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(SRSO)



**The 70th SRSO-
Board of Directors
(BoD) meeting was
held at SRSO
Complex Sukkur
(Sindh) on April 15,
2023.**

**Ms. Naheed Shah
Durani Chairperson
SRSO presided the
meeting.**

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Condolence Prayer for the Late Professor Dr. Muhammad Ajmal Sawand

SRSO Complex Sukkur / April 7, 2023

SRSO held a Condolence Prayer for the late Professor Dr. Muhammad Ajmal Sawand of Sukkur IBA University whose was brutality killed last day at Kandhkot. CEO-SRSO, Senior Management, and staff members prayed Dua jointly for his rest of soul in peace and his family to find comfort during this difficult time.

CEO-SRSO said during Condolence Prayer for Profs Dr. Ajmal Sawand at SRSO Head Office, his murder is indeed a collective loss for our society. He was a Friend of SRSO and supported their efforts especially during the training of rural youth as Digital Heroes at SIBAU from vulnerable families and remote areas of Shikarpur and Kashmore-Kandhkot districts. He was a committed and humble who sought to empower youth through education and modern skills. He further demanded the justice for killed Professor.



KHAIRPUR MIR'S /APRIL16, 2023

MS. NAHEED SHAH DURANI, CHAIRPERSON OF THE SRSO, MEETS WITH ORGANIZED RURAL WOMEN

Ms. Naheed Shah Durani, Chairperson of the Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO), visited village Saeed Lakho in UC Shadi Shaheed taluka Khairpur and met with the SRSO-fostered Village organization (VO) and organized women. During the meeting, the women leaders of VO shared their experiences and impacts after receiving interventions from SRSO, particularly under the Govt. of Sindh funded PPRP. The women beneficiaries of Income Generating Grants (IGG) and Community Investment Fund (CIF) also shared their success stories after receiving financial assistance.

Ms. Durani appreciated the women for their hard work and dedication towards improving their lives and livelihoods. She emphasized the importance of education, particularly for girls, and called it a big issue in the villages. She encouraged the community to discuss and develop a plan to facilitate girls' education, such as providing transportation, and assured them of SRSO's support in their efforts. Mr. Khaidm Hussain Shar, District Manager of SRSO, facilitated the visit. Overall, the meeting was a productive and positive exchange between SRSO and the village community, with a focus on improving the lives of rural women through targeted interventions and support.





The 2nd batch of four-day training of Youth Champions on SRH-Toolkit under Sehatmand Khandan Project

Kamber-Shahdadkot/April 01, 2023

The 2nd batch of four-day training of Youth Champions on SRH-Toolkit was organized successfully by SRSO in partnership with RSPN under the UNFPA supported Sehatmand Khandan Project . Total 38 youth 19 boys and 19 girls of different villages of Union Council Muradi Taluka Naseerabad attended the training. The training aimed to educate young people regarding human rights and reproductive health with a long-term commitment towards empowering young people with the knowledge and skills they need to make informed decisions and lead healthier lives. SRSO-trained Mater Trainers and District Project Officer discussed various topics, including communication, human rights, GBV, health for all, SRHR, leadership, safe use of digital media, and drug use through different interactive and participatory training techniques. SRSO is currently building the capacity of 470 youth champions from 14 UCs of the district regarding different human rights and reproductive health under the project with a long-term commitment towards empowering young people with the knowledge and skills they need to make informed decisions and lead healthier lives.



Thatta / April 8, 2023

MS. NAHEED SHAH DURANI, CHAIRPERSON-SRSO, AND DR. SHEREEN MUSTAFA NAREEJO, SECRETARY- SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT-GOS VISIT



Ms. Naheed Shah Durani, Chairperson of SRSO, and Dr. Shereen Mustafa Nareejo, Secretary of the Social Welfare Department-GoS, visited the Peoples Comprehensive School in Thatta. They conducted joint meeting with school admiration, Social Welfare Dept. and SRSO and discussed to increase student enrolment, awareness raising among students and parents on nutrition, health, and tree plantation in schools. Ms. Naheed Shah especially, emphasized to SRSO to initiate social mobilization in nearby communities to increase enrolment.

They also visited the SRSO fostered VO Dua and Government Primary village Obhayo Jakhro UC Chilya where two rooms were constructed with the support of Dr. Shereen. They interacted with the children in the classrooms regarding learning and school facilities. Additionally, they visited the PPRP-GoS supported BDG calves farming, LCHs, and CIF utilization, and discussed with beneficiaries the impact before and after the SRSO interventions.

The SRSO celebrated the World Health Day April 7 with theme of Health For All under UNICEF supported Integrated Services Project

Larkana, Kamber-Shahdadkot, Dadu, N. Feroz and Khairpur / April 07, 2023



The SRSO celebrated the World Health Day April 7 with theme of Health For All under UNICEF supported Integrated Services Project in all 5 covering districts. It aimed to aware and ensure the right to health for all, especially in flood-affected areas. On this occasion, different activities were conducted like; seminars and awareness rallies and which were attended by all major stakeholders i.e. health department, CSOs, media and communities including men, women, and children and demonstrated a strong commitment to improve healthcare access and services for all.

It's especially important to focus on the health needs of women and children in flood-hit areas, as they are often the most vulnerable to health risks in these situations. It's great that participants talked about these issues and demanded immediate action to address the situation.





THE 6TH & 7TH INTERACTIVE THEATER

Under the UNICEF supported Integrated Services Project

The 6 & 7th Interactive Theater was organized by SRSO under the UNICEF supported Integrated Services Project @ village Rab Rakhio Solangi Taluka Bhatia (Nausharo Feroz) and Thari Mirwah (Khairpur). It aimed to create awareness among the flood-affected communities about key child rights and provide psychosocial support through theater performance.

The famous TV comedians/Artists Mr. Sohrab Soomro and Mama Laloo along with Azad Theater Group team performed in the theater and spread the key messages on child protection, poverty and child labor, girl's education, GBV, nutrition of PLWs, Health & Hygiene through various interactive acts, including tabloos, songs, poetry recitations, and interaction with children.

A large number of boys, girls, women and men from the flood-affected villages participated, enjoyed the performances, and appreciated on successful initiative towards promoting awareness and support for child rights and psychosocial well-being in flood-affected communities.



WORLD MALARIA DAY "TIME TO DELIVER ZERO MALARIA: INVEST, INNOVATE AND IMPLEMENT"

Larkana/April 27, 2023



WORLD MALARIA DAY
25 APRIL



Time to Deliver Zero Malaria: Invest, Innovate & Implement

25th APRIL-2023

In Collaboration with
Vector Borne Diseases (VBDs)
DGHS Sindh, Hyderabad.

Organized by:
Sindh Rural Support Organization



District Health Office Larkana, Vector Borne Diseases Department Sindh and Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) jointly organized a rally regarding World Malaria Day "Time to Deliver Zero Malaria: Invest, Innovate and Implement". It was led by Dr. Abdul Sattar Shaikh Director Health Services Larkana Division, Dr. Syed Athar Hussain Shah DHO Larkano. Meanwhile, Dr. Sakhirullah Pathan Deputy DHO VBDs, Ali Asghar Shaikh District Malaria Superintendent VBDs, and other health department and SRSO team members were the part of the event.

While talking with Media speakers said that malaria fever is generally considered mild, due to which malaria can become dangerous if timely treatment or testing is not done. They further said, that Health Department, VBD Department and SRSO are jointly working for the ending malaria in the district.



World Immunization Week April 24-30, 2023 by SRSO under UNICEF supported Integrated Services Project



SRSO under UNICEF supported Integrated Services Project organized mass awareness raising rallies to support on-going #WorldImmunizationWeek at different locations i.e. Naushahro Feroz, Bharya City, Kandiyaro and Lakha Road of the district. These rallies were participated by health department, CSOs, and community members to support week and raise awareness about importance of #vaccination among the 0 to 15 months aged children especially to save from dangerous diseases for life-time and also contribute towards creating a healthy and disease-free community.

SRSO is supporting the World Immunization Week April 24-30, 2023 under the slogan of #VaccinesForPakistan by Ministry of National Health Services Regulations and Coordination-Govt. of Pakistan especially in UNICEF supported Integrated Services Project covering districts i.e. Khairpur, Naushahro Feroz, Dadu, Larkana and Kamber-Shahdadko

Distribution of Hygiene Kits under ACF supported Project

Khairpur Mir's / April 01, 2023



SRSO in partnership with Action Against Hunger (ACF) distributed 99 hygiene kits in the most flood-affected village Pir Haji Gaib UC Kolab Jeal Talua Kingri. SRSO team distributed kits among the women of vulnerable families to help them recover from the post-flood health and hygiene impacts.

On this occasion, 3 health and hygiene awareness sessions were conducted with 110 community members to create awareness and educate the community especially women about health and hygiene practices, it can help to prevent the spread of diseases and promote overall wellbeing.

SRSO, in partnership with ACF, is implementing a Multi-Sector Emergency Support for Communities in Sindh Project to respond flood emergency effects, especially in livelihood, Health, and #WAHS sectors in the flood-affected 04 Union Councils of Kamber-Shahdadkot and Khairpur Mir's districts.

Action Against Hunger (ACF) Pakistan Team visits SRSO



MULTI-SECTOR EMERGENCY SUPPORT FOR COMMUNITIES IN SINDH PROJECT

The Action Against Hunger (ACF) Pakistan Team members Nabeela (HoD) and Rukhsana Mubarak (Project Manager) visited SRSO to observe the WASH interventions of Multi-Sector Emergency Support for Communities in Sindh Project. It is commendable that they visited Village Jam Khan Jatoi and Village Lal Dino Ujjan UC Drib Mehar Shah Taluka Kingri to hold dialogues with the beneficiaries of the multi-sector emergency support and the impacts of these interventions to combat disasters.

They visited the supported community interventions, including latrines and hand-pumps. SRSO's team facilitated the visit and briefed the visitors about SRSO. This visit would have provided the ACF team with valuable insights into the challenges faced by the flood-disaster communities in Sindh and the impacts of the multi-sector emergency support provided by SRSO.



Sindh People's Housing for Flood Affectees (SPHF)-GoS

Khairpur, Shikarpur, Jacobabad, Larkana and Kamber-Shahdadkot

JACOBABAD / APRIL 15, 2023

The First dialogue was conducted at village Abdul Majeed Hambi UC Baqa Pur district Jacobabad by SRSO under the Govt. of Sindh funded Sindh People's Housing for Flood Effectees (SPHF). SRSO-RGM, DM and SPHF Project team participated and briefed the beneficiaries about the project and whole construction and payment process. They also mobilized community regarding start of work who received the 1st trench amount and complete DPC work as per design of SPHF.



Khairpur Mir's / April 15, 2023

SRSO-SPHF-Socio-Technical Assistance Teams (STATs) conducted the orientation with beneficiary households [BHHs] regarding the reconstruction process and procedures of multi-hazard resilient houses and also initiated the formation of Village Reconstruction Committees [VRCs], shared their role, responsibilities, and functions in the reconstruction of resilient houses in villages Ghulam Ujjan and Lal Din Ujjan, Taluka Kangri, district Khairpur. The orientation of BHHs and the formation of VRCs are part of the project before the initiation of physical work on resilient houses.



Karachi/ April 13, 2023

On April 13, 2023, Mr. Muhammad Dittal Kalhoro CEO SRSO participated in the SPHF Partners Coordination Meeting at Karachi, and presented an overview and the status of housing construction for flood affectees in the assigned 5 districts.



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Female Dignity Kits to vulnerable women and girls in the Women and Girls Friendly Space

Kashmore@Kandhko/19th April 2023

It's great to hear that SRSO (Sindh Rural Support Organization) has distributed 44 Female Dignity Kits to vulnerable women and girls in the Women and Girls Friendly Space (WGFS) at the village of Beegh Soomro in UC Akhero Taluka Kandhkot. These kits can help prevent adverse health problems among women and girls in the area.

The distribution of these kits is part of the Gender-Based Violence (GBV) Mitigation Project being implemented by SRSO in partnership with UNFPA (United Nations Population Fund), UNHCR (United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees), and RSPN (Rural Support Program Network) in three districts of Sindh province, Pakistan, namely Sukkur, Shikarpur, and Kashmore@Kandhko. This project aims to mitigate gender-based violence by providing support and assistance to women and girls in the targeted districts.



KASHMORE@KANDHKO/APRIL 28, 2023



A Community Awareness Session about Gender Based Violence Preventions & Mental Health Services was conducted at village Gharebabad UC Akhero Taluka Kandhkot by SRSO in partnership with RSPN under UNFPA and UNCHR supported Gender-Based Violence Mitigation Project. In the session, 25 women have been aware about GBV and provided psychosocial support for their mental health by Senior Clinical Psychologist.

35 Female Dignity Kits were also distributed to vulnerable women and girls in the Women and Girls Friendly Space (WGFS) at village Beegh Soomro UC Akhero Taluka Kandhkot. It aims to support women and girls maintain their personal hygiene, prevent infections and restore a sense of dignity.

The Gender-Based Violence Mitigation Project is being implemented by SRSO in partnership with UNFPA, UNHCR, & RSPN with an aim to mitigate gender-based violence by providing support to women and girls in the targeted 3 districts of Sindh i.e. Sukkur, Shikarpur & Kashmore@Kandhkot.

Training on Business Marketing Skills, Seed Preservation, and Value Addition for KG Beneficiaries under SIAPEP- Government of Sindh

Mirpurkhas/April 26, 2023

Sindh Rural Support Organization (SRSO) has conducted Training of Seed Preservation Business Marketing Skills & Value Addition under SIAPEP-Govt. of Sindh at Village Amin Siyal UC Lal Shah Taluka Kot Ghulam Muhammad. Total 40 participants of KG beneficiaries from four villages participated in training. It aimed to support to the rural women of Sindh to enhance their agricultural skills and empower them economically.

SRSO has established 3,100 Kitchen Gardening to grow and produce vegetables at the household level in 15 districts of Sindh under the SIAPEP-Govt. of Sindh, with an aim to fulfil their nutritional needs and also provide an additional source of income.



Umerkot /April10, 2023

SRSO has conducted a training on business marketing skills, seed preservation, and value addition for KG beneficiaries under SIAPEP- Government of Sindh. It aimed to support to the rural population of Sindh to enhance their agricultural skills and empower them economically. The training was held at Village Cheel Band in the Umerkot district, and a total of 41 participants attended the training, who were supported in establishing the Kitchen Gardening.

SRSO is supporting the establishment and production of vegetables at the household level for 3,100 beneficiaries in 15 districts of Sindh, which will not only fulfill their nutritional needs but also provide an additional source of income.



SRSO-Pictorial Highlight-April, 2023

