSO, he visited 6 BDGs groups of 4 Districts and praised their work and dedication for their livelihoods.

### Formation of First VO

September- 01-2016: SRSO under the SUCCESS programme formed the first Village Organisation (VO) in village Abdul Karim Brohi of UC Hazarwah District Qamber Shahdadkot. Office bearers of six Community Organizations(COs) from two villages, i.e. Abdul Karim Brohi and Waris Jalal, attended the meeting and with the consensus of members formed a village organization and selected their two office bearers as well. The VO members decided the name of their VO as "Sujaag".



### ToT of SUCCESS staff on LMST



As part of SUCCESS programme, SRSO arranged a three-day Training of Trainers (ToT) on Leadership & Management Skill Training (LMST) from 25-27 August 2016 in Larkana. ToT was facilitated by Ms. Hafeeza Bozdar, Ms. Khalida Mirani, and Mr. Zubair Soomro from SRSO-Institute of Management and Skill Development (IMSD) and Ms. Samina Barkat (Training coordinator from SUCCESS. LMST was attended by HRD professionals from Larkana & Qamber Shahdadkot districts. After this ToT, they would be fully capable of organizing the LMST in their respective assigned UCs with members of Village Organizations.

### First CMST training

SRSO under the SUCCESS programme organized the first Community Management Skill Training (CMST) for members of Community organizations (COs) from 18-20, July 2016 in Qamber-Shahdadkot District.

