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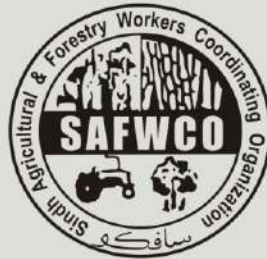
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Foreword



The global community is very much worried about climate change actions, finance and technology for the under developed countries where they are raising their efforts for the zero carbon emersion. In the respect Pakistan and its respective provinces are also taking efforts towards the preparedness and focusing on the DRR measures.

SAFWCO now entered in the 36th years journey towards the betterment of socio-economic conditions of the vulnerable and marginalize communities especially senior citizens, women, children as well as the special persons who are living in the different parts of the country like urban and rural areas. SAFWCO's main achievements include the signing of an agreement with the partners/ donors like the British Asian Trust (BAT), CARE International, UN-Human Appeal, OXFAM, Government of Sindh, Welthungerhilfe (WHH), ILO, and PPAF. SAFWCO expects more partners in the coming year in order to reach more communities and to support needy families, especially those severely affected by the pandemic.

In response to address the livelihood restoration of the vulnerable villages, SAFWCO interventions are mainly focused on our thematic areas of *RURAL Economics and Enterprise DEVELOPMENT*. One of the highlighted achievements of the team was as the successful recipient of the Growth for Rural Advancement and Sustainable Progress (GRASP) project and the Pakistan Poverty Alleviation Fund (PPAF) the implementing partner in Sindh province. This project identified potential Macro, Small, and Medium Entrepreneurs (MSMEs) at targeted UC,s and provided the selected applicant with a business grant, capacity building, and linkages with a financial institution for loans, Chamber of Commerce, SMEDA, and other business trade industries for mentorship. Indeed farmers are the producers of basic commodities we must assist them and introduce innovation for value chain add-ons in their businesses to make them more sustainable and compatible with the local and global market.

Lastly, the humanitarian support and interventions of SAFWCO are extending beyond horizons, hoping more sustainable intervention to be implemented at the ground. We strongly endorsed the programs we undertaking are in alignment with the government in achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDG). SAFWCO will remain a leading actor in the commitment to develop economic stability of the country.

Mr. Suleman G. Abro

Founder /President
SAFWCO



Executive Summary

SAFWCO continuously responding to the Covid-19 pandemic recovery situation, and our project team consistently provides awareness sessions on Covid-19 prevention, this pandemic brings economic devastation to the community that requires time and magnitude efforts to revive financial, mental, physical, and spiritual stability.

With financial support and partnership of different donors/partners, SAFWCO implemented projects that support the community to address the effect of Covid-19 pandemic promptly. The project entitled "Improving national capacity to respond to Covid -19 pandemic in Pakistan, which ECHO-funded CAP COVID has successfully reached the target. The project objective was to improve the national capacity of the Government against the pandemic in Pakistan. The project was designed to provide technical assistance and strengthen the Government of Pakistan's efforts to curtail the further spread of the pandemic COVID-19. The project aims at addressing the needs of health facilities regarding WASH infrastructure rehabilitation, provision of essential PPEs (personal Protective equipment), and other medical and non-medical types of equipment to Health centers, isolation/quarantine centers, and other public drives. Along with hard components, the project is also addressing the need to build the capacity of frontline defenders/responders through the provision of essential training over "BASICS of COVID", "Home Based Care & Risk Communication" while establishing a toll-free helpline to provide Remote Psychological first aid in remote communities.

In response to the food and nutrition security situation in rural Sindh, SAFWCO under the partnership with Welthungerhilfe (WHH) implemented the SEWOH Phase II project which was entitled "Strengthening the capacities of vulnerable communities to mitigate the negative impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic with a focus on food and nutrition security." As of reporting period, there were a total of 1100 individuals; including 600 small farmers who received agricultural inputs support and 400 women who received home gardening assistance for cultivating vegetables whilst 100 farmers received commercial gardening as well to mention a few of this project's achievements.

In addition, SAFWCO is implementing the project titled "Building Resilience to Disasters & Climate Change in the district of Nausheroferoze (Sind) co-financed by the National Disaster Risk Management Fund (NDRMF) and PPAF. This project's goal is to strengthen the readiness of the communities through establishing an institutional framework to mobilize and organize communities, understand their specific vulnerabilities to natural hazards and design structural and non-structural measures to reduce and protect against community vulnerabilities. The advocacy & Governance (AG) sector of SAFWCO designs strategies based on rigorous research on social issues and government policies. The last phases of the Addressing Root Cause (ARC) project funded by OXFAM and Safer World bring together stakeholders, from top government officials to those at the grassroots, to participate in reforming old and formulating new policies that drive progress on the Sustainable

development goals. The programme promotes behavioral change by influencing communities, organizations, government officials, and policymakers by implementing projects.

From January 2021 to August 2021 SAFWCO carried out an intervention entitled “Sensitizing and organizing women cotton-growing communities to enhance respect for FPRW in District SANGHAR UNDER the ILO Project on “Promoting Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work (FPRW) in the Supply Chain of Cotton to “Sensitize and organize women cotton growing communities to enhance respect for FPRW in District Sanghar”. The project primarily focused on the rights of cotton-picking women in one Union Council “Faqir Hingoro” in the district of Sanghar on a pilot basis.

Whereas the RURAL Economics and Enterprise Development (REED) Sector of SAFWCO has implemented a project in livelihood restoration and sustainable progress programs with partners like Pakistan Poverty Alleviation Fund (PPAF), and British Asian Trust (BAT). Under the PPAF support and partnership, SAFWCO has entered into three (3) years of partnership for the implementation of the “Growth for Rural Advancement and Sustainable Progress” (GRASP) project The overall goal of GRASP is to support poverty reduction and sustainable, inclusive growth in rural Sindh and Baluchistan through the development of rural micro, small and medium-sized enterprises (MSMEs). SAFWCO will provide business development services to rural MSMEs in two districts (Karachi and Hyderabad). With the British Asian Trust (BAT) partnership SAFWCO implemented the “**Post COVID-19 recovery of women and youth livelihoods through agricultural enterprise development**” (Agri value chain) project with a focus on a variety of agricultural value chains with opportunities to add value through products with identified market demand in different geographies. The project targeted 25 different villages in four districts, and 05 Taluka locations in the province of Sindh with the project duration from 1st December 2020 until 31st May 2022.

Further, SAFWCO WASH sector has successfully carried out projects on “Scale-up provision of equitable WASH services to communities of Taluka Sobho Dero, Nara Choondiko & Thari Miiwah, and District Khairpur. This WASH service is under UNICEF programs that have an extensive series of activities that have been undertaken to improve the health and hygienic conditions of people in this particular Taluka and the project aims to achieve 100% Open Defecation Free (ODF) at the Taluka level.

WASH intervention is SAFWCO one of the priority activities as health and sanitation is a key for Covid -19 prevention even before the pandemic WASH is considered a necessity to the villagers to prevent the spread of contamination diseases. During the challenging year, SAFWCO diligently reached out to the needy people as well as bridged the gaps of vulnerable communities with the government department and empowered them thru advocacies, awareness, and mentoring. SAFWCO is equipped with human resources expertise in executing action plans, projects, and implementation at the grass root level of society. The Organization will remain steadfast to its core values, mission, and vision to serve vulnerable communities all the time.

Let's pray to heal the WORLD.

Mr. Altaf Hussain Nizamani

Executive Director

SAFWCO

About Safwco

Sindh Agricultural and Forestry Workers Coordinating Organization (SAFWCO) is the lead apex institution for community-driven development in districts of Sindh province. It is, a non-government, not-for-profit socio economic development organization established in 1993 under societies Act 1860 via registration number 3569.

SAFWCO aims to be the catalyst for improving the quality of life, broadening the range of opportunities and socio-economic mainstreaming of the poor and disadvantaged, especially women. The core operating units of the SAFWCO deliver a range of development interventions at the grassroots/community level through a network of more than 1,780(59,865 membership) village development Organizations in Sindh Province. Social mobilization forms the basis of all activities, and is a prerequisite, to undertake any social, economic and humanitarian activities revolving around following thematic areas of SAFWCO:

1. Social Development
2. Community Physical Infrastructure Development
3. Education Promotion
4. Health and Hygiene Promotion
5. Human and Institutional development
6. Food Security & Agriculture
7. Disaster Management & Emergency Response (DMER))
8. Advocacy & Governance (AG)
9. Women Empowerment
10. Rural Economy and Enterprise Development (REED)
11. Monitoring, Evaluation & Research

For a complete profile, please visit our website at [http:// www.safwco.org](http://www.safwco.org)

Vision

SAFWCO envisions 'sustainable communities achieving equitable economic, social, political and cultural development through indigenous community organizations. SAFWCO's aim

is to 'become self-sustaining resourceful, disciplined and specialized training and support institution accessible to under privileged with a view to build capacities of community organizations as model development institution'..

Mission

SAFWCO's mission is to mobilize the poor under a common platform to support them to carry out sustainable development.

Objectives

- Organize rural and urban communities (men and women) for undertaking sustainable development initiatives primarily on self-help basis
- Build the capacity of the VDOs to make them sustainable
- Undertake participatory development programs for poverty alleviation and improvement of quality of life of the poor
- Facilitate women participation in the development activities and promote their socio economic empowerment
- Promote conservation of natural resources, take efforts for improving environment and facilitate health and education
- Engage in advocacy and networking for addressing social issues of the society
- Cooperate with national and international development organizations for poverty alleviation and sustainable development

Values

Equality, Transparency, Participatory, Mutual Respect, and Social Justice

Information Dissemination

Information dissemination is one aspect of awareness rising among the civil society and organizations. SAFWCO has published more than 238 booklets, pamphlets and flyers for information dissemination.

THEMATIC AREA: *Disaster Management & Emergency Response (DMER)*

The sector provides emergency relief services and build the capacity of the communities to withstand the disaster consequences attempting at the mitigating its divesting effects. The following projects have been implemented under the DMER Program during the period.

PROJECT- 01: IMPROVING NATIONAL CAPACITY TO RESPOND TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC IN PAKISTAN (CAP-COVID)

The ECHO-funded CAP COVID project objective was to improve the national capacity of the Government against the pandemic in Pakistan. The project was designed to provide technical assistance and strengthen the Government of Pakistan efforts to curtail further spread of pandemic COVID-19. The project aims at



addressing the needs of health facilities regarding WASH infrastructure rehabilitation, provision of essential PPEs (personal Protective equipment's) and other medial and non-medical equipment's to Health centers, isolation/quarantine centers and other public drives. Along with hard component the project is also addressing the needs to build capacity of frontline defenders / responders through provision of essential trainings over "BASICS of COVID", "Home Based Care & Risk Communication" while establishing a toll free help line to provide Remote Psychological first aid in remote communities.

PROJECT ACTIVITIES (ACHIEVEMENTS TILL JUNE 2022)

Provision of equipment to Civil defense for awareness-raising in the communities

Initially divisional level coordination meetings were held with personnel of Civil defense departments including chairman (DC), Senior Chief Warden, Chief Warden, Additional Chief Warden, Deputy Chief Warden(Zonal) & Volunteers of both districts Sanghar & Umerkot. With endorsement all required lists of equipment with specification have been received by the civil defense department. According to the needs of each district the distribution plan developed with consensus of the chairman & chief warden of the civil defense department. As supplies received from the vendor the proper inspection of all items carried by the



committee constituted by the chairman civil defense, the committee consisted with Chief Warden, M&E officer SAFWCO & MO SAFWCO). Extensive distribution ceremony organized in both project targeted districts Sanghar & Umerkot. In both districts the event chaired by Deputy Commissioner-DC, Co-Chaired by Senior Chief Warden and likewise Chief Warden, Additional Chief Warden, Deputy Chief Warden (Zonal) & Volunteer participated. All equipment's properly handover to the relevant department and ensured all acquired MoV's including; required list of supplies with endorsement by the DC, handing over receiving's, Goods Inspection reports, Distribution ceremony reports, pictures, media coverage, copy of stock register.

Psychological First Aid (PFA) Training to Project staffs



Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS) provided to persons in health centers, isolation centers, and quarantine centers and the families of persons in these centers through Phone/Tele consultation, remote PFA. IMC hired a MHPSS Officers (1Male and 2 Female Psychologists for each province) to provide consultations

through phone counseling, and remote Psychosocial First Aid (adapted for COVID-19) to reduce the level of fear, worry and stress in targeted populations, in addition to providing practical information on positive coping strategies, and countering any misinformation regarding COVID-19. This support, supervised by technical lead IMC, is provided to healthcare workers, frontlines, patients, and families of patients in health Centers, as well as suspected or confirmed cases who are isolated or quarantined. These MHPSS Officers provided counseling to affected populations in their respective languages/ local languages. In addition, IMC has applied internal minimum and comprehensive quality MHPSS standards, including newly developed Guidelines for MHPSS Staff Providing Tele-MHPSS to Clients during the COVID-19 Pandemic. All SAFWCO staff have been trained on these guidelines and established/activated the inter-sectoral referral pathways for those individuals who have more severe or specialized mental health needs in each targeted district Sanghar & Umerkot. Total 63 sessions have been conducted at different villages, UC of district Umerkot & Sanghar.

Training of Trainers for public health facilities in-charges/supervisors (Based on the WHO's COVID-19 Training capacity-building training has been conducted online for the doctors and paramedics working at supervisory levels in OPDs, isolation wards, and quarantine centers at tertiary, secondary and primary level healthcare facilities. This Capacity building training conducted online at 2 locations Sanghar & Umerkot. A total of 36 public health facilities in-charges/supervisors (mostly unit in-charge doctors and lead paramedics) trained through this training session. The participants trained on WHO-recommended COVID-19 training package which includes: COVID-19 case definitions, investigation, management, infection prevention, and control, working in an isolation ward/quarantine center and proper use of personal

protective equipment for self-protection and reduction of transmission trainings conducted by public health specialists/consultants hired by IMC in each location including Sanghar & Umerkot. The trained in-charges/supervisors disseminated the learning through on-the-job training of other staff in their respective health units, the training guidelines used to conduct the training, been adapted as per the training needs of various categories.

The details of nominees mentioned as under;

Type of participants	Topic	Total # of participants participated	Participants per district	Mode of training (in-person/online)	Training Location
Frontline responders					
Doctors and Paramedics BASICS of COVID-19	BASICS of COVID-19	36	9	Online	Sanghar and Umerkot

In person Refresher session on Basics of COVID-19 Training of health facilities Doctors/Paramedical staff/frontline worker

The training was carried in person via presentations and discussions. The aim was to enact a collaborative learning experience for the participants. The capacity building in person training been conducted for the doctors and paramedics working at supervisory levels in OPDs, isolation wards and quarantine centers at tertiary, secondary and primary level healthcare facilities. This Capacity building training conducted at 2 locations Sanghar 29 October 2021 & Umerkot on 30 October 2021. A total of 28 public health facilities Doctors and paramedical staff trained through this trainings session. The participants trained on WHO-recommended COVID-19 training package which includes: COVID-19 case definitions, investigation, management, infection prevention, and control, working in an isolation ward/quarantine center and proper use of personal protective equipment for self-protection and reduction of transmission risk. This trainings conducted by public health specialists/consultants hired by IMC in each location including Sanghar & Umerkot. The trained doctors and paramedic staff disseminated the learning through on-job training of other staff in their respective health units.

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Doctors and Paramedics Refresher training on BASICS of COVID-19	Refresher Training on BASICS of COVID-19	36	Umerkot 15 & Sanghar 13	In Person	Sanghar and Umerkot

Provision of supplementary WASH services in Health centres, isolation centres, and public places



To strengthen the supplementary WASH services system to install the hand washing stations (HWS) and sanitation services (Toilet Construction/rehabilitation) in health facilities and provision of HWS in public places, the team closely coordinate with concerned authorities of both district to assess the situation in the selected

districts of intervention and support them in improving access to WASH, especially hand washing stations & Toilet constructions in health facilities (DHQs, BHUs and THQs), isolation centers, and public places.

In form of rehabilitation of cleaning and maintenance to take care of public facilities, the meeting held with local government, Municipal Corporation to share the responsibility at the local/district level and ensure the sustainability of the supplementary WASH services.

After the selection of health facilities such as DHQs, THQs, BHUs, isolation centers, private / charitable health facilities and identification of the potential points for HWS installation & Toilet construction completed, the technical person/engineer visited the identified locations and check the feasibility, assortment of the water that would available at any time in the toilet and washing area, drainage system and justified requirements for the identified locations for the HWS and Toilets. The identified locations were verified by WHH and SAFWCO technical teams on the following grounds,

Furthermore, SAFWCO prepared BOQs (bills of quantity) for HWSs & Toilet construction/rehabilitation based on complete specifications/ drawings of washing stations and shared with WHH for review and approval. After a comprehensive review, the IFT published through National tender in both English and Urdu newspapers by the SAFWCO. Total of 107 Hand washing stations and 123 Toilet construction/rehabilitation completed.

Case Study



Juned Ali S/o Sher Muhammad is the resident of village Rohal Wai Taluka and District Umerkot he shared that we regularly visit this hospital and there was no any hand washing station available at this hospital but today when I entered in hospital I saw a hand washing station and I washed my hands this is really a good activity to prevent the COVID cases because hand washing is main prevention for COVID 19. He said before this we were not following the practice of hand washing but now, we are following this practice at home too. He confirmed that we realized it was important for us and this step provide us many benefits.

Dr. Essar Das (Senior Medical Officer) stated that hand washing is an easy, cheap, and effective way to prevent the spread of germs and keep children and adults healthy. It is the most important and first step to avoiding the spread of disease. Teaching and motivating people about hand washing helps us to stay healthy and strong. Therefore, it is important that people wash their hands properly and frequently to reduce the transmission of diseases. Hand washing with soap saves us from many diseases and it also save us from COVID-19 too.

Dr. Muhammad Hanif (MS DHQ Umerkot) shared that I am thankful to all SAFWCO/WHH who provided this opportunity to us.

PROJECT- 02: STRENGTHENING FOOD AND NUTRITION SECURITY AND WASH SERVICES TO MITIGATE THE NEGATIVE IMPACTS OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC FOR PARTICULARLY VULNERABLE PEOPLE (SEWOH-PHASE: 2)

Sindh Agricultural and Forestry Workers Coordinating Organization -SAFWCO under the partnership with Welthungerhilfe (WHH) implemented SEWOH Phase II project which was entitled as "Strengthening the capacities of vulnerable communities to mitigate the negative impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic with a focus on food and nutrition security."

Result 1: The food and nutrition security and livelihoods of the target population, especially of women and children, are strengthened.



Mr. Raman while monitoring the crop of spinach in the Village Abdullah Mochi, Union Council Gul Mu-hammad Baran

The project remained focused on strengthening the food and nutrition security and livelihoods of the identified vulnerable groups. It includes; household women who faced a shortage of food and have limited resources, smallholder farmers confronted with water shortages and COVID-19

challenges accessing to local markets for selling crops, and crop germination shortages. The project set a minimal criterion addressing the needs of targeted vulnerable communities supporting them through Agri-inputs, home gardening, and commercial gardening.



Mr. Aijaz (Field assistant in Agricultural Extension Department) while conducting a session on small scale commercial vegetable production in the Village Abdullah Mochi, Union Council Gul Muhammad Baran.

Though the government lifted lockdown and allowed the population for routine work as normal life before COVID-19 assuring strict SoPs. This situation still was pertinent for unmet needs, especially in agriculture (staple food

production, diversification), and nutrition education. The activities undertaken in result

01 supported communities to become resilient to external shocks, including COVID-19 impact in-term of livelihood opportunities.

To assess output level results, a post-distribution monitoring survey was conducted on mentioned result 01. It has shown that 100% beneficiaries of agri-inputs were satisfied with the overall process of selection and confirmed that the seeds were distributed well in time according to the season meeting the required quality. Furthermore, Field Farmer School's results show an increased/improved knowledge of smallholders on Seed sowing planning, water management, ploughing techniques, sowing tricks, and land preparation. The

process monitoring shows that small farmers were using provided seed banks and stored seed for next season.

Overall results of the activities summarized as an increase in production, increase in income, increased knowledge on improved agricultural techniques and increased knowledge to reduce impact of natural disasters such as floods/drought etc. Particularly commercial gardening has enhanced productivity and profitability aspects with better utilization of available land. District Sujawal has small markets at union council and big markets on Taluka and district level. All markets were easy to access for selling the produced vegetables etc.

Result 2: Targeted people have increased capacities to protect themselves and others against COVID-19 and to cope with COVID-19 infections through strengthened WASH services.

The project has carried out mass awareness campaigns regarding prevention and safety measures of COVID-19 with approved WHO/UNICEF messages. For the entire project duration, this campaign was conducted through using FM 92, placing banners in the targeted places, especially in Basic Health Unit - BHUs wherein hand washing and WASH facilities were rehabilitated/installed. At



community level, as a cross-cutting theme of COVID-19 knowledge was disseminated across all training activities and use IEC material.

Furthermore, to keep all the communities well informed and aware on the overall impact of COVID-19 the local staff of government departments i.e., Health Department, Education Department, and etc. were also trained on COVID-19 preventive SoPs. During process monitoring, feedback from participants was collected in which an increase on basic knowledge of COVID-19 symptoms and prevention measures was reported. This training also supported SAFWCO in doing consultation with relevant departments in designing IEC material of COVID-19 messages. This IEC material is still available to the public places and communities.

Result 3: Children from particularly vulnerable families have access to reopened schools, by removing barriers related to nutrition and /or WASH.

The SEWOH II project has primarily focused on needs related to children in Schools, especially in the WASH context. Before intervention design, SAFWCO has conducted assessments and meetings with school staff and District Education Officer –DEO seeking support in identifying WASH needs at targeted schools. This assessment collected data on the current status of WASH facilities and inquired over the accessibility of PWDs and CWD/girl's friendly.

Relating to the identified needs of children at schools, SAFWCO has established 20 school clubs engaging students to participate in awareness-raising activities subject to COVID-19 and hygiene practices. For this, the children participated in theatre dramas, and international day celebration events and received hygiene kits. In the next step, converting knowledge orientation activities into practical

SAFWCO has installed/rehabilitated WASH facilities in the schools. These facilities were designed to meet 3star approach with CWD/girl's friendly block for the toilet. Triggering exercises were effective in discouraging the students for open defecation meanwhile the schools were awarded which declared 'Open Defecation Free -ODF'.

During Process Monitoring, SAFWCO reached out to the school students asking for the feedback/complaint regarding the project activities. In their feedback, students informed that whatever knowledge obtained on WASH is replicated at household level. It also includes peer education in which the students convey the same messages to other children of the villages. This type of intervention



has motivated children especially girls in reducing drop-out ratio in result functional WASH facilities. School clubs performed as a committee allowing children to lead activities and monitor progress for good hygiene

behaviors. The WASH facilities design was PWD friendly as well, which encouraged PWDs to use toilets and hand washing stations without any hurdles.

End line assessment also shows an improved knowledge of students upon hygiene practices. They find hygiene as important for good health, and washing hands with soaps at the school and homes. In one of rally campaigns, the students used slogans on water wastage with " Save water save life", followed with banners stating importance of hand washing for 20 second by using its 10 steps. In response to our activities, the students were excited as in past no such engagements were done that includes awareness raising with participatory approach.

For sustainability purpose, WASH facilities were handed over to school committees and a list of schools was shared with District Education and Health Officer presenting overall work details for ownership. Referring to this, the schools committees/staff were trained on operational maintenance resulting into signing the ToP with SAFWCO.

Project Activities (Achievements till June 2022)

- Total 1100 individuals; including 600 stallholder farmers received agricultural input support
- 400 women received Home Gardening support for cultivating vegetables
- 100 farmers were supported with commercial gardening
- All 1100 individuals; among which the small holders were trained on agricultural techniques through 40 field farmer schools, 400 women trained on nutrient rich and diversified home gardening and 100 farmers of commercial gardening received knowledge on improved farming, post-harvest losses management - Techniques & Practices
- Total 400 PLWs and lactating women were trained on 1000 days window opportunity that includes Maternal, Infant, Young child feeding practices)
- Total 10 BHUs of the district benefited with rehabilitation/installation of hand washing stations, among which 06 BHUs were installed/rehabilitated with WASH facilities.
- 20 schools of targeted union councils were installed/rehabilitated with WASH facilities.
- 20 school clubs were formed receiving hygiene kits and ODF status, including with 03 star approach and girls/CW friendly blocks toilets.

Case Study

Before the intervention of SAFWCO & WHH families were deprived, their agricultural lands were dry and with the impact of the COVID wave, male family members are not able to get the odd the jobs due to locked down in the city and those who were working in factories return to village and situation of the families become worse.

Sindh Agricultural Forestry Workers & Coordinating Organization – **SAFWCO** under the project “Strengthening The Capacities of Vulnerable Communities to Mitigate the Negative Impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic with A Focus on Food and Nutrition Security” with the support of Welthungerhilfe – **WHH**. The field team conducted the baseline survey to distribute inputs for small-scale commercial vegetables to 100 beneficiaries, Mr. Ramzan is one of those beneficiaries who successfully cultivate the vegetable and sell in the market and generate income for his family.

45-year-old **Mr. Ramzan** is a resident of the village **Abdullah Mochi**, Union Council **Gul Muhammad Baran**, District **Sujawal**. He has a wife, four daughters and two sons shared that I was delighted to hear my name on the selected beneficiaries list in the spinach group who are going to attend the training and later the seeds & fertilizers. Honestly, I thought there is no need for any such training as we are doing the similar practices of farming since the age of 10 but I was wrong, I learned the techniques of healthy seedling production (preparation of potting mixtures for raising seedlings, double transplanting, cultivation techniques (field preparation, rain shelter construction and crop management), and pest and disease management. After that, each beneficiary of the group received one kilogram of spinach seed and a twenty-five-kilogram bio fertilizer. The field team did frequent visits on land to monitor the crop and guide us accordingly.

Mr. Ramzan shared that, initially I was selling the spinach to the retailer, the amount was not enough to fulfill the basic needs of daily life but then I start selling in my village and the response was amazing and also secure the amount who I spend in traveling & food to my visit to the retailer.

Mr. Ramzan shared that I have a firm belief that “growing your own food is like printing your own money” and to make it happen by the team of SAFWCO and welthungerhilfe, with this support now I can manage to buy the seeds on my own along with fertilizer and encourage the other farmers to use the techniques and become an entrepreneur.

Mr. Ramzan mentioned that “I promised my elder son named Qasim that I will admit him to school this year, Qasim was happy and said very innocently that my father will sale spinach I will get fees of school ”

PROJECT 03: BUILDING RESILIENCE TO DISASTERS & CLIMATE CHANGE

SAFWCO is implementing Project titled "Building Resilience to Disasters & Climate Change in district of Nausheroferoze (Sind) co-financed by National Disaster Risk Management Fund (NDRMF) and PPAF. This project goal is to strengthen readiness of the communities through establishing an institutional framework to mobilize and organize communities, understand their specific vulnerabilities to natural hazards and design structural and non-structural measures to reduce and protect against community vulnerabilities. BRDCC is expected to benefit communities through construction of flood protection structures over a period of 18 months. The overall objective of the Project is to develop resilience of communities in flood-prone areas and equip them to effectively cope with the impacts of disasters and climate change. The Project has two main outcomes (i)- Increased institutional capacities for preparedness to disasters and climatic shocks across 2 Union Councils in the district of Nausheroferoze; (ii)- Increased resilience of target communities through development of relevant community infrastructure for flood disasters mitigation. SAFWCO is implementing BRDCC project in two union councils of District Nasheroferoze i.e. Debarja and Thatta. An estimated number of 4,298 households will get benefitted by the project.

Project Activities (Achievements till June 2022)

Development of Bund infrastructure rehabilitation/up-gradation and new works

The Project team has identified six (6) Different sites with different schemes and has prepared the design and cost estimations in 3 types of sub projects as given below:

S#	Village	VO Name	VO Type	Project Type	Project Sub-type
1	Abdul Haq Solangi	Abdul Haq Solangi	Mix	Flood Protection Work	Escape Routes Structure
2	Ghullam Murtaza Kotar	Ghullam Murtaza Kotar	Mix	Flood Protection Work	Escape Routes Structure
3	Koro Khan Solangi	Koro Khan Solangi	Mix	Flood Protection Work	Escape Routes Structure
4	Kore Ja Bhaan	Kore Ja Bhaan	Men	Flood Protection Work	Embankments flood protection & Escape Routes Structure
5	Ghullam Rasool Solangi	Ghullam Rasool Solangi	Mix	Flood Protection Work	Raising Plate Farm
6	Haji Hajan Bhurt	Haji Hajan Bhurt	Mix	Flood Protection Work	Raising Plate Farm

Distribution of IEC Material about COVID-19



To spread the awareness among the beneficiaries against COVID-19 pandemic, Project team mounted banner of the key messages for prevention of COVID-19 in central places in the target villages. SAFWCO team has also distributed flyers to beneficiaries highlighting

the importance of hand wash and aware from the key symptoms of corona virus.

THEMATIC AREA: *Advocacy & Governance (AG)*

Advocacy & Governance (AG) sector of SAFWCO designs strategies based on rigorous research on social issues and government policies. It brings together stakeholders, from top government officials to those at the grassroots, to participate in reforming old and formulating new policies that drive progress on the Sustainable development goals. The programme promotes behavioral change by influencing communities, organizations, government officials and policy makers by implementing projects. The following projects have been implemented under the Advocacy and Governance Sector during the period.

PROJECT-01: ADDRESSING ROOT CAUSES (ARC)

SAFWCO has implemented five year programme (from April 2017 to June 2022) with Partnership from OXFAM & Safer World titled “ improved access to fair, legitimate and effective justice system in Pakistan” in three districts of Sindh namely Khairpur, Sanghar and Hyderabad. For most people it is difficult to access the justice institutions due to a backlog of cases and lengthy process in courts. For poor and marginalized groups it is simply too costly and geographically out of reach. As a result most Pakistanis continue to rely on informal justice systems – non-state methods of conflict resolution – which in most cases are not acknowledged by the Pakistani government.

The objective of the proposed project was to contribute to an effective justice system that is accessible for all citizens in Pakistan .In parallel, the proposed project has reached out to the local communities, low-status groups, women and youth. It has also engaged with them to understand their challenges in accessing justice, and build their capacity to work with CSOs, justice providers



and government authorities to develop practical solutions for more inclusive justice provision and recommendations for reform in the broader system. The project has empowered communities to know and claim their rights while increasing the ability and accountability of individuals and institutions that are responsible for respecting, protecting and fulfilling human rights. During the reporting period, underlying activities were implemented in the Districts Hyderabad, Sanghar and Khairpur Mirus.

Project Activities (Achievements till June 2022)

Formation of District Coordination Committee

In all project implementation Districts to maintain coordination among stakeholders, sharing progress and facilitating communities in accessing justice issues, there were three (3) District Coordination Committee (DCC) were formed in month of the July 2021.

Initially formation meeting was conducted and representatives of all stakeholders including Police, Women Development Department and Social Welfare

Departments, lawyers, District Press club representatives, Civil Society Organizations focusing human right activism, and the members of the Advocacy forum participated.

Oversight meeting of District Coordination Committee



Total 09 oversight meetings (3 in each district) of all the DCC were held in respective districts in year 2021. Stakeholders including Police, Women Development Department and Social Welfare Departments, lawyers, journalists, civil society organizations focusing human right issues, and the members of the Advocacy Forum/

District Alliance, and representatives of academia, law colleges actively participated in the meeting.

Social Media Campaign

Five thematic videos on FIR, under age Marriages, Rape incidents, The Domestic Violence (Prevention and Protection) Act, 2013 and Maintenance expenses, 7 interviews of representatives of Police, Women Development Department Hyderabad were also recorded and Project documentary were developed.

A U-tube Channel (Ba-Ikhtiar) Sindh was launched and all the above mentioned videos along with Project Documentary were uploaded and, same content was also uploaded on Face book page of SAFWCO.

Regular coordination with Ba-Ikhtiar (BI) members and communities

.ARC team continued regular engagement with Ba-Ikhtiar members and communities to maintain coordination review COVID 19 situation at local level and discussion on ways to facilitate communities especially the victims of violence in accessing to justice institutions during pandemic. Linkages resulted in participation of Government Officials in ARC project activities. SSPs of all concerned districts allowed justice providers to participate in radio program; this is very best example of ownership by government institutions.

Women Day Celebration

International Women Day is celebrated on 8th March every year; it was first time moved in 1913. The main objective is to eliminate discrimination of all kind against women and focus to enable and help women for their equal participation in global development. The day calls for gender parity and collective action for elimination of discrimination and violence against women. So, women day was celebrated at Hyderabad and Sukkur on 8th March, 2022 by members of civil society organizations (CSOs), lawyers, social activists and people from different walks of life.

Updating Three Manuals of ARC Project

A hired firm Empowerment through Creative Integration (ECI) updated three (03) Manuals with focus to existing laws, policies, legal frameworks, mechanisms, legal aid and justice systems regarding access to justice in Sindhi and Urdu languages. A detailed chapter on external accountability mechanisms established by the

government linked to justice sector institutions is included in the Manual.

Firm has also revised and updated IEC material in Sindhi & Urdu (6 already developed Brochures/leaflets/pamphlets) with pictures, recent legislations, details of JPs and project overview in context of rule of law sector.

Refresher Training of Trainers (for Ba-Ikhtiar Members)

Capacity of 114 BI members developed on Legal Rights, court procedures and laws related to women & minorities in 3-day Refresher TOT workshops in all three districts on 24, 25 and 26 August 2021. Overall reflection of the TOT assessment shows a visible improvement in knowledge level of the participants. Experience of the trainer in dealing



with cases and direct guidance to the victims were very motivating factor for the participants. Over all knowledge level of the participants has increased to 95% in Hyderabad, while in Khairpur it was 92 %, likewise in Sanghar the ratio touched to 89 %. The new member's knowledge level has increased around 73 %, and their interest shows that in coming days, manual reading and practical work will enrich their capacity to greater extent.

Awareness campaign for community

Capacity of community members developed in awareness sessions in all implementation districts. Around 60 % of the women participation in the sessions has been remarkable feature of the community intervention focused for rural women. Participation of 610 representatives of local community based organizations also witnessed in the sessions.

Participation of Kolhi, Menghawar and Bheel community in district Hyderabad and Sanghar is very encouraging and Total 1699 community members attended the sessions, with over 54 % women participation.

Legal advice provided to communities

Free legal advices provided to communities especially to low income group at their doorstep to encourage them to exercise their right to justice. Around 65 % of women participation in events is evident of interest shown by the women, this shows that they are now proactive to access the justice institutions for exercising right to justice. 1907 cases were resolved by the relevant forum of justice.



Nature of application reflects relevancy to civil matters comprising family matters including harassment, violence and family quarrels, and property claims and land inheritance issues.

Capacity of stakeholders developed

Capacity of stakeholders including Police, Women Development department and social welfare increased on pro women laws, minority rights, legal framework and standards, thus Knowledge level of representatives from Police, Women Development Department about latest legislation

And procedural mechanism in facilitating women, minorities and general citizens was increased. Participants were familiarized about objectives, structures and functions of Human Rights Cell, Women Protection and Child Rights Desks. Representatives were informed about rights of women and children as per law and how to deal them in proper and sensitive way.

Awareness campaign through media

Six live radio programs of one hour duration were aired through the most heard FM channels in project implementation areas of Hyderabad, Sanghar and Khairpur districts along with the surrounding districts. Community awareness level raised about basic fundamental rights, FIR registration process, and available mechanism for complaint including women Protection Cell, Sindh Child Protection Authority Act-2011 & Sindh Hindu Marriage Act-2016 through radio programmes. Program Focus remained how an applicant can approach to the compliant/facilitation desks to register their complaints.

Cell phone messages increased knowledge of the communities at mass level about the hurdles and impediments in accessing to justice institutions and rights of the underprivileged communities about process of FIR registration, its fees, refusal by SHO in FIR registration, difference between civil and criminal nature offenses, rules of police custody, rights of minorities in Pakistan, how to appeal for challenging any decision in upper court , this useful information has enriched capacity of the communities on citizen rights as per state constitution and laws. IEC material including Brochures, posters, leaflets and flyers disseminated among community members. Theatre programs were also organized in all three districts. Scrolled messages were aired through Cable TV in all three districts.

Research documents

A document "Review of Provincial laws" of on gaps and lacunas in laws was developed by Mr. Jami Chandio (Consultant) and disseminated among the all stakeholders. Mr. Jami Chandio also developed policy asks along with influencing agenda (roll out plan) and future advocacy plan that includes tabling of selected policy asks in Provincial assembly by lobbying with MPAs/concerned Minsters this also include consistent coordination with members of advocacy Forum and engagement with parliamentarians

Branding Material developed

For promoting project visibility initiative of branding material including power bank, document bag, electric Cup, jute bag, Note book, wallet, shoulder bag, diary and HDD Drive (data drive) developed Total 110 sets were developed and distributed among the stakeholders for promoting visibility of the Project .

Provincial Conference

A provincial conference titled “Improving Rule of Law in Pakistan: Reflections & the Way Forward” was organized on 22 March 2022 in Karachi attended by over 120 delegates. The conference as a major event was aimed at sharing the achievements of the project; bring key stakeholders and experts together shared their expert opinions on existing mechanisms and initiatives relevant to access to justice, particularly with reference to the provision of legal aid to vulnerable and marginalized sections of the society such as women and religious minorities.



Main speakers included Ms. Shahla Raza, Minister for Women Development Department (WDD), Justice (Retd.) Majida Razvi, Chairperson, Sindh Human Rights Commission (SHRC), Barrister Pir Mujeb Ul Haq, Chairman, Standing Committee on Law and Parliamentary Affairs, MPA, Mangla Sharma, DIG Shargil Kharil, Ms Anjum Iqbal Jumani, Secretary



WDD, SSP Suhai Aziz, Advocate Ali Palh, ARC Expert Jami Chandio, Ms. Asma Kiran- Programme Manager/Team Lead Governance, Rule of Law and Economic Justice- Oxfam in Pakistan, Mr. Suleman Abro, President SAFWCO and others.

Orientation to media representatives

Fifty five journalists were sensitized about access to justice intervention in three district level workshops, journalists committed to highlight the issues of citizens especially the affect communities of women, children and minority in print and electronic media, this is reflected in their quotes and writings as well.

Media Awards ceremony

29 media personnel were awarded recognition shield during a Media awards ceremony organized at Indus Hotel Hyderabad on 29th Dec 2021. Besides media persons, the event attracted a large number of human right defenders, lawyers, representatives of academia, civil society organizations and community activists from suburban areas of Hyderabad district.

Development and Launch of Referral Directory

A Referral Directory developed encompassing details of justice providing institutions including Police, Women development department, various related bodies Sindh human Rights Commission, and other initiatives / hotlines at district as well as provincial levels. Details of local Police Stations in project intervention areas are also highlighted in the directory content. The directory was launched at provincial level.

PROJECT-02: SENSITIZING AND ORGANIZING WOMEN COTTON-GROWING COMMUNITIES TO ENHANCE RESPECT FOR FPRW IN DISTRICT SANGHAR UNDER THE ILO PROJECT ON “PROMOTING FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES AND RIGHTS AT WORK (FPRW) IN THE SUPPLY CHAIN OF COTTON



SAFWCO has implemented ILO Project (January 2021 to June 2021), with aim to “Sensitize and organize women cotton growing communities to enhance respect for FPRW in District Sanghar”. The project primarily focused at the rights of cotton-picking women in one Union Council “Faqir Hingoro” in district of Sanghar on pilot basis. The project was part of ILO

initiated programme “Fundamental Principles Rights at Work programme”. The project targeted cotton picking women in 10 villages of district Sanghar with particular main focus on (i)-eradicate forced labour, (ii) eradicate child labour, (iii)-eradicate discriminatory wages for cotton picking women and (iv)- bring men and women together to form trade unions for advocating Government and Labor department for enforcement of FRPW and OHS in the district.

PROJECT ACTIVITIES (ACHIEVEMENTS TILL JUNE 2022)

Three (03) - days- ToT on FPRW for the members of female farmers’ association and cotton workers’ Union/Organization



The identified fifty (50) female cotton-growing workers have been provided Master Training (ToT) on FPRW. With intention to strengthen the understanding of fifty women cotton growers on FPRW, and to introduce the participants of existing laws covering their rights and obligations. These trained 50

women have been encouraged to further disseminate the knowledge to be acquired during the workshop with other cotton workers, families and cotton producing communities in their respective villages. The SAFWO through their volunteer social mobilizers had ensured and keep/provide record that each trained women should at-least disseminate the knowledge with other 25 cotton-growing persons (children, workers, farmers etc.) in the communities. In this way, the total indirect beneficiaries of this training have been about 1250 (50 trained women x 25 persons).The trained local resource person Mr. Arjun Kumar having 16 years of experience as Senior Master Trainer and specializing in Labour Law, Human Rights& OSH, HRM and experienced with all stages of the development cycle for dynamic training projects. 2/ Mr. Mir ZafarUllah have 16 years strong managerial skills. He has

experiences as Master trainer with serving many INGOs with special focus on preparation of training manual and content of social mobilization, motivation, organizing community and leadership. They both understand local labour laws, FPRW, OSH and local language and they will be engaged to impart the trainings. Moreover, the ILO' Representative Mr. Ijaz Ahmed join and deliver lecture on FPRW.

One (1) day workshop with agriculture input companies for providing safety kits (Mask, Gloves etc.) to cotton pickers.

In order to promote female cotton farmers are working in safe environment, the SAFWCO have organized one-day workshop at village Fazal Talhani, Shahdadpur-Sanghar. There were about 100 participants (85 Females and 15 Males) the Local key stakeholders were invited to attend this workshop. The workshop allows female workers to share health



hazards during chemical spray on cotton crops and need for safety measures. Presentation on "Health problems due to unavailability of Protective equipment" for female cotton growers will be given by team leaders of SAFWCO. The SAFWCO have mobilized local potential philanthropists/Landlords and pesticide company (**Target**) to provide PPEs for women workers as part of their CSR/donations.

During the workshop trained participants share their success stories regarding which efforts were being taken from them at their respective areas for their basic rights for the motivation of new female participants. During the workshop land lords also took part and made promise to the females that they shall provide sweet water, PPEs, first aid facility and safe space during working hours. Further the representative of pesticide company (Target) disseminate the information regarding risk of spray and precaution for the same and pay thanks to ILO and SAFWCO for providing opportunity of close interaction with female workers. They also made promise with the participants they will support to provide PPEs to females workers through their CSR funds. At the end the PPEs have been distributed among all the participants they were very much happy and known about the importance of the PPEs.

RAPID COVID ASSESSMENT & Facilitation of ILO Media Team for Testimonials and Case Studies

During the Peak time of COVID - 19 pandemic and lock down situation SAFWCO project team conducted the rapid assessment for the knowing the losses of communities in account of Social, Financial and Physical. For assessment the SAFWCO had took the help of FGDs (Focus Group Discussion) and door to door community meeting in 10 selected villages of targeted union council. (Questioner is herewith attached).

At the resultant it is found that there were no any physical losses but 70% community faced financial problem in daily routine life. Due to job crises, daily wages people faced hard time even they decided to take loan form land owner but as they get awareness and linkages with Microfinance bank, in this respect they contacted with banks and took loan from bank the lists are also shared.

THEMATIC AREA: Rural Economics and Enterprise Development (REED)

Projects under this theme primarily focus on (i)-Support communities for Access to Credit; (ii)-Poverty Graduation; (iii) - Livelihood enhancement, (iv)-Skill Training. All four components are managed together and specifically targets women as beneficiaries. The sector continues to improve the socio-economic conditions of the poor communities.

Poverty Graduation component focuses on the ultra-poor segment of the population (poverty scorecard of 0 to 18) with a combination of safety nets combined with livelihood interventions and training. The process involve initial grant-based productive asset provision, skill development and enterprise development, and linkage with PMIFL's interest free loan schemes (poverty scorecard of 12-40) to expand their business. For rural economic development, SAFWCO is also trying to involve the marginal farmers more rather than poor in Enterprise Development of Agriculture sector. Marginal farmers could play an important role in Agriculture, production and national economy. Since there is wide scope in Agricultural activities including Agro based production Enterprise thus Safeco has been targeting marginal farmers for improving their productions so that their livelihood means can improve simultaneously. As a requirement of the Enterprise program SAFWCO provide intensive technical training and credit Support to the vulnerable communities with main focus on youth and women. SAFWCO is now trying to involve the marginal farmers more rather than poor in Enterprise Development of Agriculture sector. Marginal farmers could play an important role in Agricultural production to contribute to the national economy. Since there is wide scope in Agricultural activities including Agro based production Enterprise thus Safwco has been targeting marginal farmers for improving their productions so that their livelihood means can improve simultaneously. As a requirement of the Enterprise program SAFWCO provide intensive technical training and credit Support.

PROJECT-01: GROWTH FOR RURAL ADVANCEMENT AND SUSTAINABLE PROGRESS (GRASP) -PPAF



SAFWCO has entered into three years partnership of implementation GRASP project with Pakistan Poverty Alleviation Fund (PPAF) (October 2021 to onwards). The overall goal of GRASP is to support poverty reduction and sustainable, inclusive growth in rural Sindh and Baluchistan through the development of rural micro, small and medium-sized

enterprises (MSMEs). SAFWCO will provide business development services to rural MSMEs in two districts (Karachi and Hyderabad).

PROJECT ACTIVITIES (ACHIEVEMENTS TILL JUNE 2022)

Coordination & Linkages Meeting

The linkages development have also being conducted by team with government officials such as Revenue Department, Social Welfare Department, Education Department for the achieving the desired results . Ongoing activity of Identification Women SMEs for WEG, there is no WEG groups have been formed in UC



Furthermore during the reporting period team has facilitated many delegations come from PPAF, ITC, Pvt. Companies for visiting the field and meeting with the potential identified SMEs. The linkages development have also being conducted by team with government officials such as Revenue Department, Social welfare department, Education Department for the achieving the desired results .

UC Mapping Progress

With intention to hold the activity of UC Mapping SAFWCO hired a consultant team which hold 03 members 01 Supervisor and 02 Surveyors (01 Male & 01 Female) this is basically 40 days activity, inception report has been submitted to PPAF for their kind review and feedback, further 02 Surveyors also hired by SAFWCO for TNA process for identification of potential SMES through questionnaire. During the reporting Field team still continue the SMEs identification process and identified further 30 SMEs. PPAF has assigned third party consultant for base line under GRASP project district Hyderabad in two Union Councils Names Moolan and Tando Kaiser, in each UC two villages are selected for base line, SAFWCO M&E Officer did spot checking in field as per given plan and fill the spot checking format during base line.

Matching Grant Process

Furthermore regarding the matching grant activity project team has been oriented by Ms Shazia Provincial Manager PPAF visited SAFWCO Head Office, Agenda of the visit to orient the matching grant form to project staff, she briefly oriented the 07 pages form of matching grants and she shared the criteria and time



duration of matching grant form. After receiving the orientation of Matching grant activity the field team made a plan for disseminate the information to SME in



22 Feb 2022 and 07 forms of women SME collected from village Allah Dino Noomerio and Gul Lashari, female's staff also aware about the matching grant and providing technical services to the community to submit the application regarding grant till 6th March.

Furthermore regarding the matching grant activity project team had received the data of 01 ground selected candidates for 04 candidates of 03 Million, 02 candidates for 2.5 Million, & 03 candidates for 0.5 million. In this dilemma PPAF organized a 02 days training workshop on Business Development plan and financial literacy, PPAF also organized 05 days training workshop for GRASP Project team where Mr. Razaque and Mr. Faheem Talpur attended this workshop on behalf of SAFWCO. After receiving this workshop SAFWCO – GRASP team replicate / facilitate to 0.5 million's matching grant beneficiaries by organizing 02 days training workshop at SAFWCO office and facilitate to develop the business plan.

PITCH SESSIONS under Matching Grant Activity



Under the Key activity 3.5 Matching Grant the SAFWCO team along with shortlisted participants attended the Pitch session presentations with intention to deliver on their proposed ideas for matching grant of 30 million, 2.5million and 0.5million SMEs held at SMEDA office Karachi, PPAF has schedules different dates and times for all GRASP partners, This is an opportunity for the MSMEs to present their ideas in front of provincial steering committee members(which compromising of ITC,PPAF, PO,SMEDA and FIs representatives) Mr. Mustafa Rajper- Project Manager was Committee member from SAFWCO.

Each 30 million and 2.5 million SMES have given 30 Minutes for presentation and 15 minutes for the question/Answers. Whereas 15 minutes have given to the 0.5 million businesses for presentation and 15 minutes for questions/answers. Day one Mr. Sohail Bangish was also present as observer.

On dated 8 June 2022, 30 million SMES presented our business ideas on power-point to the provincial committee, they briefly shared current business and next planning for business, after then sitting committee asked questions from their business, Committee members noted their ideas and also scoring.



On dated 09 June 2022, same way 2.5 matching grant presented their business ideas in front of committee. Mr. Shehryarbrohi and Mr. Asim Zafar Zaidi presented their business background and planning in front of committee members. Committee asked questions and answers during presentations, mostly the questions were financing and next planning of the business.

On 14th June 0.5 SMEs presented their ideas to the provincial committee and same way committee asked questions and answers, Ms. Khairunisa, Ms. Shamshad and Mr. Manzoor presented their business background and planning.

Below here the Details of SMES Schedule

S. No.	Date	Applicant Name	Grant category	District	Value Chain
1	8-Jun-22	Haresh Kumar	30 M	Karachi	Mango
2	8-Jun-22	Omer bin Haris	30 M	Karachi	Livestock
3	8-Jun-22	Zulfiqar Ahmed	30 M	Karachi	Banana
4	8-Jun-22	Muhammad Anis	30 M	Karachi	Dates
5	9-Jun-22	ShahriyarBrohi	2.5 M	Karachi	Livestock
6	9-Jun-22	Asim Zafar zaidi	2.5 M	Karachi	Livestock
7	14-Jun-22	ManzoorHussain	0.5 M	Hyderabad	Banana
8	14-Jun-22	Shamshad	0.5 M	Hyderabad	Livestock
9	14-Jun-22	Khair un Nisa	0.5 M	Hyderabad	Livestock

Total 9 shortlisted SMEs participated in pitch session, 7 Male and 2 Females, 4 SMES (30 Millions) 2 SMES (2.5 Millions) and 3 SMES (0.5 Million)

Field appraisal and Due Diligence

After the completion of SMEs pitching sessions ITC, PPAF are going for the next process i.e field appraisal and due diligence of shortlisted SMEs who have been qualified in Pitch session. The purpose of due diligence is to verify and ensure that whatever businesses pitched and communicated in the business plan/other

documents and pitch must exist on the ground i.e, the genuineness of the business, its assets, competitors, buyers, social standing, and robust business model, In district Hyderabad and Karachi 3 SMEs qualified the pitch session names are Mr. Hareh (30Million) Mr. Asim Raza Shah (2.5Million) and Mr. Manzoor Hussain (0.5Million), As per given plan ITC and PPAF team visited field appraisal at targeted areas of Karachi and Hyderabad.

International Celebration OF MSMEs Day Report under GRASP Project District Hyderabad



A series of 05 Awareness Raising seminars at targeted 05 union councils has been planned by SAFWCO –GRASP Team from 19-06-2022 to 23-06-2022 with intention to “Celebration of The International MSME’s Day”

To mitigate the effects of rising inflation and poverty, SAFWCO, in collaboration with national and international organizations, has launched a program to train rural people to increase income from agriculture and livestock products as per modern requirements. In the first phase, mobilization programs were organized in five union councils of Hyderabad where they were also connected with business leaders and associations.

In collaboration with the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), International Trade Center (ICT), Pakistan Poverty Alleviation Fund (PPAF), the people were informed that communities in UC Moolan, Chukhi, Almani, TandoQaiser and Sawan Gopang are making banana chips, products and byproducts of milk. The training was provided on how to prepare butter, ghee and other products; how to prepare high quality pickles; more useful uses of onions and tomatoes and how to market these developed products. In this regard, their knowledge was enhanced by presenting theater programs.

In this MSMEs campaign, the experts of Sindh Agriculture University, SMEDA, Hyderabad Chamber of Commerce, progressive farmers, processors and business representatives were also invited who briefed the farmers on the potential ways to increase their income from available products. The SAFWCO staff, Mr. Mustafa Rajper and others, assured the participants that they would continue to provide the training program, provision of matching grants to strengthen the business and provision of easy installment loans to promote the growth of business in Sindh province of Pakistan.



The Agriculturists and Social Leaders MukhtiarAlmani, Ali MuradGupang, Sher Muhammad Nizamani, Ali Dhamach, ZulfiqarNoomrio, Muhammad

Qasim Noomrio, Ali Muhammad Lashari, Zameer Hassan and others said that such programs are need of time in order to cope up with the rising cost of living. People in rural areas are being taught to shift their mindset towards commercialization and development of products and byproducts in agricultural commodities and livestock for enhanced income. This initiative will support the rural economic uplifting which will ultimately contribute in the development of the country.

The participants expressed that together with SAFWCO, they will not only expand their business but will also disseminate its benefits to other farmers and employability will be prioritized through this business mobilization and enhancement program. For further elaboration of project objective a theater play were also been played by KTN TV & Kashish TV actors and they deliver the message that how SMEs could be involved in this project and avail the benefits.

Event Details:

Date	Day	Village	UC	Participation
18-6-2022	Saturday	Allah Dino Noomerio	Moolan	300
19-6-2022	Sunday	Gul Muhammad Dhamach	Tando Kaiser	250
20-6-2022	Monday	Aaberi	Haji SawanGopang	270
21-6-2022	Tuesday	Sonu Khan Aalamani	Aalmani	330
22-6-2022	Wednesday	Gullashari	Chukhi	220

PROJECT-02: POST COVID-19 RECOVERY OF WOMEN AND YOUTH LIVELIHOOD THROUGH AGRICULTURAL ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT (AGRI VALUE CHAINS)

Sindh Agricultural and Forestry Workers Coordinating Organization -SAFWCO under the partnership with British Asian Trust (BAT) implemented “Post COVID-19 recovery of women and youth livelihoods through agricultural enterprise development” project with a focus on a variety of agricultural value chains with opportunities to add value through products with identified market demand in different geographies. The project targeted 25 different villages in four districts, 05 Taluka locations in province of Sindh with the project duration 1st December 2020 until 31st May 2022.



PROJECT ACTIVITIES (ACHIEVEMENTS TILL JUNE 2022)

SAFWCO team providing business coaching to beneficiaries

The value chains were given sessions and their capacity was built in terms of dealing with market players. The marketing strategy, the market approach, the market demands and the pricing for each product was taken into cognizance and then the



product was developed and distributed in the market. The consumer's choice and the importance of seasonal products was considered and at the initial stage, the products under the value chain got an opportunity to reach the markets. The existing market players were convinced that these products will further

increase the value of their products as the competition will result in best product and more pricing. The beneficiaries were able to market their products and keeping the record of priorities and needs of different consumers in different areas, the products were able to reach the consumers.

Beneficiaries business are networked with SMEs, SMEDA, Micro Finance Institutes, Chamber of Commerce, Super Mart Chains, and Anjuman e Tajran

The value chain groups were also given exposure to develop their capacity in



identifying and meeting with different market players in the vicinity. The value chain groups and beneficiaries were given briefing on the importance of different market players for coordination and understanding the scope of their work. The value chain groups were facilitated to establish liaison and coordination with SMEDA, MFIs, Chamber of

Commerce in Dadu and Sanghar, Super Marts in Hyderabad and Traders Associations. The members of the value chain groups were supported to understand the role Chamber of Commerce and Sindh Agriculture Chamber are playing in the agriculture sector. The researchers from the Sindh Agriculture University were also mobilized to support the women entrepreneurs who are in the value chains and striving for the growth of the business. These linkages boost the confidence of women beneficiaries and they are able to adopt learning for further streamlining their product to meet the market needs.

Beneficiaries get mentorship and Facilitation for business development

The monitoring is an essential part of any project so in our project, the SAFWCO management took this as a learning opportunity and therefore the complete management was engaged in providing facilitation for project to achieve results. Moreover the process monitoring was also carried out to achieve the project outcomes and results. The activities were monitored in terms of quality and content but the focus was on achieving the results from each activity. The result based framework is usually practiced by SAFWCO and the outcomes of the projects were focused upon. The business monitoring was carried out to check where the beneficiaries have reached and which product has been marketed and in which market the product is available. The perceptions of the competitors and the price of the product along with the people engaged in the business was monitored and the observations/findings were shared with project team and beneficiaries. In this project, the mentorship role was more emphasized because the traditional mindset was being shifted to commercialization and it required mentoring and guidance so the same was provided for achieving the results.

Arrange and facilitate Agri-entrepreneurs association members and MFIs for provision of Micro Credit service providers to beneficiaries

The value chain beneficiary's database was compiled and the beneficiaries were informed regarding the loaning services available from different financial institutions. The products and the loaning along with mark-up was shared with beneficiaries. The beneficiaries were given orientation that in pilot phase the support is provided but for the continuation of business, different economic options are to be availed for the growth of business. The subsidized government schemes, the financing plans of government such as State Bank's schemes of value chain financing and women SMEs. Similarly, the financial loaning options offered by different financial institutions were shared with the beneficiaries and the communities were given the time to think and decide collectively in a group on which option to avail and why. The value chain beneficiaries were directly connected with these financial institutions available in Sindh province.

Agri- entrepreneurs (Beneficiaries) were face lifted to get micro credit loans from MFI for scale up of the business

The agri- entrepreneurs were given the opportunity to coordinate with Safco Support Foundation (SSF) and the loaning options were shared through facilitating coordination meetings between them. The products of financing were discussed with beneficiaries and the beneficiaries expressed their willingness to take loans from SSF for expansion of their business.



THEMATIC AREA: WASH

WASH is one of the key thematic areas of SAFWCO interventions which is providing wash services to vulnerable populations of Sindh. One of the major objectives of the thematic area is to educate the community on personal / community hygiene matters and preventive healthcare measures. Health education is a process through which people learn causes and effects of relationship between variables of health and well-being. Access to information on how communicable / contagious and water borne diseases are spread and the knowledge about how to prevent this happening leading to gradual modifications of habits and bring about attitudinal change in human behavior towards a better and healthy life. Health education also provides information on better utilization of scarce resources.

PROJECT 01: SCALE UP PROVISION OF EQUITABLE WASH SERVICES TO COMMUNITIES OF TALUKA SOBHO DERO, NARA CHOONDIKO & THARI MIIRWAH DISTRICT KHAIRPUR

SAFWCO is implementing WASH services (July 2021 to June 2022) under UNICEF Programme titled "Scale up Provision of Equitable WASH Services to Communities of Taluka Sobho Dero, Nara Choondiko & Thari Miirwah, District Khairpur. The project has extensive series of activities that will be undertaken to improve the health and hygienic conditions of people in this particular Talukas and project aims to achieve



100% Open Defecation Free (ODF) at Taluka level. The project will provide WASH benefits to population in 872 villages in sixteen (16) union councils Rasool Abad, Sardar Gul Muhammed Sahito, Pir Hayat Shah, Peer Bux Tunio, Sami, Mirak, Gadeji, Faqeer Mehdi Sain Jahanian, Sagyoon, Haji

Abdul Kareem Kharal Dodo Aradin, Khehwari, Kot Jubo, Pir Abdul Qadir Shah, Sikandar Abad, Tajjal) in District Khairpur. Outputs of the project are:

Output 1: Skills of duty bearers enhanced to deliver on WASH services in the targeted Taluka

Output 2: Strengthening of Governments systems for effective delivery of equitable WASH services in the targeted Taluka

Output 3: Increased access to household sanitation and hygiene services

Output 4: Increased access to improved (Basic) water supply

Output 5: Increased access to WASH Services in Schools and Health Care Centers

Output 6: Increased awareness of key WASH practices

PROJECT ACTIVITIES (ACHIEVEMENTS TILL JUNE 2022)

PHASE - 01

Project Inception Workshop

The purpose of the activity was to orient the line department about the project intervention, Inception was chaired by honorable **Assistant Commissioner** of Taluka Sobho Dero **Mr. Sohbat Ali Butt**. SAFWCO is implementing the project "Scale-up Provision of Equitable WASH Services to Communities in Taluka Sobho Dero, Nara Choondiko & Thari Mirwah, District Khairpur" in a joint venture with Human Appeal and funded by UNICEF in Taluka Sobho Dero and Nara Choondiko, District Khairpur. The purpose of the project is to ensure access to improved sanitation by creating an open defecation-free environment for the 872 villages of 16 targeted union councils of both Taluka, portable water and sustainable health & hygiene environment for 590, 000 people of Taluka Sobho Dero, Nara Choondiko & Thari Mirwah. To accomplish this, an extensive series of activities are being undertaken to improve the living conditions of the people (particularly women and children). The duration of the project is from 1st June 2021 to 30th November 2022. During sessions, project targets were discussed and welcomed by the Assistant Commissioner and asked to share the quarterly progress to monitor the progress of the organization.

Training of LG UC Secretaries, elected LG council secretaries representatives PHE & RDD staff on PATS Plus

The purpose of this training was to develop an understanding of participants on salient features of WASH policy framework at the district, provincial and national levels. To develop an understanding of participants on PATS plus, the objective of this training was to enhance participants' knowledge and skills on low-cost solutions regarding sanitation, Water safety and security. To build the skills of participants keeping in view their role in sustainability check framework including post ODF monitoring and importance of maintaining ODF database.

Training of Trainers – Tots For Engineers

To observe and monitor the progress of hard components of the project, the technical team was trained on PATS plus approaches and orient on operation and maintenance of WASH facilities in targeted schools and communities of intervention areas.

Formation of Village Wash Committee

For the sustainability of the project and to promote the ownership of the community, the Social Organizer team formed 872 Village WASH Committees (VWC). With the consultation and willingness of the people, they nominate the office



bearers which are as under;

- President
- Vice President
- General Secretary
- Information Secretary
- Treasurer

One (01) Day Training of Village Wash Committee

To brief the purpose, role and responsibility of the village WASH committee and understand the WASH and PATS plus approach in the community, SAFWCO management organized the 01-day training in Taluka Nara Choondiko, Sobho Dero & Thari Mirwah and trained the 872 VWCs of targeted Villages.

Two (02) Days Training Of Community Resource Person – CRP



To brief the project and enhance the knowledge on WASH and PATS Plus approach, SAFWCO Management organized 02 days of training of CRPs. 108 IN Taluka Nara Choondiko & 111 in Taluka Sobho Dero have been identified & trained. The purpose is to identify the CRPs in targeted villages to enhance the knowledge and skills

of participants on Pakistan Approach to total sanitation (PATS), to enhance the knowledge about Low-Cost solutions regarding sanitation and safe drinking water, to build capacity on triggering tools, to build the capacity of CRPs on CAP development including sanitation, DRR, Health Hygiene & Nutrition. The CRPs will be part of the SAFWCO team to obtain the ODF status in each targeted village.

Training Of Local Masons & Demo Latrines

The objective of the training was to enhance the knowledge on PATS plus approaches and build the capacity of local masons to construct low-cost technical options in the communities. To train the local masons and demonstration for the native village and union councils, SAFWCO team identified the vulnerable beneficiaries with the consent of the village WASH committee- VWC to construct the low-cost latrine in each targeted union council. 01 vulnerable families from each union council, therefore 16 demo latrines were constructed in the target union councils of Taluka Sobho Dero & Taluka Nara Choondiko of District Khairpur. Each latrine is made with a privacy wall, septic tank and soak away pit. 32 masons were trained of sixteen union councils of Taluka Sobho Dero & Taluka Nara Choondiko.

Training of Entrepreneur

The objective of the training was to establish the linkages between the village WASH committee –VWC and local entrepreneurs to understand the supply chain mechanism. The facilitator addressed the PATS plus approaches with the participants and urged the entrepreneurs to procure the sanitary material to ensure the material in their nearby villages. 16 entrepreneurs were trained of sixteen union councils of Taluka Sobho Dero & Taluka Nara Choondiko.



Training of Teachers

The purpose of the training was to build the capacity & knowledge on project intervention and the purpose to form the WASH club, SAFWCO management organized the 02 days of training of teachers (one from each school) in their nearby venue. During training, the facilitator briefed the Pakistan Approach to the Total Sanitation plus approach - PATS plus, no star to three-star approaches and focus on Disaster Risk reduction - DRR in schools; furthermore, the facilitator addressed to members the purpose to maintain the WASH structures in schools with the coordination and support of students. Participants were involved in the group work to understand the project activities, whereas participants actively participated in question-answer sessions. 137 teachers of targeted schools were trained of sixteen union councils of Taluka Sobho Dero & Taluka Nara Choondiko.

Training Of School Management Committee – SMC

The purpose of the training was to build the capacity & knowledge on project intervention and understand the operation and maintenance of WASH structure in schools and communities, SAFWCO management organized the 02 days of training of school management committee – SMC members (02 members from each school) in their nearby venue. During training, the facilitator briefed the Pakistan Approach to the Total Sanitation plus approach - - PATS, no star to three-star approaches and focus on Disaster Risk reduction - DRR in schools; furthermore, the facilitator explained to members the purpose to maintain the WASH structures in schools with the coordination and support of students. 274 SMC members of targeted schools were trained of sixteen union councils of Taluka Sobho Dero & Taluka Nara Choondiko.

Formation of Wash Clubs

To sustain, replicate the safe hygiene practices and understand the WASH structure the field teams formed the 137 WASH Clubs in targeted schools of



Taluka Sobho Dero & Taluka Nara Choondiko, WASH club has 15 members; a WASH Commander, a WASH Vice Commander & 13 his/her WASH Champions, The field teams will build the capacity of the members on WASH in 3rd quarter of the project.

Participatory Rural Appraisal – PRA

To trigger and sensitize the community about the open defecation and importance of latrine in each house of the village, the field teams conducted the PRA/triggering which contains various sessions to elaborate the process; rapport building with the community, social mapping (whole map of the village) on the ground, transit walk (sensitize the participants on dump spots and stagnant water), flow diagram to explain the open defecation process, glass demonstration(by pouring the faeces and human hair in water), problem tree (highlight the core problem with cause and effects), faeces calculation (daily, weekly, monthly and per year of the whole village), medical expenses(daily, weekly monthly and per year of whole village/per household), low-cost latrine (pit latrine) with the support of IEC material, seasonal calendar (schedule of community throughout the year) and well-being ranking (mention poor & ultra-poor). PRA was conducted in 872 targeted villages of sixteen union councils of Taluka Sobho Dero & Taluka Nara Choondiko.

Behavior Change Communication Campaigns – Bcc

The purpose of the campaigns is to change the behavior of the community to improve sanitation, health & hygiene and adopt healthy practices. To achieve the intensive campaign, teams of Social Organizers (SO), Community resource person (CRP) and Village WASH Committee (VWC) members have initiated the campaigns in their native villages. There are 04 levels of Behavior Change Campaigns which include Demand Creation, Technical options, Health & Hygiene and sustainably, all team members successfully achieved the BCC-I and BCC-II sessions at community level, religious level, household level. During sessions facilitators highlighted the importance of latrine in each house with the flow diagram, furthermore shared the steps of hand wash and discussed on personal and environmental hygiene. After completing the session's on-demand creation, facilitators shared the technical option to construct the low-cost latrine in their own house to end the open defecation in their villages.

02 day training of school children on WQ, HHWTM, DRR

The field team identified and formed the WASH club in 85 at Taluka Sobho Dero and 52 in Taluka Nara Choondiko. The purpose of the training is to build the capacity of the members on water treatment methods, PATS plus approaches and DRR. 411 students were trained & participated in the ODF process,

Institutionalization of community investment fund

To provide the sanitation facility to the most vulnerable families of the targeted villages. Village WASH committees - VWC of Taluka Sobho Dero & Nara Choondiko nominated the most vulnerable families from 04 each union council and received the sanitation material and the committee ensured that vulnerable families

construct the superstructure and made the privacy wall to defecate in dignifying way and sustain the ODF environment in the targeted villages. 40 CIG latrines were constructed in Taluka Sobho, whereas 24 latrines were constructed in Taluka Nara Choondika with a community investment grant.

Sanitation EXPOS

To sensitize & provide awareness of sanitation material, teams organized the expo in each Taluka and display the sanitary material. Community and VWC members participated in the event and appreciated the efforts of the team to give awareness of low-cost technical options of the various latrine.



Undertake the Water Quality Test via H2S Strips

SAFWCO has received the H2s strips from Human Appeal which have been approved by the Pakistan Council of Research in Water Resources department (PCRWR). These H2s strips have been implemented for the self-test of bacteria existence in the water or without the bacteria at the community level. SAFWCO engineers' team has trained the SOs team for the testing process of the water samples in the 872 targeted villages of Taluka Sobho Dero & Nara Choondiko. The water samples collected from the two sides of the village after the collection of water samples as per the SOPs in H2s strips it will be stored below the 30-degree temperature in the room for 24 hours to 48 hours. The team has collected samples results after the completion of 48 hours and submitted them in the hard copy. The water sample result is based on two colors yellow and black. Yellow color represents that the water is fit for the drinking on the other hand the black color represents that the water is not fit for the drinking. SAFWCO team has ensured that the black sample results hand pump is not fit for drinking and our team shared with the village WASH committee to seize the hand pump it is not pure water it involves the bacteria which will creates different diseases in the village.

Community Action Plan

To identify the hazard in villages; Social Organizer teams formulated the Contingency Action Plan with the consent of the VWC/community to highlight the issues and make an action plan in villages. SO teams formulated the 872 Contingency Action Plan in the targeted villages of Taluka Sobho Dero & Taluka Nara Choondiko.



Two Days Training of ODF Committee on PATS Plus

To monitor the Open defecation free – ODF environment and ownership by the stakeholders, ODF committee was formed and chaired by the honorable Assistant Commissioner of Taluka Sobho Dero and other members were representatives of Social welfare department, Education Department, Health Department and union council secretaries of all sixteen union councils participated in the training. The purpose of this training was to enhance the knowledge about the criteria of an open defecation-free village. The primary responsibility of the open defecation free committee is to verify the villages of Taluka Sobho Dero & Nara Choondiko which have been already open defecation free by the village WASH committee. ODF committee verified the 872 villages.

Verification & Certification of ODF Villages

The main purpose of this project was to make Open Defecation Free environment & bring the localities to fix point. After the achievement of Open Defecation Free status of Villages, the field team organized the visits of ODF committee members in targeted villages, along with VWC and CRP committee did the transit walk to monitor the OD spot if any remaining in the villages after the verification, committee signed the appreciation certificates which later during the ceremony organized by the SAFWCO management.

Two (02) Days Refresher Training for Social Organizers – SO



To train the Social Organizers (Male & Female) for the field, coordinate with the community, conduct trainings and understand the concept of PATS plus approach, SAFWCO management organized the 02 days refresher training in which retained Social Organizer's participated. The basic purpose of

training is to refresh the concepts of PATS plus and to make the ODF sustainable in coming phase. The participants have shared their field experiences and challenges among the participants.

Two (02) Days Refresher Training for Community Resource Person – CRP

Community Resource Person is a major part of the intervention in the community. The motive of the project is to execute the intervention on a participatory approach to total sanitation. 219 CRPs were refreshed about the project goal. CRP plays a vital role in ODF sustainability. The trainer focused on the agenda and covered all the related topics towards the ODF process and ODF sustainability. Trainer discussed the Behavior change communications and should focused on the ODF sustainability with the help of Village WASH Committee.

Launching Mass Media Campaign through Local Electronic Media

Due to the unavailability of the local cable network in Taluka Sobho Dero & Nara Choondiko we ask for approval from UNICEF to permit us to broadcast the messages on the local FM radio channel. 150 Minutes per month awareness messages broadcasted on FM Ranipur & Nara; whereas Video messages were developed and being disseminated through social media like (Whatsapp) to CRPs and Village WASH Committee Members.

Two Days Training of ODF committee for post ODF

To monitor the post Open defecation free – ODF environment and ownership by the stakeholders, the committee was trained for the sustainability of post-ODF.

Public Events - Announcement of Rewards

All honorable guests from government line department asked to come forward and distribute the reward certificates to the respondent (VWC member or CRP) of villages. During handing over the certificate's guests urge the participants to sustain the open defecation free environment in your villages for healthy and prospect community.

Conclave for CRPs

One-day event workshop was organized to discuss the key lessons and challenges during the project. The workshop was attended by Government officials, Union Council Chairman and SAFWCO management team.

Project Inception Workshop



The purpose of the activity was to orient the line department about the project intervention. SAFWCO is implementing the project "Scale Up Provision of Equitable WASH Services to Communities in Taluka Sobho Dero, Nara Choondiko & Thari Mirwah, District Khairpur" in

a joint venture with Human Appeal and funded by UNICEF in Taluka Thari Mirwah, District Khairpur. The purpose of the project is to ensure access to improved sanitation by creating an open defecation-free environment for the 498 villages of 13 targeted union councils, portable water and sustainable health & hygiene environment for 250,000 people of Taluka Thari Mirwah. To accomplish this, an extensive series of activities are being undertaken to improve the living conditions of the people (particularly women and children). The duration of the project is from 1st December 2021 to 30th May 2022. During sessions, project targets were discussed and welcomed by the Assistant Commissioner and asked to share the quarterly progress to monitor the progress of the organization.

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For the sustainability of the project and to promote the ownership of the community, the Social Organizer team formed 498 Village WASH Committees (VWC). With the consultation and willingness of the people, they nominate the office bearers which are as under;

- President
- Vice President

- General Secretary
- Information Secretary
- Treasurer

One Day Training Of Village Wash Committee

To brief the purpose, role and responsibility of the village WASH committee and understand the WASH and PATS plus approach in the community, SAFWCO management organized the 01-day training in Taluka Nara Choondiko, Sobho Dero & Thari Mirwah and trained the 498 VWCs of targeted Villages.

02 Days Training Of Community Resource Person- CRP

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village and union councils, SAFWCO team identified the vulnerable beneficiaries with the consent of the village WASH committee- VWC to construct the low-cost latrine in each targeted union council. 01 vulnerable families from each union council, therefore 13 demo latrines were constructed in the target union councils of Taluka Sobho Dero & Taluka Nara Choondiko of District Khairpur. Each latrine is made with a privacy wall, septic tank and soak away pit. 26 masons were trained of thirteen union councils of Taluka Thari Mirwah.

Training of Entrepreneur

The objective of the training was to establish the linkages between the village WASH committee -VWC and local entrepreneurs to understand the supply chain mechanism. The facilitator addressed the PATS plus approaches with the participants and urged the entrepreneurs to procure the sanitary material to ensure the material in their nearby villages. 13 entrepreneurs were trained of thirteen union councils of Taluka Thari Mirwah.

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Approach to the Total Sanitation plus approach - - PATS, no star to three-star approaches and focus on Disaster Risk reduction - DRR in schools; furthermore, the facilitator explained to members the purpose to maintain the WASH structures in schools with the coordination and support of students. 202 SMC members of targeted schools were trained of thirteen union councils of Taluka Thari Mirwah .

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effects), faeces calculation (daily, weekly, monthly and per year of the whole village), medical expenses(daily, weekly monthly and per year of whole village/per household), low-cost latrine (pit latrine) with the support of IEC material, seasonal calendar (schedule of community throughout the year) and well-being ranking (mention poor & ultra-poor). PRA was conducted in 498 targeted villages of thirteen union councils of Taluka Thari Mirwah.

Behavior Change Communication Campaigns – BCC

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Institutionalization of Community Investment Fund

To provide the sanitation facility to the most vulnerable families of the targeted villages. Village WASH committees - VWC of Taluka Thari Mirwah nominated the most vulnerable families from 04 each union council and received the sanitation material and the committee ensured that vulnerable families construct the superstructure and made the privacy wall to defecate in dignifying way and sustain the ODF environment in the targeted villages. 52 CIG latrines were constructed in Taluka Thari Mirwah with a community investment grant.

Sanitation EXPOS

To sensitize & provide awareness of sanitation material, teams organized the expo in Taluka and display the sanitary material. Community and VWC members participated in the event and appreciated the efforts of the team to give awareness of low-cost technical options of the various latrine.

Community Action Plan

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Case Study



Keep you Face Always towards the Sunshine & Shadows will Fall Behind You

Mr. Sain Bux is the residence of village **Jaro Khan Bhabro** Union Council **Dodo Aradin** Taluka **Nara Choondiko**, District **Khairpur**. The project field team selected me as the Community Resource Person – CRP. I received the training provided by the WASH project after then I see how poor our WASH conditions in our villages and I realized the outbreak of the disease are common because of open defecation, water contamination/untested water intake and poor hygiene personal and domestic. During training, we demonstrate the tools of Participatory Rural Appraisal and I figure out the solution to convince people to improve the WASH condition in their villages but it was not easy as I thought a latrine must cost around 40 to 50 thousand and it won't be easy to have the vulnerable families so I raised the question to field team and you will not believe they taught us the low-cost options of latrine which minimum cost one thousand.

I began my journey as the CRP and field team assigned me the four villages, **Jaroo Khan Bhanbhro** which has 75 households and a population of 553, whereas 30 families have the latrines, Village **Mohammad Umar Channa** which has 33 households and a population of 232, whereas 11 families have the latrines. village **Jan Mohammad Rajar** which has 100 households and a population of 715, whereas 44 families have the latrines & village **Rasool Bux Aradin** which has 100 households and a population of 708, whereas 41 families have the latrines before the interventions in their villages, all data was accumulated during the household surveys and maintained in their register for keeping the check. "Pui" a place in the house to urinate in daylight for female were common in each household and they prefer to go in the fields when it turn dark. After the PRA in my targeted villages, I took the responsibility to engage families to construct their latrines, initially, no one is willing especially the men who have the access to do defecate any time of the day then I start mobilizing the female household and pay the visit of pour-flush latrine which cost only cement and a septic tank.

The planned has worked and vulnerable families initiate to replicate the model and make their villages ODF. The BCC sessions were organized to sensitize the hazard to install a hand pump near the latrine and asked them to maintain a distance of at least thirty meters. Sessions also guided to improve the hand hygiene and now each family wash their hands for at least twenty seconds during critical times and maintain the personal and domestic hygiene. The ill family numbers dramatically decreased in the village and families utilize those many of wellbeing of their children.

Audit Report

SINDH AGRICULTURAL AND FORESTRY WORKERS COORDINATING ORGANIZATION
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 30 JUNE 2022

	Note	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
ASSETS			
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property and equipment	4	1,990,606	9,123,372
Intangible asset	5	79,763	1,188,747
		<u>2,070,369</u>	<u>10,312,119</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Bank balance	6	3,757,342	100,049,635
Advance, deposit and prepayments	7	2,053,278	1,150,101
Receivable from donors	8	17,839,773	1,612,497
Other receivable	9	31,806,190	24,535,040
		<u>55,456,583</u>	<u>127,347,273</u>
		<u>57,526,952</u>	<u>137,659,392</u>
FUND AND LIABILITIES			
ACCUMULATED FUND			
Restricted fund balance		1,648,602	64,548,452
Unrestricted fund balance		-	-
		<u>1,648,602</u>	<u>64,548,452</u>
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Deferred capital grant	10	1,646,659	9,795,147
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Accrued and other liabilities	11	54,231,691	63,315,793
		<u>55,878,350</u>	<u>73,110,940</u>
		<u>57,526,952</u>	<u>137,659,392</u>
Contingencies and commitments	12		

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MEMBER GOVERNING BODY


FINANCIAL CONTROLLER

SINDH AGRICULTURAL AND FORESTRY WORKERS COORDINATING ORGANIZATION
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

	Note	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
INCOME			
Grant income	17	290,775,943	427,152,956
Amortization of deferred grant	17	1,108,329	3,298,107
Bank profits	17	269,219	2,315,338
Total income		292,153,491	432,766,401
EXPENDITURE			
Project expenses	13.1	(271,370,305)	(412,390,734)
General and administrative expenses	13.2	(14,678,346)	(17,819,304)
Other expenses	13.3	(6,496,182)	(221,597)
		(292,544,833)	(430,431,635)
(Deficit) / surplus for the year		(391,342)	2,334,766
Taxation	14	-	-
(Deficit) / surplus for the year		(391,342)	2,334,766

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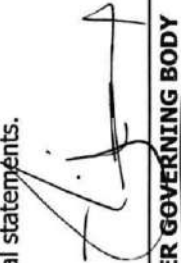
**SINDH AGRICULTURAL AND FORESTRY WORKERS COORDINATING ORGANIZATION
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ACCUMULATED FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022**

	2022		2021		Total
	Restricted fund	Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	Unrestricted fund	
-----Rupees-----					
Accumulated fund at beginning of the year	64,548,452	-	47,306,132	-	47,306,132
Grant transferred to Donor	(1,434)	-	(154,479)	-	(154,479)
Grant received from Donor	211,658,696	-	442,747,612	-	442,747,612
Fund receivable from donor	17,839,773	-	1,612,497	-	1,612,497
Less: Transferred to deferred grant related to capital expenditure	(1,229,600)	-	(2,145,120)	-	(2,145,120)
Less: Grant recognized during the year against expenses	(290,775,943)	-	(427,152,956)	-	(427,152,956)
	(62,507,074)	-	15,062,033	-	15,062,033
Deficit / surplus for the year	(391,342)	-	2,334,766	-	2,334,766
Accumulated fund at end of the year	1,648,602	-	64,548,452	-	64,548,452

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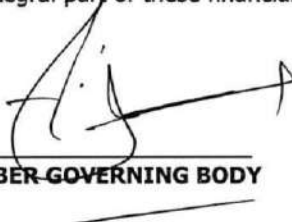
**SINDH AGRICULTURAL AND FORESTRY WORKERS COORDINATING ORGANIZATION
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022**

	Note	2022 Rupees	2021 Rupees
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Deficit/ surplus for the year		(391,342)	2,334,766
Adjustments for non-cash items:			
Depreciation	4	1,039,704	2,308,688
Amortization	5	161,887	396,249
Deferred capital grant recognized during the year		(1,108,329)	(3,298,107)
Net cash generated / (used in) operations		93,262	(593,170)
(Increase) / decrease in current assets			
Advances, deposits and prepayments		(903,177)	(2,365,902)
Receivable from other projects		-	2,605,536
Other receivable		(7,271,150)	-
		(8,174,327)	239,634
(Decrease) / Increase in current liabilities			
Accrued and other liabilities		(9,084,102)	31,915,103
Net cash generated (used in) /from operating activities		(17,556,509)	33,896,333
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Purchase of property and equipment		(1,229,600)	(2,145,120)
Net cash flow from investing activities		(1,229,600)	(2,145,120)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Funds received during the year		213,271,193	446,009,283
Funds transferred to donor		(1,434)	(154,479)
Funds utilized during the year		(290,775,943)	(427,152,956)
Net cash flow from financing activities		(77,506,184)	18,701,848
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		(96,292,293)	50,453,061
Cash And Cash Equivalents At The Beginning Of The Year		100,049,635	49,596,574
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE YEAR		3,757,342	100,049,635

The annexed notes from 1 to 21 form an integral part of these financial statements.



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