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ACRONYMS

LPP	Lodhran Pilot Project
CSR	Corporate social responsibility
BRAVE	Building Resilience and Addressing Vulnerability to Emergencies
FCDO	Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office
WASH	Water, sanitation, and hygiene
CFS	Child friendly space
CDDP	Community dairy development
DRR&M	Disaster risk reduction and management
CWW	Concern worldwide
IOM	International organization for migration
UNOCHA	United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs
MHM	Menstrual hygiene management
VAWC	Violence Against Women Centre
PSDF	Punjab Skills Development Fund
BSWFP	Bio Sand Water Filtration Plant
RO	Reverse Osmosis
VO	Village Organization
BBCM	Broad-based Community Meeting
LHW	Lady Health Worker
RNA	Rapid Need Assessment
KII	Key Informant Interview
FGD	Focus Group Discussion
NFI	Nonfood Item
UC	Union Council
SDG	Sustainable Development Goals
SDC	Southern Development Consortium
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
NVQS	National, Vocational Quality Standards
CBTA	Competency-based Training, and Assessment

MESSAGE FROM THE CEO

The year 2025 has been a period of significant achievement and strategic advancement for LPP. Across LPP's thematic priorities spanning health, climate resilience, WASH, Education, youth development, social cohesion, and institutional strengthening, we have expanded the reach and depth of our interventions, positively impacting tens of thousands of families and communities. At the same time, Pakistan experienced severe climate-induced challenges, including catastrophic floods and cloudbursts in KP, Punjab, and other regions, highlighting the urgency of building resilient, inclusive, and adaptive communities. These dual realities of achievement and adversity have reinforced our commitment to evidence-based, community-centered, and sustainable programming.

In the past year, LPP has advanced its mission through multi-dimensional interventions. In health and nutrition, we strengthened community access to essential services and awareness campaigns, while our climate-focused initiatives. We have promoted social cohesion by fostering inclusive participation, particularly among women, marginalized groups, and youth, and have empowered young people through education, vocational training, leadership programs, sports and co-curricular activities. Additionally, our organizational and institutional strengthening efforts, alongside awareness campaigns on gender, women empowerment, climate, and civic engagement, have ensured that programs are delivered efficiently, equitably, and sustainably.

These accomplishments would not have been possible without the dedication of our staff, the resilience of the communities we serve, and the steadfast support of our partners and donors. As we look to 2026, LPP remains committed to scaling innovative solutions, deepening impact, and ensuring that every intervention strengthens community resilience, fosters equitable opportunity, and promotes inclusive development. Together, we continue to build a Pakistan that is resilient, empowered, and full of promise.

Dr. Muhammad Abdul Saboor
Chief Executive Officer

Highlights of the year

Activities, Achievements, and Performance

The year 2025 marked a significant phase of institutional growth, resilience, and sustained community impact for Lodhran Pilot Project (LPP). During this period, LPP directly reached 220,098 beneficiaries including men, women, children, and persons with disabilities through integrated development programming, climate resilience initiatives, and targeted humanitarian interventions. LPP managed a financial portfolio amounting to PKR 427.41 million, reflecting both its operational scale and its strengthened capacity to deliver inclusive and accountable programming. Across multiple districts, LPP strengthened local institutions, promoted gender equality, and empowered youth through career counseling, personality development, and technical training.

Our programs placed inclusion and protection at the center, ensuring that all initiatives adhered to Do No Harm and safeguarding principles while prioritizing marginalized and at-risk communities. In response to urgent health needs, LPP organized free eye camps and limb support initiatives, restoring mobility, dignity, and access to essential care for vulnerable populations who would otherwise remain underserved. Despite recurrent floods and mounting socio-economic pressures, we strengthened strategic partnerships, enhanced program quality, mobilized local networks, and delivered timely, evidence-based responses. These efforts not only expanded our outreach but deepened our impact advancing sustainable, community-led solutions rooted in resilience, equity, and social justice.

Building on this momentum, LPP undertook a comprehensive strategic review to define its direction for the next three to five years, positioning the organization to respond proactively to evolving environmental, social, and economic challenges while accelerating inclusive and transformative development outcomes.

Navigating a National Crisis- Monsoon Flood Emergency 2025

The year 2025 stood as a testament to Pakistan's extreme climate vulnerability. The nation endured a volatile cycle of unprecedented heatwaves and prolonged droughts, followed by catastrophic cloudbursts and monsoon flooding. By late September, the crisis had impacted 6.9 million people, including 4.7 million in Punjab and 1.6 million in KP. With over 1,000 lives lost and 3 million individuals displaced, the scale of the disaster required an immediate and sophisticated humanitarian intervention.

Lodhran Pilot Project (LPP) demonstrated strong humanitarian leadership by delivering timely flood response and early recovery assistance across South Punjab and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. Through



corporate social responsibility (CSR) funding and in partnership with Concern Worldwide (CWW), LPP implemented multiple emergency interventions, including the LPP Flood Response (August–November 2025) and BRAVE projects (September 2025–February 2026), targeting flood-affected populations in Lodhran, Bahawalnagar, Multan, Bahawalpur, and selected districts of KPK. These interventions were designed to address immediate survival needs while preserving dignity and supporting early recovery in communities affected by repeated climate shocks.



The availability of verified, location-specific and gender-disaggregated beneficiary data reflects the robustness of LPP’s MEAL systems and accountability mechanisms. Equitable outreach to women, men, and vulnerable groups including female-headed households, persons with disabilities, minority groups, chronically ill individuals, and displaced families remained a core priority across all interventions.

Beyond numbers, LPP’s response yielded tangible improvements in household food security, safety, and dignity. For families who had lost homes, livelihoods, livestock, and stored food, relief assistance acted as a critical bridge allowing breadwinners to resume work, caregivers to prioritize health needs, and households to begin rebuilding before winter. During the year, 16 human-interest success stories were documented and shared with donors and stakeholders, amplifying community voices and highlighting the human face of climate-induced disasters. These narratives underscore a consistent message: timely, transparent, and dignified assistance can restore hope, reduce negative coping strategies, and enable affected communities to take their first steps toward recovery.

Infrastructure Repair: Restoring breached dykes and damaged roads to regain access to cut-off areas.



Child Friendly Space (CFS) in Government Camps

In coordination with the District Government, LPP established a Child Friendly Space (CFS) within the officially notified relief camp, Multan to ensure the safety, protection, and psychosocial well-being of children affected by emergencies. The CFS was designed as a safe, inclusive, and structured environment where children could engage in supervised recreational and learning activities while being protected from exploitation, abuse, and neglect.

Through age-appropriate games, group activities, and informal learning sessions, the Child Friendly Space helped children cope with stress and trauma associated with displacement and

Child-Friendly Spaces (CFS) to provide psychological safety for women and children.



crisis situations. LPP staff and volunteers ensured that child safeguarding standards were strictly followed, creating a protective environment that promoted emotional stability, routine, and a sense of normalcy. The initiative also enabled parents and caregivers particularly women to access relief services with greater ease, knowing their children were in a secure space.

This intervention significantly contributed to child protection, psychosocial support, and community resilience during the emergency response phase.

Health, Hygiene & Psychosocial Awareness

Alongside protection-focused interventions, LPP conducted health and hygiene awareness sessions in targeted and affected areas to promote overall well-being among vulnerable communities. Special emphasis was placed on pregnant and lactating women, ensuring they received accurate information and practical guidance on personal hygiene, nutrition, maternal health, and disease prevention during emergency and post-emergency conditions. The sessions covered key topics such as Personal and household hygiene, menstrual hygiene management, safe water use and sanitation.



Distribution of hygiene and Menstrual Hygiene Management (MHM) kits and the installation of specialized latrines.

Advancing Socio-Economic Resilience of Marginalized Youth

During the reporting year, LPP, in partnership with Welthungerhilfe, successfully concluded the three-year BMZ TREE Project. The project reaffirmed key learnings market-driven skills training, institutional alignment, inclusive infrastructure, and planned exit strategies are critical to building sustainable youth resilience.

The initiative trained 1,334 marginalized youth (including women, transgender persons, minorities, and persons with disabilities) across 27+ trades. A tracer study found that 93.6% experienced economic uplift, with many particularly women sole earners securing sustainable livelihoods. The project also reached 9,338 indirect beneficiaries and oriented 27,366 community members, leading to 175 additional youth enrolling in programs of the Technical Education and Vocational Training Authority Punjab.



Institutionally, Provincial TEVTA Punjab, five TEVTA institutes, and three private providers adopted national, vocational quality standards (NVQS), with 46% curricula transitioned to the competency-based training assessment (CBTA) model. Barrier-free facilities and the capacity building of 10 partner CSOs ensured

inclusive access and sustainability beyond project completion.

Building Local Capacity for Resilient Communities

During the reporting year, LPP implemented *Empowering Masses, Bolster Resilience to Adequately Counter Extremism (EMBRACE)*, *USAID Subh-e-Nau Local Works Program* to strengthen social cohesion, promote gender equality, and advance inclusive, community-led development in Multan, Lodhran, and Bahawalpur. Despite the project's early termination, substantial progress was made in institutional and community-level capacity, laying a foundation for localized, adaptive, and youth-centered peacebuilding initiatives.



Key milestones achieved included the development of the Annual Implementation Plan, Project Implementation Manual, AMEL Plan, and initial community mobilization sessions, along with preparatory work for the Training Needs Assessment.

A central achievement was institutional capacity strengthening of local organizations. Pre-award assessments of consortium partners Signify Consulting, Pelican Development

Organization, and the Centre for Public Policy and Governance identified capacity gaps and compliance needs, which were systematically addressed through sub-award agreements. This process enhanced organizational readiness, promoted USAID's localization agenda, and ensured long-term capacity-building aligned with standards for accountability and effective collaboration. At the community level, 16 dialogue sessions, 2 consultative workshops with 34 CSOs, and 31 key informant interviews engaged 251 participants to inform the Training Needs Assessment and enhance evidence-based programming. Complementary initiatives promoted gender empowerment, youth development, and social inclusion, including 4 awareness sessions during the 16 Days of Activism Campaign and a seminar on workplace equity in collaboration with the Women Development Department and Bahauddin Zakariya University, Multan. The project's contextual analysis highlighted the need for sustained, integrated interventions and will guide future locally led peacebuilding programs, ensuring resilience, inclusion, and coordinated youth engagement in South Punjab.

Impacts of Core Programs

Lodhran Pilot Project (LPP) is a community-driven development organization working to improve the quality of life of marginalized communities through integrated interventions in health, WASH, climate resilience, gender equality, livelihoods, youth engagement, and disaster response. Through its Core Program and donor-supported initiatives, LPP continues to demonstrate locally rooted, sustainable solutions aligned with national priorities and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Over the period of last year, LPP reached 14505 beneficiaries directly and 72525 indirectly.

Health, Rehabilitation & Preventive Care Services

Access to affordable and quality healthcare remains a critical challenge for marginalized communities. Across all health-related interventions, the organization directly served 1,171 beneficiaries, including 805 females and 366 males, reflecting a strong focus on women's health while ensuring inclusive access for all community members. These efforts aimed not only to treat medical conditions but also to restore dignity, mobility, and long-term well-being among vulnerable populations.

Free Eye Care Services

Two free eye camps were organized to address preventable blindness and visual impairment in underserved communities. A total of 1,747 patients (839 males and 908 females) were examined through comprehensive screening and diagnostic services. Based on medical assessments, 535 cataract surgeries were successfully conducted, restoring vision and significantly improving beneficiaries' quality of life and economic productivity. Additionally, 560 patients received free spectacles and essential medicines, ensuring continued visual support and post-treatment care.



These interventions directly contributed to reducing avoidable blindness and strengthening functional independence within low-income households.

Prosthetic & Assistive Support Services

To promote mobility, inclusion, and self-reliance among persons with disabilities, one Prosthetic Limbs Camp was conducted during the reporting year. Through this initiative:

- 150 persons with disabilities were provided customized artificial limbs, enabling them to regain mobility and actively participate in social and economic life.
- 20 crutches were distributed to individuals requiring supplementary mobility assistance.



This intervention significantly enhanced independence, dignity, and livelihood opportunities for beneficiaries, reinforcing the organization's inclusive development approach.

Breast Cancer Awareness & Early Detection

Preventive healthcare remained a core priority, particularly for women's health. Under the breast cancer awareness and screening initiative:

- 9 awareness sessions were conducted, reaching 333 women with critical information on early detection, self-examination techniques, and risk factors.



- 153 women were screened at DHQ Lodhran, strengthening access to early diagnostic services.
- 4 early-stage cases were identified and referred for further diagnostics, demonstrating the life-saving potential of timely screening and community awareness.

These efforts helped reduce stigma, promote early health-seeking behavior, and improve access to diagnostic pathways for women.

Gender Equality, Inclusion & Women Empowerment

LPP’s helpline remained a critical protection mechanism for women and marginalized groups. - 63 cases registered and resolved (legal aid, psychosocial support, mediation) - 36 awareness sessions conducted - 1,013 community members sensitized

Cases included custody restoration, domestic violence resolution, and property rights facilitation, in collaboration with VAWC, Social Welfare Department, and Legal Forum.

Women Skill Centers

To advance women’s economic empowerment, LPP established two vocational training centers in Lodhran under its Core Program, providing market-relevant skills to women from marginalized households. During 2025, a total of 51 women were enrolled in structured training programs focusing on stitching, embroidery, and handicrafts, delivered through a practical, hands-on approach aligned with local market demand. The initiative enabled participants to initiate home-based income-generating activities, allowing them to contribute financially while balancing household responsibilities. As a result, several graduates are now earning up to PKR 10,000 per month, leading to improved household income, enhanced self-confidence, and greater economic participation of women. This intervention reflects LPP’s continued commitment to inclusive livelihoods and sustainable women-led economic development.



Empowering Rural Women Through Digital Skills

In 2025, LPP strengthened its role as a technical and mobilization partner with the Punjab Skills Development Fund (PSDF) for the flagship initiative, “Mein Digital – Empowering Rural Women”, under the Chief Minister’s Hunarmand Naujawan program. During the year, LPP mobilized and enrolled eligible rural women, ensuring broad outreach across target districts, raised awareness



about digital freelancing opportunities, and facilitated their participation in six months of online training.

Participants received a monthly stipend of PKR 5,000 and a PKR 7,000 device/internet allowance, enabling them to gain digital skills, pursue freelancing, and achieve financial independence. Through these efforts, LPP contributed to enhancing digital literacy, fostering economic empowerment, and promoting inclusive opportunities for rural women.

As a result of the training and support, five online businesses were launched, spanning e-commerce, handmade products, and service-based ventures. Through these efforts, LPP not only enhanced digital literacy but also fostered entrepreneurship and inclusive economic opportunities for rural women, promoting sustainable livelihoods and empowerment.

Education & Sponsorship Program

In 2025, LPP launched its Education & Sponsorship Program, a strategic initiative designed to support marginalized youth in accessing education, skills development, and sustainable career pathways. The program aims to reduce financial and social barriers that prevent vulnerable young people from completing their education and transitioning into dignified livelihoods.

During its initial phase, 11 beneficiaries were supported through tailored sponsorship packages covering educational expenses, technical training enrollment, and career-building assistance. The initiative particularly prioritized youth facing compounded vulnerabilities, including children with disabilities and orphaned girls.

Under this program:

- Children with disabilities were enrolled in technical education streams to enhance employability and independence.
- Orphan girls received vocational toolkits and small business start-up assistance to enable income generation and self-reliance.

This initiative marks the foundation of a scalable model that LPP intends to expand in the coming years, mobilizing additional partnerships and resources to reach a greater number of marginalized youths. By investing in education and skills today, LPP is building pathways for resilience, dignity, and sustainable futures.

Water, Sanitation & Hygiene (WASH)

LPP's WASH interventions focused on infrastructure sustainability and behavior change.

- 944 water points handed over to communities
- 10 RO plants installed/rehabilitated across four districts
- Safe drinking water access improved for 5,700 people



Community Institutions

- 10 Social Organizations formed through participatory processes
- 5 capacity-building sessions conducted

School WASH Clubs

- 10 school WASH clubs formed
- 700 students sensitized on hygiene practices
- Handwashing kits provided in government schools



Urban Forestry & Green Spaces

- Urban forest expanded to 24 acres at Chak 100/M
- 10 exposure visits conducted
- Initiative appreciated by district administration and visiting delegations



Nursery & Plantation

- 600,000 saplings distributed
- 40,000 mixed plants planted
- 70,000 new saplings propagated

Community Dairy Development Program (CDDP)

- 300 farmers trained on animal health and nutrition
- Seasonal vaccination of 8,000 animals (with Livestock Department)



Kitchen Gardening

- 55 households supported with toolkits
- Average savings of PKR 10,000/month per household

Youth Engagement through Sports

In 2025, Lodhran Pilot Project (LPP) actively promoted youth engagement through sports, focusing on empowering female athletes. A total of 36 young women received training in cricket, football, badminton, basketball, and volleyball. As a result of this targeted development, several athletes were selected to represent their divisions and participate at national-level competitions, showcasing their skills and fostering greater visibility for women in sports.

Promoting Social Cohesion, Inclusion, and Behavior Change

Under the AAWAZ-II Programme, LPP is contributing to long-term social transformation by promoting inclusive norms, reducing harmful practices, and strengthening community-level engagement with duty bearers.

Implemented in District Sahiwal (Tehsils Sahiwal and Chichawatni-24 villages) and District Bahawalnagar (Tehsil Chishtian-36 villages), the project focuses on addressing child marriage, gender-based violence, exploitation, intolerance, and social exclusion, while enhancing access to information, services, and justice mechanisms for marginalized groups.



A central feature of the intervention is the establishment and operationalization of Aawaz Aagahi Centers (AACs), which serve as safe and inclusive community spaces for awareness-raising, dialogue, referrals, and collective action. Through these platforms, communities particularly women, youth, and vulnerable groups are supported to strengthen their knowledge, attitudes, and skills, enabling sustained behavior change and increased civic participation. Strong youth engagement has played a catalytic role in driving community-led initiatives and fostering local ownership of social change processes.

As of December 2025, the project has completed four reporting quarters, reaching 34,188 direct and 102,564 indirect beneficiaries, reflecting a strong community multiplier effect. By building sustainable community fora, strengthening linkages with duty bearers, and promoting tolerance and inclusion, AAWAZ-II continues to reinforce LPP's commitment to participatory governance, social accountability, and rights-based development.

A significant success under the AWAZ II behavior change theme was achieved through a purposeful partnership with a local philanthropist. By engaging in meaningful dialogue, the AWAZ Aaghai Center (AAC) successfully shifted local mindsets toward the needs of the most marginalized groups. This conversation motivated the philanthropist to prioritize people with disabilities (PWDs), resulting in a generous grant of PKR 350,000. This funding is now being used to establish small businesses for three individuals two men and one woman. This milestone not only provides sustainable livelihoods but also highlights how community-led advocacy can foster a more inclusive environment for everyone.

In Village 56 Fateh, Bahawalnagar, 45-year-old Parveen, a proactive Village Forum member, discovered the Aawaz-II program through community visits and dialogues. She tackled deep-rooted customs like the "Thali," which demanded dowries of 3.5-4 million rupees—leaving girls unmarried and emotionally scarred—and the "Piya (Wheel)," which burdened grieving families with lavish mourning expenses. Stepping up as woman focal person, Parveen led Village Forum meetings, raising awareness through educational seminars, collective action plans, and inclusive discussions with families, elders, men, and women. Her husband's support amplified her efforts, fostering consensus to abolish both practices. The community unanimously ended these injustices, easing financial strains and promoting social harmony—a testament to Aawaz-II's power. Despite resistance to age-old traditions, Parveen's patient, inclusive approach proved that family backing and mobilization can drive profound change, inspiring ordinary women to lead extraordinary reform

Networking, and Partnerships for Knowledge

In 2025, LPP's Networking Unit played a strategic role in strengthening collaboration, coordination, and collective action with civil society organizations (CSOs), community-based organizations, academic institutions, donors, INGOs, UN agencies, and government stakeholders. Through structured engagements, alliances, and joint initiatives, LPP positioned itself as a credible convener, knowledge partner, and catalyst for inclusive and local development. LPP held landmark events such as the National Civil Society Convention and issue-based consultations on gender-based violence strengthened solidarity, collective positioning, and coordinated advocacy among civil society actors. LPP



collaborated with academia, media, and development partners to advance research-informed advocacy and public discourse. Co-organizing national and international conferences on women's empowerment, law, and justice enhanced institutional visibility, fostered cross-sector learning, and reinforced LPP's commitment to gender equality, democratic participation, and social justice.

Strategic engagement with universities and research institutions further supported climate resilience, environmental sustainability, and urban forestry initiatives.

Humanitarian Coordination and Emergency Response

During flood emergencies in 2025, LPP leveraged its partnerships with UN agencies and civil society networks to support rapid needs assessments and humanitarian response. Collaboration with UNOCHA, IOM, and SDC partners enabled evidence-based planning and timely delivery of non-food items to flood-affected and returning communities. These efforts demonstrated LPP's capacity to contribute effectively to coordinated humanitarian action and localization agendas.

Future Pathways

LPP undertook a comprehensive strategic review to define its organizational direction for the next three to five years. This process was anchored in an intensive, facilitated workshop that brought together LPP's senior leadership, core team, and external subject-matter experts. The exercise provided a structured space for reflection, learning, and forward planning, enabling the organization to critically assess its progress, institutional capacities, and evolving role within an increasingly complex development landscape. The strategic review was envisioned as a foundational step toward realizing LPP's long-term vision and mission. Through mindful and inclusive discussions, participants examined emerging global, national, and local challenges that shape people's lives and development systems. Particular emphasis was placed on the interconnected risks and opportunities related to environmental degradation, climate change, ecosystem preservation, human well-being, peace and social cohesion, and inclusive socio-economic empowerment.



The process combined organizational self-reflection with external perspectives to ensure relevance and realism. Key thematic priorities, cross-cutting values, and institutional enablers were identified through dialogue, scenario analysis, and collective sense-making. This approach ensured that LPP's future strategy is not only aspirational but also responsive to shifting humanitarian, social, and ecological realities.



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