COVID-19 EMERGENCY RESPONSE

Daily Situation Report – April 14, 2020

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All the cities of Sindh are locked down. Daily wagers faced much difficulties to meet their ends. In such a pandemic and lockdown situation poor people of the community cannot afford their basic needs of life. In this situation, the Community didn’t leave alone to the poor daily wagers and elderly people of their communities. SRSO through representatives of community institutions (CIs) and staff are responding COVID-19 emergency within its outreach areas through Community Savings, Ration and Vegetables Distribution, Linkages Development, Identification of deserving HHs, delivering awareness sessions on precautionary measures to fight COVID-19 and Registration of needy and poor families under the Govt. of Pakistan Ehsaas Emergency Cash Programme. Households and individuals are being supported with Cash, Ration and capitalizing LSO linkages for relief activities in their concerned areas. SRSO well trained human capital is engaged in Government relief activities through identification of deserving beneficiaries, distribution of ration bags, conducting awareness sessions on preventive measures to combat COVID-19

SRSO is also facilitating the Government of Sindh in the identification of deserving families and distribution of food items in most needy households.

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<th>SRSO outreach and scale of response to COVID-19 outbreak</th>
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<td>Number of task-forces/special-committees set up by the divisional, district and tehsil authorities with an active membership of SRSO for coordination and response to COVID-19 outbreak;</td>
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<td>Number of special-committees with an active membership of LSO activists, CRPs and community leader’s set-up by the district and tehsil authorities and other entities for COVID-19 response coordination arrangements;</td>
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<td>SRSO outreach and scale of response to COVID-19 outbreak in Districts</td>
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<td>Number of tehsils</td>
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<td>Number of urban towns and cities</td>
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- **Highlights of the Day-April 14, 2020:**

  The highlights of the day are as under:

  - 69 poorest households were provided ration to respond COVID-19 emergency 2020 through community savings, contribution and local philanthropists in Larkana, and Kashmore @ Kandhkot districts.

  - 386 community members participated in awareness-raising sessions on COVID-19, proper hand-washing and social distancing which were conducted by different community institutions (CIs) in Shikarpur, Mirpurkhas, Jacobabad, Naushoro Feroz, Larkana, Umerkot and Ghotki districts.
• 35 preventing items like; soaps were distributed among community members and Ehsaas Cash Distribution Staff in Shaikarpur District.

• 3117 needy families have been facilitated into the registration process under the Govt. of Pakistan Ehsaas Emergency Cash Programme – in Badin, Mirpurkhas, Shikarpur, Kashmore @ Kandhkot and Thatta districts.

Details of Response to COVID-19 Emergency Interventions
There is brief description of Community Institutions’ initiatives undertaken for food drive to poorest HHS, community awareness, preventing items distribution, Ehsaas Cash Programme registration and coordination & engagement with district administration and other stakeholders to respond COVID-19 Emergency 2020:

• Community Institutions’ Food Drive for Poorest HHS to respond COVID-19 Emergency 2020:

  • Leaders of VO Hyder Brohi, LSO Sojhro, (Mashori Sharif) taluka Bakrani, district Larkana contacted with a Philanthropist of the village Mr. Khan Muhammad Brohi, and requested him for the support of poor households, who’s earning has been stopped due to lock down against Covid-19. He agreed for support and distributed ration among 30 poor households.

  • Another community person Mr. Nazir Ahmed who is a primary teacher also contacted with VO leaders and distributed ration among 17 households.

• EU funded PINS Larkana team visited different Farmer field Schools (FFSs) of VO Kajalpur, VO Ishaq Kuharo, VO Haji Khuda Bux, VO Qalandrabad in Taluka Bakrani and VO Wakro of Taluka Dokri where Agriculture Entrepreneurs (AEs) were busy in FFS session and working at FFS Demo Plot. At present, they are growing seasonal vegetables: Lady Finger, Tomato, Brinjal, Bitter Gourd, Sponge Gourd, Onion, Coriander and Cucubits at FFS. During visit, AEs also distributed the fresh vegetables of the demo plots among poor HHSs and team briefed about the safety measures of COVID-19.
LSOs of district Larkana are not only providing support to the poor people of its own Union Councils, but they are working in other union councils with their counterpart LSOs regarding to fulfillment of needs of poor households in current COVID-19 emergency situation. LSO Maseeha, UC Mahota, has provided ration to 2 households of LSO Joot, UC Jumo Agham and 3 households of LSO Sehkar, UC Lund during lockdown situation.

The community institution of District Kashmore@ Kandhkot. LSO Janat, UC Suhlyani, VO Mevo Khoso has mobilized and motivated non-poor households of the community and collected amounts. Rs. 7,500. They purchased ration items like; Atta, Oil, Rice, and Soap from the donation and distributed ration among 7 very poor families.

**Community Institutions’ Awareness on COVID-19, Handwashing and Social Distancing:**

- Coronavirus awareness sessions were conducted in 06 villages of District Jacobabad. These sessions were attended by 66 community members and PSI project team Jacobabad conducted these sessions.

- The community awareness sessions on use face mask, social-distancing and hand-washing regarding to self-protection from Corona virus at VO Jahnoro 10, Kharoro Syed 32, Rana jagir : 60, Aditio water : 45, Marohar: 55 and Rajari : 15

- In District Shikapur, 10 Community awareness sessions were conducted with 6 village organizaitons by CRPs and CHWs. District Shikarpur updates
A community institution V. O Ratno, LSO Sindh Amarr, UC Hadi Bux Dhonkai, District Mirpurkhas conducted session on social distancing with community members at village Bhagat. This session was attened by 6 women and faciliated by VO president.

The community institution V. O Santosh, LSO Shiv Shankar UC Mir Ali Bux Talpur conducted an awareness session on hand wash and precautions from COVID 19 Situation at village Ghous Bux. This session was attended by 7 community members.

District Team Larkana conducted awareness sessions regarding to social distancing, handwashing and usage of face masks to prevent COVID-19 during their visit of different village organizations (VOs) and Farmer Field Schools (FFSs).
• SRSO teams delivered awareness sessions on #COVID19 & its precautionary measures to sensitize rural communities of UC Dangeja and Manahi in district #Naushehroferoze and stressed on importance of hand washing & social distancing in avoiding the spread of #CoronavirusPandemic.

• Distribuition Preventing Items (Masks, Soaps and Sanitilizers) for Combating Coronavirus (COVID-19):
  - 35 Soaps were distributed to poor households (HHs) by Local Support Organizaiton LSO) in District Shikapur.

• Facilitation to Communities in EHSAA Cash Emergency Programme Registration:
  - 189 deserving HHs from Ghotki, 2419 HHs from Badin, 202HHs Umerkot, 130HHs Thatta, 180HHs Kashmore @ Kandhkit, 315 HHs Mirpurkhas and 99 HHs Shaikarpur districts have been facilitated in registration process under the Govt. of Pakistan Ehsas Emergency Cash Programme.

• Coordination & Engagement with Govt. Authorities and Stakeholders to Response COVID-19 Emergency
  - Executive body of LSO Anmol Itehad, union council Dingano Mahesar, taluka Sijawal District Kamber Shahdadkot conducted meeting with Mr. Bisharat Mahoto, Assistant commissioner Taluka Sijawal. LSO president Shamshad Begum shared relief activities of LSO and requested AC for ration distribution in remaining poor HHs of their Union council. Nomination sheets of different VOs were submitted at AC office for registration in Ehsas programme.
• Deputy Commissioner Khairpur notified the support of LSO volunteers/SRSO staff for ensuring the social distance during the Ehsaas Cash distribution at centers.

• SRSO- Kashmore Team participated in the meeting at Mukhtiar Office Kashmore regarding to distribute the ration bags under Govt.Sindh in the rural UCs and get list of poor HHs from the community institutions.

• LSO Sindhri UC Tangwani, District Kashmore@ Kandhlot members supported to beneficiaries and administration at Tangwani center in getting amount PKR 12k under EHSAAS Cash program.

• The ration was distributed by GoS District Administration Kashmore @ Kandhlot to needy families of UC Noorpur through LSO Bukhari at VO Sijwal Chachar District Kashmore @ Kandhkot. This ration was distributed among 67 daily wages HHs regarding to COVID-19 Emergency.
Pictorial Highlights: April 14, 2020:

- LSO Rooh Rehan UC Lakh District Shaikarpur at BISP Center Lakh
- LSO Sindhri UC Tangwani members at Tangwani Ehsaas center
- LSO Bukhari District Kashmore @ Kandhkot supports in Ration

VO is supporting to community in Ehsaas registration-Kashmore district
Handwashing during community awareness session at Mirpurkhas district by LSO

DC-Khairpur Letter for Volunteer services of SRSO at Ehsaas Cash Distribuvin

Hand-washing Session @ Jacobaba d

Fresh Vegetables Distribution by FFS District Larkana
Community Session at District Shikapur

Community Session at District Jacobabad

LSO Meeting with AC Sijwal District Kamber-Shahdadkot

LSO Volunteer during Ehsass Cash Distribution at Shikapur District

Social Distance Session by VO at District Mirpurkhas

Ration distribution @ District Kashmore@ Kandhkot by LSO Janat, UC Suhliyani VO Mevo Khoso

Coomuity Awareness Session with male community members in District Jacobabad